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Howard, other West Texas counties named natural disaster area

FSA offering emergency assistance

By ROGER CLINE
 Staff Writer

Area farmers are going to get some drought relief, government style.

The United States Department of Agriculture has designated 11 Texas counties as "primary natural disaster areas" due to losses and damage from the recent drought.

In addition to Howard County, those counties include Borden, Dawson, Fisher, Gaines, Hill, Jones, Martin, Mitchell, Nolan and Scurry counties.

Farmers in counties adjacent to the primary natural disaster areas are eligible for assistance from the recent drought.

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McWilliams takes over as BSISD superintendent

By ROGER CLINE
 Staff Writer

Big Spring Independent School District now officially has a new superintendent on the job.

Jay McWilliams was officially promoted to that job at Tuesday evening's special called meeting of the BSISD board of trustees.

"I'm extremely excited to be given the opportunity to lead this outstanding school district," McWilliams said. "It's a great honor to be selected to oversee a district, not only of this size, but a district that is doing so many great things with kids."

McWilliams, who has served as the district's assistant superintendent for two years, was named "sole candidate" for the superintendent job at another specially called meeting April 2. State requirements said that he couldn't officially take the helm for three weeks following that declaration.

A veteran of public education with 35 years of experience, McWilliams will be responsible for overseeing the district's operations and ensuring the highest quality of education for all students.

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McWilliams

HSWCD holds Annual Banquet



By MARISSA LOFTIN
 Managing Editor

On April 24th, the Howard Soil & Water Conservation District held their annual Conservation Awards Banquet at the Howard College Coliseum East Room. The Big Spring Herald was honored as "Friends of Conservation." Also honored at the banquet were the winners of the "Healthy Soils are Full of Life" competition, which is a poster designing contest.

From a total of 123 entries, there were eleven first place winners, nine second place winners and eight third place winners. Contestants who placed first received a chicken-fried steak dinner with all the fixings in their honor, along with a special monetary award and special wildflower planting set.

Representing Mrs. Adams 1st grade class was Finley Strickland (1st place) and P'Jae Yaber (2nd place).

Mrs. Nichols 2nd grade class was represented by Hadley Phillips (1), Kenzie Saucedo (1), Larry Sutton (1), Kaelyn Foust (2), Paislee Jackson (2), Josiah Lugo (2), Elyssa Amaro (3), Aubrey Dennis (3) and Sophie Lucio (3).

Mrs. Tonn's 4th grade class winners were Giuliana Bravo (1), Harley Spivey (1), Adriel Calderon (2), Layla Paredes (2), Natalie Flores (3) and Keeley Tilley (3).

From Mrs. Vedder's 4th grade class the winners were Kenzli Caudill (1), Iain Clarkson (1), Rylee Thomason (2), Jovi Ward (2), Corey Holt (3) and Kaylen Marquez (3).

Representing Mrs. Gressett's 5th grade class included Toryn Kendrick (1), Jaystin Phelps (1), Jalynn Wagner (1), Hannah Krodel (2) and Bella Baker (3).

Only two entries could travel on to the Area and State level competitions. Posters by Kenzli Caudill and Jaystin Phelps received that honor as well.

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Photographed above are the 1st Place winners in the HSWCD poster competition at the district level, who were honored on Tuesday evening at the HSWCD Annual Conservation Banquet. From left to right are: Jaystin Phelps, Jalynn Wagner, Toryn Kendrick, Iain Clarkson, Giuliana Bravo, Kenzli Caudill, Kenzie Saucedo, Hadley Phillips, Findley Strickland and Harley Spivey. Jaystin Phelps and Kenzli Caudill were winners at the district and regional levels, and qualified for the Area competition.

GBSRC Annual Kids Fishing Tournament



File photo

In the 2016 tournament, Jase (left) was excited about his fish that he caught and was eager to show it off.

By MARISSA LOFTIN
 Managing Editor

If you are looking for a way to enjoy the warm weather this coming Sunday, look no further than Comanche Trail Park. The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club, along with Walmart, Onor and Credit World, have teamed up to put on the Annual Kids Fishing Tournament for ages 16 and under, and it is all happening this Sunday afternoon. This tournament is free to the public, and is sure to be full of fun and prizes!

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Spring into Action Job Fair



Courtesy photos

The Howard County Library hosted a Spring Into Action Job Fair. 20 employers from Big Spring and Lamesa participated in this Job Fair. Many of the employers were able to find some good applicants, and one business actually hired someone from the Job Fair. There were about 60 job seekers who came through and talked with the participating employers.

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Obituaries

Armando Santiago "Jimmy Chic" DeLeon Jr.



Armando Santiago "Jimmy Chic" DeLeon Jr., 60, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, April 24, 2018, at his residence. Vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 26, 2018, at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Friday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Jimmy was born April 15, 1958, in Big Spring, Texas, to Rosalinda Flores DeLeon and Jimmy C. DeLeon Sr. He has been a lifetime resident of Big Spring. He had worked at Pay Gray, Bob Brock and Gillihan Body Shops. He had also owned his own shop called "The Shop." He married Emily McCann on April 15, 2006. He loved fishing, camping and dancing. He loved being with his kids and was the best dad to his children. He was a member of "Knights of Columbus" and a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church. He is survived by his wife, Emily of Big Spring;

his children, James Alexander DeLeon, Sophie Annette DeLeon and Maximilian Leonardo DeLeon, all of Big Spring; Kimberlie DeLeon of Round Rock, Valerie Thompson (Eric) of South Carolina, Jake Eric DeLeon of Denver, Colorado, Gregory Alcantar of Midland, Armando DeLeon of San Diego, California, and Stacie King (Kevin) of Big Spring; his parents, Rosalinda and Jimmy DeLeon Sr. of Big Spring; his siblings, Eugene Denis DeLeon and Michael Angelo DeLeon both of Big Spring, Yvonne Myers (Rick) of Sweetwater, Yvette DeLeon and Jackie DeLeon both of Big Spring; seven grandchildren and several nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts and uncles.

Pallbearers will be David Ortiz, Cody McCann, Phillip Mendoza Jr., Eddie DeLeon Jr., Jared Rodriguez and Ben DeLeon Jr. Honorary pallbearers will be Jino Flores, Eddie Flores, John DeLeon, Jessie Ortiz, Stone, Maximilian DeLeon, James DeLeon, Sophie DeLeon and Gordo and Dickie DeLeon Jr.

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

Paid Obituary

Russell "Russ" Earl Strong



Private celebration services are planned for Russell "Russ" Earl Strong of Mt. Union, Pennsylvania. Strong died on April 24, 2018, at The University of Pittsburgh Medical Center - Mercy Hospital after a brief illness.

Strong was born on May 23, 1966, in Pennsylvania to Barbara Ellen (Varner) Strong and Russell Lawrence Strong.

Strong was a member of the Mt. Union VFW Post 5754. He was also a member of the Mt. Union Lodge of Sons of Italy in America.

Strong was preceded in death by his father in 1975.

He is survived by his mother, Barbara Petkau, of the home in Mt. Union; two sisters, Cheryl and Stu Phillips of Seminole, Belinda Wyman of Big Spring Texas, his former wife and mother of his children, Ana Saucedo of Big Spring; a son, Russell Strong of Greenville, Texas; two daughters, Tiffany Boubek, and Belinda Ellen Strong of Big Spring, Texas; and five grandchildren.

Russ was a huge fan of the Pittsburgh Steelers and enjoyed following their success.

Russ was extremely proud of his children and their accomplishments in life. He often bragged to his friends about his son's tours of duty over seas or the things his daughters and their families were doing.

He loved to fish and he prided himself in being able to help others when he could.

Paid Obituary

Police, Sheriff reports

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **BROCK WILLIAM BRANDON**, 37, of 4200 E Hwy 199, was arrested on a warrant of assault causes bodily injury family.
- **LARISSA ANN GONZALES**, 23, of 1101 1/2 S Lancaster St., was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **JIMMY LEE HERNENDEZ**, 34, of 605 1/2 E 12th St., was arrested on a warrant of embezzlement of motor vehicle.
- **JOSEPH ALTON MURLEY**, 39, of 1405 Tuscon Dr., was arrested on warrants of theft of under \$100, two counts of display expired registration, and two counts on failure to maintain financial responsibility.
- **STEPHANIE ANN CHAVEIRA**, 27, of 3616 Hamilton St., was arrested on a warrant of another agency.
- **CINDY MURPHY HINOJOSA**, 51, of 1411 Settles, was arrested on a warrant of another agency.
- **CARL WAYNE NICHOLSON**, 29, of 1418 Stadium Ave., was arrested on a charge of driving while suspended/invalid.
- **BURGLARY IN PROGRESS** was reported at the High School.
- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1400 block of E 6th St.
- **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported in the 1200 block of N CR 33.
- **ACCIDENT MAJOR** was reported on NW 9th St and N Gregg.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 3600 block of W Hwy 80, in the 1000 block of Howell St., and in the 2000 block of S Gregg St.

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

- Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 72 inmates at the time of this report.
- **BROCK WILLIAM BRANDON**, 37, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant of assault causes bodily injury family.
- **DAVID CONKLIN**, 37, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant

of bail jumping and fail to appear.

- **LARISSA ANN GONZALES**, 23, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **JIMMY LEE HERNENDEZ**, 34, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant of embezzlement of motor vehicle.
- **CINDY MURPHY HINOJOSA**, 51, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant of cruelty to non-livestock animals.
- **JOSEPH ALTON MURLEY**, 39, was arrested by BSPD on warrants of theft of under \$100, two counts of display expired registration, and two counts on failure to maintain financial responsibility.
- **CARL WAYNE NICHOLSON**, 29, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving with license invalid with previous convictions.
- **CHRISTIAN ANDREW SPIVEY**, 23, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant of driving while license invalid.

Take Note

The second of two mandatory meetings for parents and/or guardians of Coahoma ISD eighth graders will be held from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. today in the high school auditorium. The state of Texas requires all high school students to have a four-year graduation plan on record for grades ninth through 12th. The plan must be signed by a parent and/or guardian. Creating a plan now helps ensure students complete all required courses for graduation and take all needed prerequisite courses for their career and college endorsements if the student has decided to choose a career pathway.

The schedule is flexible to change during the student's high school career.

The following items will be covered at the meeting:

- Choosing core and all required classes for

graduation and the level - on level, pre-AP, and dual credit.

- Elective choices for ninth grade and beyond.
- An explanation on the various college and career endorsements which are Business and Industry, Arts and Humanities, Public Service, Multi-Disciplinary, and STEM.

A packet of information will be handed out at the meeting covering the above topics.

Also, go online to www.coahomaisd.com, click onto Coahoma High School listed under schools located at the top tap bar and visit CTE counselor's corner to find more information about career and college endorsements.

- A Public Forum will be held at the Big Spring Comanche Trail Amphitheater May 1, 2018. There will be a discussion of revamping the amphitheater, with hopes that upgrades

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

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 April 29 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.

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

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

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

- The Crossroads Young Marines is taking applications for another boot camp.

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

Carmen Ramirez Johnson

Carmen Ramirez Johnson entered into eternal rest at her home in Valley, Alabama, on Thursday, March 15, 2018, surrounded by her loved ones.

Carmen was born in Big Spring, Texas, on Jan. 28, 1951, to Juan "Cheno" and Estefana Ramirez. She was raised and attended local schools in Big Spring. She married the love of her life, Gary Johnson on March 22, 1978. She spent the rest of her adult life in the New England area. She enjoyed spending time with her children and grandchildren, also her in-laws whom she loved dearly.

She is survived by one son, John Ramirez (Lisa) of Alice, Texas; and one daughter, Vanessa Pembleton of Valley, Alabama; three grandchildren, Ashley (Michael) Grenier of Corpus Christi, Texas, Kayli and Alex Pembleton of Valley, Alabama; four great grandchildren, Michael II, Madison, John Luke and Isabelle Grenier. She is also survived by five brothers, Juan Manuel Ramirez (Rosario), Robert "Yaye" Ramirez (Roselia), and Ramon "Slinky" Ramirez all of Big Spring. Raul Ramirez (Griselda) of Odessa, Texas and Albert Ramirez (Connie) of Denton, Texas, and two sisters, Mary Lou Perez (Pete) and Lorenza Limon, both of Big Spring, Texas.

She is preceded in death by her parents, a brother Ramon, and two granddaughters (Mia and Kiera).

Catholic mass was held on March 19, 2018, at St. Michael the Arch Angel Catholic Church in Auburn, Alabama.

Funeral services were under the direction of Frederick Dean Funeral Home of Opelika, Alabama.

Paid Obituary

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported on Gregg and 9th St. No transport.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1100 block of Austin. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3200 block of Fordham. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2600 block of Ann. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 600 block of George. No transport.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block of E 3rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1400 block of Nolan. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 800 block of W FM 700. 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.

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on the job, McWilliams has served as a teacher; a coach – including athletic director; and as an administrator, including principal and assistant superintendent.

Going into the job, McWilliams faces the specter of a possible Texas Education Agency takeover or restructuring of Washington and Goliad elementary schools for low performance on state-mandated standardized testing; the low scores have kept both schools on TEA's "Improvement Required" list for more than six years.

Speaking following the announcement of his sole candidate status, McWilliams expressed optimism about the situation.

"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."

Following Tuesday night's meeting, McWilliams is already on the job and working as superintendent.

"I'm just looking for-

ward to hitting the ground running, and I'm looking forward to the challenge. I think we've got a great team in place and a lot of things going in the right direction," he said. "I just want to continue going in that direction, and basically push even higher to reach the goals and aspirations I have for this district."

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AREA

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disaster area also qualify for disaster assistance; those counties include Andrews, Bosque, Callahan, Coke, Ellis, Garza, Glasscock, Haskell, Johnson, Kent, Limestone, Lynn, McLennan, Midland, Navarro, Runnels, Shackelford, Sterling, Stone-wall, Taylor, Terry and Yoakum counties; as well as Lea County, N.M.

Qualified farm operators in the designated areas are eligible for the Farm Service Agency's (FSA's) emergency (EM) loans, if they meet eligibility requirements. Farmers in eligible counties have eight months from the declaration date, April 12, to apply for loans to help cover part of their actual losses.

According to a press release issued by the USDA April 20, the FSA will consider each loan application separately.

"The FSA will consider each loan application on its own merits, taking into account the extent of losses, security available and repayment ability," the release says. "FSA has a variety of programs, in addition to the EM loan program, to help eligible farmers recover from the impacts of this disaster."

The release goes on to say that other FSA programs include Operating and Farm Ownership Loans; the Emergency Conservation Program; Livestock Forage Disaster Program; Livestock Indemnity Program; Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees and Farm-Raised Fish Program; and the Tree Assistance Program.

Interested farmers may contact their local USDA service centers for further information on eligibility requirements and application procedures for these and other programs. Additional information is also available online at <http://disaster.fsa.usda.gov>.

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Doris Smith, 82, of Fort Worth, formerly of Big Spring, died Thursday. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. tonight at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Trinity Memorial Park.

Angelita Valles Salazar, 67, died Sunday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.



HERALD photo

The Big Spring Herald was honored at the HSWCD Annual Conservation Banquet on Tuesday evening as "Friends of Conservation" for its continuous service in providing information and recognition of agricultural projects and needs of Howard County. Pictured from left to right are Brie Miller, Sandra Green, Marissa Loftin and Rick Nunez, all of the Big Spring Herald.

HSWCD

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both students were presented with a special award from the HSWCD to commemorate their entries' advancement.

"We are always pleased with the kids and how excited they are when they see a banquet there for them in their honor. The direc-

tors are also thrilled that so many kids are learning about conservation, and about the farmers and ranchers in this area. So many don't realize just where their food comes from," said District Clerk for the Howard Soil & Water Conservation District, Judy Tereletsky. "We are thrilled that each year it continues to grow and grow. Last year, we had around 85 people, and this year

we had about 100. We are looking forward to watching this contest grow and to hopefully include more schools."

The teacher's hard work and support of our local youth was also acknowledged at the banquet. Forsan ISD's Principal Carter and Superintendent Johnson were each given a painting of a buffalo for their continuing support and hard work for Forsan's educational needs.

KIDS

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For the participants that are 16 and under, a fishing license will not be required. There is no deadline to enter. Simply just show up to the Dora Roberts Community Center at 1p.m. to register, and you are good to go! The tournament will start at two, and contestants will be allowed to fish until five. After the tournament concludes, the fishes will be weighed and the winners will be determined.

There will be prizes won throughout the tournament, but the top three winners (biggest fish, most fish and first fish) will win a fishing package which includes a nice pole, a tackle box loaded with tackle, and a Walmart gift card.

Thanks to donations from Walmart, worms and dough bait will be provided. If you would like to use any other type of bait, please be sure to bring it with you.

"Parents are allowed to assist their kids, especially the young ones, but we definitely want the kids to do the

majority of the work," said event volunteer Mike Bagwell. "My kids, and myself included, grew up fishing. It's always a good time watching kids fish, especially when they catch them. It is always awesome when, especially the little ones, who come up holding their fish and have no fear of it. Even a lot of adults don't like to touch fish sometimes, so when the littlest ones do and have no fear is such a fun and awesome part of it"

According to Bagwell, the GBSRC puts this on to bring the community together with some good old fashioned fun by the water.

"It's a community service thing. We are not trying to earn any money from it, its just a straight up to-have-fun type deal, and to get the community's parents and kids involved, and also to expose the community to Rotarians and their family atmosphere while having everyone out at the park and doing something fun," he said.

If you would like any additional information on the kids fishing tournament, Bagwell welcomes any and all inquiries and can be reached at 432-213-4849.

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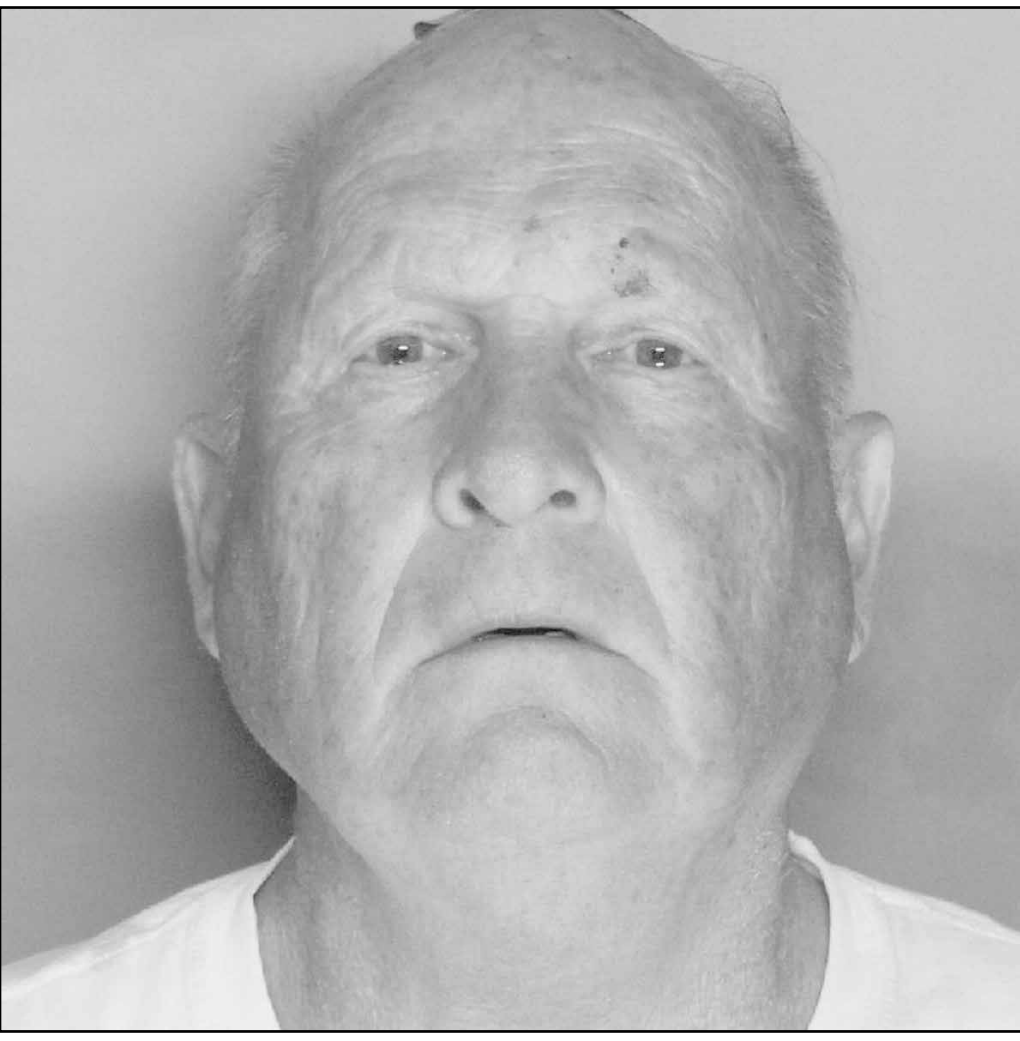
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DNA brings arrest in sadistic crime spree from '70s and '80s



By **SOPHIA BOLLAG and DON THOMPSON**

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — A DNA match led to the arrest of a 72-year-old former police officer in one of the most baffling and sadistic crime sprees of the 1970s and '80s — a string of at least 12 slayings and 45 rapes in California by an attacker dubbed the Golden State Killer, police said Wednesday.

Armed with a gun, the masked attacker would break into homes while single women or couples were sleeping. He sometimes tied up the man and piled dishes on his back, then raped the woman while threatening to kill them both if the dishes tumbled. He often took souvenirs, notably coins and jewelry, from his victims, who ranged in age from 13 to 41.

The match led to Joseph James DeAngelo, who was fired in 1979 from the police department in Auburn, northeast of Sacramento. Despite an outpouring of thousands of tips over the years, his name had not been on authorities' radar before last week, District Attorney Anne Marie Schubert said.

"We knew we were looking for a needle in a haystack, but we also knew that needle was there," Schubert said. "We found the needle in the haystack, and it was right here in Sacramento."

"The answer was always going to be in the DNA," she said.

DeAngelo was arrested on suspicion of committing four killings in Sacramento and Ventura counties, officials said.

He was fired from the Auburn department in 1979 after he was arrested for stealing a can of dog repellent and a hammer from a drug store, according to Auburn Journal articles from the time.

FBI agents were gathering evidence at a Sacramento-area home linked to DeAngelo, the agency said.

As the crimes unfolded across the state, authorities called the attacker by different names. He was dubbed the East Area Rapist after his start in Northern California, the Original Night Stalker after a series of Southern California slayings and the Diamond Knot Killer for using an elaborate binding method on two of his victims.

He was most recently called the Golden State Killer.

Jane Carson-Sandler was sexually assaulted in 1976 in her home in Citrus Heights by a man believed to be the East Area Rapist. She said she received an email Wednesday from a retired detective who worked on the case telling her they have identified the rapist and he's in custody.

"I have just been overjoyed, ecstatic. It's an emotional roller-coaster right now," Carson-Sandler, who now lives near Hilton Head, South Carolina, told The Associated Press in a telephone interview. "I feel like I'm in the middle of a dream and I'm going to wake up and it's not going to be true. It's just so nice to have closure and to know he's in jail."

In 2016, the FBI and California officials renewed their search for the East Area Rapist and announced a \$50,000 reward for his arrest and conviction. He has been linked to a total of more than 175 crimes between 1976 and 1986.

Authorities decided to publicize the case in advance of the 40th anniversary of his first known assault in Sacramento County.

DeAngelo, who was also a police officer in Exeter, in Southern California, from 1973 to 1976, was taken into custody without incident as officers surprised him at his Sacramento-area home, Sacramento County Sheriff Scott Jones said.

"This was a truly a convergence of emerging technology and dogged determination by detectives," Jones added.

Neighbor Kevin Tapia, 36, said when he was a teenager, DeAngelo falsely accused him of throwing things over their shared fence, prompting a heated exchange between DeAngelo and Tapia's father. He said DeAngelo could often be heard cursing in frustration in his backyard.

"No one thinks they live next door to a serial killer," Tapia said. "But at the same time I'm just like, he was a weird guy. He kept to himself. When you start to think about it you're like, I could see him doing something like that, but I would never suspect it."

AP photo

This undated law enforcement photo provided by the Sacramento County, Calif., Sheriff's Office shows Joseph James DeAngelo. DeAngelo, a suspected California serial killer who committed at least 12 homicides and 45 rapes throughout the state in the 1970s and '80s was identified Wednesday, April 25, 2018, as a former police officer, an official said.

National Infant Immunization Week

Special to the Herald

National Infant Immunization Week (NIIW) is an annual observance to highlight the importance of protecting infants from vaccine-preventable diseases

and to celebrate the achievements of immunization programs in promoting healthy communities throughout the United States.

The Vaccines for Children (VFC) program is a federally funded program that provides vaccines at no cost to children who might not otherwise be vaccinated because of inability to pay.

The VFC program helps children get their vaccines according to the recommended immunization schedule. It has helped increase childhood immunization coverage levels, making

a significant contribution to the eliminations of disparities in vaccination coverage among young children.

Vaccines are among the most successful and cost-effective public health tools available for preventing disease and death. They not only help protect vaccinated individuals, but also help protect

entire communities by preventing and reducing the spread of infectious diseases. Among children born during 1994-2016, vaccination will prevent an estimated 38.1 million diseases,

24.5 million hospitalizations, and 855,000 deaths over the course of their lifetimes.

Immunizations is a shared responsibility. Families healthcare professionals, and public health officials must work together to help protect the entire community. Healthcare professionals remain

parent parents most trusted source of information about vaccines for their children. They play a critical role in supporting parents in understanding and choosing vaccinations.

Protecting babies from whooping cough begins before the baby is even born. All pregnant women are recommended to receive the whooping cough vaccine Tdap during each pregnancy. The

recommended time to get the shot is the 27th through the 36th weeks of pregnancy, preferably during the earlier part of the time period. This will protect babies until they can receive their

first whooping cough vaccine at 2 months. That is why it is important to follow the recommended immunization schedule to protect infants and children by providing immunity early in life,

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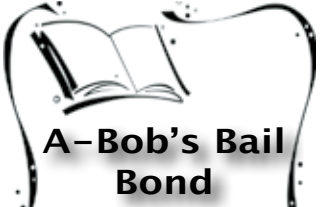
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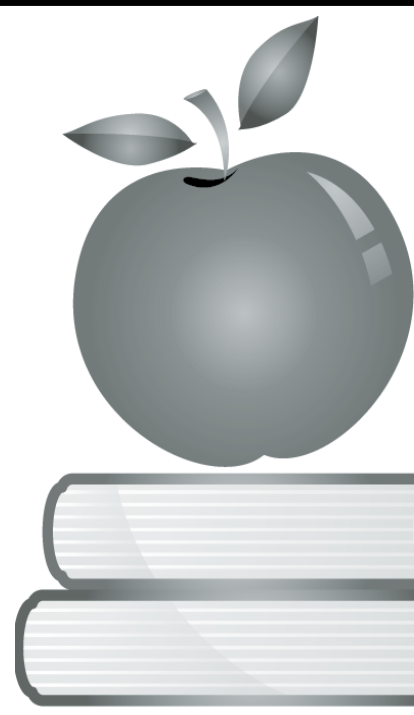
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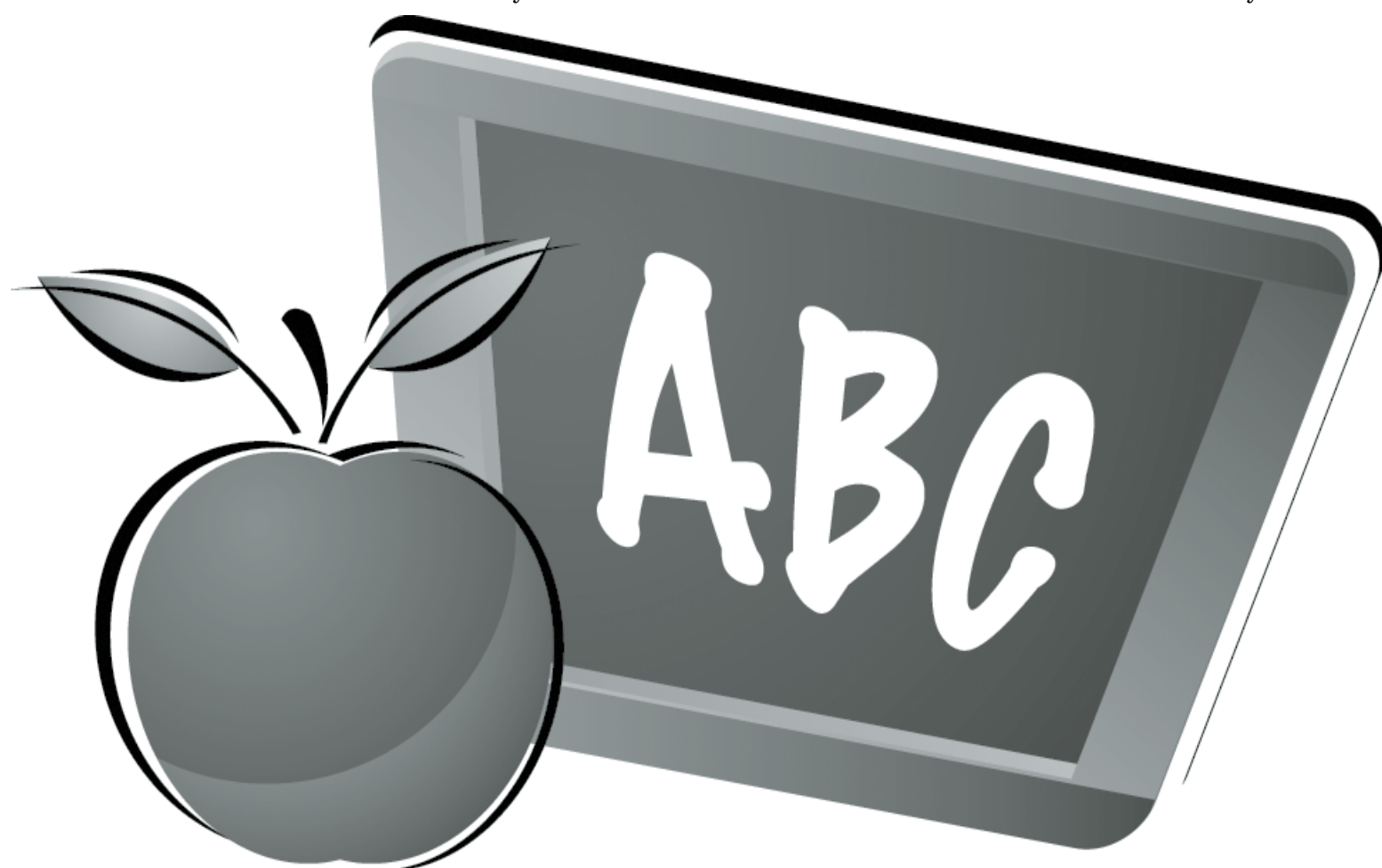
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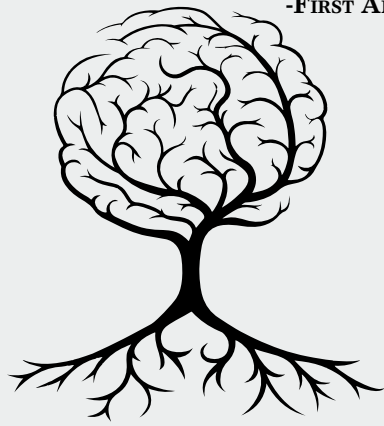
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Steer Weekly

Abstinence Only

Texas has a 31% teen pregnancy rate. The number may not sound too bad, after all, it is less than half, but when looking at the scope of the problem from a national standpoint, Texas ranks 4th out of all 50 states for the most teen pregnancies, following Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Mississippi. The problem surrounding accidental pregnancies at a young age are full of factors that, for the most part, are uncontrollable. However, one important factor that schools can provide help in is sex education. Therein lies the problem with Texas's pregnancy rate: we teach abstinence-only sex education. Texas is one of 37 states to put greater emphasis on abstinence and is one of 11 states that does not cover sex education or HIV Education.



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Texas needs let go of the outdated abstinence model and change to be a comprehensive sex education program which would explore all age-appropriate realms surrounding sex, including abstinence, birth contraception, relationships, and disease prevention.

While it is okay to include abstinence in the sex education curriculum, the state must recognize that it is unrealistic to expect every student to adhere to that ideology, and the statistics prove it. The goal of abstinence-only education is to prevent pregnancies and decrease the likelihood of contracting and spreading Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD). While both can be prevented by simply not having sex, the problem is that it is not working. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) found insufficient evidence to prove that abstinence-only education delays sexual activity amongst teens. Rather, they found that comprehensive sex education to be the most effective in promoting behaviors that prevent or reduce the chances of contracting a disease or becoming pregnant. Abstinence may be a choice for some students to follow, and that is perfectly okay, but it is not

a path all students will follow, which is exactly why more education should be provided to cover all bases. Teaching comprehensive sex education would mean making students more aware of STDs that can be transferred and their side effects, as well as options to have safe sex, thus, leading to less pregnancies. There are no negative side effects to educating teens.

If anything, the outdated abstinence-only sex education may potentially harm adolescents on how to have safe sex, students who do choose to be sexually active do not receive education on how to prevent pregnancy and diseases. Abstinence-only also fails to provide information for those who are pregnant or parenting, and for a state that is 4th in ranking for most teen pregnancies, this focus is crucial. Furthermore, students who are a part of the LGBTQ community are not included in conversation about safe sex. With so many groups of people left behind in the pursuit of "knowledge," the system must change to accommodate individuals in a modern age to help prevent diseases and accidental teen pregnancies.

Due to the outdated ideology and non-inclusiveness, abstinence only sex education has become a waste of taxpayer money. According to the Guttmacher Institute, a research and policy organization, \$85 million were given to abstinence only programs in 2016. Opponents claim that abstinence only is cheaper than comprehensive sex education. Not only is this false, but it shows a lack of prioritization of America's future generations. When arguing funds, Advocates for Youth, a nonprofit dedicated to the prevention of HIVs and STDs, found that approximately \$48 million went to HIV prevention efforts of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention who allocates a smaller amount of money for comprehensive sex education. While unknown exactly how much is

allocated, it is plain to see that it comes with a lower price tag and is more effective in teaching safe sex.

Sex is a fairly taboo subject. It may be widely discussed in circulating rumors amongst the student body but between most parents and their children, sex is not a topic discussed enough. The implications of lack of discussion may deter students from pursuing safe options, but if they were made more aware of contraceptives and where to get them, as well as the realistic downfalls of unsafe sex, students would feel more compelled to turn to the safer option. Instead, in the status quo, abstinence-only education demonizes sex and raises those who practice abstinence above those who do not choose to abstain. Discussion at school would also allow for a serious conversation between parent and child- now students will learn medically backed-up facts from the school's sex education as well as their own family's moral beliefs on sex. Conversation, even between conflicting viewpoints, is vital in allowing students to think freely for themselves and become efficient in decision-making.

Not only does comprehensive sex education offer more benefits than abstinence only, it is widely supported. Proponents included mainstream health professional groups, such as the Society of Adolescent Health and Medicine, and national surveys show that many parents also support sex education that will give adolescents all the information they need to protect their health.

As more and more research comes out on the ineffectiveness of abstinence-only sex education, it becomes increasingly difficult to support an outdated program, but nonetheless, it has persisted. To advocate for comprehensive sex education, make your voice heard by writing or calling your representative or take action by voting for someone who supports your beliefs. It is the representative's duty to listen to their constituents; all you have to do is speak out.

Absent-minded Abstinence

A 2015 study reveals that Texas is ranked fifth in the United States in teen pregnancy. The primary reason that Texas ranks so high in this devastating study is primarily due to the state's failed abstinence-only education program. This form of sex education fails because it does not stop sexual activity before marriage or teen pregnancy and it does not provide accurate information about reproductive health to the students.



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Abstinence-only as a form of sex ed fails because it does not stop sexual activity before marriage or teen pregnancy because the whole goal of abstinence is to say no to sexual acts/intercourse until marriage but it should not be the end-all-be-all of sexual education taught to today's youth. Teenagers should be allowed to know that there are other forms of sexual education that work better than abstinence at preventing pregnancy or disease/infections. Someone who practices abstinence more often than not has no knowledge about safe sex other than to just avoid sexual acts altogether which puts them at risk of catching something or getting pregnant. If abstinence fails, there is no backup, but there are multiple contraceptives that someone can use at the same time to protect themselves like birth control and condoms.

Abstinence only sex education programs do not provide accurate information about reproductive health to the students and have

a history of skewing information in their favor when talking to students about sex. Some of the curriculum reviewed showed major errors such as the amount of chromosomes passed from mother and father to the child, another stating that sweat and tears can transmit human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) to other people and another misrepresents effectiveness of contraception in preventing sexually transmitted diseases (STDs). Without accurate information about something that could mean life or death or potentially being a teenage parent the teens being taught abstinence only are set up to fail and start a cycle of teen pregnancy and being misinformed about sexual health.

By allowing abstinence only to be the forefront of our state's battle against teen pregnancy and the prevention of STDs and sexually transmitted infections (STIs) is also just a giant waste of taxpayer money for the results we get. Millions of dollars have been funneled into these programs only for teen pregnancy rates to increase since 1981 when the Adolescent Family Life Act (AFLA) also known as the chastity law was passed. This form of sex ed fails teenagers and adults because it does not prevent sexual activity before marriage or teen pregnancy like it's goal states and it does not provide accurate or scientifically correct information about reproductive health to the students. The youth of today should be taught the right way to have safe sex instead of being

kept in the dark by adults for the sake of staying innocent. Teens deserve to be educated about safe sex so they can practice it when they are ready and comfortable but abstinence only never gives them a chance to learn about safe sex it only scares them by using misinformation and skewed facts to fit an ideology.

If the goal is to lessen the numbers of teen pregnancy and transmission on STDs/ STIs then the first thing that needs to be done is the removal or consolidation of abstinence only sexual education because it misinforms and has no positive impact on teen pregnancy rates since 1981. It would be best to opt for a more suitable program such as comprehensive sexual education which gives students age appropriate information about their changing bodies. This program would be taught over several years uses scientifically accurate information about human development, anatomy and reproductive health, as well as information about different types of contraception, childbirth and STIs to teach children positive values regarding reproductive health. This form of education will also delve into family life, relationships, culture and gender roles, human rights, gender equality, discrimination and sexual abuse. There are too many cons when it comes to abstinence only sexual education. The only way to move forward and have a positive effect on teen pregnancy rates and lessen the transmission of STDs and STIs is to change the programs we use for sexual education for the sake of healthy future generations.

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Rockets advance to 2nd round with eyes on bigger goals



step for us, a step in the right direction, but we've got a long way to go," James Harden said. "We (don't) have this team just to win one playoff series."

From the moment Chris Paul joined the Rockets in a blockbuster trade from the Los Angeles Clippers last summer, the Rockets have talked incessantly about their desire and belief that the pairing of the two star point guards could propel this already good team into contender status.

A 65-win regular season led by Harden's MVP-caliber and Paul's work in a top supporting role gave the Rockets the NBA's best record for the first time in franchise history and added to the belief that this could be the year they win it all.

Despite not playing their best at times, the Rockets easily handled the eighth-seeded Wolves, turning in three blowout wins in the 4-1 series triumph, capped by Wednesday's night 122-104 victory.

"We'll continue to get better, work on some things, figure out who we play and take it from there," Harden said.

They move on to the Western Conference semifinals for the second straight

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Penn State's Barkley is best talent, but QBs to lead draft



This March 20, 2018, file photo shows running back Saquon Barkley catching a football during Penn State NFL football Pro Day in State College, Pa. Barkley is the best player in this year's draft.

By **BARRY WILNER**
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ARLINGTON, Texas — Saquon Barkley is the best player in this year's draft. Yet he might not go in the first handful of picks Thursday night.

Huh? Blame the desperation to find quarterbacks in great part for the possibility that the Penn

State All-America running back could fall well below where his talent, character and versatility warrant.

How good is Barkley? Draft expert Gil Brandt says he's the best at the position since Adrian Peterson. Other scouts and general managers have compared Barkley to LaDainian

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Houston Rockets guard James Harden (13) drives to the basket over Minnesota Timberwolves center Karl-Anthony Towns (32) during the second half in Game 5 of a first-round NBA basketball playoff series Wednesday, April 25, 2018, in Houston.

By **KRISTIE RIEKEN**
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HOUSTON — The Houston Rockets spent almost no time celebrating their first-round playoff series win over the Minnesota Timberwolves on Wednesday

night. For the top-seeded Rockets, it simply moved them a little closer toward their goal of bringing the franchise its first title in more than two decades.

"This was a pretty good

Verlander, Astros beat Angels 5-2; Pujols HR for 2,994th hit



Houston Astros' starting pitcher Justin Verlander (35) throws against the Los Angeles Angels during the first inning of a baseball game Wednesday, April 25, 2018, in Houston.

HOUSTON (AP) — Justin Verlander, Jose Altuve and the Houston Astros did enough to deny the Los Angeles Angels a three-game sweep.

Verlander pitched seven sharp innings, Altuve hit his first home run of the season and the Astros won 5-2 Wednesday, ending the Angels' road winning streak at a team record-tying 11 in a row.

"We are tough to sweep because of our pitching matchups and our rotation," Verlander said. "The old adage, 'You're only as good as the next day's starting pitcher' — I think we like our chances every day."

"It was a tough-fought series. You can't expect to win every series, especially against a team like that because they're very talented, he said. Albert Pujols connect-

ed off Verlander for his 619th career homer. Pujols now has 2,994 hits.

Verlander said he was "letting it fly" and "got a little erratic" in the seventh when he allowed two runs. But he said his body felt the best it had all season and his fastball command was the best it has been so far.

Verlander (4-0) held the Angels hitless into the fifth inning before Zack Cozart singled with two outs. Verlander gave up two runs and four hits, striking out nine without a walk.

Verlander won his 11th regular-season decision in a row, dating to mid-August last year, before the Detroit traded him to Houston.

"I feel like I say this every time he pitches, but what a great job of

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Rangers close out Oakland 4-2, end A's 4-game win streak



Texas Rangers pitcher Keone Kela (50) is congratulated by manager Jeff Banister after picking up the save as the Rangers defeated the Oakland Athletics 4-2 in a baseball game Wednesday, April 25, 2018, in Arlington, Texas.

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The Texas Rangers' bullpen delivered Wednesday night to help salvage the final game of a disappointing homestand.

Four relievers worked 4 1/3 innings, the only baserunner reaching on a throwing error, as the Rangers beat the Oakland Athletics 4-2. Isiah Kiner-Falefa hit a go-ahead single in the fifth to help stop Oakland's four-game winning streak.

Jesse Chavez (1-0) retired all four batters he faced in relief of starter Doug Fister. Keone Kela pitched a perfect ninth for his fourth save of the season.

The win closed a 2-4 homestand, leaving Texas with a 4-12 home record, equaling the fewest wins through the first 16 home games during the Rangers' 47 seasons.

Among the four losses, the bullpen allowed four runs in the ninth inning Friday, five runs in the seventh Saturday and six in the ninth Monday.

"We've been going through our

little trials and tribulations," said Kela, perfect in situations this season. "It was a good, collective bullpen win to move forward and just forget about the past."

"To get these guys out there and off the field in positive situations, close the door for them, I believe will go a long way to get them back on track mentally and physically," Texas manager Jeff Banister said.

Kendall Graveman (0-5) got the first two outs in the fifth before four straight batters reached, beginning with Jurickson Profar's double. Texas scored twice in the inning for a 3-2 lead.

Graveman, who entered the game with a 10.07 ERA, recorded season highs with six innings and seven strikeouts.

"He mixed his pitches again and overall pitched better," A's manager Bob Melvin said. "We just didn't score many runs for him. We just didn't play a good game overall."

"To go out there and have a 1-2-3 inning in the sixth was big for myself," Graveman said.

Fister was activated from the disabled list earlier in the day and allowed two runs and four hits in 4 2/3 innings while throwing 105 pitches. He was out since April 10 with a right hip strain.

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As Fister was activated, Texas placed Adrian Beltre on the 10-day disabled list with a strained right hamstring. Starting SS Elvis Andrus and 2B Rougned Odor are already on the DL.

"You don't want the main guys going out that way," Andrus said. "But at the same time, it's a good time for the young guys to step up."

Banister plans to primarily play Kiner-Falefa at third in Beltre's absence.

WHAT CAN MANAEA DO FOR AN ENCORE?

A's RHP Sean Manaea will start Friday after no-hitting the Boston Red Sox on Saturday. The five previous Oakland pitchers who have thrown complete-game

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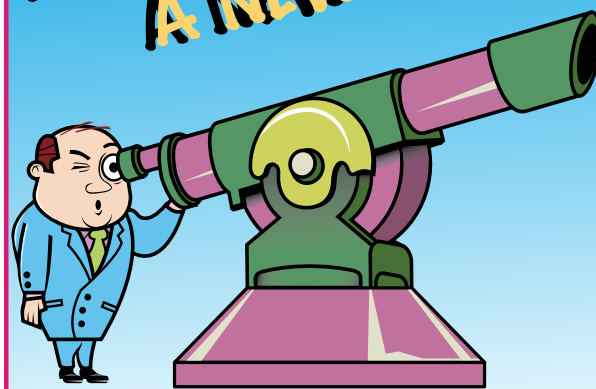
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Annie's Mailbox®

Friend Forgets Birthday

Dear Annie: I have a friend who, over the years, has been a lovely person. But for the past two years, she has totally forgotten my birthday. She always used to remember my birthday with sweet gestures and nice surprises that were incredible remembrances. I have also celebrated her birthday, plus other holidays, such as Valentine's Day, with her. So I was stunned when she forgot my birthday. I mentioned in an email to her that I was disappointed she had forgotten me and hoped that all was OK and that it wasn't because of anything I said or did. It took her a while, but she wrote back a very snarky

message saying she could not be expected to remember birthdays because her life is far too full.

How could she go over the top until two years ago and then do nothing? I would have been tickled with a "happy birthday" wish in an email. I was honestly offering to apologize in my email. If I said something wrong, I want to know. I have not replied to her response and don't plan to, but I'm confused, hurt and amazed she could think I expected more than a wish of "happy birthday" from her.

One of her quirks is denial when approached about anything that suggests she could be wrong. In another email, I asked for

her impressions about a short story I submitted for publication to our local newspaper, but she never replied. When I followed up with her, she said she had already answered completely. But she never wrote anything about it, and she would not even hint that she could have forgotten all about it.

My impression is that she has no further interest in what I thought was a worthwhile friendship and that regardless of my tact or attempts to get to the bottom of our discussions, it's an empty effort. Should I give it yet another try or walk away? -- Friend or Not?

Dear Friend or Not?: I'd call her behavior rude if it weren't so troubling. Such an

out-of-the-blue personality change can indicate underlying health issues. Tell her that you're concerned about her change in demeanor, and offer to go to the doctor with her for a full evaluation. If there's no medical explanation for her sudden loss of manners, then take your distance and spend time with friends who treat you with respect. Perhaps you could join a writing group and make friends with people who will happily offer feedback on your short stories.

Dear Annie: You were kidding when you told "Bad Bridesmaid" -- who had already spent money for her friend's wedding in the form of a dress, flights, a hotel reservation, a rental car, a bach-

elorette party and other expenses -- that she now should get a gift, as well, right?

When I was married, I told my bridesmaids, who had to travel to another state for my wedding, that a gift was not necessary. I also put mine up in my home, fed them, had their dresses made, etc. Their agreeing to travel and celebrate my special day was gift enough.

Frankly, any bride who expects all of the above from her bridesmaids plus a gift should be ashamed. The greed of weddings seems to outweigh the joy these days. Maybe it would work better if those asked to be bridesmaids and go into debt asked instead for a contract stating that all their ex-

penses be paid for by the happy couple. After all, it isn't the bridesmaids' wedding. -- Tired of Greedy Brides

Dear Tired of Greedy Brides: I'm not sure how many brides share your perspective, but it's worth sharing here. Every bride-to-be should be thoughtful about placing financial demands on her bridesmaids.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Mars and Pluto Pop-Up Venue

Mars and Pluto align to draw up some profound energy. It feels as though we must do something important: We must go where we feel most alive. The thing about that is, you don't know until you're there experiencing the place. Furthermore, it's not really a place. One day it's at the beach, and the next it's in a car. Vitality is a pop-up venue.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). On this emotionally stretchy day, time feels elastic, too. Forever can mean lifetimes or seconds. So don't worry about how long a thing takes. The flow of doing it... that's what matters.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). So many social constructs are well-meaning traditions that, for some reason, have

lost their purpose, as far as you're concerned. They no longer do what they're supposed to.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The small space between the sleep and the dream holds the most concentrated stuff of your day. Who or what inhabits that space right now? There's more to be done about this, and you're ready to try.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Comebacks are stronger than setbacks. You'll be thinking about a past defeat. The tides have changed. The scene is different, and there's optimism in you, too. If you try again, much will go right about it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Your communication style is an easy thing to love. You listen without interrupting, speak without accusing, express without dominating. If everyone

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS



were like you, peace would spread.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll decide what to do based on who will be there. You'll think about how different people highlight different aspects of your personality. You'll prioritize the people who bring out your sense of play.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). All you have to do is an internet search to know that you are not alone in your difficulties. Actually, someone in your immediate circle can relate to your problem more than you might have guessed. Speak up.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Some people smile when it rains, while others run for cover. For you it depends on the day, your mood, whom you're with, what you're wearing... when you're in the moment, there is no one-size-fits-all response to life's weather.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). When the pressure is on, you stay cool and do the right thing. But when the pressure is off -- that can be more challenging, because people get used to high stakes. Creativity will solve it. You have plenty of that!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The biggest heartbreaker isn't a person, it's an expectation. Good news: Expectations are much easier to manage than people. Use what you know to get ahead of potential

disappointment and cut it off at the pass.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It's funny how quickly you forget what you can do, what you're good at, what you've solved before. It's a good reason to write things down. Friends from the past who can remind you of your greatness are invaluable.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There's the aim -- to retrieve the item, to get the go ahead, to earn the amount. Then there's the deeper aim. To live fully and gracefully and beautifully. It's the secret mission inside the mission.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 26). There's a happy vibration to your personal life that spills onto the things you create. You're building a life around helping people, but it won't feel like that at first. Education is

where it starts. You'll influence a group, and then the group will influence you. Two meaningful trips will give you the opportunity to heal family bonds. Leo and Pisces adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 30, 33, 17 and 42.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Channing Tatum was born when the sun was in sensual Taurus, the sign of money, appetite and sheer determination. Tatum's natal moon, Jupiter and Saturn are all in the disciplined sign of Virgo, indicating a penchant for perfection. Tatum likely demands too much of himself to let the crowd's adoration go to his head. Listen for him in the upcoming "Lego Movie" sequel.

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Level: Beginner

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!

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 numbers 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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6	8	2	1	5	3	9	7	4
1	7	3	8	4	9	2	6	5
7	2	1	4	3	5	6	8	9
3	5	6	9	8	2	4	1	7
8	4	9	6	1	7	3	5	2

ANSWER:

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

A missive from Ananias

South dealer.

East-West vulnerable.

NORTH

- ♠ —
- ♥ J 10 9 3
- ♦ A K Q 8 6
- ♣ 6 4 3 2

WEST

- ♠ A K J 10 5
- ♥ —
- ♦ 5 2
- ♣ A K Q 9 7 5

EAST

- ♠ Q 9 7 6 2
- ♥ 8 6 5 4
- ♦ 10 7
- ♣ J 10

SOUTH

- ♠ 8 4 3
- ♥ A K Q 7 2
- ♦ J 9 4 3
- ♣ 8

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♥	2♥	4♥	4♠
5♥	5♣	6♥	Pass
Pass	6♠	Pass	Pass
7♥	Dble		

Opening lead — king of spades.

Dear Mr. Becker: I'm sure you know as well as I do that bridge players have "on" days as well as "off" days. I don't claim to be more than just an average player, but the fact is that once in a while I manage to play a hand just like the experts would.

For example, take this hand I played recently at the club. Maybe

the bidding wasn't according to Hoyle — though I've seen worse — but just the same I wound up at seven hearts doubled.

I was lucky to get a spade lead from West because, with a club lead, there'd be no story to tell. When dummy came down, I immediately spotted a chance to make the grand slam. I realize you might not believe that what happened actually took place, but the fact is that I found the way to get around the entry problems the deal presented.

I trumped the spade with the nine, then led a low diamond and finessed the nine! I had to do this because I needed an extra entry to my hand to be able to ruff two more spades in dummy. Next I trumped a spade with the ten, led a diamond to the jack and ruffed my last spade with the jack.

Now I played the trump three from dummy and finessed the seven. When this won, I heaved a huge sigh of relief, because I was then able to draw East's remaining trumps with the A-K-Q and discard my club loser on dummy's fifth diamond.

As a result, I made the grand slam, and the boys at the club haven't stopped talking about it yet.

Cordially yours, Ananias Jones

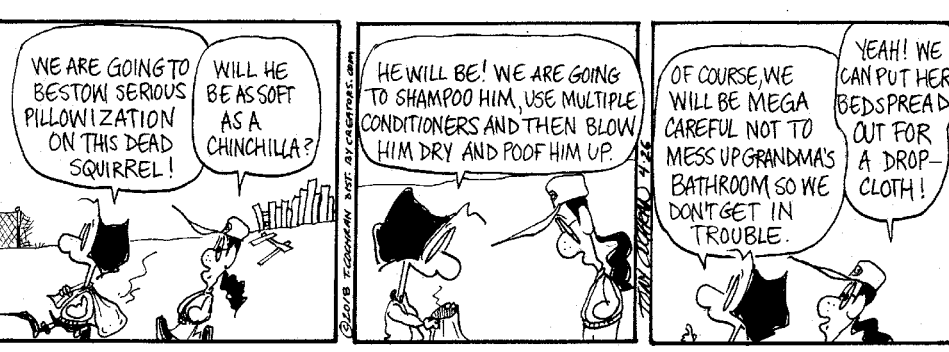
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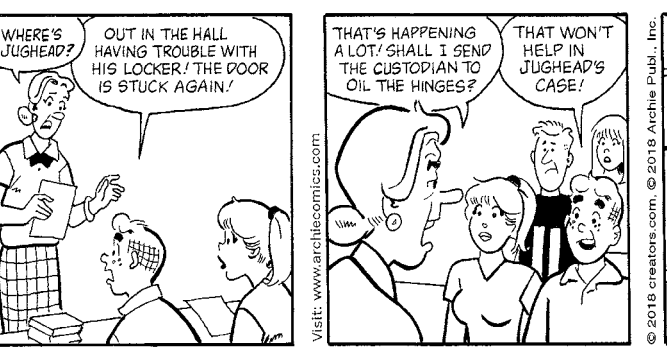
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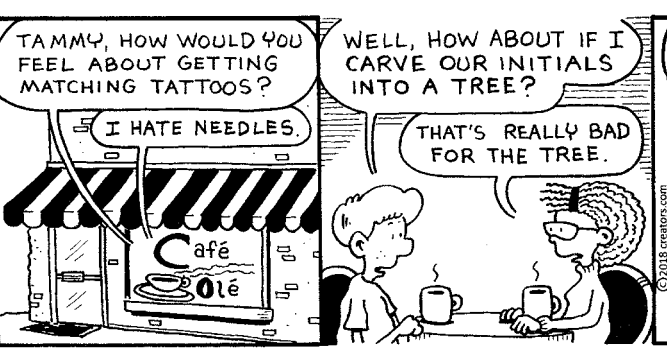
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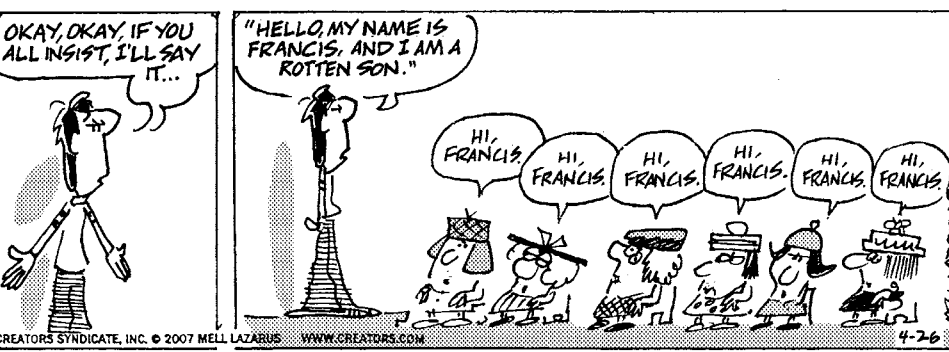
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NEST HEAD



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This Date In History

Today is Thursday, April 26, the 116th day of 2018. There are 249 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 26, 1937, German and Italian warplanes raided the Basque town of Guernica during the Spanish Civil War; estimates of the number of people killed vary from the hundreds to the thousands.

On this date:

In 1564, William Shakespeare was baptized at Holy Trinity Church in Stratford-upon-Avon, England.

In 1607, English colonists went ashore at present-day Cape Henry, Virginia, on an expedition to establish the first permanent English settlement in the Western Hemisphere.

In 1777, during the American Revolutionary War, 16-year-old Sybil Ludington, the daughter of a militia commander in Dutchess County, New York, rode her horse into the night to alert her father's men of the approach of British regular troops.

In 1865, John Wilkes Booth, the assassin of President Abraham Lincoln, was surrounded by federal troops near Port Royal, Virginia, and killed.

In 1913, Mary Phagan, a 13-year-old worker at a Georgia pencil factory, was strangled; Leo Frank, the factory superintendent, was convicted of her murder and sentenced to death. (Frank's death sentence was commuted, but he was lynched by an anti-Semitic mob in 1915.)

In 1923, Britain's Prince Albert, Duke of York (the future King George VI), married Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon at Westminster Abbey.

In 1945, Marshal Henri Philippe Petain (an-REE' fee-LEEP' pay-TAN), the head of France's Vichy government during World War II, was arrested.

In 1952, the destroyer-mine-sweeper USS Hobson sank in the central Atlantic after colliding with the aircraft carrier USS Wasp with the loss of 176 crew members.

In 1968, the United States exploded beneath the Nevada desert a 1.3 megaton nuclear device called "Boxcar."

In 1977, the legendary nightclub Studio 54 had its opening night in New York.

In 1986, an explosion and fire at the Chernobyl nuclear power plant in Ukraine caused radioactive fallout to begin spewing into the atmosphere. (Dozens of people were killed in the immediate aftermath of the disaster

while the long-term death toll from radiation poisoning is believed to number in the thousands.)

In 1994, voting began in South Africa's first all-race elections, resulting in victory for the African National Congress and the inauguration of Nelson Mandela as president. China Airlines Flight 140, a Taiwanese Airbus A-300, crashed while landing in Nagoya, Japan, killing 264 people (there were seven survivors).

Ten years ago: Police in Amstetten, Austria, arrested Josef Fritzl, freeing his daughter Elisabeth and her six surviving children whom he had fathered while holding her captive in a basement cell for 24 years. (Fritzl was later sentenced to life in a psychiatric ward.) Yossi Harel, the ship commander whose attempt to bring Holocaust survivors to Palestine aboard the Exodus 1947 built support for Israel's founding, died in Tel Aviv at age 90. Avant-garde composer Henry Brant died in Santa Barbara, California, at age 94.

Five years ago: Unable to ignore air travelers' anger, Congress overwhelmingly approved legislation to allow the Federal Aviation Administration to withdraw furloughs of air traffic controllers caused by budget-wide cuts known as the sequester, ending a week of coast-to-coast flight delays. Fire at a psychiatric hospital near Moscow killed 38 people; only three escaped. Country singer George Jones, 81, died in Nashville.

One year ago: Dismissing concerns about ballooning federal deficits, President Donald Trump proposed dramatic tax cuts for U.S. businesses and individuals. President Trump told the leaders of Mexico and Canada that he would not immediately pull out of the North American Free Trade Agreement, just hours after administration officials said he was considering a draft executive order to do just that. NASA's Cassini spacecraft survived an unprecedented trip between Saturn and its rings, sending back amazing pictures to show for it. Jonathan Demme (DEM-mee), the Oscar-winning director of "The Silence of the

Lambs" and "Philadelphia," died in New York at age 73.

Today's Birthdays: Architect I.M. Pei is 101. Movie composer Francis Lai is 86. Actress-comedian Carol Burnett is 85. Rhythm-and-blues singer Maurice Williams is 80. Songwriter-musician Duane Eddy is 80. Singer Bobby Rydell is 76. Rock musician Gary Wright is 75. Actress Nancy Lenehan is 65. Actor Giancarlo

Eposito is 60. Rock musician Roger Taylor (Duran Duran) is 58. Actress Joan Chen is 57. Rock musician Chris Mars is 57. Actor-singer Michael Damian is 56. Actor Jet Li (lee) is 55. Rock musician Jimmy Stafford (Train) is 54. Actor-comedian Kevin James is 53. Record company executive Jeff Huskins is 52. Former U.S. Poet Laureate Natasha Trethewey (TRETHT-'eh-va) is 52.

Actress Marianne Jean-Baptiste is 51. Country musician Joe Caverlee (Yankee Grey) is 50. Rapper T-Boz (TLC) is 48. First lady Melania Trump is 48. Actress Shondrella Avery is 47. Country musician Jay DeMarcus (Rascal Flatts) is 47. Country musician Michael Jeffers (Pinmonkey) is 46. Rock musician Jose Pasillas (Incubus) is 42. Actor Jason Earles is 41.

Thought for Today

: "A great many people think they are thinking when they are merely rearranging their prejudices."

William James
American philosopher and psychologist (1842-1910).

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Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Contends
 - 5 Oklahoma city
 - 9 Shampoo, say
 - 13 Asked for a loan
 - 14 Miami-___ County
 - 15 Fashion magazine
 - 16 Video game pioneer
 - 17 Gloomy
 - 18 Word for a thing
 - 19 Certain dieters
 - 22 ATM feature
 - 23 Branch of math
 - 24 Disquiet
 - 27 Few and far between
 - 31 Netflix science series star
 - 34 Recuperate
 - 36 Antsy feeling
 - 37 Numerous New England vacation rentals
 - 41 Amazon's assistant
 - 42 Window framework
 - 43 Youngest of Alcott's Marches
 - 44 Syrian city
 - 46 Vacant lot vegetation
 - 49 Ash Wednesday follower
 - 51 Star of Under Siege
 - 55 TV task for ex-athletes
 - 60 Finished
 - 61 Blue hue
 - 62 Spanish mark
 - 63 Undulation
 - 64 Ending for wander

- 65 Van Gogh hangout
 - 66 Lost traction
 - 67 "Sure, we should"
 - 68 Novelist Uris
- DOWN**
- 1 Résumés, for short
 - 2 San Marino surround
 - 3 Moon of Jupiter
 - 4 Shape of certain pasta
 - 5 Perimeter
 - 6 Undercover cop
 - 7 Dostoyevsky title character
 - 8 Makes objections
 - 9 Got manic
 - 10 Shampoo ingredient
 - 11 Pass over lightly
 - 12 Female lobsters
 - 13 Trite writer
 - 20 State with a panhandle
 - 21 Bite playfully
 - 25 Team at home near the Ohio
 - 26 Long-tailed squawker
 - 28 Largest Baltic state city
 - 29 Arise (from)
 - 30 No trouble at all
 - 31 Final Four org.
 - 32 Southern address
 - 33 Blunted blade
 - 35 Come up short
 - 38 Poked around
 - 39 Crime novel plot
 - 40 What's here
 - 45 Ready if needed
 - 47 Part of DMD
 - 48 Spoofs and such
 - 50 Chef's hat
 - 52 Vintner brothers' surname
 - 53 Shakespearean forest
 - 54 Caustic cleaners
 - 55 Metaphorical homecomers
 - 56 Almond-shaped
 - 57 Strauss of denims
 - 58 Indispensible thing
 - 59 Yoga class equipment

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Answer to previous puzzle

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ALERT MOD
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ODIE SHOOTFORTH
BEET PENS REMOTE
SASS AXES REWED

4/26/18

Academic Star Student of the Week Nolan Otto, Big Spring High School

Nolan is the son of Jr. High Principal Rebecca Otto and High School Assistant Principal Bert Otto.

Nolan is currently ranked as the number three student in the 225-member Class of 2018, while successfully completing the most challenging and rigorous courses that BSHS has to offer.

Nolan will walk the stage next month as a distinguished graduate with highest honors, an honor reserved for the top 10% of a graduating class.

He currently serves as the Vice-President for BSHS's National Honor Society, where he has been an active member since his junior year.

In addition to his academic achievements, Nolan is an all-star athlete, earning his spot on the Varsity Golf team for four years and leading his team through tough district competition. He was named to the All-District golf team all four years, and placed in the top three for the past three years.

Nolan recently committed to play golf at UTPB in Odessa where he will major in mechanical engineering.

"I'm excited about the opportunity to play golf at the collegiate level," Nolan said. "This is where good golfers become great ones."



Congratulations, Nolan!

STEER PRIDE CORNER



Special to the Herald

We are super proud of our TMSCA (Texas Math Science Coach's Association) students who placed in state recently in San Antonio. Delaney Moreno placed 15th in Number Sense. Joseph Gonzales placed 14th in Calculator. Kaiden Roberts placed 16th place in Number Sense, 15th place in Mathematics, and 6th place in Science. Students who competed and placed in the top 20 in the state received a medal. Moreno, Gonzales, and Roberts all received a medal and are ranked in the top 20 in the State of Texas for TMSCA. We want to thank the coaches as well: Mrs. Rincon, Mrs. Adlesperger, Mrs. Aguirre, and Mr. Davis.

Lil' Buffs donate to United Way



Special to the Herald
Forsan's 4th grade class donated \$413 to the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County's 2018 Campaign.

The money donated will be allocated to our 15 health and human service partner agencies.

Each year we hold a campaign to raise money for these non profit agencies so that they are able to provide many services to Howard County. On behalf of myself and the Board of Directors we are extremely grateful for this donation. We are also humbled and impressed by the generosity of such young children.

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Big Spring High School's weekly update

By **CHRISTIAN ISLAS**
BSHS Journalist

Coming off of this weekend's prom activities, BSHS eagerly awaits the final weeks of the 2017-2018 academic year.

Tuesday, seniors met with Mr. Ritchey to discuss the schedule of the remainder the school year, including the requirements for finals, the award ceremony, and graduation.

Varsity Baseball beat two-time defending state champions, Abilene Wylie, 2-1 to close out their season.

Tryouts were also held for the 2018 Big Spring High School talent show this week.

Yesterday, FCA hosted a guest speaker at the ATC.

Senior and junior students also took the first session of the Texas Success Initiative, yesterday. This is a test required by all college students, in order to gauge college readiness. Today, Sophomore students will finish up the remaining TSI testing.

The award-winning Rhapsody Show Choir will hold tryout for the next school year, today. Rhapsody

hold various performances throughout the year, as well as competing in an acapella contest in San Antonio.

Tomorrow, track will compete in the Prelims of Regional Track Meet in Lubbock at Lowry Field. The Steers and Lady Steers are looking for a strong showing to continue their tradition of strong state qualifiers.

Islas



Lady Steer Softball will open up playoffs in a bi-district game against Iowa Park Friday. They will play in Abilene at Abilene Christian Softball field starting at 7:30 pm. There will also be a pep rally to be held for softball team that morning.

Saturday, finals will be held for the Regional Track Meet and state qualifiers will be announced.

There will also be a meeting next Tuesday for the parents that were unable to attend the first meeting in regards to Dual College and High School Credit, it will be held in the HS Library at 6:15 pm. This meeting is a requirement for anyone taking dual-credit courses.



Courtesy photo

BSHS Senior Rudy Ortega dances at the 2018 Junior/Senior prom that took place on April 21 at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

THE BULLDOG REPORT



The end of the school year is fast approaching and students are keeping busy with a number of fun activities at Coahoma ISD.

At the elementary, mothers and sons enjoyed an evening of science activities including participating in a paper airplane contest and making slim. Paper airplanes were zooming all over the cafeteria as both moms and their sons vied for the longest

flight. The well attended event was for students in pre-kindergarten through fifth grade.

On Thursday, the Bulldog Gents and the Girls of Grace, a fifth-grade leadership class, capped off the year by enjoying a lunch at Howard College and learning the proper etiquette rules for eating socially. Among some of the tips learned was proper placement of utensils, eating food in small bites, and how to pass condiments properly.

At the junior high, the eighth grade band had an outstanding performance at the Music Across Texas Main Event Festival in Lubbock on Friday. Following the concert, band members enjoyed a lunch of pizza, laser tag and bowling.

Last week, some big news broke at the high school. Senior Trevor Kernick signed with the Trinity Valley Community College rodeo program in Athens, Texas recently for a full scholarship. He plans to pursue a degree in ag-business.

In sports, the Bulldogettes won the District 5 3A co-championship Friday in a tough battle with Clyde. The Coahoma girls will head to their first playoff game against Bangs on Friday in San Angelo. The Bulldog baseball team is also in the playoffs. The boys wrapped up their regular season Tuesday with a victory against the Colorado City Wolves.

Coming up, the Coahoma ISD athletic banquet is Monday at the high school cafeteria.

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Tomlinson. Last we looked, LT is in the Hall of Fame, and Peterson sure seems headed there.

"If you remember, there was some concern about Adrian's shoulder and he was not picked until No. 7 (in 2007)," says Brandt, now a draft consultant for the league and analyst for SiriusXM Satellite Radio. "Look at him and he has everything you need to be successful: quickness, speed, strength, a great character person, will pass protect."

"I am sold on Barkley. I think Barkley will be a star in this league."

So why might he wind up out of the first half-dozen or so selections. Brandt cites the preponderance for passing in the NFL these days, noting that two decades ago, teams ran 57 percent of the time, and now it's switched around.

Plus, he notes, "Quarterbacks, they will probably occupy four of the top six in this draft."

It seems certain the Browns at the top, the Jets at No. 3 and the Broncos at No. 5 will go the quarterback route. The Giants could pull the trigger on a QB at No. 2. There's lots of trade talk, too, with clubs such as Miami, Buffalo and Arizona eager to climb high enough to run in the derby for Sam Darnold, Josh Rosen, Josh Allen and Baker Mayfield.

It's possible the three best overall prospects for 2018 — Barkley, North Carolina State defensive end Bradley Chubb, and Notre Dame guard Quenton Nelson — won't come close to going 1-2-3.

The Browns are in a nice spot; of course, they had to go 0-16 last season to earn it. They also own the fourth choice and can grab one of those three after taking a quarterback to start proceedings. There's also the chance a QB-light team will unload a bunch of choices to get to No. 4, and Cleveland still could wind up with Barkley, Chubb or Nelson if it doesn't trade down too far.

"The guy is a really good football player," new Browns GM John Dorsey says of Barkley. "Absolutely. You cannot have enough of them on your team."

There's more to Barkley that could make him the biggest star to enter the league from this draft, even if he goes fifth, sixth, seventh ...

He can break open games with kick returns.

"I'm not going to lie, he's a tremendous talent," says new Giants GM Dave Gettleman. "You put the film on of a defensive guy and if they're playing Penn State, then I'm watching Saquon. He's one of those guys that my mother could have scouted. She could have figured that one out."

Yet, Barkley, who this week became a father to a girl, could last almost an hour into the draft Thursday night.



AP photo

Houston Rockets guard Chris Paul (3) is calmed down by James Harden (13) after being separated from Minnesota Timberwolves guard Jamal Crawford during the second half of Game 5 of an NBA basketball first-round playoff series Wednesday, April 25, 2018, in Houston.

ASTROS

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dominating and controlling the game he did," Astros manager A.J. Hinch said. "Even in the inning where he wobbled a little bit, it never gets away from him."

Alex Bregman hit a three-run double and Jake Marisnick homered for Houston. The Angels had also won 11 straight road games in 1988.

Ken Giles pitched a scoreless ninth for his second save.

Nick Tropeano (1-2) retired the first 11 batters he faced, striking out six.

With two outs in the fourth, Tropeano walked Carlos Correa and Josh Reddick and hit Yuli Gurriel to load the bases. Bregman cleared them for a 3-0 lead.

"When you take two of three from a division opponent, that's still a morale boost," Tropeano said. "Obviously, we want to sweep. We all want to win every game."

Altuve's sixth-inning homer came on a 79 mph hanging slider. The AL MVP hit 24 homers in each of the past two seasons.

After Altuve's homer, he gleefully skipped off the field into a cold dugout full of players, coaches and staff who were intent on completely ignoring him. He pretended to high-five teammates in the air, laughing and put his helmet down before his teammates finally cracked and celebrated with him.

"I was so proud running the bases and when I got to the dugout, I was like, 'OK, I know what's going on,'" Altuve said. "I knew they were happy, but they wanted to give me the silent treatment."

Marisnick also put one into the Crawford Boxes in left field, making it 5-2 in the seventh.

Correa extended his hitting streak to 10 games with a double in the sixth.

Pujols hit a line drive homer to deep left-center in the seventh for his fifth home run of the season. A single by Andrelton Simmons and a double from Cozart cut Houston's lead to 4-2 later in the inning.

ROCKETS

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season and look to return to the conference finals for the first time since losing to the Golden State Warriors in 2015.

But first they'll get a few days to rest as they await the winner of the series between the Thunder and Jazz. Utah leads 3-2 after Oklahoma City overcame a 25-point second-half deficit to avoid elimination Wednesday night.

Coach Mike D'Antoni said it's difficult to do too much preparation before they know who they'll face.

"We'll watch it. Get some popcorn and enjoy the NBA like everybody else does then we'll break it down," he said. "We'll have plenty of time to prepare and get in there and do what we do."

While the Rockets have their eyes on winning their first title since taking back to back trophies in 1994-95, the next round will be a benchmark of sorts for Paul considering his disappointing playoff history.

The nine-time All-Star has faced criticism after making nine previous playoff trips without advancing past the second round. The worst of those flops came in 2015 against Houston, when Paul and the Clippers had a 3-1 lead in the conference semifinals. They got blown out in Game 5 and squandered a 19-point second-half lead in Los Angeles in Game 6 before falling in Game 7 at Houston.

He bristles when the subject is brought up by reporters, but both Harden and Trevor Ariza said Paul discussed that series this week as a cautionary tale when Houston

"He was tough, needless to say," Angels manager Mike Scioscia said of Verlander. "As the game went on, we got some better looks at him. Albert got us going. He pitched a good game, no doubt."

FINALLY

"It feels like a dream come true," Altuve said after connecting for his first home run of the year. He snapped a 35-game homerless streak in the regular season, his longest since a 47-game drought in 2014.

PUJOLS IN HOUSTON

Pujols' home run was his 58th against the Astros, the most all-time by any player against the franchise. It was also his 31st career homer at Minute Maid Park, the most ever by a visiting player at the stadium.

Pujols played a decade against the Astros as an NL Central division rival when he was with the Cardinals — hitting a memorable, monster home run against Houston in the playoffs — before moving to the Angels and the AL West in 2011. Two years later, the Astros shifted to the AL West and again saw him more frequently.

VERLANDER'S STRIKEOUTS

Verlander has fanned 2,464 in his career, tied for 36th all-time with Mark Langston. Verlander trails Rangers pitcher Bartolo Colon by nine strikeouts for 35th place.

UP NEXT

Angels: Andrew Heaney (0-1, 9.64 ERA) will make his third start of the season on Friday at home against the Yankees, seeking his first winning decision since last August. Heaney was charged with the loss in last Friday's start against San Francisco, where he allowed seven runs on six hits with two walks in 4 1/3 innings.

Astros: Dallas Keuchel (1-3, 3.10) enters his sixth start of the season hoping to build off of his first win of the season as the Astros host Oakland on Friday. In his last start, Keuchel held the White Sox to one run on four hits in six innings in a 6-1 win.

took a 3-1 lead over Minnesota.

Paul carried the Rockets with a 27-point performance in a Game 2 win against Minnesota and scored 25 points in Game 4 when he and Harden fueled a 50-point third quarter that allowed the Rockets to come back to Houston a win away from wrapping up the series.

While his scoring helped Houston through this series, perhaps more important to Houston's success was what he did to facilitate scoring by others like Clint Capela, who led Houston with 26 points on Wednesday night. Paul had a tough time in the first game of the series when he tied a season-high with six turnovers. In the next four games he piled up 29 assists with just three turnovers to help Houston advance.

Minnesota coach Tom Thibodeau marveled at how difficult it is to deal with both Harden and Paul after the pair combined for 21 assists on Wednesday night.

"They can hurt you a lot of different ways," he said. "They hurt us with the pass tonight. They're not worried about their shots. They're worried about the team getting good shots."

While Houston's offensive prowess was evident throughout the year, the Rockets hope that their work on defense against Minnesota shows that they're solid on that side of the ball, too.

"We've been saying it all season long and in order for us to get where we want to go defense is going to have to be our backbone," Harden said. "We're going to have to get stops."

TEXAS

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no-hitters were 1-3 with one no-decision in their next starts. Jim "Catfish" Hunter followed his May 8, 1968 perfect game vs. the Minnesota Twins by beating the Twins 13-8. Manaea will have an extra day's rest thanks to Thursday's off day.

SHORT HOPS

Khris Davis homered for his seventh of the season and 19th in 44 career games against Texas, his most against any opponent. ... Texas OF Joey Gallo matched a career high with three hits, all singles — including a bunt against the shift. ... Oakland acquired RHP Wilmer Font from the Dodgers for LHP Logan Salow. ... Texas recalled OF Ryan Rua from Triple-A Round Rock to replace Beltre on the roster and optioned RHP Matt Bush to Round Rock to make room for Fister.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Athletics: LHP Ryan Buchter left with after facing one batter in the seventh inning with shoulder stiffness.

UP NEXT

Athletics: Manaea (3-2, 1.23) will pitch against Houston LHP Dallas Keuchel (1-3, 3.10).

Rangers: LHP Mike Minor (1-1, 3.86), who has lasted six innings in only one of his four starts this season, will face Toronto RHP Marcus Stroman (0-2, 8.55) on Friday.

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