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## County puts kibosh on fireworks



*HERALD file photo*  
**At their meeting Wednesday, Howard County Commissioners banned skyrockets with sticks and missiles with fins through July 10, unless local dry conditions change considerably. The ban is only for unincorporated areas of the county, and won't affect fireworks at the annual July 3 Pops in the Park celebration, shown in this 2017 file photo; though the city of Big Spring does have its own ordinance banning fireworks in the city limits.**

**By ROGER CLINE**  
 Staff Writer  
 High-flying fireworks are not allowed in Howard County through the upcoming Independence Day holiday and beyond.  
 At their meeting Wednesday afternoon, Howard County Commissioners banned "skyrockets with sticks" and "missiles with fins" fireworks in the unincorporated areas of Howard County through July 10 unless dry, fire-prone conditions change.  
 "The Texas Fire Service found that we have drought conditions here. I called and had a conversation with them before we even started down this road," said County Judge Kathryn Wiseman. "We definitely need to be so, so careful with our fireworks during this Fourth of July celebration."  
 Wiseman said that, while the ban doesn't include the city of Big Spring, the city has its own fireworks ban.  
 "The city has their own ordinance, and they always prohibit fireworks inside the city limits," she said. "This is for the unincorporated areas of the

county."  
 According to the ban order, "No person may sell, detonate, ignite, or in any way use fireworks classified...as 'skyrockets with sticks' and 'missiles with fins' in any portion of the unincorporated area of Howard County," and "This order expires when conditions no longer exist in the county or on July 10, 2018, whichever is earlier."  
 In other business, the commissioners met with  
 "We had our Texas Association of Counties Health Project Manager for the region, Shameria Davis, come and talk to us. We're looking at a tobacco cessation program. We really don't know right now whether we'll decide to implement it, but if we implement it, county employees who use tobacco would be asked to participate in a tobacco cessation program. If they don't, if they opt out and if they do use tobacco products, the county can charge them \$25 per month to help defray our medical costs through Blue Cross Blue  
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## Veterans Families Fund gives back to local Veteran



*Courtesy photo*  
**Navy Seaman William Green poses with his wife Martha and two-year-old son Jaleal. The Greens recently received a donation from Big Spring's Veterans Families Fund, organized by Dr. J. Gale Kilgore.**

**By TYLER SCHELLIE**  
 Staff Writer  
 The Veterans Families Fund is an organization that helps families that may struggle with housing, bills, vehicle repairs, and other expenses, while the spouses, mothers or fathers are away serving our country.

The man behind the organization is optometrist, musician, and veteran himself Dr. J. Gale Kilgore, who works in numerous ways to bring in funding as well.  
 "I go out and play in my one-man band to help acquire donations," Kilgore said. "Anything helps, and I understand how it feels to be away. I spent time serving in Vietnam, and I can say I wish there were programs like this to have helped my family while I was away."



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## Summer Reading Program coming up at Howard County Library

**By AMBER MANSFIELD**  
 Staff Writer

The ability to read and to be able to understand words on a page is obviously a vital part of life. Without the ability to read, you wouldn't even be able to read this article. While reading is an essential part of our society, for others it can be even more than that. Some people don't particularly enjoy sitting down and diving into a good book, but for a lot of people, reading is fun, entertaining and provides a temporary escape from every day life.



*HERALD photo/Amber Mansfield*  
**The Howard County Library, located at 500 S. Main St., is hosting a summer reading program for children during the months of June and July. The last day to sign up for the summer reading program is today at 7 p.m. when the library closes.**

The Howard County Library knows how fun and beneficial reading is, especially for the youth, which is why they hold their Summer Reading  
 See **READING**, Page 3A

## Coffee and health

**By AMBER MANSFIELD**  
 Staff Writer

Coffee is something many people are very familiar with and love; 64 percent of American adults admit to drinking at least one cup a day.  
 Along with its ever-rising popularity, coffee is increasingly earning scientists' approval as well. Studies continue to suggest that the beverage may have some beneficial effects on health. In the latest analysis, published in the BMJ, BMJ is a weekly peer-reviewed medical journal, researchers scanned nearly 220 studies on coffee and found that overall, coffee drinkers may enjoy more health benefits than people who don't drink the brew. That's prob-



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ably why Kindred at Home and Scenic Mountain Medical Center (SMMC) host Kindred Coffee Hour at the Yellow Rose Cafe located in SMMC every Friday from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.  
 This event is free to the public and not only do you get to drink coffee with possible health benefits you also get to check up on your health courtesy of Kindred and SMMC. Previously held at Cornerhouse Coffee, the coffee hour now takes place at the Yellow Rose Cafe inside, the Kindred staff provides blood pressure checks as well as oxygen and heart rate checks, and of course, coffee! Most of Kindred's coffee hours feature a guest speaker to help educate the community about their health, whether it be medically related or not. It's different every week!  
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## Bulldogettes land 11 on 5-3A all-district squad



Courtesy photo

Coahoma junior, Jayden Mann (above) turned in a stellar outing this season en route to earning the District 5-3A Offensive Player of the Year accolade.

### Special to the Herald

The Coahoma High School softball team has been on the diamond more than a few times this season. And it definitely showed when it came time to pass out all-district accolades.

Fresh off claiming the District 5-3A co-district championship, the Bulldogettes landed 11 players on the all-district team, including Jayden Mann, Kenzi Canales and MaKynlee Overton who earned three of the district's top honors. All three CHS standouts were named among the top players in the district.

A junior, Mann turned in a stellar outing this season en route to earning the District 5-3A Offensive Player of the Year accolade. Mann led the team in almost every offensive category this season en route to guiding the Bulldogettes to a 19-5 record and a berth in the area round of the Class 3A state playoffs. For the year, she batted .494 and posted a team-high 29 runs batted in.

Canales and Overton were equally impressive in their freshman campaigns. Canales batted .321 and played a key role in Coahoma's ability to go 9-1 in district play with outstanding play as a catcher. She was selected the district's Newcomer of the Year. Overton was chosen the District 5-3A Pitcher of the Year in a rookie season that saw her hurl five shutouts.

Juniors Lexi Montelongo and Cassie Grant, along with senior Kamri Kemper and sophomore Kaitlyn



Courtesy photo

Coahoma freshman, Kenzi Canales batted .321 and played stellar as catcher all season. Canales was selected as District 5-3A Newcomer of the Year.



Courtesy photo

MaKynlee Overton was chosen the District 5-3A Pitcher of the Year in a rookie season that saw her hurl five shutouts.



Courtesy photo

The Bulldogettes gather in a circle before game 3 of the Coahoma and Henrietta area playoff series Saturday held in Albany, Texas, May 5, 2018.

Corley, also received plenty of praise from the district's coaches. All four were named to the first-team all-district squad.

Seniors MaKayla Overton, Raegan Deel and freshmen Ashley Romero and Macee Grant were named to the second-team all-district squad.

Grant finished second on the team in batting with a .388 average. Kemper hit .357.

The 2018 All-District selections are

District MVP, Kaitlyn Turner, Clyde, Soph.

Offensive Player of the Year, Jaydan Mann, Coahoma, Jr.

Defensive Player of the Year, Peyton Lee, Clyde, Soph.

New Comer of the Year, Kenzi Canales, Coahoma, Fr.

Pitcher of the Year, MaKynlee Overton, Coahoma, Fr.

Co-Utility Player of the Year, Jacie Roberts, Clyde, Jr., and Karlee Hunt, Merkel, Sr.

Coach of the Year, Coach Sewell, Clyde

1st team All-District  
Lexi Montelongo, Coahoma, Jr.  
Kamri Kemper, Coahoma, Sr.  
Cassie Grant, Coahoma, Jr.  
Kaitlyn Corley, Coahoma, Soph.  
Carissa McMillan, Clyde, Sr.  
Carissa Gordon, Clyde, Sr.  
Kaelyn Miller, Clyde, Jr.  
Haven Williams, Clyde, Jr.  
Karena McCoy, Clyde, Jr.  
Samantha Samford, Clyde, Jr.  
Kaile Baker, Merkel, Jr.  
Brookelyn Casper, Merkel, Sr.  
Kamryn Flores, Merkel, Sr.  
Tamren Pierce, Colorado City, Sr.  
Chloe Castillo, Colorado City, Sr.  
Taylor Epperson, Colorado City, Sr.

Jenna Moore, Jim Ned, Jr.  
Malone Graham, Jim Ned, Soph.  
Victoria Carby, Stanton, Jr.

2nd team All-District  
MaKayla Overton, Coahoma, Sr.  
Ashley Romero, Coahoma, Fr.  
Macee Grant, Coahoma, Fr.  
Raegan Deel, Coahoma, Sr.  
Brooke Widener, Clyde, Soph.  
Sydney Leverich, Clyde, Soph.  
Londen Brashear, Clyde, Soph.  
Camry Lopez, Merkel, Sr.  
Alexia Balvant, Merkel, Sr.  
Alexa Garza, Colorado City, Sr.  
Marissa Reyna, Colorado City, Jr.  
Mia Monroe, Colorado City, Fr.  
Laramie Hodges, Jim Ned, Soph.  
Brooke Galvin, Jim Ned, Soph.  
Grace Heuermann, Jim Ned, Sr.  
Libby Tutt, Jim Ned, Jr.  
Marisela Escamilla, Stanton, Soph.

## LEADING OFF: Astros head home to face red-hot Red Sox

### Associated Press

A look at what's happening around baseball today:

#### TEST OF THE CHAMPION

After wrapping up a series at Yankee Stadium on Wednesday night, Jose Altuve and the World Series champion Astros return home to face another 2017 playoff opponent in Boston. Including a four-game series at Cleveland last weekend, that makes three straight foes for Houston that participated in last year's postseason. Lance McCullers Jr. (6-3, 3.98 ERA) starts the opener of a four-game set against Red Sox lefty Drew Pomeranz (1-2, 6.75 ERA).

#### BACK ON THE MOUND

Dodgers ace Clayton Kershaw is scheduled to return to the rotation at home against the Philadelphia Phillies. The three-time NL Cy Young



Houston Astros starting pitcher Dallas Keuchel (60) hands the ball to manager AJ Hinch as he leaves during the sixth inning of a baseball game against the New York Yankees on Wednesday, May 30, 2018, in New York.

Award winner has been on the disabled list for nearly a month with left biceps tendinitis. He is 1-4 with a 2.86 ERA this season. Aaron Nola (6-2, 2.27 ERA) pitches for the Phillies.

#### BEASTS OF THE NL EAST

The Nationals and Braves, in a tight race with the Phillies for the top spot in the NL East, begin a four-game series in Atlanta. Tanner Roark (2-4, 3.17 ERA) starts for Washington against Atlanta's Sean Newcomb (5-1, 2.75 ERA).

#### 'ROCK BOTTOM' IN QUEENS

Entering Wednesday night, the New York Mets have been reeling, and first-year manager Mickey Callaway is looking for a way out. Almost nothing has gone right since New York won its fourth straight game on May 21.

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## Obituaries

### Emma Gusman Granado



Emma Gusman Granado, 74, of Big Spring, died Sunday, May 27, 2018. Rosary service will be at 7 p.m. Friday, June 1, 2018 at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Coahoma Cemetery.

Emma was born Oct. 25, 1943 in Lamesa, Texas, to Margarita Villarreal Rodriguez and Antonio O. Rodriguez. She grew up in Lamesa but had been in Big Spring since

1976. She had worked at the Big Spring State Hospital. She married Thomas Granado on June 18, 1999, in Big Spring. She loved music, farming and especially her grandchildren. She was a Catholic.

She is survived by her husband Thomas Granado of Big Spring; one daughter, Sandra Hernandez (Eddie) and one son, Alex Gusman, all of Big Spring and six grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one daughter Roxanne Gusman (Eddie); two brothers: George Rodriguez and Antonio Rodriguez, Jr. and two sisters, Isabella Fabela and Sylvia Rodriguez.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com).

### Alfred Schwartz



Alfred Schwartz, 89, of Garden City died Wednesday, May 30, 2018, at his residence. A visitation will be held 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Friday, June 1, 2018, at St. Lawrence Catholic Church with a rosary following at 7 p.m. Funeral Mass will be 10: a.m., Saturday, June 2, 2018, at St. Lawrence Catholic Church, interment will follow at the St. Lawrence Catholic Cemetery.

## Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 700 block of E 22nd St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 200 block of NE 8th St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 800 block of W 5th 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.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2500 block of Fairchild. No transport.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2500 block of Dow. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2600 block of Chanute Dr. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

## Police, Sheriff reports

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **AMBER MICHELLE GUTIERREZ**, 43, of 610 E 12th St., was arrested on a charge of driving with license invalid with previous convictions.

- **JOSE ALBERTO MIER**, 35, of 1007 E 14th St., was arrested on a warrant of evading arrest detention.

- **RONNIE EUGENE LEAL**, 28, of 1107 S Goliad St., was arrested on a warrant of evading arrest detention.

- **JACQUES LAMAR GREEN**, 29, of 2409 Alamesa Dr., was arrested on a charge of driving with license invalid with previous convictions.

- **RENE RODRIGUEZ**, 30, of 400 block of Circle Dr., was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated, and on warrants of eight counts of failure to appear, driving while license invalid, and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

- **JOANNA HERNANDEZ**, 50, of 1504 Sycamore, was arrested on warrants of two counts of theft of property, failure to appear, and on a warrant with another agency.

- **ELDA RAMIREZ**, 34, of 1000 E 20th, was arrested on a charge of driving with license invalid with previous convictions, and on warrants of turned right to

wide, two counts driving while license invalid.

- **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported on 9th and Gregg, and in the 200 block of W FM 700.

- **BURGLARY OF BUILDING** was reported in the 900 S Gregg St.

- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 1000 block of Sycamore St.

- **THEFT** was reported in the 6900 block of N Service Rd., on the in the 1000 block of Driver Rd.

- **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1100 block of S Ausitn St.,

- **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported in the 200 block of W FM 700.

- **HARASSMENT** was reported in the 600 block of W I 20.

- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1100 block of Stanford Ave.

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 83 inmates at the time of this report.

- **JACQUES LAMAR GREEN**, 29, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving with license invalid with previous convictions.

- **AMBER MICHELLE GUTIERREZ**, 43, was arrested by BSPD on warrants of credit card

or debit card abuse, and parole violation, and on charges of possession of marijuana less than two ounces, and failure to identify fugitive intent.

- **RONNIE EUGENE LEAL**, 28, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant of evading arrest detention.

- **JOSE ALBERTO MIER**, 35, was arrested by BSPD on warrants of expired driver's license, and expired registration.

- **CATISHA DEANN MINTER**, 34, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant of illegal dumping.

- **GONZALO OCHOAJAQUEZ**, 30, was arrested by DPS on a warrant of bond forfeiture/driving while into.

- **ELDA RAMIREZ**, 34, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving with license invalid with previous convictions, and on warrants of turned right to wide, two counts driving while license invalid.

- **RENE RODRIGUEZ**, 30, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated, and on warrants of eight counts of failure to appear, driving while license invalid, and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

- **FRANCISCO VEGA**, 44, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant of evading arrest.

## Take Note

- Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 432-263-9669.

- The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nurturing and permanent home. We need your help. If you're interested in volunteering, contact Sara Basaldua at 1-877-316-8346 or visit [www.BecomeaCASA.org](http://www.BecomeaCASA.org) or [www.casawtx.org](http://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.

- The Homeownership Preservation Foundation (HPF) is an independent national nonprofit dedicated to helping distressed homeowners navigate financial challenges and avoid mortgage foreclosure. If you want to stop mortgage foreclosure and are in need of help, the time to call 888-995-HOPE is now. HPF can provide counseling free of charge, in English and 170 other languages.

es, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. For free foreclosure help, call the hotline.

- Legal Aid of NorthWest 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 pro bono attorney may be assigned to handle some cases that include: bankruptcy, consumer issues/contract, child support 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 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.

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EITZ Meets every Thursday at 6 p.m. at 501 Birdwell Lane. For more questions and information email, [francisco.garza@wtcmhmr.org](mailto:francisco.garza@wtcmhmr.org) or call 432-268-3003.

- 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 May 24 through Aug. 24, 6 p.m. 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

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

### SATURDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

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Enter the Big Spring Herald Reader's Choice poll by filling out this questionnaire. Mail your completed entry form by **June 14 by 5:00 pm**, or drop it off at our office at 710 Scurry St. in Big Spring. The winners of each category will be revealed to the public in our upcoming special section "Big Spring Herald Reader's Choice Awards" to be published on June 29, 2018 in the Herald. Thank You for your participation, but please hurry! The deadline is coming soon!

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Shield. I understand that it's very common to do this kind of thing out in the business world, but the county has never done it."

While the program has not been of-

ficially approved by county commissioners yet, Wiseman said that county leaders are also considering adding a yearly physical examination into the mix.

"One of the other parts of it was giving people an option to take a yearly physical paid for by TAC and Blue Cross Blue Shield, and if they opt out of that, we could also charge them \$20,

\$25, a month if they decide not to do that," she said. "That's just to encourage people to go to the doctor and take better care of their health."

Commissioners also:

- Held a budget workshop starting at 9 a.m. and running until the regular meeting started at 3:30 p.m.
- Gave permission to county attorney Joshua Hamby to seek bids for oil

and gas leases on county land.

- Approved the annual Vital Statistics Birth Contract, sharing birth certificates with other county clerks' offices throughout the state of Texas.

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# VET

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Along with the help of some Big Spring residents, Kilgore was able to reach out and help another local and active duty family.

Navy Seaman William Green and his wife Martha Lewis, who became the Green family on Sept. 25, 2017, are currently dealing with this very scenario. Willam Green has been away for eight months in the little city of Silverdale, Washington. The couple have one son of two years, Jaleal Green, and another son on the way who is expected to make his appearance at the end of June.

Not only does being separated from your family present very difficult challenges, but being a young and still growing family does also.

"This is going to be a blessing for the little ones," Mrs. Green said. "We have lived here all of our lives, and hopefully I get to see my husband soon!"

The Veterans Families Fund thanks all of the Big Spring residents who donated to the Greens, and for the gift that shows their gratitude for the veterans' sacrifices during and after their service to our country.

The Veterans Families Fund was founded in 2005 and hope they can continue for years to come to help active military veterans with any struggle they may come across.

If you would like to contribute, you can send or make donations to the Woodforest National Bank, Veterans Families, account number 5901848, inside Wal-Mart at 201 W. Marcy Dr. Big Spring, Texas, 79721.

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# READING

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Program, but the time to sign your children or grandchildren up for it is coming to an end.

"The last day to sign up is today, and we will be taking registrations until we close. This is a fun program that helps keep kids reading throughout the summer," said Donna Downing, Children Librarian. "This year our theme is music, and I think the kids are really going to enjoy it and have fun."

According to Downing, there are two different age groups that will be offered during the summer reading program.

"Tuesday will be for 1st grade and younger," said Downing. "Wednesdays will be for children who are in between 2nd and 6th grade."

The Summer Reading Program will be in the months of June and July starting at 10:30 a.m. every Tuesday and Wednesday at the Howard County Library.

"Come register for the program! The first day of the program will be the first Tuesday in June," said Downing. "The last day to register for the Summer Reading Program is May 31."

To register for the Summer Reading Program, all you need to do is come in during normal library hours and go to the front desk and tell them you are interested in signing up your child or children.

"A child's parent or guardian must sign them up, and you don't have to have a library card," said Downing. "Also, you don't have to worry about making every single week of the reading program. I understand summer is also a time for vacations and other on goings, but I have high hopes that the reading program will be fun and entertaining with all of the different activities I have going on."

Downing plans to bring a variety of activities to the 2018 Summer Reading Program such as reading, of course; along with arts and crafts, dancing with ribbons, games, puppets, and much more.

"I will also have a time log for the older kids group. At the end of the summer, I will have a top reader for girls and boys and they will earn a prize," said Downing. "I want kids to keep reading even though it's summer, and for it to be something fun for them to do. Reading is an important thing to teach our children, and it is even better if they learn to love to read."

The Howard County Library is located at 500 S Main St, and is open Monday through Friday. For more information regarding the Howard County Library Summer Reading Program, call Donna Downing at 432-264-2260.

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# US impose new trade tariffs; EU, Mexico pledge to retaliate



AP photo

**French President Emmanuel Macron, right, and Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Secretary-General Angel Gurría arrive at the OECD ministerial council meeting on "Refounding Multilateralism", in Paris, France, Wednesday, May 30, 2018. Macron warned against trade wars in an impassioned speech about international cooperation Wednesday, two days before the Trump administration decides whether to hit Europe with punishing new tariffs.**

By **KEN THOMAS and ANGELA CHARLTON**

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Trump administration announced Thursday it will impose tariffs on steel and aluminum imports from Europe, Mexico and Canada after failing to win concessions from the American allies. Europe and Mexico pledged to retaliate quickly, exacerbating trans-Atlantic and North American trade tensions.

Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross said the tariffs would be 25 percent on steel and 10 percent on aluminum, and go into effect on Friday, as the administration followed through on the penalties after earlier granting exemptions to buy time for negotiations. President Donald Trump had announced the tariffs in March, citing national security concerns.

The European Commission's president, Jean-Claude Juncker, said Trump's decision amounted to trade protectionism and that Europe would respond with countermeasures. "This is protectionism, pure and simple," Juncker said. Mexico said it would penalize U.S. imports including pork bellies, apples, grapes, cheeses and flat steel.

The tariffs directed at some of the U.S.'s most ardent allies represented the latest move in Trump's "America First" agenda that has roiled financial markets and raised the specter of a trade war involving the U.S., China and some of the globe's most dominant economies.

The trade actions have opened the U.S. to criticism that it's burning bridges at a time when Trump is seeking to rid North Korea of nuclear weapons and help stabilize the Middle East.

"We are alienating all of our friends and partners at a time when we could really use their support," said Wendy Cutler, a former U.S. trade negotiator who is now vice president at the Asia Society Policy Institute.

Ross told reporters that talks with Canada and Mexico over revising the North American Free

Trade Agreement were "taking longer than we had hoped." Talks with Europe had "made some progress" but not enough for additional exemptions, he said in a conference call from Paris.

"We continue to be quite willing and indeed eager to have further discussions," Ross said. He said he planned to travel to China on Friday for trade talks between the world's two biggest economies.

European officials had braced for the tariffs and the EU has threatened to retaliate against U.S. orange juice, peanut butter and other goods in return. In terms of the NAFTA talks, the tariffs could hinder the negotiations among the North American neighbors.

On NAFTA, Ross said there was "no longer a very precise date when they may be concluded and therefore (Canada and Mexico) were added into the list of those who will bear tariffs."

Brazil, Argentina and Australia have agreed to limit steel shipments to the U.S. in exchange for being spared the tariffs, the Commerce Department said. Tariffs will remain on imports from Japan.

Fears of a global trade war are already weighing on investor confidence and could hinder the global economic upturn. European officials argue that tit-for-tat tariffs will hurt growth on both sides of the Atlantic and Canada said before the announcement that it would respond in kind.

"Canada considers it frankly absurd that we would in any way be considered to be a national security threat to the United States," Canadian Foreign Minister Chrystia Freeland said before the tariffs were announced. "The government is absolutely prepared to and will defend Canadian industries and Canadian jobs. We will respond appropriately."

German Chancellor Angela Merkel stressed her opposition even before the U.S. announcement, saying the looming tariffs were incompatible with World Trade Organization rules. She said if there were no exemptions, "We will respond in an intelligent, decisive and joint way."

# COFFEE

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in the community," said Christian Fair. "Whether we are able to direct people in the right direction when it comes to their health, or even if they are already doing great, we just love being able to offer this service to the community, and we are so happy about its continued growth despite the location change."

Any age is welcome to attend. So if you would like to know more about

the topics each week, the guest speakers or what all this coffee hour can offer you, please contact Christian Fair at 432-816-3573. Scenic Mountain Medical Center located at 1601 W. 11th Place here in Big Spring.

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Emma Gusman Grando, 74, died Sunday. Services are pending.



## Texas governor unveils school safety plan following shooting

By **JAMIE STENGLE**

Associated Press  
DALLAS — Texas Gov. Greg Abbott on Wednesday recommended dozens of strategies to make schools safer in the wake of the deadly shooting at a Houston-area high school, including increasing the presence of law enforcement officers at schools. The Republican and staunch gun-rights supporter released a 43-page report that also included suggesting more mental health screening for students. A handful of the recommendations involved gun safety in Texas, a state that embraces its gun-friendly reputation and has more than 1.2 million people licensed to carry handguns.

Abbott said funding for some of the recommendations will be aided by federal grants, though others require state lawmakers to weigh in.

"We all share a common bond: And that is we want action to prevent another shooting like what happened at Santa Fe High School," Abbott, who is campaigning for re-election, said during a news conference at Dallas school district headquarters.

The report comes a day after students returned to Santa Fe High School for the first time since the May 18 shooting that killed eight students and two substitute teachers, and critically wounded a

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## Founder of Cavender's western wear chain dies in Texas at 87

TYLER, Texas (AP) — James Cavender, the founder of the Cavender's western wear retail chain, has died in East Texas.

Company Chief Financial Officer Jim Thompson says Cavender died Tuesday at East Texas Medical Center in Tyler. He was 87.

Thompson said Wednesday that Cavender, over the past few years, had health issues that left him hospitalized at various times. Thompson did not elaborate.

The company was founded in 1965 in Pittsburg, Texas, where Cavender still lived with his wife, Pat. Thompson says Cavender about 20 years ago turned over day-to-day business operations to his three sons.

The company, now based in Tyler, operates more than 70 stores in Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Colorado, Missouri, Louisiana, Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama, Kansas and Nebraska.

## Texas school district offers higher pay in Phoenix ads

PHOENIX (AP) — A Texas school district has placed advertisements on Phoenix billboards in an attempt to recruit Arizona teachers to a city with higher pay.

The Fort Worth Independent School District has rented five digital billboards in Phoenix that advertise a starting teacher salary of \$52,000.

School district officials say the advertisements were placed in Arizona and Oklahoma to target both new and veteran

teachers following the recent protests over pay in both states.

Arizona lawmakers approved a plan to hike teacher salaries after a six-day walkout by educators that shut down most schools statewide.

Officials say the Fort Worth district has up to 800 job openings. The district has about 86,000 students and more than 10,000 employees.

The billboards went live on Monday and will stay up for a month.

## Spokesman: Former President George HW Bush in 'good spirits'

KENNEBUNKPORT, Maine (AP) — A spokesman says former President George H.W. Bush is in "good spirits" at a Maine hospital but will need several more days of treatment.

The 93-year-old was taken to a hospital on Sunday when he experienced low blood pressure and fatigue hours after attending a pancake breakfast at the American Legion post in Kennebunkport.

His spokesman said in a tweet Wednesday that Bush is talkative and in good spirits but that the treatments to address his blood pressure "are expected to take several more days."

The nation's 41st president arrived in Maine on May 20 after being treated for a blood infection. He's without his wife of 73 years, Barbara Bush, who died in April in Houston.



AP photo

In this Nov. 5, 2017, file photo, former president George H.W. Bush arrives for an NFL football game between the Houston Texans and the Indianapolis Colts in Houston. A spokesman for the former president says the 93-year-old has been hospitalized for low blood pressure and fatigue. Spokesman Jim McGrath tweeted just after 2 p.m. Sunday, May 27, 2018, that Bush will likely remain in the hospital for a few days.

## Judge: June 15 deadline in study of materials in Cohen raids



AP photo

Michael Cohen arrives to court in New York, Wednesday, May 30, 2018. Lawyers for President Donald Trump and Cohen, his personal attorney, appear again before a judge in New York as part of an ongoing legal tussle about attorney-client privilege and records seized from Cohen by the FBI. Among the issues to be discussed: Whether Michael Avenatti, the lawyer for porn actress, Stormy Daniels, will get a formal role in the case.

By **LARRY NEUMEISTER and TOM HAYS**

Associated Press

NEW YORK — A New York judge set a June 15 deadline Wednesday for lawyers for President Donald Trump and his personal lawyer to make attorney-client privilege claims over data seized in April raids, saying it was important not to delay the criminal investigation.

U.S. District Judge Kimba Wood said a special taint team of prosecutors will make determinations after that date.

Wood presided over a hearing at which a prosecutor revealed that the contents of a shredder and two Blackberry devices were all that remained to be turned over to a court-appointed special master screening evidence for attorney-client privilege. Also reviewing the materials are lawyers for Trump's personal attorney, Michael Cohen, the president and the Trump Organization.

Cohen's lawyers asked to be allowed to review materials from the April 9 raids of Cohen's of-

fice and home until mid-July, but Wood said she had to balance their needs to protect their client with the need of prosecutors to pursue their criminal fraud case against Cohen.

Cohen attorney Todd Harrison said over a dozen lawyers had reviewed 1.3 million of over 3.7 million files received from the government, designating privilege as necessary.

Cohen did not speak during the court proceeding, which lasted more than an hour and featured a colorful argument between lawyers for Cohen and Trump on one side and California attorney Michael Avenatti on the other as they discussed Avenatti's public statements on behalf of his pornstar client, Stormy Daniels.

Daniels, whose real name is Stephanie Clifford, has said she had sex once with Trump, in 2006. Trump denies it. Daniels was not in court Wednesday.

Stephen Ryan, an attorney for Cohen, argued that Avenatti had acted outrageously by publicly releasing banking information related to Cohen and by criticizing Cohen in dozens of television appearances.

Ryan said Avenatti "intended to cause harm to my client and he succeeded."

Avenatti said a journalist had contacted him recently, claiming to have a recorded conversation between Cohen and an attorney who represented Daniels when Cohen arranged to pay her \$130,000 as part of the non-disclosure agreement. He accused Cohen's lawyers of leaking the audio. Ryan denied it, but said if his firm had released those audio tapes, "it would be the biggest story in America."

Ryan at one point seemed critical of what he called "a very strange thing going on" between prosecutors and Avenatti, who claimed he had a good working

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# Chirinos' two-run single completes Rangers' rally in 7-6 win

By **TODD MILLES**

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Even without injured stars Adrian Beltre and Elvis Andrus, catcher Robinson Chirinos still sees plenty of potential in the Texas Rangers' lineup.

And the past two nights, the Rangers flashed late-game maturity to go along with it in topping the Seattle Mariners.

Chirinos' tiebreaking two-run double in the seventh inning capped another late-inning rally, and the Rangers beat Seattle 7-6 on Wednesday.

The Rangers did damage in back-to-back games against a wild and ineffective Seattle bullpen which surrendered five runs in the sixth and seventh inning after ace left-hander James Paxton departed with a 4-2 lead.

"These guys continue to stay in the at-bat, grind them out and we were able to push across some runs," Texas manager Jeff Banister said.

Delino DeShields (walk) and Shin-Soo Choo (single) reached base for Texas to open the seventh against right-hander Ryan Cook.

Two batters later, Nomar Mazara greeted left-hander Marc Rzepczynski with a sharp two-run single to center field to tie the game at 5-all.

"His sinker is really good, so he is going to keep it throwing to me," Mazara said. "I was able to put a good swing on it and find a hole."

Rzepczynski walked Jurickson Profar and Joey Gallo before he was pulled without getting an out.

"The key for relievers is that first batter you come in to face," Mariners manager Scott Servais said. "Tonight, (against) all of our guys, the first (hitter) got on. Our guys are human."

Against Juan Nicasio, Seattle's third pitcher of the inning, Chirinos lined a hit off Ryon Healy's glove at first base, easily scoring the go-ahead runs.

"We have the talent to win close games," said Chirinos, who had a season-high three RBIs, going 3 for 5. "Guys have been working hard to be consistent at the plate."

Rzepczynski (0-1) saw his ERA jump from 7.04 to 9.39. He has given up runs in three of his seven May appearances.

A night after issuing eight walks

in a 9-5 loss, Seattle pitching gave up seven walks Wednesday.

"Our bullpen has kind of gotten away from us a little bit," Servais said. "We've gotten a little sloppy with the walks, which has hurt us. It catches up to you."

It was the Rangers' first back-to-back wins on the road since taking the first two games of a series in Toronto, April 27-28. Right-hander Tony Barnette (1-0) picked up his first win of the season in relief of Matt Moore. Keone Kela earned his 12th save, giving up an RBI single in the ninth to Nelson Cruz.

## KELA SETTLING IN AS CLOSER

Kela, who graduated from nearby Chief Sealth High School in Seattle, had registered four consecutive scoreless outings in the past week before Wednesday. He has become the team's primary ninth-inning option.

"I had to grow into it," Kela said. "I've always enjoyed pitching in high-pressure situations - the defining moments."

## FIRST BASE FOR GAMEL?

After the Mariners acquired left fielder Denard Span in a trade with Tampa Bay on Friday, Servais noted that outfielder Ben Gamel could see action at first base with Healy.

Gamel played one game at first base last season.

"I took a lot of early work there last year," Gamel said. "But nothing this year. It is something I obviously need to get work in at."

As the fourth outfielder, Gamel said he is willing to try anything to stay in the lineup.

## ROSTER RESHUFFLE

Rangers: To clear room for Moore on Wednesday, the team optioned Austin Bibens-Dirkx to Triple-A Round Rock. ... Despite being 8 for 22 (.364) in his past five games and hitting a bases-clearing double in the ninth inning Tuesday, second baseman Rougned Odor was out of the starting lineup Wednesday. Banister said it was just a planned rest day.

Mariners: After taking his second loss Tuesday, closer Edwin Diaz was unavailable to pitch Wednesday. He has pitched in six of the team's past eight games. Recently acquired Alex Colome would have pitched in a save situation, Servais said.



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Texas Rangers' Robinson Chirinos hits a two-run double against the Seattle Mariners during the seventh inning of a baseball game Wednesday, May 30, 2018, in Seattle.

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The Mets are 16-25 since starting the season 11-1. Though the Mets did earn a split of their series in Atlanta with a 4-1 win on Wednesday. "We've hit rock bottom the last few days and we have to come out of it," Callaway said before the game. New York has 11 players on the disabled list, including sluggers Yoanis Céspedes and

Todd Frazier, reliever Anthony Swarzak and catcher Travis d'Arnaud.

## STILL NOT MILLER TIME

Andrew Miller has been cleared to start a throwing program as the Indians' All-Star reliever battles inflammation in his right knee. Miller, who is on the disabled list for the third time in the past year because of soreness in his knee, visited a specialist in New York on Tuesday. The club said Dr. David

Altchek confirmed a previous diagnosis and the left-hander can "begin a gradual progression back to mound activity." While there is no timetable for Miller to return, the fact that he doesn't need surgery and can resume throwing is good news for the Indians.



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# Top North Korean official lands in US for talks with Pompeo

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NEW YORK — A senior North Korean official arrived in New York on Wednesday in the highest-level official visit to the United States in 18 years, as President Donald Trump and Kim Jong Un sought to salvage prospects for a high-stakes nuclear summit.

Kim Yong Chol, the former military intelligence chief and one of the North Korean leader's closest aides, landed mid-afternoon on an Air China flight from Beijing. Associated Press journalists saw the plane taxi down the tarmac before the North's delegation disembarked at JFK International Airport.

During his unusual visit to the U.S., Kim Yong Chol planned to meet with Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, who was traveling up from Washington. Their talks will be aimed at determining whether a meeting between Trump and Kim Jong Un, originally scheduled for June 12 but later canceled by Trump, can be restored, U.S. officials have said.

The talks come as preparations for the highly anticipated summit in Singapore were

barreling forward both in the U.S. and in Asia, despite lingering uncertainty about whether it will really occur, and when.

North Korea's flurry of diplomatic activity following a torrid run in nuclear weapons and missile tests in 2017 suggests that Kim Jong Un is eager for sanctions relief to build his economy and the international legitimacy the summit with Trump would provide. But there are lingering doubts on whether Kim will ever fully relinquish his nuclear arsenal, which he may see as his only guarantee of survival in a region surrounded by enemies.

Trump announced that Kim Yong Chol was coming to New York for talks with Pompeo in a tweet on Tuesday in which he said he had a "great team" working on the summit. That was a shift from last week, when Trump announced in an open letter to Kim Jong Un that he had decided to "termi-



**Kim Yong Chol, left, a former military intelligence chief who is now North Korean leader Kim Jong Un's top official on inter-Korean relations, accompanied by North Korean Ambassador to China Ji Jae Ryong, second from left, arrives at Beijing Capital International Airport in Beijing, Wednesday, May 30, 2018. Kim Yong Chol was headed to New York for talks with U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo.**

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nate" the summit following a provocative statement from the North.

Pompeo, Trump's former CIA chief, has traveled to Pyongyang twice in recent weeks for meetings with Kim Jong Un, and has said there is a "shared understanding" between the two sides about what they hope to achieve in talks. South Korean media

speculated that Pompeo could make a third trip to Pyongyang and that Kim Yong Chol was carrying a personal letter from Kim Jong Un and might push to travel to Washington to meet with Trump.

North Korea's mission to the United Nations in New York is its sole diplomatic presence in the United States. That suggests Kim might

have chosen to first go to New York because it would make it easier for him to communicate with officials in Pyongyang, North Korea's capital. North Korea and the United States are still technically at war and have no diplomatic ties because the 1950-53 Korean War ended with an

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# Walmart offers employees new perk: cheap access to college

NEW YORK (AP) — Walmart is offering its employees a new perk: affordable access to a college degree.

America's largest private employer, which in the past has helped its workers get their high school or equivalency degrees, hopes the new benefit will help it recruit and retain higher quality entry-level employees in a tight U.S. labor market.

The company is working with Denver-based startup Guild Education to give employees the chance to obtain a bachelor's degree in business or supply-chain management. It will cost a dollar a day at one of three nonprofit universities with online programs that have had success working with adult learners: the University of Florida, Brandman University and Bellevue University. It plans to eventually expand to more types of degrees.

It will also offer college-prep classes for workers who need extra help. Walmart is subsidizing the cost of tuition, books and fees.

Both full-time and part-time workers who have been with the company at least 90 days will be eligible, Walmart said. About 68,000 of Walmart's 1.4 million U.S. employees are expected to enroll in the first five years, based on interest from its workers, said Julie Murphy, executive vice president of people at Bentonville, Arkansas-based Walmart. Walmart declined to disclose the cost of the program.

The move underscores how retailers and restaurant chains are under increasing pressure to improve the skills of their workers as shoppers move online. Store chains including Walmart have also raised wages as low unemployment gives trained retail workers more options.

Walmart has said the tax overhaul helped it also give workers one-time bonuses and ex-

pand parental leave benefits. Critics say Walmart should share even more of its profits with employees. But a shareholder proposal presented Wednesday, calling on the company to invest as much money in the stock plan for employees as it does on share buybacks, was rejected.

Also defeated were proposals that would require Walmart to publish a report on racial and ethnic pay gaps and to create an independent chair.

The partnership with Guild Education goes beyond Walmart's current program covering the cost of workers and

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**In this Nov. 9, 2017, file photo, a Walmart employee scans items while conducting an exercise during a Walmart Academy class session at the store in North Bergen, N.J.**

## STUDY

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relationship with the government lawyers and that he knew the lawyers and the FBI had not leaked the audio.

Ryan also called Avenatti and prosecutors "strange bedfellows."

If Avenatti formally joined the court case, he would have to end his "publicity tour on TV and elsewhere" and stop asserting that Cohen is guilty of wrongdoing, actions that could "po-

tentially deprive him of a fair trial," the judge told Avenatti.

After the hearing, Avenatti formally withdrew his request to appear in the case.

Special Master Barbara Jones said in a letter Tuesday that lawyers for Cohen, Trump and the Trump Organization have designated more than 250 items as subject to attorney-client privilege. She said the material includes data from a video recorder.

Jones said more than a million pieces of data from three of Cohen's phones are ready to be given to criminal prosecutors, and more than 12,000 pages of documents from eight boxes that survived

attorney-client privilege scrutiny already have been given back to prosecutors. More than a dozen electronic devices were seized or copied in the raids, and Jones said she has not yet received data from three seized items.

The raids on Cohen were triggered in part by a referral from special counsel Robert Mueller, who separately is looking into Russian interference in the 2016 U.S. presidential election.

Wood became involved after Cohen came to court, complaining that he feared attorney-client privilege would not be protected. Trump also expressed those concerns on Twitter.

## PLAN

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police officer.

The recommendations were made following three days of mostly closed-door meetings that Abbott quickly organized last week with school districts, shooting survivors and groups on both sides of the gun-control debate, among others.

So far, the governor has ignored calls from a handful of lawmakers from both parties to call the Legislature into special session to address gun laws — a sharp contrast to the response in Florida following the February high school shooting there that

killed 17 people. Florida lawmakers, who were already in session, passed a gun-control package three weeks later, thanks in part to a lobbying campaign led by student survivors of the attack.

Texas lawmakers aren't scheduled to meet until January 2019. And unlike the students in Florida, several students at Santa Fe High School have been vocal opponents of increased gun control, including some who were invited to meet with Abbott last week.

Students who had classes in the area of the shooting were the first allowed back into the school Tuesday, followed by the rest about two hours later. All stu-

dents then gathered for a two-hour assembly honoring the victims, and counselors were available.

Abbott visited the campus Tuesday, privately speaking with students, parents, teachers and staff, and presented first responders with an award for their actions.

Authorities have charged a 17-year-old student, Dimitrios Pargourtzis, with capital murder in the attack. He's accused of using a shotgun and pistol that belonged to his father. He's jailed without bond.

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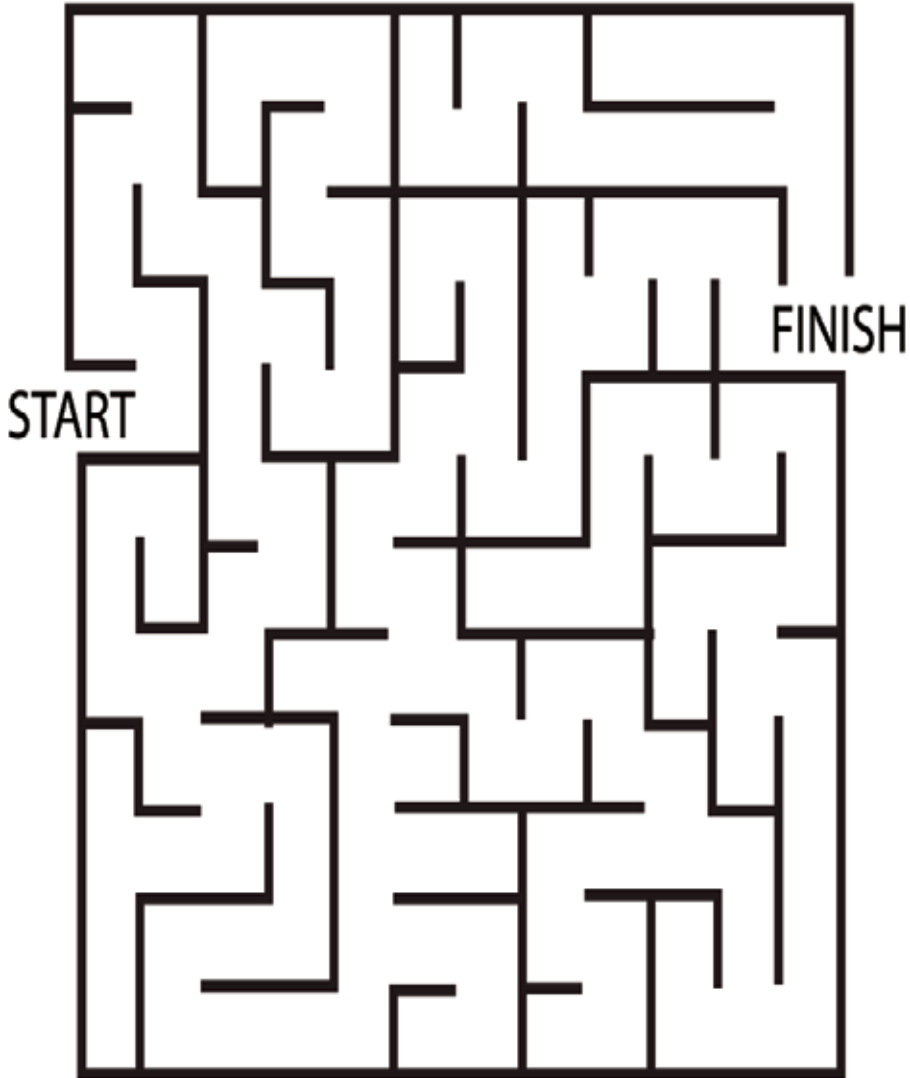
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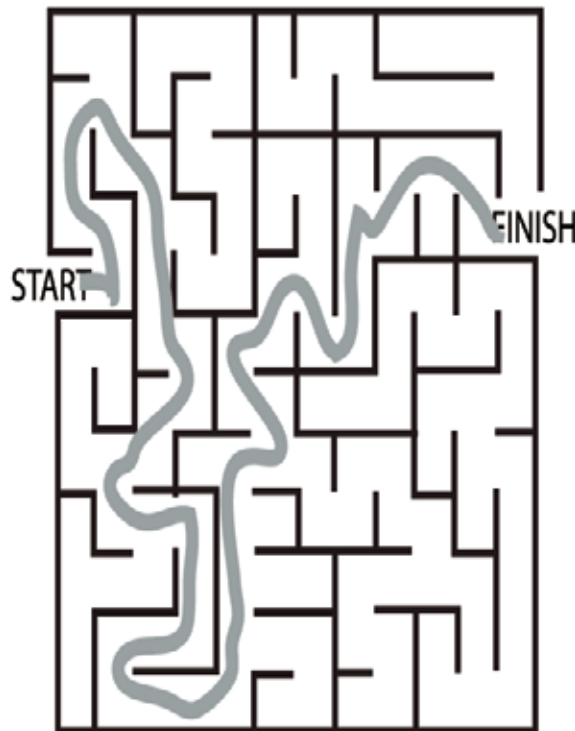
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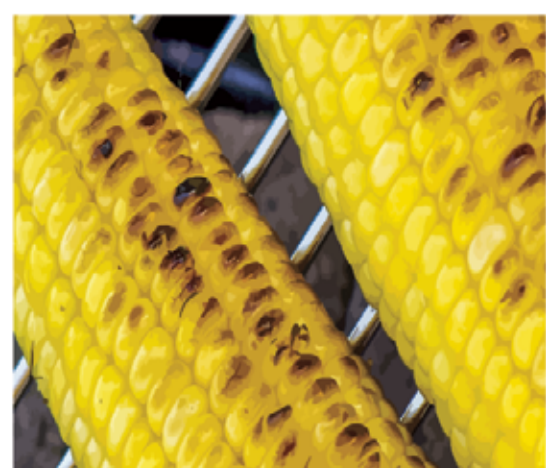
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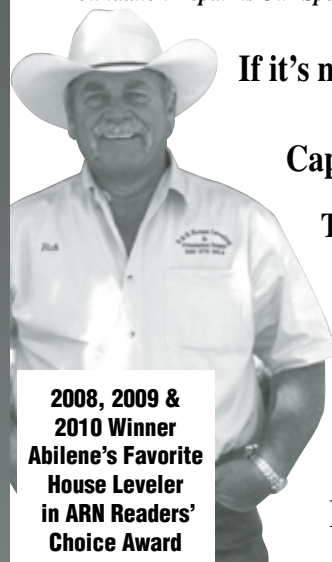
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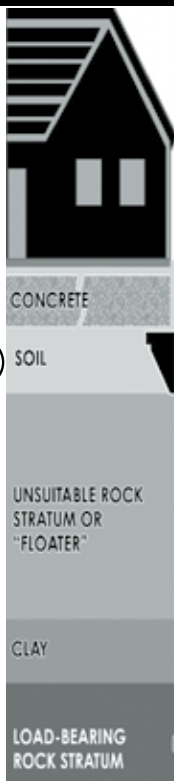
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**THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION**

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:  
  
FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : GIBSON UNIT 28-21  
Lease/Unit Well No. : 6AH  
Lease/Unit Acres : 534.6  
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 1.0

Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal  
Lateral: TH1  
Penetration Point Location

Lease Lines: 416.0 F S (OFFLEASE) L  
1473.0 F E (OFFLEASE) L  
Terminus Location  
BH County: HOWARD  
Section: 21 Block: 33 T3N  
Abstract: 344  
Survey: T&P RR CO  
Lease Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L  
331.0 F EAST L  
Survey Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L  
1650.0 F EAST L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:  
SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 330/0,

**Legals**

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.**

#9803 May 10, 17, 24 & 31, 2018

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION**

DISTRICT 08  
DATE OF ISSUANCE: May 10, 2018  
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Jun 14, 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](mailto:SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV)

Rule 37 Case No. 0311173  
Status/Permit No. 837553

**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 for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 21, Bk. 32 T1S, T&P RR CO Survey, A-162, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 4.85 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

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FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : TAG-GERT A  
Lease/Unit Well No. : 0944WA  
Lease/Unit Acres : 920.0  
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 100.0  
Lease Lines:

Lateral: TH1  
Penetration Point Location  
Lease Lines: 100.0 F S L  
330.0 F E L  
Terminus Location  
BH County: HOWARD  
Section: 9 Block: 32 T1S Abstract: 156 Survey: T&P RR CO  
Lease Lines: 100.0 F N L  
330.0 F E L  
Survey Lines: 100.0 F N L  
2196.0 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 9400 feet. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Jill Hamilton, at (432) 848-4855.

#9805 May 10, 17, 24 & 31, 2018

**Tomorrow's Horoscope**

**BY HOLIDAY MATHIS**



**Mercury Speaks From Gemini**

Complaining is a habit that robs people of happiness; though, confusingly, it's also a habit that bonds people. To be bonded in negativity is still a bond, and it can be hard to break. Yet break it we must. Our happiness depends on it. This message has been brought to you by Mercury, the minister of communication on his first full day in Gemini.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** Success is a pretty simple formula for you today.

You'll trade your solution to a person who can use it for their problem. The price will be easy to agree upon.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** Today, you're trying to hit that high note. Once you find it, move on. When you start to feel great about the situation, ask no further questions. Sail on with that tone, taking action in a positive direction.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** When attraction takes the form of infatuation, the excitement floats up like a helium balloon, distancing itself from the reality of the ground. It's a fun ride, though it's important to know that what goes up always comes

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** Your inventive mind is sparkling with potential today, so put it to good use. Think about the problems that plague people. Don't doubt that you could be the one to create products and services people dearly want.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** When you know you're going to be in something for a long, long time, you'd better make sure it's comfortable. This applies to homes, clothes and relationships. Time can turn the slightest rub into a torture.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** Every single person who walks the planet is flawed. Surround yourself with people whose flaws you can tolerate, because to spend your minutes raging

against another person's flaws is the definition of futility.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** Spread your attention around today, otherwise things get too intense. If you place too much emotion on one person or subject, other things will fall out of balance.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** Most people don't like going places where they feel they must always be "on." Comfortable is good. You'll rack up the nice interactions today and this goes a great way toward creating a sense of stability.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** The tendency is to fantasize about a future in which things will be and feel different, more fun, more exciting... but actually how you feel today is a gauge of how

you might feel tomorrow. So feel great today!

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** There's nothing to be done about the parts you can't control. It will go wrong; it will go right. The best you can do is to extract an interpretation that helps you feel joyful.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** You've so much to teach others and yet you don't realize it because it's difficult to see what you already know. Being around people who are different from you will give you a more accurate perspective of what you have to offer.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** It's another one of those counterintuitive social rules that will apply to today's interactions: The more you try and impress, the less

impressed they are. The answer isn't to be careless; it's to be carefree.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 31).** In business and in love it will happen the same way. The more self-contained, autonomous and independent you are, the more people will want to be a part of your life and work. Deals will be struck in July. Family will have wonders to celebrate together in 2019. Your education will pay off, and you'll decide to further it, too. Capricorn and Leo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 41, 20, 6, 31 and 9.

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**Annie's Mailbox**

**Loving Grandmother Kept at Arm's Length**

**Dear Annie:** I'm very frustrated, and I would like your opinion, please.

My daughter-in-law doesn't seem to realize that some of the things she does really hurt me. I've always been there for my son and daughter-in-law. I try very hard to be a good mother-in-law. I never interfere. I never show up without calling, and I hardly ever ask them for help because I know how busy they are.

I have changed my plans and moved my work schedule around so I could baby-sit, take my grandchild to some activities or watch their house and pets while they've gone away (which I've been happy to do because it makes their lives easier).

Her mom is not reliable and not allowed to baby-sit because she can't be trusted. I'm asked to do most things, which I don't mind, but I feel as though her mother gets invited to so much, whereas I have to ask. She just shows up at their house anytime and sleeps over for every holiday, and that seems to be OK with them.

I try to make time for my grandchild, but it seems that unless I'm baby-sitting, I don't get the same respect and leniency as the other grandmother. I'm often told they need family time when I ask to be more involved, which I keep to a minimum so as not to intrude. On one very special occasion, her

mother knew what I was buying for my grandchild (which was supposed to be sentimental between my grandchild and me) and basically bought the same thing and gave it to her first. My daughter-in-law was aware of the gift I had gotten and how excited I was but allowed it all to happen anyway.

Her mother is included in getting my grandchild ready for special events. Yet I'm told things will be too hectic. I can't say anything because my daughter-in-law has a short fuse at times, and my son doesn't get involved. I'm just afraid I'm losing the closeness that I had with my grandchild, and I'm really at a loss as to what to do next. Please help. -- Left Out in California

**Dear Left Out:** It's time to stop bending over backward for them and start standing up for yourself. Flexibility and generosity are great attributes -- but without communication, they're a recipe for resentment.

Talk to your son about how you're feeling. Let him know that you respect their need for space and family time but you don't want the only time you see them to be when they're dropping off your granddaughter to be baby-sat. And you shouldn't only get to see your granddaughter when you're baby-sitting her. Express your desire to be there for special events. And set personal boundaries, such as deciding not to rearrange

your work schedule just so you can baby-sit.

Whatever happens, know that their deferral to her mother is most likely a matter not of playing favorites but of avoiding fights. It sounds as though she has some serious personality issues that they're just trying to manage.

**Dear Annie:** I would like to add to your advice

to "True Lies." You said he "may be confusing criticism with honesty" when giving advice. To this, I would add the Buddha's take on telling the unvarnished truth. He observed that telling the truth only is not enough. He said that in order for your input to be effective, it must be both kind and true. Kindness works. -- Dr. Stewart

**A. Denenberg**  
**Dear Dr. Denenberg:** True wisdom. Thank you for sharing.

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

ANSWER:

**Contract Bridge**

By Steve Becker

**Bridge is a partnership game**

South dealer.  
North-South vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ 10 3  
♥ A Q 10 4  
♦ Q J 9 7 5 2  
♣ 10

**WEST**  
♠ Q 6 2  
♥ 9 8  
♦ K 10 3  
♣ K 8 7 5 3

**EAST**  
♠ A 9 5 4  
♥ 7 5 3 2  
♦ 6 4  
♣ Q 9 6

**SOUTH**  
♠ K J 8 7  
♥ K J 6  
♦ A 8  
♣ A J 4 2

The bidding:  
South West North East  
1 NT Pass 2 ♣ Pass  
2 ♣ Pass 3 NT

Opening lead — five of clubs.

Signals are one of the most important ingredients of sound defensive play. There are many different types of signals, and the defenders should always be on the lookout for an opportunity to make use of them.

For example, consider today's deal where you're West and lead a club against three notrump. Declarer takes

your partner's queen of clubs with the ace, then plays the ace and eight of diamonds. You could win the trick, but that would not be the wisest thing to do. Assuming East followed suit, you'd have to guess what to do next and might easily go wrong.

Instead of deliberately putting your head in a noose, you should play the ten of diamonds and wait for declarer's next move. He is virtually sure to continue with a diamond at trick four, and on this trick East will have an opportunity to tell you what he'd like you to do.

As it happens, on the third diamond East signals with the nine of spades. It is then easy for you to shift to a spade, even though South bid the suit earlier. After East takes the ace, he returns the nine of clubs through declarer's jack, and your side cashes four club tricks for down two.

Note that in this particular case you did not find the winning defense on your own, which can happen in some deals. Here you required some vital assistance from partner, and by refusing to take the king of diamonds at trick three, you gave him a chance to help you out.

Tomorrow: Test your play.

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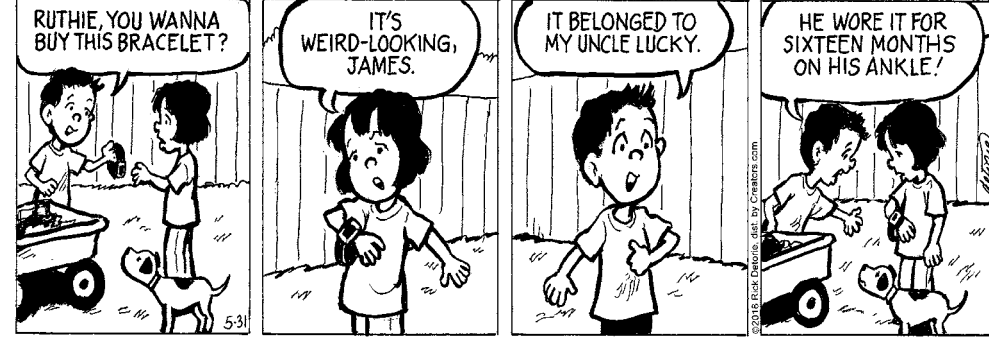
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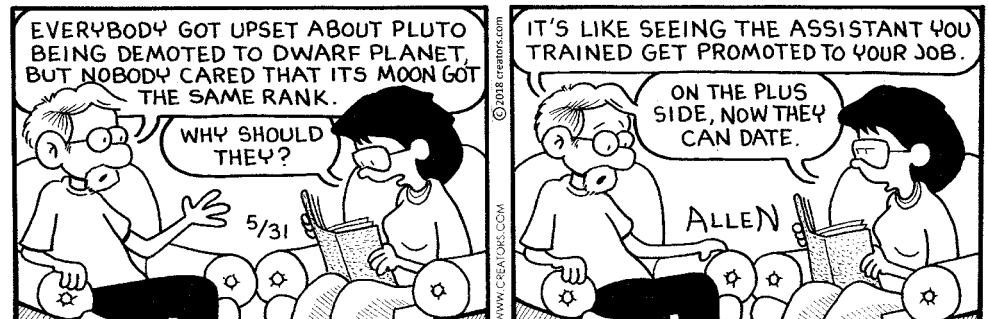
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This Date In History

Today is Thursday, May 31, the 151st day of 2018. There are 214 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 31, 1921, a race riot erupted in Tulsa, Oklahoma, as white mobs began looting and leveling the affluent black district of Greenwood over reports a black man had assaulted a white woman in an elevator; hundreds are believed to have died.

On this date: In 1578, the Christian catcombs of ancient Rome were accidentally discovered by workers digging in a vineyard along the Via Salaria.

In 1669, English diarist Samuel Pepys (peeps) wrote the final entry of his journal, blaming his failing eyesight for his inability to continue.

In 1790, President George Washington signed into law the first U.S. copyright act.

In 1889, some 2,200 people in Johnstown, Pennsylvania, perished when the South Fork Dam collapsed, sending 20 million tons of water rushing through the town.

In 1916, during World War I, British and German fleets fought the naval Battle of Jutland off Denmark; there was no clear-cut victor, although the British suffered heavier losses.

In 1935, movie studio 20th Century Fox was created through a merger of the Fox Film Corp. and Twentieth Century Pictures.

In 1949, former State Department official and accused spy Alger Hiss went on trial in New York, charged with perjury (the jury deadlocked, but Hiss was convicted in a second trial).

In 1962, former Nazi official Adolf Eichmann was hanged in Israel a few minutes before midnight for his role in the Holocaust.

In 1977, the Trans-Alaska oil pipeline, three years in the making despite objections from environmentalists and Alaska Natives, was completed. (The first oil began flowing through the pipeline 20 days later.)

In 1985, 88 people were killed, more than 1,000 injured, when 41 tornadoes swept through parts of Pennsylvania, Ohio, New York and Ontario, Canada,

during an 8-hour period. In 1994, the United States announced it was no longer aiming long-range nuclear missiles at targets in the former Soviet Union.

In 2005, breaking a silence of 30 years, former FBI official W. Mark Felt stepped forward as "Deep Throat," the secret Washington Post source during the Watergate scandal.

Ten years ago: Space shuttle Discovery and a crew of seven blasted into orbit, carrying a giant Japanese lab addition to the international space station.

Five years ago: A tornado in the Oklahoma City metro area claimed eight lives, including those of storm chasers Tim Samaras, his son, Paul, and Carl Young; 13 people died in flash flooding. Four firefighters searching for people in a blazing Houston motel and restaurant were killed when part of the structure collapsed.

Actress Jean Stapleton, who played Archie Bunker's far better half, the sweetly naive Edith, in TV's groundbreaking 1970s comedy "All in the Family," died in New York at age 90.

One year ago: President Donald Trump welcomed Vietnamese Prime Minister Nguyen Xuan Phuc (nuh-WEE'-ihn SOO'-an FOOK) to the White House for talks focusing on the American trade deficit. A suicide attacker struck the fortified heart of the Afghan capital Kabul with a massive truck bomb that killed more than 150 people. CBS announced that Scott Pelley was being removed as anchor of "The CBS Evening News" after six years.

Today's Birthdays: Actor-director Clint Eastwood is 88. Singer Peter Dinklage is 80. Humanitarian Terry Waite is 79. Singer-musician Augie Meyers is 78. Actress Sharon Gless is 75. Football Hall of Famer Joe Namath is 75. Broadcast journalist/commentator Bernard Goldberg is 73. Actor Tom Berenger is 68. Actor Gregory Harrison is 68. Actor Kyle Secor is 61.

Actress Roma Maffia (ma-FEE'-uh) is 60. Comedian Chris Elliott is 58. Actress Lea Thompson is 57. Singer Corey Hart is 56. Actor Hugh Dillon is 55. Rapper DMC is 54. Actress Brooke Shields is 53. Country musician Ed Adkins (The Derailers) is 51. TV host Phil Keoghan is 51. Jazz musician Christian McBride is 46. Actress

Archie Panjabi is 46. Actress Merle Dandridge (TV: "Greenleaf") is 43. Actor Colin Farrell is 42. Rock musician Scott Klopfenstein (Reel Big Fish) is 41. Actor Eric Christian Olsen is 41. Rock musician Andy Hurley (Fall Out Boy) is 38. Country singer Casey James (TV: "American Idol") is 36. Actor Jonathan Tucker is 36. Rapper Waka Flocka Flame

is 32. Actor Curtis Williams Jr. is 31. Pop singer Normani Hamilton (Fifth Harmony) is 22.

even in its newspapers or inventors, but always most in the common people."

Walt Whitman  
American poet and essayist  
(born this date in 1819, died in 1892).

Thought for Today:

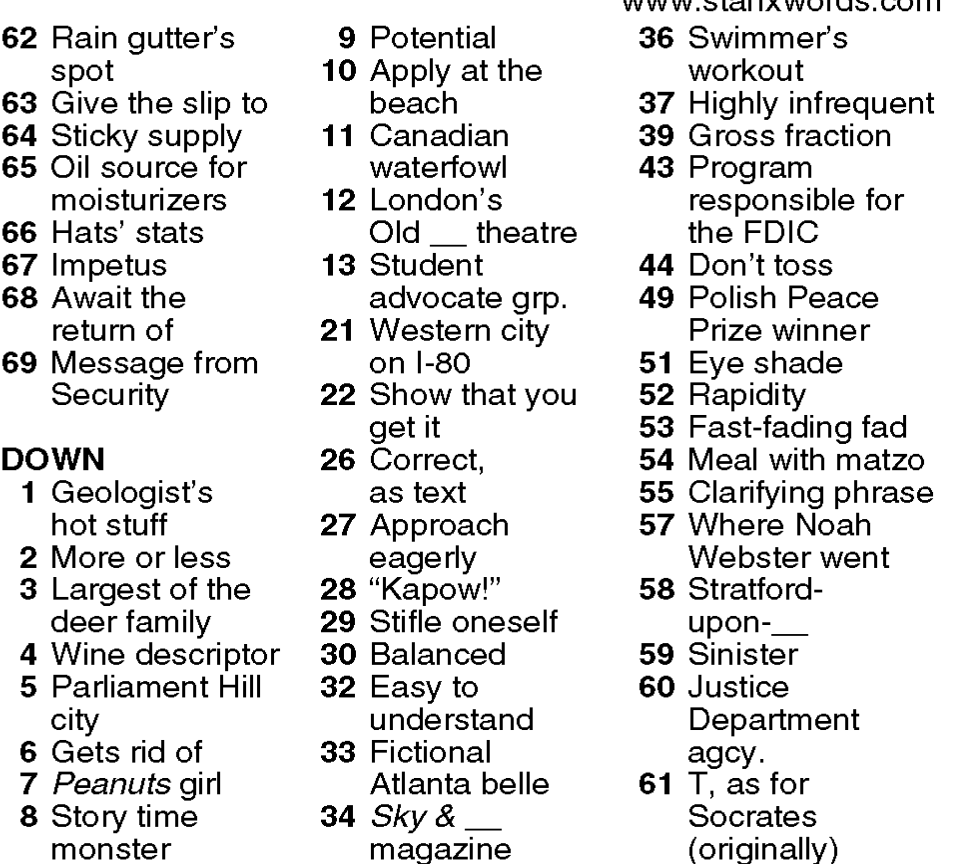
"The genius of the United States is not best or most in its executives or legislators, nor in its ambassadors or authors or colleges, or churches, or parlors, nor

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Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS
- 1 Caribbean step
- 6 Leisurely
- 10 Common abbr. from the French
- 14 Cancel, at the Cape
- 15 Boss of German fashion
- 16 Apartment, to a rental agent
- 17 Socialize
- 18 Linen color
- 19 It's north of Lauderdale
- 20 Shade of a Nathan's hot-dog contest winner's belt
- 23 Absorbed for oneself
- 24 Director Anderson
- 25 Jeopardy
- 28 Weary-looking
- 29 Cow of India
- 31 Green-egg layer
- 32 One for each hand
- 35 Shade of WWII US Army helmets
- 38 Leading
- 40 Brute
- 41 Is without
- 42 Shade close to coral
- 45 Spruce up
- 46 Stuccoed state
- 47 Cocktail adomment
- 48 It sounds just like you
- 50 Nut-butter variety
- 52 Certain salt source
- 53 Series with a Cyber spin-off
- 56 Popular auto shade
- 60 Alphabetical arrangement
- 62 Rain gutter's spot
- 63 Give the slip to
- 64 Sticky supply
- 65 Oil source for moisturizers
- 66 Hats' stats
- 67 Impetus
- 68 Await the return of
- 69 Message from Security
- DOWN
- 1 Geologist's hot stuff
- 2 More or less
- 3 Largest of the deer family
- 4 Wine descriptor
- 5 Parliament Hill city
- 6 Gets rid of
- 7 Peanuts girl
- 8 Story time monster
- 9 Potential
- 10 Apply at the beach
- 11 Canadian waterfowl
- 12 London's Old \_\_\_ theatre
- 13 Student advocate grp.
- 21 Western city on I-80
- 22 Show that you get it
- 26 Correct, as text
- 27 Approach eagerly
- 28 "Kapow!"
- 29 Stifle oneself
- 30 Balanced
- 32 Easy to understand
- 33 Fictional Atlanta belle
- 34 Sky & \_\_\_ magazine
- 36 Swimmer's workout
- 37 Highly infrequent
- 39 Gross fraction
- 43 Program responsible for the FDIC
- 44 Don't toss
- 49 Polish Peace Prize winner
- 51 Eye shade
- 52 Rapidity
- 53 Fast-fading fad
- 54 Meal with matzo
- 55 Clarifying phrase
- 57 Where Noah Webster went
- 58 Stratford-upon-\_\_\_
- 59 Sinister
- 60 Justice Department agcy.
- 61 T, as for Socrates (originally)

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Answer to previous puzzle

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# Gaza's Hamas rulers say cease-fire reached with Israel

By **FARES AKRAM**

Associated Press

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — Gaza's Hamas rulers said Wednesday they had agreed to a cease-fire with Israel to end the largest flare-up of violence between the two sides since a 2014 war.

Khalil al-Hayya, a senior Hamas official, said Egyptian mediators intervened "after the resistance succeeded in warding off the aggression." He said militant groups in Gaza will commit to the cease-fire as long as Israel does.

Israeli Cabinet minister Arieh Deri told Israel's Army Radio that he expected calm to be restored.

"If it will be quiet, we will respond with quiet. We've given Hamas a chance to prove that we can return to routine ... If they release the reins there will be a very painful strike," he said. "There is a good chance that the routine will be restored after the blow the army unleashed on them."

The Israeli military struck dozens of militant sites in Gaza overnight as rocket fire continued toward southern Israeli communities into early Wednesday morning, setting off air raid sirens in the area throughout the night.

The military said it hit drone storage facilities, military compounds, and rocket and munition workshops across the Gaza Strip. The overnight Hamas rocket fire reached the city of Netivot for the first time since the 2014 war. A home was struck, but no one was wounded.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Israel gave Palestinian militant groups in Gaza "the strongest blow dealt to them in years," and warned against renewed rocket fire.

"When they try us, they pay immediately. And if they continue to try us, they will pay a lot more," Netanyahu said at a ceremony in Tel Aviv.

But neither Israel nor the Palestinian factions in Gaza went full bore in their attacks, a sign that

neither side was interested in escalating hostilities. Militants in Gaza did not fire long-range rockets at Israel's major cities, as they did in 2014, and Israeli airstrikes zeroed in on only unmanned military targets.

With neither side appearing interested in a full-blown conflict, a tense calm appeared to be holding Wednesday as Israeli children went to school in the morning.

The border area has been tense in recent weeks as Palestinians have held mass protests aimed at lifting an Israeli-Egyptian blockade imposed after Hamas seized power in 2007.

Israeli fire has killed more than 110 Palestinians, most of them during the Hamas-led protests, which climaxed on May 14.

Israel and Hamas are bitter enemies and have fought three wars since the Islamic militant group seized control of Gaza in 2007.

The last war, in 2014, was especially devastating, with over 2,000 Palestinians killed, including hundreds of civilians, and widespread damage inflicted on Gaza's infrastructure in 50 days of fighting. Seventy-two people were killed on the Israeli side.

A crippling Israeli-Egyptian blockade, imposed when Hamas took power, has meanwhile brought the local economy to a standstill.

Hamas initially billed the weekly border protests as a call to break through the fence and return to homes that were lost 70 years ago during the war surrounding Israel's establishment. But the protests appear to be fueled primarily by a desire to ease the blockade. Gaza's unemployment rate is edging toward 50 percent, and the territory suffers from chronic power outages.

After Gaza militants fired some 30 mortars shells early Tuesday, Israel responded fiercely, threatening to set off another round of confrontations.

The Israeli military said most of the projectiles fired Tuesday were intercepted, but three soldiers were wounded. One mortar shell landed in a kindergarten shortly before it opened, wounding one person.

Brig. Gen. Ronen Manelis, the chief military spokesman, threatened tougher action and said it was up to Hamas to prevent the situation from escalating.



A picture taken from Gaza City on May 29, 2018, shows a smoke billowing in the background following an Israeli air strike on the Palestinian enclave. Israel struck bases of militant groups in the Gaza Strip, the enclave's Islamist rulers Hamas said, hours after nearly 30 mortar shells were fired at the Jewish state.



Flames of rockets fired by Palestinian militants are seen over Gaza Strip toward Israeli lands, early Wednesday, May 30, 2018. Palestinian militants bombarded southern Israel with dozens of rockets and mortar shells Tuesday, while Israeli warplanes struck targets throughout the Gaza Strip in the largest flare-up of violence between the sides since a 2014 war. (AP Photo/Hatem Moussa)

## WALMART

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eligible family members for earning a high school diploma or GED equivalent. The company also grooms managers at its Walmart Training Academy, and has a career program for entry-level workers.

Guild Education, founded in 2015, works with other national chains like Chipotle Mexican Grill, Taco Bell and Lowe's, on their employee education programs. But Rachel Carlson, CEO and co-founder of Guild Education, says its partnership with Walmart is unique in several ways, including its low upfront costs.

Walmart's move puts it more in league with Starbucks, which three years ago began offering four years of tuition for an online college degree from Arizona State University.

## TALKS

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armistice, not a peace treaty.

Trump views a summit as a legacy-defining opportunity to make the nuclear deal that has evaded others, but he pledged to walk away from the meeting if he believed the North wasn't serious about discussing dismantling its nuclear program.

After the North's combative statements, there was debate inside the Trump administration about whether it marked a real turn to belligerence or a feint to see how far Kim Jong Un could push the U.S. in the lead-up to the talks. Trump had mused that Kim's "attitude" had changed after the North Ko-

rean leader's surprise visit to China two weeks ago, suggesting China was pushing Kim away from the table. Trump's letter, the aides said, was designed to pressure the North on the international stage for appearing to have cold feet.

White House officials maintain that Trump was hopeful the North was merely negotiating but that he was prepared for the letter to mark the end of the two-month flirtation. Instead, the officials said, it brought both sides to the table with increasing seriousness, as they work through myriad logistical and policy decisions to keep June 12 a viable option for the summit.

Kim Yong Chol is a vice chairman of the North Korean ruling party's central committee. The last official of his stature to visit the United States was Jo

Myong Rok, the late first vice chairman of the National Defense Commission, who visited Washington in 2000, South Korea's Unification Ministry said.

The White House emphasized that it has remained in close contact with South Korean and Japanese officials as preparations for the talks continue. Spokeswoman Sarah Huckabee Sanders said Trump will host Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe of Japan on June 7 to coordinate their thinking ahead of the summit. Trump hosted South Korean President Moon Jae-in last week.

Moon, who has lobbied hard for nuclear negotiations between Trump and Kim Jong Un, held a surprise meeting with the North Korean leader on Saturday in an effort to keep the summit alive.

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