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McWilliams tapped for superintendent's job

By ROGER CLINE
 Staff Writer

If all goes according to plan, by the end of this month the Big Spring Independent School District will have a new superintendent.

At its special meeting Monday, the Big Spring school board named cur-

rent Assistant Superintendent Jay McWilliams as the sole candidate for the position of superintendent. McWilliams, who has been Assistant Superintendent in Big Spring for two years, will take over the position from Interim Superintendent Johnny Tubb, who has served in the role

since former Superintendent Chris Wigington left for another job with the Bushland, Texas, ISD in November 2017.

The earliest McWilliams would be on the job would be April 24, because the school district is required to wait a minimum of 21 days after naming

a sole candidate for the superintendent's job before that candidate actually begins work.

McWilliams said the school board sought candidates from within the ranks of Big Spring employees.

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The tradition endures

40th annual Coahoma Kindergarten Stick-Horse Rodeo set for Friday



File photos

Pictured above are some of last year's kindergarteners at Coahoma's 2017 Kindergarten Rodeo.

Special to the Herald

What: 40th annual Coahoma Kindergarten Stick-Horse Rodeo
 When: 9 a.m. Friday
 Where: CES competition gym

In 1978, a kindergarten teacher at Coahoma Elementary School (CES) created an event to celebrate the community's rich western heritage and recruited the help of the late Quail Dobbs, a professional rodeo

clown who was inducted into the ProRodeo Hall of Fame inductee in 2002.

That first spark continues to flame today as CES prepares to present the 40th annual Kindergarten Stick-Horse Rodeo at 9 a.m. Friday in the competition gym.

"The Kindergarten Rodeo is more

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A&M Weatherford gets a lot of smoke, not much fire



HERALD photo/Amber Mansfield

Big Spring firefighters and emergency medical services personnel, and Howard County volunteer firefighters responded to a fire at A&M Weatherford Composites on Highway 350 north of Big Spring Wednesday. No injuries were reported, and damage was minimal, said Big Spring Fire Chief Craig Ferguson.

By ROGER CLINE
 Staff Writer

Big Spring firefighters and emergency medical services, and Howard County volunteer firefighters, responded to a fire Wednesday evening at A&M Weatherford Composites at 1409 Texas 350 on the north side of Big Spring.

The fire produced thick smoke billowing from inside the building, but Big Spring Fire Department Chief Craig Ferguson said damage was minimal.

"I know it looked a whole lot worse than what it was," Ferguson said.

"Guys got out there, and it was basically a smaller fire. I'm not even sure what was burning out there. But the guys put it out pretty quickly, and said it just put out a lot of smoke."

Ferguson said there were no injuries as a result of the fire, and he doesn't know of any major damage to the facility.

"Not that I was told, no sir," he said.

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Wiseman receives award at commissioner's meeting



By ROGER CLINE
 Staff Writer

County Judge Kathryn Wiseman received an award at Wednesday's Commissioner's Court meeting for her ongoing education efforts.

Wiseman announced to commissioners and citizens present at the meeting that she had received recognition as a Fellow in the Texas Judicial Academy for the 2018 Spring Judicial Education Session.

The Texas Judicial Academy, a partnership between the Texas Tech University School of Law and the Texas Association of Counties, recognizes judges who attain significant judicial education above that required by state law as Fellows each year.

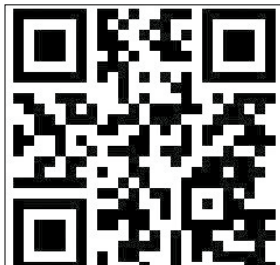
The education program of the Texas Judicial Academy is overseen by the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals and includes instruction

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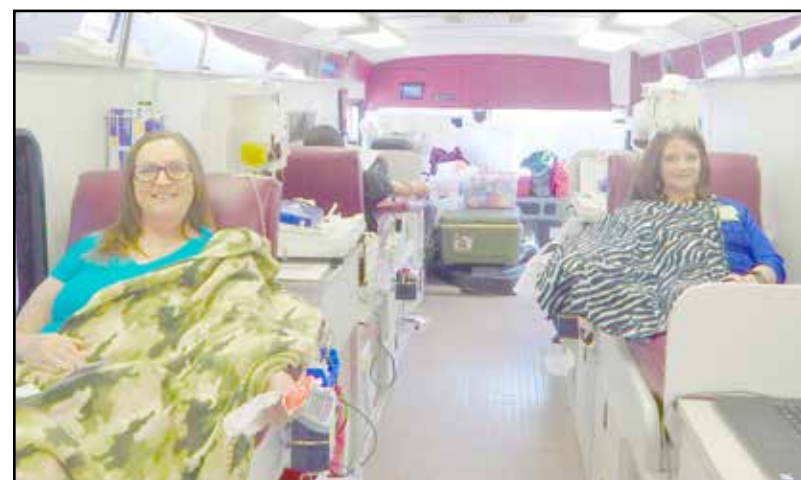
Pictured above is County Judge Kathryn Wiseman with her award at Wednesday's Commissioner's court meeting.

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Obituaries

Dixie Bannister



Dixie Bannister, 74, of Coahoma, died Tuesday, March 27, 2018, at her residence. The family will receive friends from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. Friday, April 6, 2018, at Myers & Smith Chapel. Memorial service will begin at 11 a.m. with Pastor Billy Guy of Full Gospel Fellowship, officiating. Interment will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

Dixie was born April 26, 1943, in Big Spring, Texas, to Georgia Inez Moser Luce and Perry Luce. She grew up in Big Spring but lived most of her adult life in Carlsbad working as a secretary to San Angelo State School. She later returned to Howard County. She loved spending time with her family especially her grandchildren. She

loved dancing, gambling and shopping.

She is survived by two sons, Robert Bannister of Water Valley and Phil Masters of Gatesville; one daughter, Kathy Walker of San Angelo; one brother, Alvin Luce and wife Donell of Big Spring; six grandchildren, Mylie Masters, Christopher Masters, Lacy Masters, Joey Masters, Adam Walker and Christopher Walker; nine great grandchildren, Aryana Masters, Tristen Masters, Caleb Masters, Billy Don Murphy, Layne Masters, Shaylie Masters, Tessa Watkins, Damien Ramos and Andrew Walker.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband Ben Anderson and one son Michael Bull Masters.

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

Paid Obituary

Bonnie Hale Cushing



Bonnie Hale Cushing, 86, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, April 4, 2018, in a local nursing home. Graveside funeral services will be 3 p.m., Friday, April 6, 2018, at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park.

Survivors include a daughter, Toni Morrow and husband, Larry of Odessa; a son, Austin Hale of Big Spring; two grandchildren; several great grandchildren; and a sister and sister-in-law.

She was preceded in death by husbands, Donald R. Hale and J. B. Cushing; her parents; two brothers and a sister.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com.

Police, Sheriff reports

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **TIFFANY JO BAKLEY**, 19, of 2603 Ann Dr., was arrested on a warrant of another agency.

- **SANTIAGO GARCIA MARTINEZ**, 21, of 4145 5th Ave., was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

- **MICHAEL ANGELO GARZA**, 29, of 603 S Alysford, was arrested on a warrant of criminal mischief in between \$100 to \$750.

- **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported on Hwy 350 and I/20, on 7th and Willia, and in the 2107 S Gregg St.

- **THEFT** was reported in the 100 block of E FM 700.

- **THEFT OF FIREARM** was reported in the 1400 block of Princeton Ave.

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 76 inmates at the time of this report.

- **TIFANY JO BAKLEY**, 19, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant of theft of property in between \$750 to \$2,500.

- **SANTIAGO GARCIA**, 21, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

- **MICHAEL ANGELO GARZA**, 29, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant of criminal mischief in between \$100 to \$750.

- **SERGIO GARZA**, 20, was arrested by DPS on charges of driving under influence minot, possession of alcohol by a minor.

- **CHRISTOPHER ISAIHA HINOJOS**, 19, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant of parole violation, no driver's license when unlicensed, defective head lamps, and six counts of FTA.

Take Note

- A Public Forum will held at the Big Spring Comanche Trail Amphitheater May 1, 2018. There will be a discussion of revamping the amphitheater, with hopes that upgrades will be made to the theatre while still maintaining the historical aspect of the theatre. If interested in being a co-operate sponsor to offer feed back be at the amphitheater at 6 p.m. May 1st.

- The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is hosting an Indexing Discovery Day open to both members and the community on 29 April at 11:10 a.m. to noon and 3:10 p.m. to 4 p.m. at their Abilene church building, located at 3325 N. 12th St free of charge and open to the public. Walk-ins are welcome. Both novice and expert family history researchers are invited to attend.

- Legal Aid of North-West Texas, handles legal issues affecting Veterans, Retirees, and their family members. They will have clinics that provides volunteer attorneys that will provide free legal advice

(up to 25 minutes depending on the issue). A pron bono attorney may be assigned to handle some cases that include: bankruptcy, consumer issues/contract, child supper and custody, divorce, employment, foreclosure, housing, landlord/tenant, probate and guardianship, real estate, social security/SSI, Veterans benefits/issues, wills and estate planning. The Clinic dates are on May 24, Aug. 23, Nov. 1 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Northside Community Center on 110 N.E 8th St. Applicants must be financially eligible to obtain services. Please bring a copy of your DD215 and/or Veterans ID card. Appointments are required. For more information or to make an appointment, please contact Pete Fierro at 432-332-1207, ext. 4511.

- The Howard County Democrats meet the second and fourth Mondays of each month, at 5:30 p.m. in the Howard College Library.

- The Howard County Fair Board thanks all those who are working on a square for the 2018 quilt. There are

still a few squares left to be done; anyone able to help by stitching a square may pick one up at the Heritage Museum during regular hours Tuesday through Saturday. For questions or for more information, please contact Suzanne Markwell at 214-256-1674.

- Scholarship packets for Coahoma High School seniors are now available at the counselor's office. Thousands of dollars worth scholarships opportunities are available to Coahoma High School students. The deadline to turn in applications for some of the scholarships is fast approaching. If students or parents have any questions or need help filling out any forms, please contact Chandra Brooks at 395-5000 or come by the high school office. Extra scholarship packets are available at front office. Please see Brooks at the high school office for a packet.

- 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.

- 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 David Stives at 432-270-2251.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1400 block of Lincoln. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3700 block of Wasson Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the 1900 block of S Gregg St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 500 block of Lamesa Hwy. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 100 block of E 18th St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Support Groups

THURSDAY

- GriefShare is a Biblical support group that focuses on helping people who are dealing with a loved one's death. Each DVD session features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories, followed by small group discussion about the topics presented (with workbook support). Weekly Feb. 8 through May 10, 6 to 8 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Call Vivian Gordon at 432-466-3583 for more information.

- 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

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RODEO

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than just a cute event - it is very endearing - but it celebrates our rich community traditions from our beginnings until today," said Jennifer Baccari, CES kindergarten teacher. "The elementary has held the Kindergarten Rodeo for 40 years now. It's almost a rite of passage for us. All of us Coahoma kids have fond memories of the rodeo, and we love to watch our children have those similar experiences."

A 1999 Coahoma High School alum, Baccari still cherishes her rodeo stick-horse.

"It's yellow because of the wear and the neck is broken, but I still have it," she said. "I have the ones when my girls went through it."

Over the years as the event continued to grow and evolve, Dobbs recruited some well-known rodeo professionals to make an appearance. Even after his death in 2014, his friends continue to participate.

On Friday, the 2017 Miss Rodeo Texas, Tianti Carter, and Miss Rodeo Texas Princess, Bailey Wright, will be participating in the rodeo. Professional rodeo clown, Jim Bob Fellers, returns to help keep those cowboys and cowgirls safe while entertaining the crowd. Fellers brings more than 50 years of professional experience with him when he performs.

Also returning for another appearance are Ben and Brandi Clements. Ben is a professional rodeo announcer and his sister, Brandi, runs the soundboard.

And no Coahoma Kindergarten Stick-Horse Rodeo would be complete without

an appearance from country western singer Jody Nix, a CHS alum, who performs with the students during the musical interlude.

Nearly 90 kindergartners will participate in the rodeo this year. They have been practicing their events since mid-March and have been working with CES teacher Kira Landin since February on the music. This year the rodeo "stock" or sticks for the horses were donated Higginbotham Bartlett Co.

Although the rodeo is a cute event for the parents and community, the activity has a teachable purpose, Baccari said.

"You have to follow directions," she said. "It helps develop fine and gross motor skills, listening skills, and we talk about our community and traditions."

With several areas to oversee, Baccari admitted the rodeo is time consuming on the teachers.

"It's a lot of work, but it's totally worth it to see the smile on their faces," she said. "I can tell you every event I did. I can tell you what I wore that day just because it is such a great memory and Quail made it that way."

AWARD

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by higher court judges, law school faculty as well as representatives of the Texas Probate College and the National Judicial College.

In other business, commissioners heard a request from Emergency Chaplain Services Director Joel Miller for county recognition of Volunteer Fire Department Chief Tommy Sullivan's many years of service to the county. Miller suggested naming the county's volunteer fire stations after Sullivan. The item was not specifically on the agenda. Judge Wiseman said she thought honoring Sullivan is a good idea, and promised that the court would revisit the matter in the near future.

Commissioners also:

- Adopted a countywide burn ban, starting immediately, and running for 90 days. Commissioner Jimmie Long remarked that the ban would expire on July 4, and said that if conditions require it, the court could extend the ban for the remaining hours of July 4 for safety purposes.

- Discussed approval of a radio contract with the city of Big Spring. The court had made some changes to the proposed contract at a previous meeting, and at this meeting, County Attorney Josh Hamby presented addition changes to the wording of the document. The issue was tabled until the city has a chance to look over the proposed changes.

- Approved a list of items from various county departments to be put up for auction. County Road Engineer Brian Klinksiek presented the list. He said many of the items had been approved for auction in the past, but it had been some time since that approval for many of the items, and he wanted to get the approval updated. Counties are required to offer items for auction before selling them outright for scrap or other purposes, said Klinksiek.

The next Howard County Commissioner's Court meeting will be April 18.

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Jesse R. Crane, Jr., 85, of Sand Springs, died Monday, April 2, 2018, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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JOB

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"They opened it up internally to begin with, because they felt there were internal candidates that were qualified that they wanted to look at," he said. "So anyone at Big Spring ISD could have applied, and there were two of us. But you had to apply. Whether you worked here or not, even though we did, they asked for a full resume, they asked for an application, and believe me, they did their homework. So that's how it works."

McWilliams is a veteran of public education with 35 years as either a teacher, coach, or administrator.

"I'm finishing my second year as the assistant superintendent here in Big Spring. I've got 35 total years in education," he said. "Eight years of experience as a high school principal, 14 years' experience as an athletic director. So, I have 22 years - 14 plus eight - of being over a large group of people, whether it be athletic director or principal, before I took the assistant superintendent job; and now I'm moving into this role. Obviously, I started off like most people: I was a teacher and a coach, because I wanted to coach as well.

Starting off at the junior high level, McWilliams eventually moved up to high school and some head coach and athletic director positions.

"I had my master's and knew I eventually wanted to move into administration. That worked out," he said. "Of course, I had completed my superintendency (education and certification) several years ago in case that opportunity ever came about. Two years ago in May, Mr. Wigington called and we started talking and the next thing you know, I ended up in Big Spring, Texas."

McWilliams said he attended Andrews schools from fifth grade through graduation in 1979.

"Most of my jobs have been in West Texas. The furthest east that I ever worked was a town called Granbury," he added. "Granbury is about 30 miles outside of the Fort Worth area. Spent about four years there as a football coach, basketball, teacher... we loved it there. In fact, from that point, I got my first head coaching job at a town called Harper, in the Hill Country by Kerrville and Fredericksburg. Those two places are the furthest east that I've been. If you look at my resume, everything else is what I'd consider West Texas."

McWilliams will be inheriting a few problems along with his new job; not the least of which is Washington and Goliad elementary schools having been on the Texas Education Agency's "Improvement Required" list for more than six years, leading to a "must pass" situation to avoid corrective action from TEA, which could include closure or direct state management of the schools.

Despite the stakes, McWilliams said he's optimistic about the situation.

"As a district, since the last year or so, we have put in place some changes that I feel are going to be highly beneficial when we get our test results back in June," he said. "I think that started, without a doubt, when the board approved our idea of the reconfiguration of the elementary schools. I don't think that there's any doubt that that is already paying dividends. By us having a separate third grade campus, a separate fourth grade campus, two K-1-2s, the feedback that we're getting from the teachers, the data that we're receiving from our latest benchmark tests, are very exciting. Now, are they where we want to be when we take the test in May? Of course not. Are they higher than they were at this point last year? Yes."

McWilliams said he's hopeful both schools will escape the IR list with this round of testing.

"Our thought is, we're going to get out. Both schools are going to get out. We're going to move on, and we're going to be even better the next year," he said. "You also have to keep in the back of your mind, 'What if one doesn't, or both don't?' You have to have that other plan, because TEA requires that you have that plan of action. We have got a few plans already that we have discussed publicly, and our teachers are aware. Right now, we've got a few more questions for TEA. I don't want to go into the details on that, but we are waiting on responses, and they promised we'll be getting that hopefully by the end of the week. Then we can put that in the equation, like, 'What if we don't meet standard?' This is what we will do. But I do feel very good about the direction we're going. I feel good about the people we have in place, and I feel like we're doing a lot of great things here at Big Spring ISD. Making those last three statements, if I didn't believe that, I wouldn't have even put my hat in the ring for this job."

McWilliams sees the new job as a great opportunity, he said.

"I think you always, if you're looking at a job like this, you go in with the thought in your mind, 'Ok, if I do get this job, I do have some things I want to do.' You have to do that, you can't wait until you get it," he said. "I do have some ideas. I don't want to go into a lot of detail. But as far as visions for this district, I think there's always room to improve. I feel truly blessed to be given this opportunity, and I feel very fortunate to not only live in Big Spring, in this outstanding community, but also to have the chance to lead this amazing school district. That's the way I feel about it. I'm all in to Big Spring ISD, and I want to do the best job I can for every child and employee in this district."

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Lawyer convicted of sex with clients in return for services

FLORESVILLE, Texas (AP) — A Texas jury has found a San Antonio lawyer guilty of having sex with clients in return for his services.

The Wilson County jury deliberated about four hours in Floresville, Texas, before convicting Mark Henry Benavides on Tuesday of sexual assault and compelling prostitution.

The jury had viewed sex videos Benavides had made of his sessions with female clients. One of rough sex with a client was so graphic, a female juror fainted. The trial's punishment phase is to begin Wednesday morning. Benavides faces up to 99 years in prison, but his attorneys have asked jurors for probation.

The trial was moved from nearby San Antonio after defense attorneys argued pretrial publicity had prejudiced potential jurors.

Bat-killing fungus found in Central Texas

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The fungus that causes white-nose syndrome, a disease deadly to hibernating bats, has been found for the first time in Central Texas.

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department revealed Wednesday that the fungus has been detected this year in four new counties, including Blanco and Kendall counties in Central Texas. The fungus was detected on cave bats, tri-colored bats, Townsend's big-eared bats and a single Mexican free-tailed bat.

That brings to 10 the number of Texas counties where the fungus has been detected. Eight are in the Texas Panhandle.

No cases of the disease were found in those counties, but millions of bats have succumbed to the disease in the eastern United States.

Texas pastor arrested for failing to report sexual assault

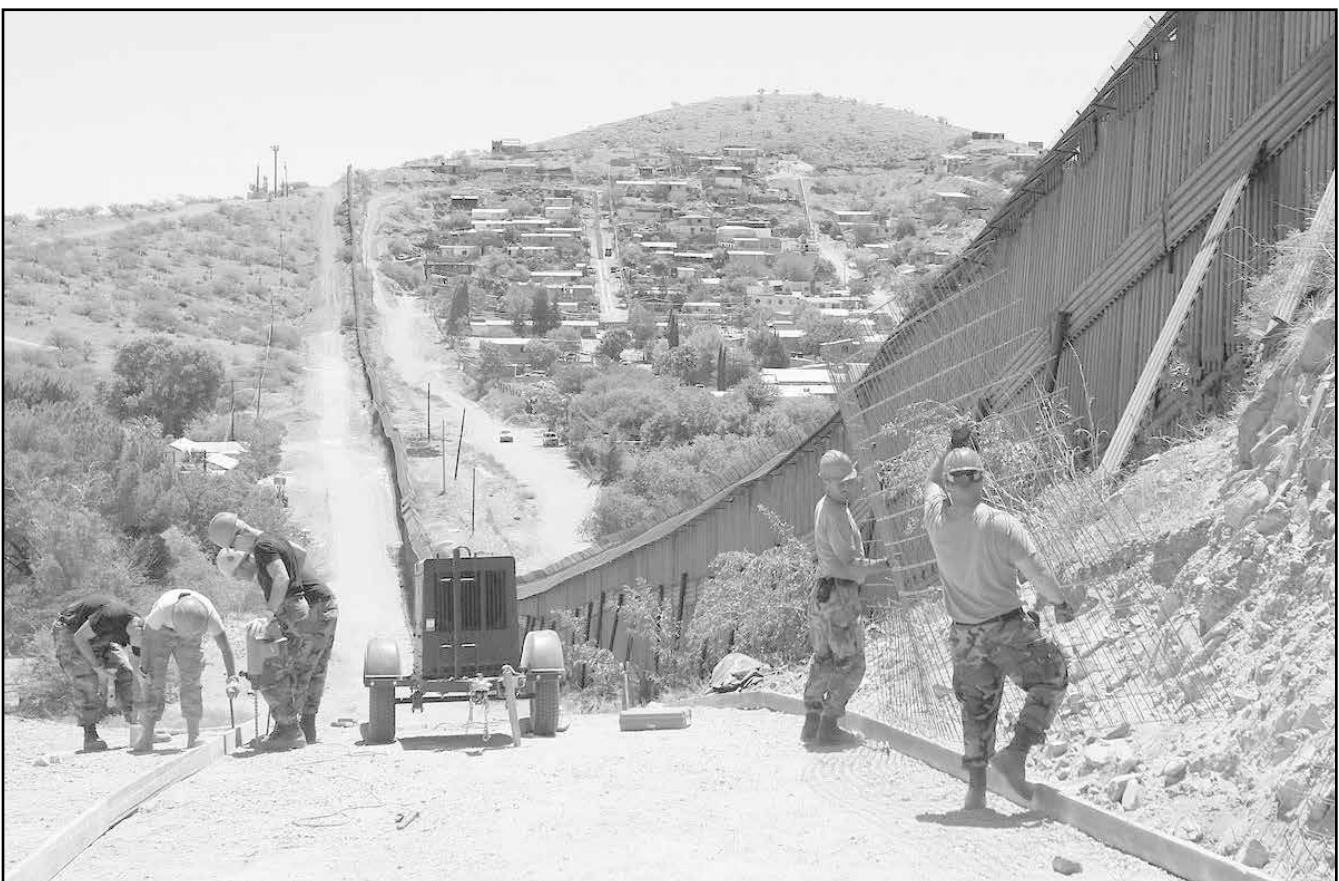
MESQUITE, Texas (AP) — A Texas pastor has been arrested for failing to immediately report an assistant youth pastor accused of sexually assaulting a teenage girl.

The Mesquite Police Department says that Robert Ross, the lead pastor of Open Door Baptist Church, was charged Tuesday with a misdemeanor for failing to promptly report Steven Winn after learning of the sexual assault. The victim had been a student at the church's school in Mesquite, just 15 miles (24 kilometers) east of Dallas.

Police say an investigation reveals that 33-year-old Winn had an ongoing sexual relationship with the teenage girl for over 14 months. Winn is charged with sexual assault of a child.

Police say Ross discovered Winn was sexually assaulting the victim on February 1, but failed to report him to a law enforcement agency.

Trump to sign order sending National Guard to Mexican border



In this June 20, 2008 file photo, members of the 200th Red Horse Air National Guard Civil Engineering Squadron from Camp Perry in Ohio, including Tech Sgt. David Hughes, right, and Tech Sgt. William Bunker, second from right, work on building a road at the border in Nogales, Ariz.

By JILL COLVIN and LOLITA C. BALDOR

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump and border-state governors are working to "immediately" deploy the National Guard to the U.S.-Mexico border to fight illegal immigration, with some troops potentially arriving later Wednesday, Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen said.

"The threat is real," Nielsen said at an afternoon briefing, adding that Trump was signing a proclamation to put the deployment into effect. "It's time to act."

The announcement came hours after Trump pledged "strong action today" on immigration and a day after he said he wants to use the military to secure the southern border until his "big, beautiful wall" is erected.

In a tweet early Wednesday, Trump said that "Our Border Laws are very weak" and that Democrats "stand in our way" of new laws. He added, "We will be taking strong action today."

Trump told reporters on Tues-

day that he'd been discussing the idea of using the military at the border with Defense Secretary Jim Mattis.

"We're going to be doing things militarily. Until we can have a wall and proper security, we're going to be guarding our border with the military," Trump said, calling the move a "big step."

Federal law prohibits the use of active-duty service members for law enforcement inside the U.S., unless specifically authorized by Congress. But over the past 12 years, presidents have twice sent National Guard troops to the border to bolster security and assist with surveillance and other support. The White House counsel's office has been working on the idea for several weeks, according to a senior official who spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss internal plans.

Trump has been frustrated by slow action on building a wall along the Mexican border. He's previously suggested using the Pentagon's budget to pay for the wall, arguing it is a national security priority, despite strict rules that prohibit spending that's not

authorized by Congress.

Nielsen said the administration was considering a model similar to a 2006 operation in which President George W. Bush deployed National Guard troops to the southern border, with a focus on assisting U.S. Customs and Border Protection personnel.

"We are anxious to have the support," she said.

Under Operation Jump Start, 6,000 National Guard troops were sent to assist the border patrol with non-law enforcement duties while additional border agents were hired and trained. Over two years, about 29,000 National Guard forces participated as forces rotated in and out. The Guard members were used for surveillance, communications, administrative support, intelligence, analysis and the installation of border security infrastructure.

In addition, President Barack Obama sent about 1,200 National Guard troops to the U.S.-Mexico border in 2010 to beef up efforts against drug smuggling and illegal immigration.

Texas also deployed military forces to its 800-mile (1,290-kilometer) border with Mexico. Former Texas Gov. Rick Perry, now

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Wind gusts cause hangar collapse at Hobby Airport in Houston

HOUSTON (AP) — Strong winds that swept through the Houston area have caused a hangar to collapse at one of the city's airports, damaging planes and scattering debris.

The National Weather Service says gusts of about 80 mph (129 kph) were recorded late Tuesday at Hobby Airport.

Authorities say the wind appears to have caused the hangar at a private terminal to disintegrate. An

airport spokesman, Bill Begley, says the collapse caused millions of dollars of damage. There have been no reports of injuries.

Houston police Lt. Larry Crowson says the hangar is owned by Jet Aviation.

Broadcast images show debris atop at least two planes, with the nose of one aircraft pushed to the ground. Airport officials say up to eight aircraft are damaged, but that no commercial flights are affected.



AP photo

Authorities look over the damage caused by winds at an airplane hangar at William P. Hobby Airport Wednesday, April 4, 2018, in Houston.

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US forces in Syria seen setting up new front-line positions

By SARAH EL DEEB
Associated Press
MANBIJ, Syria — A week ago, there was just a single house where U.S. soldiers had hoisted an American flag on a hill not far from a tense front line in Syria.
On Wednesday, there was a growing fortified position with a perimeter of large sand barriers and barbed wire, a new watch tower and a half-

dozen armored vehicles.
Even as U.S. President Donald Trump spoke of pulling out of Syria "very soon," an Associated Press team saw American forces setting up front-line positions outside the strategic northern town of Manbij, west of the Euphrates River.
The area is the scene of a tense standoff. U.S.-backed Kurdish-led forces who hold

Manbij are facing off against Turkish-backed Syrian fighters.
Turkey has vowed to retake Manbij and other Kurdish-held territory along the Syrian-Turkish border; the U.S. troops stationed here are a key reason why they are holding back.
The U.S.-led coalition in Syria said last week that there were no U.S. bases in the area and that U.S. patrols were not fixed in one place.
In response to an AP query, Pentagon spokesman Eric Pahon said

the coalition cannot discuss specific movements and locations of forces in Syria.
He said that commanders are delegated the authority and the responsibility to position people and resources needed to accomplish the mission and to protect themselves.
"Occasional modifications to force size would therefore be normal," Pahon said in an email.
The AP team, which was escorted by Kurdish fighters, saw that the new U.S. outpost was a work in progress.
A half-dozen armored vehicles sat on opposite sides of the outpost, each with a soldier on watch. A couple of soldiers at one end plowed the ground to lay sandbags, while another group worked

out at the other end. Inside an observation post atop a roof, a soldier scanned the horizon through binoculars. A forklift was parked near some wooden planks, indicating more work remains to be done.
The outpost was clearly visible from a main road, with civilians and a mosque nearby.
A front-line commander in Manbij and a member of the Manbij Military Council, the joint Kurdish-Arab body leading the U.S.-allied forces here, said the post went up a week ago.
"We are 1 kilometer from (the village of) Datat, the front line. There is a new U.S. position constructed here. It

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Judge gives preliminary OK to \$3.5M settlement of IRS case



AP photo

In this May 21, 2013, file photo, tea party activists demonstrate on Fountain Square before marching to the John Weld Peck Federal Building in Cincinnati to protest the Internal Revenue Service's targeting of conservative groups seeking tax-exempt status.

By DAN SEWELL
Associated Press
CINCINNATI — A federal judge Wednesday gave preliminary approval to a \$3.5 million settlement of a lawsuit the IRS over alleged targeting of tea party groups and other conservative organizations.

U.S. District Judge Michael Barrett set a July 10 hearing in Cincinnati on making the settlement final, and scheduled deadlines for claims and objections.
The Justice Department had announced last year that the case had been settled, pending approval of terms.
The lead plaintiff was the California-based Norcal Tea Party Patriots. The case swelled into a class-action suit by hundreds of groups. The court will decide how much each gets after legal costs.
The 2013 lawsuit during the Barack Obama administration was over treatment of conservative groups who said they were singled out for extra IRS scrutiny on tax-exempt status applications.
"These are groups of law-abiding citizens who should have never had their First Amendment rights infringed upon by the IRS," Jenny Beth Martin, president of the Tea Party Patriots umbrella group, said Wednesday. "These are groups that want the government

to be accountable."
The Justice Department declined comment.
Republican President Donald Trump's Justice Department also settled a second lawsuit with an apology from the IRS for the intensive scrutiny of the groups, which argued their constitutional rights were violated when they were singled out based on their political views.
The case hounded Obama's Democratic administration, with some Republicans disappointed there wasn't stronger action taken in the scandal.
The anti-establishment tea party movement preceded Trump's populist, America-first presidential campaign.
Republicans were outraged in 2013 when the IRS admitted the targeting, in part by zeroing in on groups with words such as "tea party" or "patriot" in their names. Many had their applications delayed for months and years. Some were asked improper questions about their donors and even their religious practices, an inspector general's report found.

The Obama Justice Department announced in 2015 that no one at the IRS would be prosecuted. It said investigators found mismanagement, but no evidence that the tax agency had targeted a political group based on its viewpoints or had obstructed justice.
Some Republicans were disappointed when Trump's Justice Department wouldn't reopen the case against Lois Lerner, who had led the IRS office that processes applications for tax-exempt status.

She and much of the agency's leadership resigned or retired over the scandal. The IRS has said it made changes to how tax-exempt status applications are handled.

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Trump's energy secretary, sent 1,000 Texas National Guardsmen to the Rio Grande Valley in 2014 in response to a sharp increase in Central American children crossing the border alone.

Trump met Tuesday with top administration officials, including Mattis, Nielsen and Attorney General Jeff Sessions, to discuss the administration's strategy to address what White House spokeswoman Sarah Huckabee Sanders described as "the growing influx of illegal immigration, drugs and violent gang members from Central America."

In addition to mobilizing the National Guard, Trump and senior officials "agreed on the need to pressure Congress to urgently pass legislation to close legal loopholes exploited by criminal trafficking, narco-terrorist and smuggling organizations," Sanders said.

Trump has been fixated on the issue since he grudgingly signed a spending bill last month that includes far less money for the wall than he'd hoped for.

The \$1.3 trillion package included \$1.6 billion for border wall spending — a fraction of the \$25 billion Trump made a last-minute push to secure. And much of that money can be used only to repair existing segments, not to build new sections.

Trump spent the first months of his presidency bragging about a dramatic drop in illegal border crossings. Indeed, the 2017 fiscal year marked a 45-year low for Border Patrol arrests. But the numbers have been slowly ticking up since last April and are now on par with many months of the Obama administration. Statistics show 36,695 arrests of people trying to cross the southwest border in February 2018, up from 23,555 in the same month of the previous year.

At last week's meeting, Trump "directed a vigorous administrative strategy to confront this threat and protect America's national security," Sanders said. Tuesday's briefing was a follow-up to discuss the plans.









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has been here for seven or eight days here," said the commander, who spoke on condition of anonymity in line with the Kurdish-led force's regulations but goes by the nom de guerre of Ali Manbij.

Previously, the U.S. forces only patrolled the front line and kept one position near Manbij, but now more forces are expected at the new post, the local commander said.

"Before, it was only patrols. Now it is better," he said. "It is to protect the area and to ensure that there is no attack from Turkey or from the mercenaries in the area."

A Kurdish official on the site said more such posts are expected to be built along the more than 50-kilometer front line with Turkey-backed Syrian fighters.

Trump and his national security team are having a contentious debate about the U.S. role in Syria, where the coalition has been fighting the Islamic State militant group since 2014. About 2,000 U.S. troops are in Syria. Manbij was liberated from IS control in 2016 after fierce battles that lasted nearly three months.

Trump told reporters Tuesday that he expects to decide "very quickly" whether to remove the forces, saying their primary mission was to defeat IS.

"We've almost completed that task," he said.

The White House said Wednesday the U.S. military mission in Syria was coming to "a rapid end" but offered no firm timeline for withdrawal.

With allies anxious about a hasty U.S. withdrawal, the Trump administration said it would stay in Syria to finish the job of defeating IS and was committed to eliminating the militants' "small" presence that "our forces have not already eradicated."

"We will continue to consult with our allies and friends regarding future plans," White House press secretary Sarah Sanders said in a brief written statement. "We expect countries in the region and beyond, plus the United Nations, to work toward peace and ensure that IS never comes back."

The head of the U.S.-backed Manbij Military Council noted the conflicting statements from Washington but said the U.S. officials in Syria, including senior military commanders, have said "they will stay in Manbij."

The council official, who spoke on condition of being identified only by his nom de guerre Mohammed Abu Adel in line with regulations, said other coalition forces may take over if the U.S. decides to withdraw.

"The statements from U.S. President Trump may cause concern on the street level. He is a president, after all, saying these things. This causes concern in the street but we hope they stay here," the official told AP. "These statements — we don't know their meaning exactly, but the forces are currently there on the front line."

Oklahoma's Fallin: Striking teachers like teenagers

By SEAN MURPHY

Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY — Oklahoma Gov. Mary Fallin compared teachers striking for more classroom funding to "a teenage kid that wants a better car" as schools throughout the state plan to close for a fourth straight day in a protest over education funding that has spread to several Republican-led states.

Fallin and other Republicans in the Oklahoma Legislature last week broke with the party orthodoxy and endorsed hundreds of millions of dollars in tax increases to fund public schools and give teachers a raise of 15 to 18 percent. But now that's forcing them to walk a fine line in the months before midterm elections between placating constituents who are angry over education cuts and conservative supporters who want a smaller government and low taxes.

They acted after Oklahoma teachers launched their protests, inspired by a nine-day strike in West Virginia, where they won a 5 percent raise. The rebellion also has spread to Kentucky as teachers thronged the state Capitol Monday to protest cuts in pensions. And in Arizona, restive teachers demonstrated again Wednesday, wearing red while walking around Phoenix-area high schools and demanding a 20 percent pay raise.

Oklahoma Republicans have won little praise for approving major tax increases to fund the teachers raises and higher education funding, and Fallin appeared to reflect that frustration.

"Teachers want more, but it's kind of like having a teenage kid that wants a better car," Fallin said in an interview with CBS News.

Some Republicans are expressing support for the teacher rebellion. Three

weeks before a closely watched special election for an open congressional seat in Arizona, Republican hopeful Debbie Lesko is running a TV ad that shows her reading a book to children as she vows to "fix our schools and give our teachers the raise they deserve."

As he runs for a second term, Republican Gov. Doug Ducey in Arizona epitomizes the dilemma for GOP candidates in 2018. He refuses to raise taxes and finds himself on the defensive amid growing frustration with education funding in a state where the budget was decimated during the recession and where he and other leaders have dramatically expanded voucher programs. Teachers have been filling the Capitol to protest a Ducey plan to provide a 2 percent raise for teachers, and they have been joined by the two Democrats trying to unseat him.

The protests also have emboldened teachers across the country to run for office. About two dozen educators or former educators are running for office this year in Kentucky, most of them as Democrats.

For the Democratic Party, which has been losing legislative seats in many of these red states for years, the intensity of the education movement is an opportunity. The Oklahoma Democratic Party set up a tent outside the Capitol during the teacher protests and urged demonstrators to register to vote.

"I think the people who will be held responsible at the end of the day are the people in power," said Party Chairwoman Anna Langthorn. "I think we have a lot of momentum."

Democrats already have made some gains in Oklahoma, winning four seats from Republicans in special elections in the past year, including two teachers elected to office after campaigning on improving school funding. But they are still

deep in the minority in the Legislature.

Recent U.S. history is mixed on whether such grassroots movements can translate into victories at the ballot box. Teachers were at the heart of massive protests at the Wisconsin state Capitol in 2011, fighting a proposal from then-newly elected Republican Gov. Scott Walker. Despite the closure of schools for four days as part of a coordinated sick-out among teachers, the bill that placed severe restrictions on unions passed anyway. An attempted recall of Walker in 2012 led to an even wider margin of victory than he enjoyed in the regular election in 2010.

Kansas is a more encouraging example. After Republicans there approved massive personal income tax cuts beginning in 2012, budget shortfalls put a lid on education funding increases. A backlash against the GOP in 2016 led to the defeat of more than two dozen conservative state lawmakers, and the Legislature last year reversed many of the tax cuts.

Pat McFerron, a Republican strategist and pollster in Oklahoma, said for many GOP incumbents who voted for the tax-hike plan to fund teacher pay raises, their greatest concern is a right-wing primary challenge. Former U.S. Sen. Tom Coburn, a hero of the anti-tax movement, urged citizens to challenge their Republican legislators who voted for the plan.

But Carri Hicks, a fourth-grade math and science teacher in the Oklahoma City suburb of Deer Creek, said she decided to run as a Democrat for a state Senate seat this year in part because of the declines in funding for public schools.

"I want to be a voice for the teachers at the state Capitol," Hicks said, saying the raise for teachers and more money for education was a good first step. "My campaign continues to finish the job."

The center of the Milky Way is teeming with black holes

WASHINGTON (AP) — The center of our galaxy is teeming with black holes, sort of like a Times Square for strange super gravity objects, astronomers discovered.

For decades, scientists theorized that circling in the center of galaxies, including ours, were lots of stellar black holes, collapsed giant stars where the gravity is so strong even light doesn't get out. But they hadn't seen evidence of them in the Milky Way core until now.

Astronomers poring over old x-ray observations have found signs of a dozen black holes in the inner circle of the Milky Way. And since most black holes can't even be spotted that way, they calculate that there are likely thousands of them there. They estimate it could be about 10,000, maybe more, according to a study in Wednesday's journal Nature.

"There's lots of action going on there," said study lead author Chuck Hailey, a Columbia University astrophysicist. "The galactic center is a strange place. That's why people like to study it."

The stellar black holes are in addition to — and essentially circling — the already known supermassive black hole, called Sagittarius A, that's parked at the center of the Milky Way.

In the rest of the massive Milky Way, scientists have only spotted about five dozen black holes so far, Hailey said.

The newly discovered black holes are within about 19.2 trillion miles (30.9 trillion kilometers) of the supermassive black hole at the center. So there's still a lot of empty space and gas amid all those black holes. But if you took the equivalent space around Earth there would be zero black holes, not thousands, Hailey said.

Earth is in spiral arm around 3,000 light years away from the center of the galaxy. (A light year is 5.9 trillion miles, or 9.5 trillion kilometers.)

Harvard astronomer Avi Loeb, who wasn't part of the study, praised the finding as exciting but confirming what scientists had long expected.

The newly confirmed black holes are about 10 times the mass of our sun, as opposed to the central supermassive black hole, which

has the mass of 4 million suns. Also the ones spotted are only the type that are binary, where a black hole has partnered with another star and together they emit large amount of x-rays as the star's outer layer is sucked into the black hole. Those x-rays are what astronomers observe.

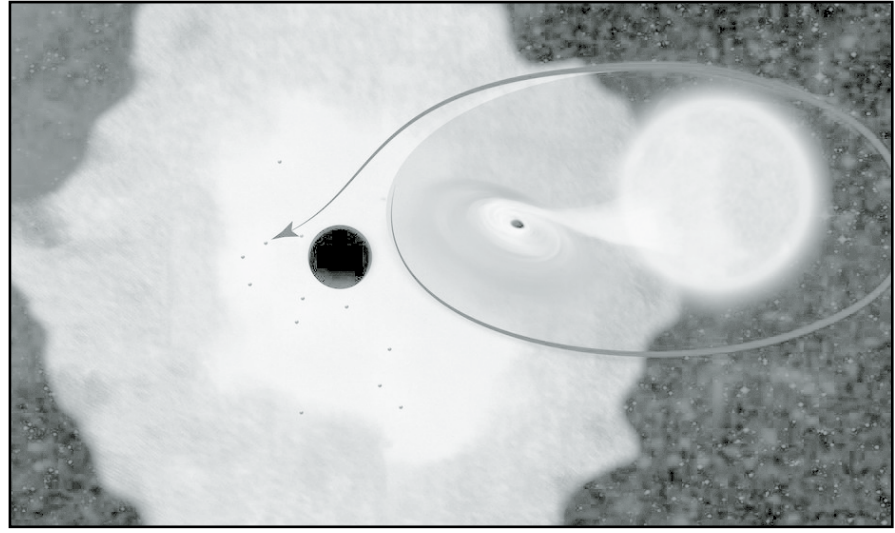
When astronomers look at closer binary black hole systems they could then see the ratio between what's visible and what's too faint to be observed from far away. Using that ratio, Hailey figures that even though they only spotted a dozen there must be 300 to 500 binary black hole systems.

But binary black hole systems are likely only 5 percent of all black holes, so that means there are really thousands of them, Hailey said.

There are good reasons the Milky Way's black holes tend to be in the center of the galaxy, Hailey said.

First, their mass tends to pull them to the center. But mostly the center of the galaxy is the perfect "hot house" for black hole formation, with lots of dust and gas.

Hailey said it is "sort of like a little farm where you have all the right conditions to produce and hold on to a large number of black holes."



AP photo

This illustration provided by Columbia University shows the supermassive black hole Sagittarius A, located at the center of the Milky Way Galaxy, surrounded by a cloud of dust and gas within which are 12 smaller black holes, and a closeup of one of the systems. The enlarged section illustrates how the 12 black holes are each accompanied by a star in a binary orbit. Gasses from the partner star are pulled into a disk around the black hole.

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Trumping Discrimination

The United States Military currently has over 2.26 million personnel and over 18 million veterans. A study conducted at the UCLA School of Law concluded that there has been at least 149,800 active members and veterans identifying as transgender. Recently, President Trump made the decision to ban transgender individuals from further joining the military.

The ban is inappropriate and violates the human rights of transgender individuals that are looking to join the army.

Equal opportunity gives all citizens the opportunity to become involved without discrimination of their race, sex or age. The United States military has frequently faced this issue with the exclusion of individuals in regards to gender, sexual orientation, and race. Today,

those issues have been tended to and partially solved. In 1917, the first women were allowed to join the military. In 1948, Executive Order 9981 abolished racial segregation in the military. In 2016, the ban on openly homosexual individuals in the military was lifted. Its 2018 and transgender citizens are being barred from becoming apart of the military. With that being said, every citizen should be given the opportunity to join. Some may argue that there are guidelines already that are put in place to be able to qualify, however those guidelines are for physical or mental impairments that can alter a person's capability. President Trump specifically based the ban on the diagnosis of gender dysphoria, however transgender does not mean that the individual has gender dysphoria which would cause anxiety, stress, and depression. With that mental illness, the candidate would be appropriately disqualified, however simply being transgender doesn't diagnose you with this mental illness. As long as the person qualifies physically and mentally, there should be no issue with enlisting them. Throughout history, African Americans, Women and the LGBT community have been excluded and have been fought for their right to join the military. Since these changes, the

performance and personnel have gradually increased to make the military the most elite.

Another issue that the transgender community faces is discrimination, and the ban is current proof of it. Gender discrimination is the act of being biased against individuals based on their gender. Transgender



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people are simply not comfortable with the gender in which they were born. Due to this, they reach out to professionally help in order to receive the proper care in dealing with the issue. Some using counseling to cope, others opt for gender reassignment surgery in order to get physical changes. Using the discomfort in their bodies, and their solutions to the issue

as the basis for gender discrimination is disrespectful towards the individual. The changes of genders allows for businesses to use this as grounds to prevent employment or service to these individuals. These individuals are rejected based on their decision to embrace their true identity, which restricts them from opportunities that others get. For example, transgender individuals that are looking to become educators may be turned away due to the "negative" impact that a school district believes will occur. Another scenario is an employer not hiring an individual based on their gender identity, because their consumers may not agree with the decision. That type of mentality is not needed in a work, educational, and public place. Transgender individuals are human and still have emotions, discriminating causes issues to arise within themselves. Society rejecting these humans, causes depression, anxiety, embarrassment, discomfort, and loneliness, which left untreated can result in suicide. The transgender community a suicide rate much higher than that of the general population. The drastic increase in deaths can be pinned on the inability of society to accept transgenders. Discriminating against these individuals causes harm not only mentally, but physically. Putting an end to the

discrimination is a step toward helping those that struggle to become acceptable, flourish into the individuals they wish to be.

President Trump used the argument that transgenders and gender dysphoria lessen the effectiveness on the military. Trump was correct when stating the transgender community has an effect on the military, however he is wrong on the negative. Today, the United States is still considered to have the best combat force in the world. Using the argument, along with the ranking of the military is contradicting. If the transgender population of the military had any effect on the "readiness, unit cohesion, or impose an unreasonable burden on the military", the ranking would reflect that, however it does not. These individuals affect the military by increasing its manpower, mental capability, and physicality, which all contribute to making it an elite force. No study has reflected a negative impact on a military that includes transgender individuals, only positive. A study by RAND.org observed the effects of transgender military personnel in four different countries, all which showed to have no effect. Ignoring the proven data, to create an argument that has already been proven incorrect is shameful. If they are qualified, physically capable, and mentally healthy, these individuals perform similar to the other personnel. Transgender individuals physical and mental health show no difference on the effect on the performance of the military when compared to other personnel, which can all be supported with evidence.

The ban is an inappropriate act by the president and discriminates against these individuals. Many transgender individuals have served or currently serve, this new policy is disrespectful to those that risk their lives for the freedom and well-being of our country. The solution to this issue is to reinstate the transgender communities ability to join the military, for there is no evidence that proves that their presents in the military affects the performance of the force. The discrimination against these individuals needs to stop; they are humans and deserve every right and respect that others do.

The right to serve should be for everyone

Just as the sun broke into dawn on July 26, 2017, President Donald Trump tweeted, "After consultation with my Generals and military experts, please be advised that the United States Government will not accept or allow Transgender individuals to serve in any capacity in the U.S. Military. Our military must be focused on decisive and overwhelming victory and cannot be burdened with the tremendous medical costs and disruption that transgender in the military would entail. Thank you."

First, it's important to understand what transgender means. Ryan Sallans, transgender man and author of Second Son, breaks down the word 'transgender,' which is an umbrella term for those who identify with a different gender than the one they were assigned to at birth. In Latin, 'trans' means 'to cross,' so transgender can be translated to 'crossing genders.' Sallans also breaks down the meaning of the word

into three parts: a person's gender identity, a person's gender expression, or a combination of both. The difference between identity and expression is the former refers to the psychological identification while the latter refers to the way gender is communicated, whether through dress, voice, and/or body language. Gender expression can be labeled as masculine, feminine, or androgynous (indeterminate sex).



BRITNEY TAN
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Second, it's important to know the history of policies regarding transgender individuals serving in the military. In June 2016, former President Barack Obama reversed a decades old policy that barred transgender individuals from joining the military and did not protect service members who were revealed to be transgender from possible discharge. In August of 2017, President Trump ordered a reinstatement of this policy, but failed when multiple wjudgets blocked his ban, citing the policy as

unconstitutional.

On March 23, the Trump administration released a memo addressing the issue. In the memo, it states, "Among other things, the policies set forth by the Secretary of Defense states that transgender persons with a history or diagnosis of gender dysphoria -- individuals who the policies state may require substantial medical treatment, including medications and surgery -- are disqualified from military service except under certain limited circumstances." It does not state what those limited circumstances are.

President Trump's policies to bar transgender individuals from participating in the military are unwarranted and promotes transphobic rhetoric, which is why Trump's continual attempts to pass policies regarding this issue must be blocked.

The main supporting argument presented by the Trump administration is the cost of transgender service. Trump's press secretary, Sarah Huckabee Sanders, claims the health costs inflicted by transgender service members was too high, which

"erodes military readiness and unit cohesion." However, according to the RAND Corporation, a nonprofit institution that specializes in research and analysis, the actual cost of providing treatment for transgender individuals would increase minimally. By analyzing private health insurance data and a National Transgender Discrimination Survey, they found that Military Health System costs would increase by \$2.4 million to \$8.4 million a year. While it may sound like a large number, this amount only takes up 0.038 to 0.134 percent of \$6 billion spent on the military and 0.005 to 0.017 percent of \$49.3 billion in costs for the 2014 Unified Medical Program. What this means is that additional costs have been exaggerated by President Trump; the actual cost of providing services for transgender individuals is minuscule compared to overall costs and therefore has no detrimental effect on the military's budget.

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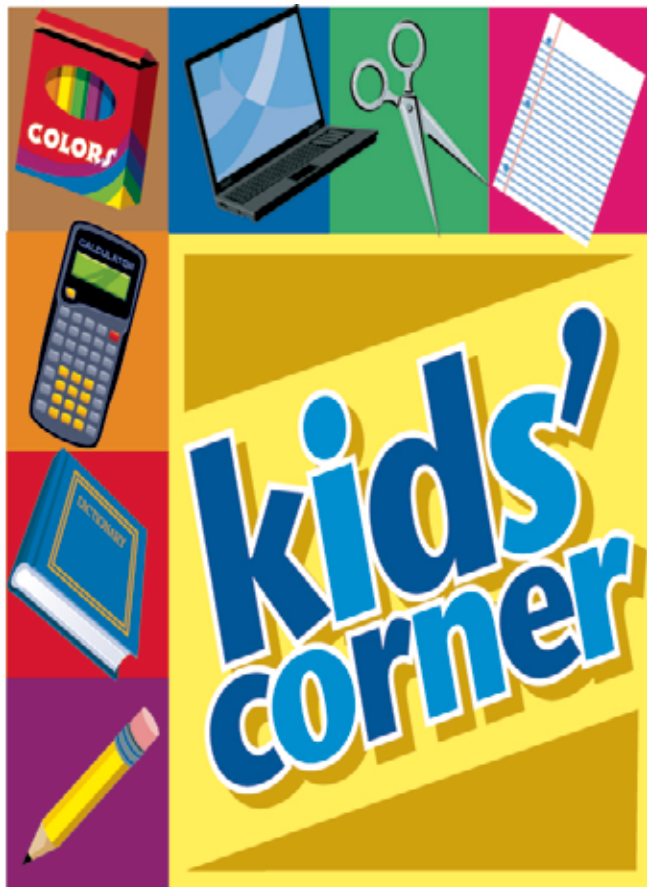
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Astros sweep away Orioles with 3-2 victory



Houston Astros' Derek Fisher, right, steals second as Baltimore Orioles' Tim Beckham waits for the throw during the seventh inning of a baseball game, Wednesday, April 4, 2018, in Houston.

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — On a day that Dallas Keuchel didn't have his best stuff, a number of other Astros stepped up to help Houston to another win.

Josh Reddick had three hits and Alex Bregman's tiebreaking RBI single in the seventh inning lifted the Astros to the 3-2 victory over the Baltimore Orioles on Wednesday to complete a three-game sweep.

The win improves the Astros to 6-1, which ties the best start in franchise history which they also accomplished in 1987 and 1988.

Keuchel allowed five hits and two runs — one earned — with four walks in five innings. Brad Peacock (1-0) allowed two hits in three scoreless innings for the win.

"It's nice to get a win in an otherwise pretty sluggish day for us," manager A.J. Hinch said. "I didn't think we were at our best on a lot of levels, but we kind of grind through the game and Dallas gets

through a tough outing of his own and we piece it together and come up with the big hits."

Miguel Castro (0-1) took over for Dylan Bundy to start the seventh and walked Derek Fisher with one out. Fisher stole second base with two outs and the Astros went on top when he scored on Bregman's single to left field.

Reddick, who started the season 1 for 11, singled three times on Wednesday after hitting a two-run homer and a grand slam in his last two at-bats on Tuesday night.

Keuchel was relieved to have only given up two runs to give the team a chance to stay in it and get the win.

"I didn't necessarily set the tone very well so that kind of contributed to the lackadaisical play," he said. "But if we can scrape a win with how we played right there that's a good sign. That means we're a good team."

The Orioles left 10 players on

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Kuzma scores 30, Lakers beat Spurs 122-112 in overtime



Los Angeles Lakers center Brook Lopez (11) is fouled by San Antonio Spurs' Pau Gasol (16) during the first half of an NBA basketball game in Los Angeles on Wednesday, April 4, 2018.

By DAN GREENSPAN

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Kyle Kuzma and the Lakers surrendered easily could have surrendered to fatigue on the second night of a back-to-back late in the season against a team fighting for playoff positioning.

Instead, the Lakers found the resolve to end a three-game losing streak.

Kuzma scored six of his 30 points in overtime and the Lakers swept the three-game season series against the San Antonio Spurs with a 122-112 victory on Wednesday night.

Kuzma, who became first rookie in NBA history with 1,200 points, 450 rebounds and 150 3-pointers in a season, made a 3-pointer and a sky hook to start overtime and give the Lakers a lead they would not relinquish. Los Angeles outscored the Spurs 14-4 in the period.

"Tonight I could tell he wasn't going to ask to come out of that game. He was going to fight through it," Lakers coach Luke Walton said. "Kuz, it's fun watching him compete at that level when he gets in that zone."

LaMarcus Aldridge had 28 points for the Spurs, who lost on back-to-back nights at Staples Center and are tied with Oklahoma City for fifth place in the Western Conference, a half-game behind Utah. The Spurs and Thunder both have three games remaining.

"It's unreal, but it can happen," said Pau Gasol, who had 11 points and 12 rebounds. "Those guys played with no fear. They have the green light to get them up, they made a lot of tough shots, and it hurt us."

Dejounte Murray had 23 points, 10 rebounds and six assists, and Patty Mills scored 15 points, but the Spurs lost their seventh straight on the road.

Josh Hart had a chance to win it in regulation for the Lakers, but his lay-up hit the back of the rim and went off the front as time expired.

The Lakers swept the Spurs for the first time since 1997-98, relying on their second unit to fight back from an eight-point deficit in the third quarter. Channing Frye scored 19 points off the bench, and Tyler Ennis added

10 points and seven assists.

Walton was pleased with the sweep, but downplayed the idea it represented a significant achievement for a young team.

"To beat them multiple times in a season for a young team that's kind of finding themselves is a nice accomplishment, but they are most likely still going to the playoffs this year and we're not," Walton said.

TIP-INS

Spurs: Rudy Gay had 14 points off the bench. ... Manu Ginobili (rest) did not play. ... San Antonio was outscored 21-9 in fast-break points, including an 11-2 disparity in the first quarter. ... The Spurs' magic number to clinch their 21st consecutive playoff berth remains two.

Lakers: G Lonzo Ball missed his fourth consecutive game because of a left knee contusion. ... F Brandon Ingram remains in concussion protocol and missed his third straight game. ... The Lakers set a single-season franchise record with 782 3-pointers, breaking the previous mark of 774 in 2013-14. ... The Lakers wore their Minneapolis throwback uniforms.

ALMOST PERFECT
Frye was 8 of 9 from the field, but his only miss had his teammates and Walton laughing at the veteran's expense after whiffing on an uncontested dunk at the start of the fourth quarter.

"It was funny because after that he made that 3 that hit the top of the backboard and fell in. I turned to him and said, 'Stick to that,'" Hart said.

DEFENSIVE SWITCH

Aldridge had 14 points in the first half and 12 more in the third quarter before Walton decided to start double-teaming him. The adjustment worked, forcing Aldridge to become a facilitator.

"He does what he's supposed to do, get rid of the ball, and now it's up to the rest of the players to attack and make plays," Gasol said.

UP NEXT

Spurs: Host the Portland Trail Blazers on Saturday.

Lakers: Host the Minnesota Timberwolves on Friday.

Manaea goes 8 innings, pitches A's to 6-2 win over Rangers



Texas Rangers pitcher Doug Fister works against the Oakland Athletics during the first inning of a baseball game Wednesday, April 4, 2018, in Oakland, Calif.

By MICHAEL WAGAMAN

Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Even as Texas Manaea eased through a 1-2-3 eighth inning and retired his 10th consecutive batter, Oakland manager Bob Melvin had no intention of sending the young lefty back out for the ninth.

Not yet anyway.

Manaea didn't put up much of an argument, either. He was happy enough with a second straight strong outing, which made him the only Athletics starter with a victory this season.

Manaea pitched three-hit ball over eight innings as Oakland beat the Texas Rangers 6-2 on Wednesday night.

"This early in the year there is no way I'm going to let him go out there in the ninth inning," Melvin said.

"There is a residual effect from that. He had only been up five, maybe six times in spring training, then seven times his first time out, eight his next. There was no way. He wanted to, but there was no way I was going to let him go back out."

Jed Lowrie had a two-run single in a four-run fourth. Matt Chapman scored two runs and Bruce Maxwell added an RBI double for the A's, who had lost four of five since winning on opening day.

Every Oakland starter had at least one hit or scored a run.

Manaea (1-1) hit Shin-Soo Choo with a pitch leading off the game but was dominant after that, allowing just one runner past first base and retiring 11 of his final 12 batters. The left-hander struck out four and walked one on 94 pitches while beating the Rangers for the third consecutive time.

"Obviously I wanted to finish the game, but talking to BoMel it kind of wasn't the right idea this early in the season," Manaea said. "My (velocity) was kind of low toward the later part of the game, but I respect his decision and hopefully I can finish out a game one time."

Manaea is the only A's starter to make it past the fifth inning this season, having done it in both outings.

He yielded one run over 7 2/3 innings but took the loss against the Angels last Friday.

"Anytime you can get an outing like that it completely saves the bullpen," Melvin said. "I've often said the starting pitcher on that particular day gives a team the confidence and he's doing that for us."

Choo homered off reliever Yusmeiro Petit leading off the ninth.

The A's got to Doug Fister (1-1) for a run in the second and scored four more in the fourth after catcher Robinson Chirinos dropped a throw from first baseman Joey Gallo for an error.

Chapman singled leading off the inning before Fister plunked Chad Pinder with a pitch and walked Maxwell to load the bases. Gallo then fielded Boog Powell's grounder but his throw home was high and Chirinos dropped the ball as Chapman slid in.

After Marcus Semien's sacrifice fly drove in Pinder, Lowrie lined a 1-2 pitch to left field to make it 5-0 and chase Fister.

Oakland tacked on another run on the seventh when Matt Olson singled in Matt Joyce.

Fister allowed seven hits over 3 2/3 innings and had five strikeouts.

"I was putting them in good hitters' counts and not getting ahead of them," Fister said. "I've got to be better, period."

TRAINER'S ROOM

Rangers: With a left-hander starting for Oakland, 2B Rougned Odor was given the night off.

Athletics: Joyce (left ankle) was cleared quicker than anticipated and started in left field. He doubled in the first and then walked and scored in the seventh.

PINDER'S PLAY

The Rangers put the first two batters on base against Manaea in the fifth before Pinder helped his pitcher with a running catch on Jurickson Profar's twisting fly ball deep into the right-field corner for the first out. "Once he hit it I kind of put my head down and tried to beat it to the spot and it carried more than I thought," Pinder

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TO: J. E. (JESSE EDWARD) MUNDALL AND ELIZABETH LORRAINE GERARD KNUPP, AND THEIR HEIRS, KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, IF ANY SAID PERSONS ARE DECEASED, Defendants in the cause herein described.

You and each of you are hereby commanded to appear and answer before the 118th Judicial District Court in the Howard County Court-

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house located in Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, at or before 10:00 a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from the date of issuance hereof, being at or before 10:00 a.m. on Monday the 30th day of April, 2018, then and there to answer the petition of CROWNROCK, L.P. in Cause No. 52593, styled "CROWNROCK, L.P. vs. J. E. (JESSE EDWARD) MUNDALL, ET AL", wherein the said CROWNROCK, L.P. is Plaintiff and the said J. E. (JESSE EDWARD) MUNDALL AND ELIZABETH LORRAINE GERARD KNUPP, AND THEIR HEIRS, KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, IF ANY SAID PERSONS ARE DECEASED, are Defendants. The said petition, filed on the 14th day of March, 2018, discloses that the nature of said suit is as follows:

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Notice of Application for Commercial Brine Mining Injection Well Permit

R.D.S. Ranch-Water Svcs, Inc., 2260 Linda Avenue, Suite 201, Odessa, Texas 79763 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a brine mining injection well permit to inject water into a non-productive salt formation, produce the resulting brine solution, and create a subsurface cavern.

The applicant proposes to perform brine mining from the Salado formation in the Jaz Lease, Well No. 1. The proposed injection well is located 11.5 miles W of Big Spring, TX in the Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, in Howard County. The fluids will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 1,235 feet to 1,835 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas ?Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512-463-6792).

#9772 April 5, 2018

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Mar 21, 2018
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Apr 25, 2018
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit P. O. Box 12967 Austin, Texas 78711-2967 Fax: (512) 463-6780 Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

Rule 37 Case No. 0309990 Status/Permit No. 836854

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SM ENERGY COMPANY, [RRC Operator No. 788997] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission

Legals

Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the lease line distance requirement because the Applicant is less than the required Rule 37 lease line distance to an unleased or non-pooled interest within the subject unit. Applicant also seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement because the location is less than the required Rule 37 distance to an external lease line for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 18, Bk. 32 T1S, T&P RR CO / MC CARTY, J E Survey, A-1062, SPRABERRY (Trend AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 3.27 miles SE direction from BIG SPRING, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted WITHOUT A HEARING if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512) 463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 (512) 463-6751.

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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : MARION RAVENWOOD B
Lease/Unit Well No. : 0745WA
Lease/Unit Acres : 586.06
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 1.0
Lease Survey 1144.0 F S 1899.0 F W
1144.0 F S 1899.0 F W

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
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Lease Lines: 100.0 F S L
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Terminus Location BH
County: HOWARD
Section: 7 Block: 32 T1S Abstract: 155 Survey: T&P RR CO
Lease Lines: 50.0 F N L
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2316.0 F E L

Legals

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows: SPRABERRY (Trend AREA) : Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres. This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 9700 feet. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Jill Hamilton, at (432) 848-4855.

#9759 March 22, 29, April 5, & 12, 2018

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Mar 21, 2018
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Rule 37 Case No. 0309989 Status/Permit No. 836852

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SM ENERGY COMPANY, [RRC Operator No. 788997] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 18, Bk. 32 T1S, T&P RR CO / MC CARTY, J E Survey, A-1062, SPRABERRY (Trend AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 3.27 miles SE direction from BIG SPRING, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512) 463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 (512) 463-6751.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, YOU MUST FILL OUT, SIGN AND MAIL, FAX, E-MAIL OR DELIVER TO THE AUSTIN OFFICE OF THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS THE ENCLOSED NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST. A COPY OF THE INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST ALSO BE MAILED, DELIVERED, FAXED OR E-MAILED ON THE SAME DATE TO THE APPLICANT AT THE ADDRESS SHOWN ON THE SERVICE LIST. THIS IN-

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TENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE NO LATER THAN 5:00 PM ON:

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The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : MARION RAVENWOOD A
Lease/Unit Well No. : 0744WA
Lease/Unit Acres : 588.52

Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 100.0

Lease Lines : 483.0 F S L, 777.0 F E L
Survey Lines : 1140.0 F S L, 1869.0 F W L
Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal
Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 100.0 F S L
330.0 F E L
Terminus Location BH
County: HOWARD
Section: 7 Block: 32 T1S Abstract: 155 Survey: T&P RR CO
Lease Lines: 50.0 F N L
330.0 F E L
Survey Lines: 50.0 F N L
2316.0 F W L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows: SPRABERRY (Trend AREA) : Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres. This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 9700 feet. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Jill Hamilton, at (432) 848-4855.

#9758 March 22, 29, April 5 & 12, 2018

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Mar 19, 2018
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Apr 23, 2018
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit P. O. Box 12967 Austin, Texas 78711-2967 Fax: (512) 463-6780 Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

Rule 37 Case No. 0309234 Status/Permit No. 835984

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the CALLON PETROLEUM OPERATING CO, [RRC Operator No. 124828] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 32, Bk. 33 T3N, T&P RR CO / BOYDSTON, J N Survey, A-1252, SPRABERRY (Trend AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 18.94 miles NW direction from BIG SPRING, Texas.

Legals

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted WITHOUT A HEARING if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512) 463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 (512) 463-6751.

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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : WRIGHT UNIT C 41-32 A2
Lease/Unit Well No. : 5AH
Lease/Unit Acres : 209.66
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 1.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 660.0

Lease Lines : 303.0 F N L, 1855.0 F E L
Survey Lines : 303.0 F N L, 1855.0 F E L
Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 303.0 F NORTH L
1855.0 F E L
Terminus Location BH
County: HOWARD
Section: 41 Block: 33 T3N Abstract: 354 Survey: T&P RR CO
Lease Lines: 100.0 F SOUTH L
98.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines: 2547.0 F NORTH L
2310.0 F EAST L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (Trend AREA) : Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 8500 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Ryan Emery, at (281) 589-5200.

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♥ K Q J 8 7 2
♦ Q 5
♣ J 4

The bidding:
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1 ♠ Pass 1 ♥ Pass
2 ♥ Pass 4 ♣

Opening lead — four of diamonds.

It was Heraclitus who said: "You never swim the same river twice." That was his way of saying that the water keeps changing as you swim in it.

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Consider the present case where West led a diamond against four hearts. Declarer played dummy's

jack, losing to the king, and back came the queen of spades. It did not matter whether South won the spade with the ace immediately or on the next trick; either way, he would eventually go down one, losing a diamond, two spades and a club.

It is certainly true that in the great majority of deals where declarer is faced with the diamond combination shown here, he would automatically finesse. But that is the wrong thing to do in this case. At best, South has only a 50 percent chance of winning the finesse, and if it loses, he becomes a heavy favorite to go down against normal defense.

However, if declarer goes up with the ace of diamonds at trick one, as he should, he becomes a huge favorite to make four hearts. He continues by playing the ace and another club, planning to establish dummy's long suit. If the adverse clubs are divided either 3-3 or 4-2 — an 84 percent chance — this line of play is almost certain to succeed.

Let's say East wins the club with the queen, cashes the diamond king and shifts to the spade queen. South wins, leads a trump to the nine, ruffs a low club, plays a trump to the ten and ruffs the eight of clubs. He then leads a trump to the ace and discards a spade loser on the nine of clubs to finish with 10 tricks.

Clearly, some finesses should be seen but not taken!


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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS



Mercury, Saturn and Insects

The leading group of animals on the planet, at least in terms of numbers, is insects. Lucky for us, they're small. The reason they're small has to do with exoskeletons, metamorphosis and gravity. Humans, on the other hand, aren't measured in inches but in character. The reason we're small is fear, which is something to face during this Mercury square

Saturn.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). As it turns out, common knowledge, common sense, common courtesy and even common law aren't common to everyone. This is a mighty fine day to assume nothing and expect less.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You have many fine qualities. However, today it's not so much about having (SET ITAL)a(ENDD ITAL) quality as it is about having (SET ITAL)the(ENDD ITAL) quality that will best serve the moment. You have that, too. Do you know which quality it is?

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The reason people follow you is pretty simple really. Where you go, that's where the fun is. Now

what will you do with this pied piper charm you possess?

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The fewer words the better. Silence is your friend. Also, if this is about something visual that you're creating, the white space will be the equivalent of silence. White space is your friend.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The man drove down the boulevard smoking a cigar in a convertible with a vanity license plate that said "DUES PAID." Good for him, and good for you in some way today, too.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). In many ways, the family dynamics will echo the dynamics of each individual soul. For those who love and honor the people in their

lives, love and honor comes back.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Some want the solution and the problem in tandem. Others want you to give them the problem so they can come up with the solution. Still others think you're being lazy if you don't start with the solution. Which option applies?

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Decide on who will decide. Hint: It's you. There have been and will be times to compromise and concede. This just doesn't happen to be one of them.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The project is now. If not now, when? Never, most likely. And your life would be completely different in that "never" scenario. So don't miss out. You

can do this.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). There's one in the group who will relate to you, see you for who you really are and ultimately help you the most. You'll help that person, too. Home in on your best bet.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). When the demands of the day seem to exceed the personal and social resources you are able to mobilize, it's a call to action. Even it out. Reduce the demand or increase in the resources.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Today's unusual emotional ride will include strange correlations and unexpected reactions. A trick: Separate what's happening from the emotion attached to it. The two should come

apart pretty easily, with just a mental click.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 5). Because you're clear about what you have to offer but also open to things you might not have imagined, the unimaginable will happen. Your passion will move obstacles. Travels will inspire you to change something about your personal routines. Domestic life gets sweeter in July. New friends enter in September. Capricorn and Leo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 20, 38, 11 and 15.

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Husband's Hearing Loss, Revisited

Dear Readers: Recently, I printed a letter from "Sad and Frustrated Beyond Words," who was at her wits' end with her husband, who has hearing loss but refuses to get help. I told her that she's right that her husband should get his hearing checked but added that until he's open to seeing a doctor, she should focus on her own mental health. I heard from many readers who have experience with hearing loss. I thought many of these responses contain valuable points, and I'd like to share some of their wisdom.

Dear Annie: Your reply to "Sad and Frustrated Beyond Words" is not helpful. I am a 65-year-old woman with hearing loss that began about seven years ago. Once I realized I had some hearing loss, I ran (I did not walk) to my ENT

specialist and audiologist to seek help and hearing aids. Here's why. Hearing loss does not just affect the person suffering from it. Hearing loss affects everyone with whom that person comes in contact. Your reader's husband, who refuses to acknowledge his hearing loss, is essentially saying, "It's not my problem. It's your problem." That approach is simply ludicrous.

My mother, who lived with my dad's worsening hearing for at least 10 years before he died, used to plead with Dad to get a hearing test. He refused to do so.

This woman is forced to live with someone who stubbornly refuses to take steps to be a good companion. Isn't that a basic responsibility and pact between couples? Aren't we supposed to demonstrate our love and respect for the other person with pleasant, helpful, considerate behavior? Aren't we

supposed to take steps to correct bad behaviors and habits that hurt our partners? Would you have the same opinion if this woman wrote to you that her husband refuses to bathe? Not addressing one's hearing loss is, in my view, a form of passive abuse, and it demonstrates the person's unwillingness to be a good partner.

The reader's husband is unquestionably wrong in his refusal to acknowledge his hearing loss, and he may very likely lose his spouse as a consequence. No amount of "meditation" will improve your reader's life unless her husband takes steps to do something about his hearing. -- Hearing Is Everyone's Problem

Dear Hearing Is Everyone's Problem: You've made me realize that perhaps my response to "Sad and Frustrated Beyond Words" was somewhat

flip. Read on for yet another reason people with hearing loss should seek medical help.

Dear Annie: "Sad and Frustrated Beyond Words" might want to tell her husband that it could possibly cause cognitive decline if he can't hear her or anyone else. I believe that years of not hearing anyone is part of the reason my mother developed Alzheimer's disease. If you can't have a conversation, then your brain isn't getting any stimulation and will eventually shut down. -- Been There

Dear Been There: You're absolutely right. According to hearing experts from Johns Hopkins, "older adults with hearing loss are more likely to develop problems thinking and remembering than older adults whose hearing is normal." Thanks for writing.

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Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Level: Beginner

Here's How It Works:
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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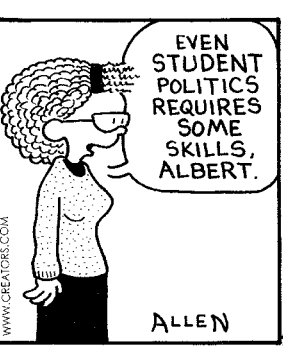
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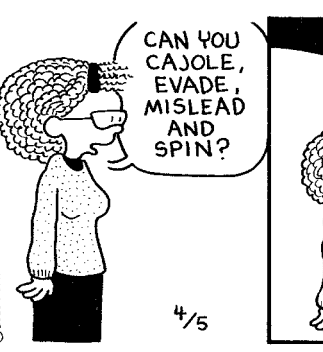
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This Date In History

Today is Thursday, April 5, the 95th day of 2018. There are 270 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On April 5, 1764, Britain's Parliament passed the American Revenue Act of 1764, also known as the Sugar Act, which was repealed in 1766.

On this date: In 1614, Indian Chief Powhatan's daughter Pocahontas married Englishman John Rolfe, a widower, in the Virginia Colony.

In 1792, President George Washington cast his first veto, rejecting a congressional measure for apportioning representatives among the states.

In 1887, Anne Sullivan achieved a breakthrough as her 6-year-old deaf-blind pupil, Helen Keller, learned the meaning of the word "water" as spelled out in the Manual Alphabet. British historian Lord Acton wrote in a letter, "Power tends to corrupt, and absolute power corrupts absolutely."

In 1915, Jess Willard knocked out Jack Johnson in the 26th round of their fight in Havana, Cuba, to claim boxing's world heavyweight title.

In 1925, a tornado estimated at F-3 intensity struck northern Miami-Dade County, Florida, killing five people.

In 1933, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed an executive order creating the Civilian Conservation Corps and an anti-hoarding order that effectively prohibited private ownership of gold.

In 1955, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill resigned his office for health reasons. Democrat Richard J. Daley was first elected mayor of Chicago, defeating Republican Robert E. Merriam.

In 1964, Army Gen. Douglas MacArthur died in Washington, D.C., at age 84.

In 1976, reclusive billionaire Howard Hughes died in Houston at age 70.

In 1986, two American servicemen and a Turkish woman were killed in the bombing of a West Berlin discotheque, an incident which prompted a U.S. air raid on Libya more than a week later.

In 1988, a 15-day hijacking ordeal began as gunmen forced a Kuwait Airways jumbo jet to land in Iran.

In 1991, former Sen. John Tower, R-Texas, his daughter Marian and 21 other people were killed in a commuter plane crash near Brunswick, Georgia.

Ten years ago: President

George W. Bush and Russian President Vladimir Putin

opened farewell talks at Putin's heavily wooded retreat on the Black Sea. Actor Charlton Heston, big-screen hero and later leader of the National Rifle Association, died in Beverly Hills, California, at age 84.

Five years ago: Kansas legislators gave final passage to a sweeping anti-abortion measure declaring that life began "at fertilization." (Kansas Gov. Sam Brownback, a Republican, signed the measure two weeks later.) A federal judge in New York ordered the Food and Drug Administration to lift age restrictions on the sale of emergency contraception, ending a requirement that buyers show proof they were 17 or older if they wanted to buy it without a prescription. (After months of back-and-forth legal battles, the Obama administration agreed to lift the age limits.)

One year ago: President Donald Trump declared that a deadly chemical attack in Syria the day before had crossed "many, many lines" and abruptly changed his views of Syrian President Bashar Assad. A senior U.S. defense official said a North Korean missile test ended in failure when the rocket spun out of control and plunged into the ocean in a fiery crash. YouTube TV, Google's new streaming package of about 40 television channels, made its debut.

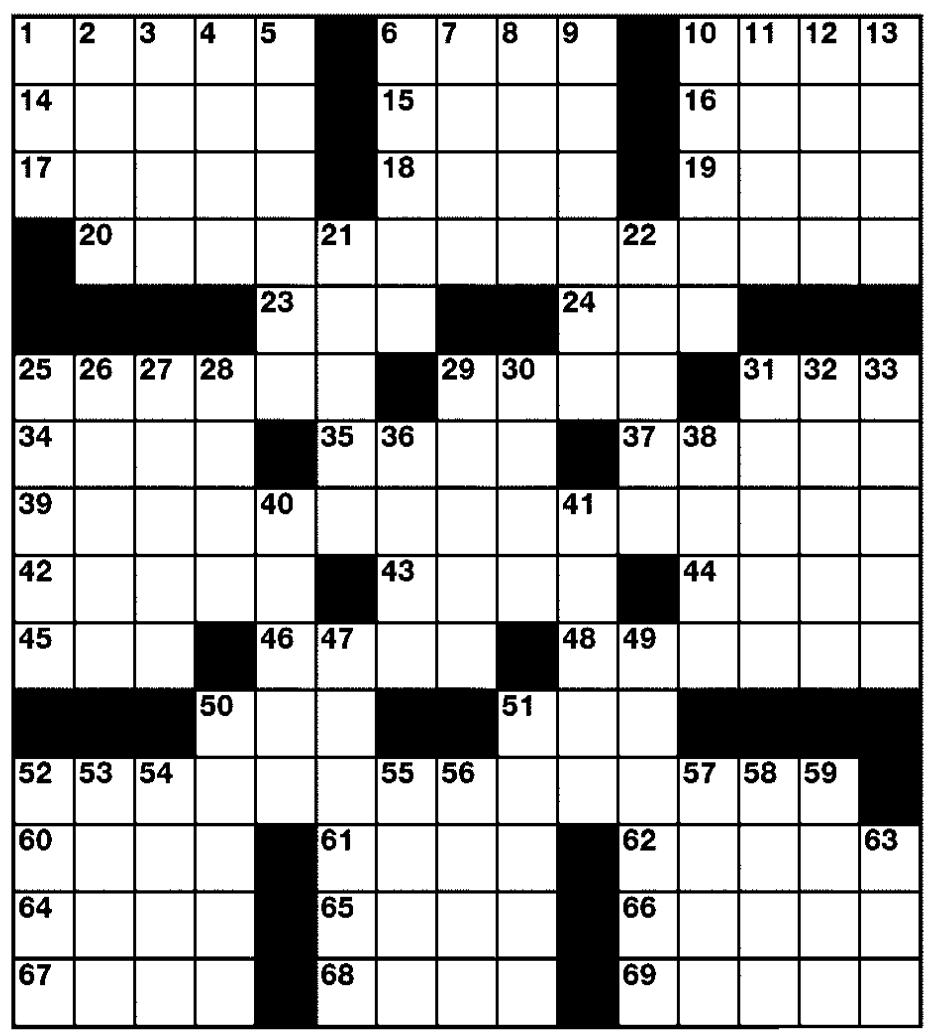
Today's Birthdays: Movie producer Roger Corman is 92. Former U.S. Secretary of State and former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Colin Powell is 81. Country singer Tommy Cash is 78. Actor Michael Moriarty is 77. Pop singer Allan Clarke (The Hollies) is 76. Rock musician Mike McCready (Pearl Jam) is 52. Singer Paula Cole is 50. Actress Krista Allen is 47.

Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Division of Honda
 - 6 Barbecue concoctions
 - 10 Closes, perhaps
 - 14 Sweet ring
 - 15 City north of Pittsburgh
 - 16 Pickling candidate
 - 17 Far from the rage
 - 18 Composer Stravinsky
 - 19 Cut on a farm
 - 20 Team that's home in a coliseum
 - 23 Victory
 - 24 Elvis, in early 1960
 - 25 Knocking down
 - 29 Be a headliner
 - 31 However, for short
 - 34 Recipients of Yale mail
 - 35 Robust
 - 37 What's expected
 - 39 Stock stocker-uppers
 - 42 Roast host
 - 43 Short note of a sort
 - 44 Shade of green or blue
 - 45 Play- (kid stuff)
 - 46 Shocked sound
 - 48 Farm structure
 - 50 Far from the rage
 - 51 Swindle
 - 52 Mary-Kate and Ashley, for instance
 - 60 Facial hair
 - 61 Part of the Corn Belt
 - 62 Japanese beer brand
- DOWN**
- 10 Fictional Mexican duelist
 - 11 Home decor giant
 - 12 Oxford Street stroller
 - 13 Drains
 - 21 Dark period
 - 22 Call off
 - 25 Make new vows
 - 26 1836 battle site
 - 27 Nada
 - 28 Possible daysailer destination
 - 29 Laptop's dormant setting
 - 30 Abound
 - 31 Lily family flower
 - 32 Oscar actress Berry
 - 33 Mary-Kate or Ashley
 - 36 Weaponry
 - 38 Rendered lyrics
 - 40 Smooth change
 - 41 Go (decline)
 - 47 On the line
 - 49 Kept to oneself
 - 50 Something else
 - 51 Smackers or steamers
 - 52 Commotion
 - 53 Pre-election activity
 - 54 Stadium (Big Apple tennis site)
 - 55 Curt contradiction
 - 56 On the road
 - 57 "By Jove!"
 - 58 Countrywide, for short
 - 59 Most Bahrainis
 - 63 Lithium- battery

SIGNS OF SPRING by Mark McClain

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Answer to previous puzzle

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THE BULLDOG REPORT

Special to the Herald

The Coahoma High School chapter of the National Honor Society inducted 12 new members Monday night at the high school auditorium.

Membership into the organization is not just about academics, Coahoma NHS President McKinna Hector told the crowd attending the ceremony. It's also about high standards of character, service to the community and leadership, she said.

The following students were inducted: seniors Rae-

gan Deel and Kamri Kemper; junior Andrea King, sophomores Selina Baldwin, Emily Bunning, Jorge Bachiller Cordero, Ashley Crisp, Brylea Gordon, Austyn Montgomery, Sydney Rinard, Naughtia Rockwell, and Bailey Wells.

Current members are: seniors Trey Brumley, Secretary Diana Gonzalez, President McKinna Hector, Tyler McFall, Vice President Mason Moore, MaKayla Overton, Treasurer Preslie Smithie, Brynn Workman,

KayLee Wright; juniors, Cassie Gutierrez, Emily Krabill, Joseph Manning, Julia Mashburn, Aaron Rodriguez, Andrew Romero, Laura Romero, and Micah Worley.

Established in 1921, more than a million students participate in NHS chapters across the United States. The Coahoma chapter is very active performing community service projects throughout the year. The local NHS chapter is sponsored by Karen McGinness.



The Lasso

Big Spring High School's weekly update

By CHLOE SEPEDA

BSSH journalist

As the end of many spring activities approaches, BSSH is fighting to stay in contention for district and regional honors.

Baseball and softball teams are both in action at home this week. Lady Steers will play at five at Lady Steer Park and the Steers will play at 7:30 at Steer Park.

Steer and Lady Steer track teams competed in San Angelo this week. They made a strong showing at prelims on Monday and hope to continue their success in finals today.

Varsity golf competed in Snyder yesterday to continue district play. The boys went in placed second in the district.

Academic UIL teams are preparing for their appearances at the Regional UIL meet at Texas Tech next week. These students are hoping to advance to the state meet in Austin next month.

BSSH will be conducting STARR

EOC tests next Tuesday and Thursday. Tuesday students will take the English I exam, while English II will take place on Thursday.

Juniors and seniors can opt out of attendance on these days by signing in between 8-9 for juniors and 9-10 for seniors. Juniors must donate \$1 per day to charity in order to be dismissed.

Students who are testing can be checked out after testing commences by a parent who is on their pick up roster. They must show a valid form of identification in order to check the student out.

Students are encouraged to leave their phones, smart watches, and tablets at home during testing days. Any student who elects to bring one, must turn it in until after testing as mandated by state law. Any student caught with an electronic device during testing may have their scores voided.

Students are encouraged to get a full night's rest before testing days, as well as eat a well-balanced breakfast. Breakfast will be served in the cafeteria prior to testing.



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Courtesy photo

Yesterday, students in the BSSH Photojournalism program travelled to Comanche Trail Park to practice outdoor photography. They worked on proper ways to photograph people, animals and landscapes. Pictured above are seniors Ryleigh Fryar and Kaelon Kitchens.

SERVE

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disproved, it is now vital to look at what impacts President Trump's claim may have on views concerning transgender individuals across the United States.

While Trump may not refer to his ideology or policies as transphobic, the intense dislike or prejudice of transgender people, they are still inherently so. Even if you do not agree with another person's decision to transition, it is important to realize that every person's beliefs and lifestyles are different. One person's comfort in gender identity does not guarantee another's. Trump's decision, however, only promotes the exclusion of transgender indi-

viduals from society, citing their 'burden.' This kind of thinking is harmful in that it validates prejudice against transgender people who are already marginalized and misunderstood.

As for specific claims that transgender people would cause "disruption," the RAND corporation studied the potential readiness implications of allowing transgender personnel to serve openly and found that while many types of medical treatments can lead to lost labor, given the small number of those who would seek transition-related treatment, only 0.0015 percent of total labor-years in the active component would be lost.

Another source of "disruption" is how allowing transgender personnel to serve openly

may affect unit cohesion with fears that transphobia would inhibit unit bonding and reduce operational readiness. However, when looking at foreign militaries that allow openly transgender individuals such as Australia, Canada, Israel, and the United Kingdom, RAND found no significant impact on unit cohesion or operational readiness.

In order to stop the growth of transphobia and show solidarity with every individual who wishes to serve in our military, regardless of gender background or identity, we must continue to prevent Trump's orders to bar certain people from fighting for our country. We do not solve ignorance and prejudice by promoting ignorance and prejudice.

Academic Star Student of the Week

Mirella Villa, Big Spring High School

For the student of the week, BSISD has selected Mirella Villa.

Mirella is an active member of the BSSH Student Council where she currently serves as Student Council President. She has been involved in student council for all four years of high school, serving as a representative, secretary, and treasurer.

"I will miss student council the most after graduation," Villa said. "It has taught me to be a better person, a better leader, and a better professional."

In addition to student council, Mirella was also a member of the varsity Lady Steer Basketball team and a former member of the French club.

Mirella will graduate this May with a distinguished degree and a multi-disciplinary studies endorsement. She plans to attend Texas Tech University and major in early childhood development.

"The goal is to own my own day-care," she said. "I want to be my own boss and teach the way that I want to."

Mirella is the daughter of Manuel and Jessica Villa.



Congratulations, Mirella!



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ASTROS

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base and went 0 for 8 with runners in scoring position.

"We couldn't get that hit and that's a tribute to (Keuchel)," manager Buck Showalter said. "He kept us from really opening it up and kept them in the game."

Bundy, who threw seven scoreless innings in his first start this season, allowed five hits and two runs while fanning eight in six innings.

Jonathan Schoop had three hits for the Orioles, who have lost five straight since a win on opening day. Manny Machado singled with two outs in the ninth, but Peacock struck out Schoop to end it.

The Orioles got going early in this one when Tim Beckham hit a leadoff single and Schoop singled with one out. Adam Jones reached when he hit a high pop that second baseman Jose Altuve apparently lost in the sun and allowed to drop right in front of him in the infield. Schoop was out at second on the play, but Beckham scored to make it 1-0.

RANGERS

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said. "I ended up having to make a little bit of an adjustment."

UP NEXT

Texas LHP Martin Perez is scheduled to come off the disabled list to start the series finale Thursday afternoon. Perez had surgery on his non-pitching elbow in December. He will oppose Oakland RHP Daniel Mengden (0-1, 7.94 ERA), winless in 12 career starts at the Coliseum.

Jamel Artis has career-high 18, Magic hold off Mavs 105-100

By DICK SCANLON

Associated Press

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP)

— The Orlando Magic finished off the depleted Dallas Mavericks with their G League players Wednesday night.

Jamel Artis, Khem Birch and Rodney Purvis, players who spent most of the season playing for the NBA G League's Lakeland Magic, combined for 16 of Orlando's 28 points in the fourth quarter of a 105-100 victory.

"It was a great experience for them," Magic coach Frank Vogel said. "For those guys to not only get overall minutes, but closing minutes in end-of-game situations, all those things are valuable for our young guys."

Artis had 18 points for his second straight career high. He was coming off a 16-point game Tuesday night in a victory at New York.

"I love the G League. The guys that were there, we built a family, built a bond," he said. "It's the experience that we went through. It's a path. Maybe I took the long way, but I still have a lot of work to do and I'm going to continue to build every day."

Purvis, another undrafted rookie, hit two straight jumpers after the Mavericks had pulled to within three early in the fourth quarter.

"It brings back a lot of memories and I hope we can be out here a lot more in the future," he said. "It's just good having that camaraderie... We just go out there and try to bring a lot of energy and play the game the right way."

Aaron Gordon led the Magic with 20 points without playing in the fourth quarter. Gordon scored 16 points in the first quarter, leading the Magic to an early 14-point lead. Bismack Biyombo had 12 points, 12 rebounds and a career-high five assists.

Jalen Jones led Dallas with 15 points. Johnathan Motley added 14 points and eight rebounds in his first NBA start, and Kyle Collingsworth came off the bench for 14 points and nine rebounds.

The Mavericks, who have lost 12 of 15, listed seven players out with injuries including Dirk Nowitzki, the 19-year veteran who missed only his second game of the season.

Trey Mancini followed with a single, but Keuchel settled down to strike out Danny Valencia to end the inning.

Reddick singled with no outs in the second and Marwin Gonzalez followed with a double. The Astros tied it up when Reddick scored on a groundout by Jake Marisnick.

Valencia walked to start the fourth and Caleb Joseph singled with one out. The Orioles regained the lead when Craig Gentry grounded into a force out that allowed Valencia to score.

Altuve and Reddick hit consecutive singles with one out in the sixth inning before a sacrifice bunt by Gonzalez scored Altuve to tie it at 2-all.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Orioles: OF/1B Mark Trumbo, who is on the 10-day disabled list with a strained right quadriceps, is improving and will play in simulated games Wednesday and Thursday.

Astros: All-Star shortstop Carlos Correa got Wednesday off to rest a bruised big toe that he injured when he fouled a ball off his foot on Sunday.

Manager A.J. Hinch expects him to be back in the lineup when Houston opens a series against San Diego on Friday.

BIRD TROUBLE IN HOUSTON

The Orioles have struggled in Houston in recent years and Wednesday marked the third straight series where they have been swept. Baltimore's last win at Minute Maid Park was on June 4, 2015. But they haven't just had trouble in Houston. The Astros are 11-1 in their past 12 games overall against Baltimore and have gone 14-2 in their past 16.

UP NEXT

Orioles: Andrew Cashner (0-1, 7.20 ERA) will start for Baltimore on Thursday night when the Orioles open a four-game series with the Yankees. Cashner looks to get back on track after allowing six hits and five runs — four earned — in five innings of a 6-2 loss to Minnesota in his first start of the season.

Astros: Houston is off on Thursday before Lance McCullers (1-0, 3.38) starts in the opener of a three-game interleague series against the Padres on Friday night.

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