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County approves three-year rabies vaccination plan

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Staff Writer

If you're a Howard County resident, you now only need to have your dogs and cats vaccinated for rabies every three years, instead of every year.

That's the decision reached and approved by County Commissioners at their meeting Wednesday.

"In March of 2003, the State of Texas approved and put into law that local counties can use a three-year vaccine. That has been approved by the United States Department of Agriculture, so the three-year vaccine is out there," Howard County Emergency Management Coordinator Terry Chamness told commissioners during the meeting. "I've read a lot of stuff on this, and we can over-vaccinate our animals, and we're only talking about dogs and cats here. The city would like to go to

it, but we need to approve it before they can."

Chamness said dogs and cats should have an initial rabies vaccine within four months of birth, and then a booster shot a year later. After that, Howard County ordinances had required additional vaccines every year. Studies have determined that each of those annual vaccines has enough staying power to protect the pet for three years, Chamness said.

"It's the same vaccine. Everything's the same, except we're going to a three-year rotation on it instead of every year," he said. "I talked to (local veterinarians) Dr. (Scott) Bert about it, and I talked to Dr. (Debra) Hill about it, and I talked to (Howard County Extension Agent) Tommy Yeater about it, getting their opinions on it, and all three



HERALD photo/Roger Cline
 Howard County Emergency Management Coordinator Terry Chamness, center, discusses a proposed three-year rabies vaccination plan for cats and dogs with County Commissioners at their meeting Wednesday. Commissioners unanimously approved the measure, which means pets will only need to be vaccinated for rabies every three years instead of every one year, as was previously the case.

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Prevention is power



HERALD file photo
 The photo above shows a view of the Dora Roberts Community Center with the Comanche Trail Lake right below.

By **AMBER MANSFIELD**
 Staff Writer

Life can be full of the unexpected curve balls that can cause havoc, but if you could prevent that, would you? Life Line Screening, a privately run prevention and wellness organization, believes in "the power of prevention" by offering preventive health screenings around the nation.

Life Line Screening will be

making its way to the Dora Roberts Community Center here in Big Spring on Tuesday, August 7 at 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Life Line Screening encourages everyone to make an appointment, come get checked out and make sure you are in good health to avoid any of those havoc-wreaking curve balls.

"Awareness and early detection of disease is power-

ful," said Diane, employee and member of Life Line Screening. "That's why our purpose is to make you aware of unrecognized and potential health problems, and encourage follow-up care with your personal physician to strengthen their understanding of your total health."

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BBQ fundraiser planned by Lions for kids' eye screenings

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Staff Writer

Do you like barbecue? This Friday, you can enjoy chopped barbecue sandwiches, chips, desserts and drinks, all for a good cause - helping less-fortunate kids see better.

The event - scheduled from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday in the downtown Heart of the City Park - is a fundraiser put on by the Big Spring Centennial Lions Club to screen school-age children's vision and provide prescription glasses for those who can't afford them.

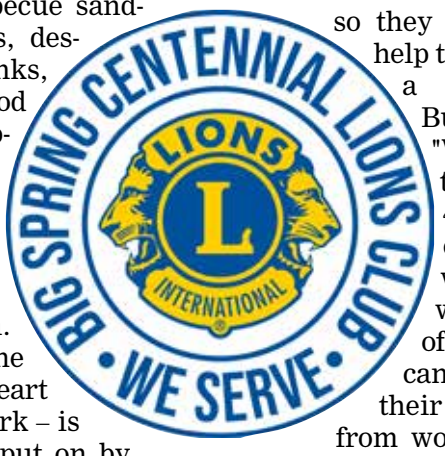
Along with the Lions, the event is being put on by the Big Spring Food Truck/Trail-

er Association, said organizer Linda Burchett.

"I'm a member of the Centennial Lions Club, and they know I do this kind of thing, so they asked me to help them out with a fundraiser," Burchett said. "We decided to do it from 4 to 8 p.m. because that's when people will be getting off work. They can stop by on their way home from work, get some food, and take it home."

Burchett and other members of the Food Truck/Trailer Association also raised funds at this year's Pops in the Park for those injured and families of those killed in

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Arrington's Air Force Resolution passes House

Special to the Herald



Arrington

WASHINGTON - Today, the House of Representatives unanimously passed H.Res. 1010, a resolution introduced by Congressman Jodey Arrington (TX-19) in support of providing on-time funding to rebuild and modernize the U.S. Air

Force. The resolution highlights the critical need for Congress to act and deliver regular and robust funding to restore the Air Force's readiness and strengthen their ability to meet ongoing and unexpected national security threats.

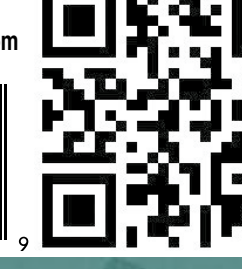
As a member of the House Budget Committee and Joint Select Committee on Budget and

SMMC's Asthma Camp a hit



HERALD photo/Amber Mansfield
 Scenic Mountain Medical Center had their third annual Asthma Camp yesterday, July 25. During the camp, "campers" were educated by Lisa Parks, Interim Supervisor in Respiratory, on how to recognize signs, symptoms and triggers of an asthma attack. Parks also helped the kids feel comfortable using their inhalers and spacers. A popular activity during the camp included the creating of slimy, green mucus out of everyday house hold items.

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Obituaries

Jim Wesley Trimble



Jim Wesley Trimble, 83, of Stanton, Texas passed away Wednesday, July 25, 2018, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. A graveside service will be held 11 a.m., Friday, July 27, 2018, at the Evergreen Cemetery Chapel in Stanton.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Thursday, July 26, 2018, at Gilbreath Funeral Home in Stanton.

Jim was born on June 8, 1935, to Clifton and Lavaughn "Ruby" (Hammons) Trimble. He married his sweetheart, Bonnie Ickelberry, Feb. 19, 1955, in Midland, Texas. They were married for 63 years. He worked for Dr Pepper for 47 years retiring in 2000 and then worked for Franklin & Son for 18 years. Jim always kept himself busy and worked hard his whole life. Many memories were made in his shop working with his grandkids on projects and helping his daughters with home projects. He learned to play guitar at a young age and enjoyed entertaining his family and friends with his music.

Jim is survived by his wife, Bonnie Trimble of Stanton; daughters, Barbara McKenzie, Tamy Doshier and husband, Randy, and Charlotte Cook, all of Stanton; grandchildren, Cindy Roberts and husband, Jason of Big Spring, Erica Casias and

husband, Ray of Santa Fe, New Mexico, Kevin Cook and wife, Shelly of Stanton, Tommy McKenzie and wife, April of Tomah, Wisconsin, Kayla Nichols and husband, Steven of Stanton, and Harry Doshier and wife, Tiffany of Stanton; ten great grandchildren, Makenzie and Carlie Roberts, Ethan and Nolan Casias, Wheeler Cook, Logan and Tyler Daly, Audree McKenzie, Beau Nichols, and Hunter, Brayden and Kimber Doshier. He is also survived by one brother, Robert Hatfield; and three sisters, Patsy Fair, Linda Horst, and Judy Calvert; and numerous nieces, nephews, and friends.

Jim is preceded in death by his parents, Clifton and Lavaughn Trimble; brothers, Clifford Trimble, Bobby Trimble, Tommy Trimble, and Donnie Trimble; sister, Joneil Wapler; and grandson, Michael Doshier.

Honorary Pall Bearers are Jason Roberts, Ray Casias, Kevin Cook, Tommy McKenzie, Harry Doshier, Steven Nichols, Johnny Paul, and Stephen Paul.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to Hospice of West Texas, 1900 S. Gregg, Big Spring, Texas 79720.

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

Paid Obituary

Eli Aldridge

Eli Aldridge, 54, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, July 24, 2018, at his residence. Services are pending. A fund has been established at Myers & Smith Funeral Home to help the family with funeral costs.

Catalina Vasquez



Catalina Vasquez, 84, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, July 25, 2018 in a local hospital. Vigil services will be 2 p.m. Friday at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with funeral services immediately following. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

She was born Feb. 13, 1934, in Big Spring.

Survivors include two sisters, Mary Vasquez of Big Spring and Margarita Ransom of El Paso; and one brother, George Valdez and wife, Sue of El Paso.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Louis Vasquez.

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

Tye Renfro



Tye Renfro, 89, formerly of Coahoma, died Sunday, July 22, 2018, in Bridgeport, Texas. Graveside services will be 10 a.m. Saturday, July 28, 2018, at Trinity Memorial Park. Memorial services will be 2 p.m. Saturday at the Ira First Baptist Church with her son, Rev. Jim Renfro officiating.

She was preceded in death by her husband, A. James Renfro; her brothers, Ben Featherston, Baxter "Sonny" Featherston and Leon Featherston; and by her sister, Josephine Fonville. She is survived by her sons, James L. Renfro, and Troyce Renfro; and by her grandchildren.

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

Cruz "Cruzin" Juarez



Cruz "Cruzin" Juarez, 81, of Big Spring, died Monday, July 23, 2018, at his residence. Vigil service will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 26, 2018, at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, July 27, 2018, at Myers & Smith Chapel with Deacon Johnny Arguello officiating. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

He was born Jan. 20, 1937, in Howard County Gracia Juarez and Francisco Alvarado. He was a lifetime resident of Big Spring and he married Yolanda Lopez in 1954. Cruz had worked for Blum's and Zales in his younger days and then became a roofer

working for West Texas Roofing, Coffman Roofing and lastly Johnny Flores Roofing. He was a loving father, grandfather and brother. He enjoyed working in his yard and he was known for helping anyone in need. He was a Catholic.

He is survived three daughters, Precilla Rodriguez, Erma Castillo and her husband Raymond and Lori Juarez, all of Big Spring; three sons, Lorenzo Juarez and his wife Mary, Frankie Juarez and his wife Luz, all of Big Spring; one sister, Juanita Aguilar of Big Spring, many grandchildren and great-grandchildren and many many nieces and nephews.

The family would like to give special thanks to Melinda Rios for her special care.

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

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **ALEX JOSE GUZMAN**, 22, of 205 Circle Dr. was arrested on a warrant for another agency.
- **EARNEST SAIZ JR.**, 57, of 901 Magnolia Ave. was arrested on a warrant from another agency and a charge of possession of a controlled substance PG 2< 1G
- **JESUS RIVERA**, 19, of 1005 E

13th St. was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

- **MICHAEL FRANK RAWLINGS**, 60, of 3807 SCR 1210 was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported on the 3600 block of W HWY 80
- **THEFT** was reported on the 1600 block of S Gregg St.
- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE**

was reported on the 3900 block of Hamilton St.

- **DISTRUBANCE** was reported on the 200 block of Tubb Loop Rd.
- **THEFT** was reported on the 5000 block of Dawson Rd.
- **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported on the 3rd/Owens & Birdwell
- **ACCIDENT MAJOR** was reported on the 3rd & Birdwell

Sheriff

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

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

- **ALEJANDRO JOSE GUZMAN**, 22, was arrested by BSPD

on warrants of driving while license invalid, failure to maintain financial responsibility, and violate promise to appear.

- **MICHAEL FRANK RAWLINGS**, 60, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.
- **JESUS ALEXANDER RIVE-**

RA, 19, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- **ERNEST SAIZ JR.**, 57, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant of possession of marijuana less than two ounces, and possession of controlled substance less than one gram.

Take Note

- Mitchell County Senior Citizen's Dance will be Thursday 26 form 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., at Colorado City Civic Center. There will be live music and a potluck. Come down for a good time!

• Maranatha Baptist Academy at 903 Johnson is now taking applications for ongoing enrollment for our Fall Session, August 1. Call 432-213-1046 for an appointment. Dr. Lillian Bohanan, Administrator. Please have shot records and birth certificate available at the time of registration. We use Accelerated Christian Education curriculum for grades Kindergarten through twelfth grade graduation. We provide information so you can home school or use our facilities for full time in our school. We also provided tutoring for all grades. If interested in a quality Christian Education at a price you can afford, please come by or give us a call.

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center Auxiliary is looking for new members. If you have a heart for serving people, have at least four hours a week to spare, SMMC Auxiliary might be the fit for you. Duties include work-

ing in the gift shop, delivering newspapers to inpatients, hospitality services, popcorn and more.

To find out more about opportunities available with the SMMC Auxiliary, contact Amy Miramontes at 268-4809 or April Arms at 268-4907.

• 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 in-

terested 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.

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

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Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1500 block of Sycamore. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported on Flowlers and Hwy 87. No one 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 400 block of Ryon St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported on FM 700 and CR 669. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 500 block of Birdwell Lane. 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 1700 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported on S Hwy 87 and Huges Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported on 4th St and Birdwell Lane. No one was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **GRASS FIRE** was reported in the 2900 block of Melrose Lane. It was contained.

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of them were in favor of it," Chamness said. "I did talk to a doctor at Big Spring (Veterinary) Diagnostic Hospital, the old Sierra, Dr. (Levi) Hancock. He wasn't real crazy about it, but he did say that once the four month and 12-month has gotten in, the animal is basically vaccinated. The boosters are just to make sure it stays vaccinated."

The commissioners approved the measure unanimously.

In other business, the commissioners held a public hearing regarding a proposed administrative fee on private utilities and other items built alongside, below, or above Howard County roadways.

"We had the second public hearing today on the specifications and associated fee with access to Howard County's road system," said Road Administrator Brian Klinksiek. "This is for any facility going under, on, or over a Howard County road."

Klinksiek said the roads include more than just the surface cars travel on.

"Outside of that is an area for drainage, which is what we call a 'right-of-way,'" he said. "This is a fee for a company, whether they are running something under the road, whether that is trenched or bored; over the road, we have temporary utilities that we allow crossings on top of the road where you have to come to a stop when you're out on a county road; and then some facilities that go along the road. Chief among those is the oil companies today are running electric lines to their facilities."

The council asked Klinksiek to bring back a rate sheet and a sample of the form to be filled out by companies applying for permission to place these types of facilities adjacent to county roads. Commissioners also:

- Heard a presentation by County Extension Agent Sandy Taylor about recent projects undertaken by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office. Taylor announced that the office has hired a new intern, Kalynn Hardegree.
- Approved release of county employees' driving records through the Texas Department of Public Safety.
- Hired Roberts and McGee CPA firm of Abilene as outside auditors for the county's annual audit.
- Approved updates to the Howard County Employees Handbook.
- Approved starting the purchase process for new voting equipment for the county.

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Howard County Producers Have Until Aug. 1 to Submit FSA County Committee Nominations

Special to the Herald

Big Spring, Texas, July 24, 2018 — The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) County Executive Director for Howard County, Karla Hoelscher, today reminded farmers and ranchers that they have until Aug. 1, 2018, to nominate eligible candidates to serve on local FSA county committees.

County committees are made up of farmers and ranchers elected by other producers in their communities to guide the delivery of farm programs at the local level. Committee members play a critical role in the day-to-day operations of FSA.

"The Aug. 1 deadline is quickly approaching," said Hoelscher. "If you know of a great candidate or want to nominate yourself to serve on your local county committee, visit your FSA office before the deadline to submit the nomination form. I especially encourage the nomination of beginning farmers and ranchers, as well as women and minorities. This is your opportunity to have a say in how federal programs are delivered in your county."

Committees consist of three to 11

members and meet once a month or as needed to make important decisions on disaster and conservation programs, emergency programs, commodity price support loan programs, county office employment and other agricultural issues. Members serve three-year terms. Nationwide there are over 7,700 farmers and ranchers serving on FSA county committees.

To be eligible to serve on an FSA county committee, a person must participate or cooperate in an agency administered program and reside in the local administrative area where the election is being held. A complete list of eligibility requirements, more information and nomination forms are available at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/elections>.

All nominees must sign the nomination form FSA-669A. All nomination forms for the 2018 election must be postmarked or received in the local FSA county office by Aug. 1, 2018. Ballots will be mailed to eligible voters by Nov. 5 and are due back to the local USDA Service Centers on Dec. 3. The newly elected county committee members will take office Jan. 1, 2019.

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inception in 1993, they have screened more than eight million people.

"The screenings offer a five test package, usually including procedures that insurance doesn't cover. These are used to thoroughly check you for risk of stroke, cardiovascular disease and other chronic conditions," said Diane. "The combination of these tests help detect problems before you have symptoms, and while your doctor can still take action so you can keep doing the things you love."

Diane explained further about how, in just a little more than an hour, anyone who gets an appointment can receive painless, non-invasive screenings to look for carotid artery plaque, a major risk factor for stroke; atrial fibrillation, which can increase the risk of stroke by five times; abdominal aortic aneurysm, a silent but dangerous enlargement of the largest blood vessel in the body; peripheral arterial disease, also a risk factor for stroke and heart disease.

Many screening events also offer blood tests, including cholesterol, glucose and c-reactive protein screenings, as well as take-home colon cancer early detection tests.

"The technology we utilize is the same found in leading hospitals, and all results are reviewed by a board-certified physician," said Diane. "Before the results are sent to you, which is within three weeks of your screening, if we see something critical, we tell them to seek medical care immediately."

Life Line Centers offers screening packages or single tests, and it is highly encouraged to make an appointment.

For more information regarding the screenings, to schedule an appointment, or to get pricing information, please call 1-844-591-7170, or you can register online at www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle. Pre-registration is required.

The best prevention is early detection of risk, enabling you to take action to keep you healthy and independent for as long as possible.

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Appropriations Process Reform, Arrington has consistently called for Congress to pass regular funding for our the military and has fought for budgetary reforms that will establish accountability and certainty in the government funding process.

"Throughout our nation's history, our airmen have always answered the call of duty.

They should not pay the price because Congress has failed to fulfill ours to fully fund our military and do it on time," said Arrington. "The United States Air Force faces tremendous readiness challenges, reflected in a shrinking and dilapidated aircraft fleet, insufficient personnel and dangerous levels of deferred maintenance, all of which are due in large part to budgetary uncertainty which impedes the Air Force's ability to meet our national security threats. If we don't reverse this trend, we as a nation will leave ourselves and our children vulnerable at a time of escalating threats and increasing instability around the world. That is why we need to give the Air Force the quantity and the certainty of resources that matches the caliber of our airmen and their enormous commitment to that sacred duty of protecting our fellow Americans. If we do this, our Air Force can

continue safeguarding the skies, remaining the greatest fighting force in the world.

"I know that the fine men and women who serve at Dyess Air Force Base and throughout our armed services are doing all that they can every day for our nation's defense and we, as Congress, must do all that we can to support them. My hope is that this resolution will strengthen Congress' resolve to pass long-term funding bills that provide on-time, robust funding to give our military the certainty and resources it needs."

Congressman Jodey Arrington is a member of the U.S. House of Representatives serving the Nineteenth Congressional District of Texas. He serves as a member of the House Agriculture Committee, House Budget Committee, and Chairman of the House Veterans' Affairs Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

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recent traffic accidents.

In addition to the barbecue plates, Burchett said snow cones, fruit cups, a face painter, and live music will be available at the fundraiser.

"The band is called 'Keeping Harvey Company,'" Burchett said. "They're from Midland. They have a little something for everyone. They have a female lead singer, and they're great!"

Burchett said eye screenings won't be available at the fundraising event; rather, money from the event will be used to provide eye screenings by a certified optometrist at local schools during the upcoming school year, and prescription eyeglasses for children who wouldn't otherwise be able to afford them.

"It's a great cause," Burchett said. "We've got to do what we can for those babies."

Burchett said she'll also be collecting school supplies and donations for an upcoming school supply drive at the event.

For more information, contact Burchett at 432-816-9381.

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Cruz "Cruzin" Juarez, 81, died Monday. Vigil service will be held at 7 p.m. tonight at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Eli Aldridge, 54, died Tuesday. Services are pending. A fund has been established at Myers & Smith Funeral Home to help the family with funeral costs.

Notice of Public Hearing on Glasscock County Appraisal District Budget

The Glasscock County Appraisal District will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 2019 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on August 16, 2018 at 8:30 AM at Glasscock Co. Community Center, located at 117 S. Myrl Street, Garden City, TX 79739. A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed budget.	\$ 443,040.00
The total amount of increase over the current year's budget.	\$ 0.00
The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget.	2
The number of employees compensated under the current budget.	2

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the appraisal district board of directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities and towns served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district office located at 124 N. Main, Garden City, TX 79739.

The phone number of the Glasscock County Appraisal District is: 432/354-2580.

The address is: 124 N. Main, Garden City, TX 79739.



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Drill rigs in New Mexico reach all-time high

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — The number of oil and gas drill rigs operating in New Mexico has reached record levels as development in the Permian Basin booms.

The latest figures show there are 103 active rigs in New Mexico. The state previously reached that mark twice in 2014, beating the previous record of 101 in 2006. The New Mexico Oil and Gas Association says the state is behind only Texas

and Oklahoma when it comes to active rigs.

The group's executive director, Ryan Flynn, says more rigs mean more jobs and revenue for the state. On average, one rig employees around 50 workers.

Revenue from oil and gas royalties, taxes and fees totaled more than \$1.7 billion last fiscal year. More than \$930 million went to public schools and the state's universities and colleges.

Texas Sales Tax Holiday is Aug. 10-12

(AUSTIN) — Whether you're in need of book bags, blackboard chalk or bell-bottom pants, Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar is reminding shoppers they can save money on those and certain other items during the state's sales tax holiday. This year, the sales tax holiday is scheduled for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 10-12.

The law exempts most clothing, footwear, school supplies and backpacks priced below \$100 from sales tax, saving shoppers about \$8 on every \$100 they spend during the weekend.

"As Texas families begin the process of replacing their beach bags with book bags, Texas' sales tax holiday is the perfect opportunity to save some money on the supplies families need before the school bell rings," Hegar said. "As a dad to three young children, I know how these expenses can add up."

Lists of apparel and school supplies that may be purchased tax-free can be found on the Comptroller's website at TexasTaxHoliday.org.

This year, shoppers will save an estimated \$90.3 million in state and local sales taxes during the sales tax holiday.

Texas' tax holiday weekend has been an annual event since 1999.

2 gang members on Texas 10 Most Wanted list captured

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Two gang members on the Texas 10 Most Wanted list have been captured in Houston and Mexico.

The Department of Public Safety on Tuesday announced the arrests of 57-year-old Donald Lynn Gay and 32-year-old Paulo Sandalio Guillen. Both were taken into custody last Thursday.

Authorities say a tip led to Gay in Houston. He was on the run since February for parole violation. Gay was convicted of

rape, aggravated robbery with a deadly weapon and murder in cases in Bexar (bayr) and Brazoria counties.

The tipster gets a reward of up to \$7,500.

Guillen was arrested in Matamoros, Mexico, and transferred to officers across the border in Brownsville.

Guillen, with convictions for aggravated assault and burglary in Travis County, was wanted since last year on firearms charges and for parole violation.

Visitors leaving heart of Yosemite as fire rages nearby

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The few remaining campers in Yosemite Valley packed up gear Wednesday and cleared the area for firefighters battling a huge wildfire near Yosemite National Park.

The sun rose in a smoke-filled sky over the scenic valley, which normally bustles with summer tourists but has largely emptied out after authorities reluctantly ordered the closure a day earlier.

Officials were quick to point out that Yosemite wasn't under imminent danger from the fire. Author-

ities decided on the closure to allow crews to perform protective measures such as burning brush along roadways without having to deal with traffic in the park that welcomes 4 million visitors annually.

One couple checked out of the Majestic Yosemite Hotel, while a large extended family from Los Angeles on an annual trip to the national park prepared to leave the Upper Pines campground.

"Very disappointed," Lisa Salgado said. "We look forward to this all year. This is the trip of our summer."

The group arrived Monday and had planned to stay through Saturday. Instead, they packed tents and other gear into vehicles, hoping they could find another campground elsewhere.

"So, this is a new memory," said Miguel Martinez. "I've never been evacuated before."

Yosemite Valley will be closed until at least Sunday, along with a winding, mountainous, 20-mile

(32-kilometer) stretch of California's State Route 41 that leads into the area, park spokesman Scott Gediman said.

At least 1,000 campground and hotel bookings will be canceled — to say nothing of the impact on day visitors, park workers and small businesses along the highway, Gediman said. Rangers went to campsites one at a time to inform visitors of the closures. Hotels guests got phone calls and notes on their doors.

"This is the prime visitor season, so this wasn't an easy decision to make," Gediman said. "This was purely for safety's sake."

The last time the 7.5-mile-long (12-kilometer-long) valley was closed because of fire was 1990, he said.

Yosemite Valley is the centerpiece of the visitor experience, offering views of landmarks such as Half Dome, Bridal Veil Fall, El Capitan and Yosemite Falls. The glacial valley has been enveloped by a choking haze of smoke from the Ferguson Fire.

Over nearly two weeks, flames have churned through 60 square miles (155 square kilometers) of timber in steep terrain of the Sierra Nevada just west of the park. The fire was just 25 percent contained.

Mandatory evacuations are in place in several communities while other people have been told to get ready to leave if necessary.

More than 3,300 firefighters are working the fire, aided by 16 helicopters. One firefighter was killed July 14, and six others have been injured.



AP photo

As smoke from the Ferguson Fire fills the sky, vehicles leave Yosemite Valley in Yosemite National Park, Calif., on Tuesday, July 24, 2018. Parts of the park, including Yosemite Valley, will close Wednesday as firefighters work to stop the blaze.

Water is buried beneath Martian landscape, study says

NEW YORK (AP) — A huge lake of salty water appears to be buried deep in Mars, raising the possibility of finding life on the red planet, scientists reported Wednesday.

The discovery, based on observations by a European spacecraft, generated excitement from experts. Water is essential to life as we know it, and scientists have long sought to prove that the liquid is present on Mars.

"If these researchers are right, this is the first time we've found evidence of a large water body on Mars," said Cassie Stuurman, a geophysicist at the University of Texas who found signs of an enormous Martian ice deposit in 2016.

Scott Hubbard, a professor of astronautics at Stanford University who served as NASA's first Mars program director in 2000, called it "tremendously exciting."

"Our mantra back then was 'follow the water.' That was the one phrase that captured everything," Hubbard said. "So this discovery, if it stands, is just thrilling because it's the culmination of that philosophy."

The study, published in the journal *Science*, does not determine how deep the reservoir actually is. This means that scientists can't specify whether it's an underground pool, an aquifer-like body, or just a layer of sludge.

To find the water, Italian researchers analyzed radar signals collected over three years by the European Space Agency's Mars Express spacecraft. Their results suggest that a 12-mile-wide (20 kilometers)

reservoir lies below ice about a mile (1.5 kilometers) thick in an area close to the planet's south pole.

They spent at least two years examining the data to make sure they'd detected water, not ice or another substance.



Those are not ideal conditions for life to form," Siebach said.

Still, she said, there are microbes on Earth that have been able to adapt to environments like that.

Orosei said, "It's tempting to think that this is the first candidate place where life could persist" on Mars.

He suspects Mars may contain other hidden bodies of water, waiting to be discovered.

Our planetary neighbor has been a popular target for exploration, with rovers on its surface and other probes examining the planet from orbit. In May, NASA launched another spacecraft, the InSight Mars lander, that will dig under the surface after it reaches a flat plain just north of the Martian equator in November.

"I really have no other explanation," said astrophysicist Roberto Orosei of Italy's National Institute of Astrophysics in Bologna and lead author of the study.

Mars is very cold, but the water might have been kept from freezing by dissolved salts. It's the same as when you put salt on a road, said Kirsten Siebach, a planetary geologist at Rice University who wasn't part of the study.

"This water would be extremely cold, right at the point where it's about to freeze. And it would be salty."

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Blackmon's homer in 9th gives Rockies 3-2 win over Astros



AP photo

Colorado Rockies' Charlie Blackmon watches his walk-off solo home run off Astros relief pitcher Collin McHugh in a baseball game Wednesday, July 25, 2018, in Denver. The Rockies won 3-2.

By DENNIS GEORGATOS

Associated Press

DENVER (AP) — Charlie Blackmon didn't have to wait long for a shot at redemption.

The night after Blackmon made a costly error in center field, he hit a solo home run with one out in the bottom of the ninth inning as the Colorado Rockies held the World Series champion Houston Astros to one hit at Coors Field in a 3-2 victory Wednesday.

Jon Gray pitched seven sharp innings and Carlos Gonzalez also homered for Colorado.

Blackmon, whose fielding error in the 10th opened the door to a big inning in Houston's 8-2 win on Tuesday, drove a 3-1 pitch from Collin McHugh (5-1) into the Astros' bullpen for his 20th home run

of the season and second career game-ending hit.

"That's the beauty of baseball," Blackmon hit. "You can stink, which is OK as long as you don't let that make you stink the next time or the next time after that. That's what makes baseball great. It's a long season and it gives you another chance."

It was a dramatic finish to a wild game in which the Astros had a triple wiped out after a replay review because of fan interference, and the Rockies scored the tying run on a foul popup.

AL MVP Jose Altuve ended up with Houston's only hit — an RBI double — before leaving with discomfort in his right knee.

"Been bothering him a little bit for a few games now," Astros manager A.J. Hinch said. "Nothing's wrong with it. He could've played through it. He

fought to stay in the game, but we felt it was best to take him out and give him a little bit of a blow just given that he was limping."

Wade Davis (1-3) worked a scoreless inning for the win.

Leading off the sixth, Alex Bregman cruised into third with an apparent triple off the wall that eluded the leap of Colorado left fielder Gerardo Parra.

Rockies manager Bud Black ruled out after replays showed a spectator clad in an orange Astros jersey extended his glove over the railing enough for the ball to glance off it, changing its trajectory slightly at the moment Parra was reaching up to attempt the catch. The fan was escorted out of the ballpark by security.

After the game, Bregman disagreed heatedly with the decision, saying it changed the game.

"There is no possible way you can say the left fielder jumping backwards into a wall is guaranteed to make the catch," Bregman said. "We're up 2-1 at the time. I'm at third base. We need a fly ball to the outfield to get me in and it's 3-1. It's horrible."

Parra, however, said he had a bead on the ball and was stunned when it changed direction at the last moment.

"It almost hit me in the face," he said. "I thought, 'What happened? At the last second the ball moved.' I never saw the fan touch the ball until I saw the replay, but I feel I would have had that ball."

Colorado tied it 2-all thanks to heads-up baserunning by Raimel Tapia, who tagged up and scored from third when third baseman J.D. Davis sprinted toward the Houston dugout and tumbled over the railing as he caught Nolan Arenado's foul pop. Davis' teammate, Evan Gattis, broke his fall and helped push him back over the railing and onto the field, but Davis' hurried throw home was off target as Tapia slid into the plate.

"It was just smart baserunning by Tapia and a simple wide throw by me," Davis said.

Colorado grabbed an early lead when Gonzalez led off the second with a home run, his 12th of the season.

The Astros answered in the fourth to go in front 2-1. Bregman walked ahead of Altuve's run-scoring double. Altuve went to third and Yuli Gurriel reached on first baseman Ian Desmond's fielding error before Altuve came home with the go-ahead run on Marwin Gonzalez's groundout.

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Davis hits 2 more HRs, A's rally again to beat Rangers 6-5



AP photo

Oakland Athletics' Khris Davis watches his three-run home run off Texas Rangers relief pitcher Cory Gearrin during the seventh inning of a baseball game Wednesday, July 25, 2018, in Arlington, Texas.

By STEPHEN HAWKINS

AP Sports Writer

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Oakland slugger Khris Davis has more homers than anyone in the majors since the start of the 2016 season. The Texas Rangers have seen way too many of them.

Davis homered two more times in Texas, including a towering two-run homer with two strikes and two outs in the ninth inning Wednesday night, as the Athletics rallied again to beat the Rangers 6-5.

"Honestly, I blacked out and I couldn't tell you," Davis said when asked what he was thinking when down to his last strike. "I was telling myself, 'Swing at a good pitch,' and it showed up. It was amazing. I felt like I did my job."

Davis hit a three-run homer in the seventh to get the Athletics to 5-4. He went the opposite way in the ninth, a no-doubt blast into the upper deck of seats in right field off Jose Leclerc (2-3) for his 27th homer of the season.

"Up and away fastball, he did a great job at staying on it, hitting it out to right," Rangers manager Jeff Banister said. "He's one of those guys that probably feels very comfortable in the box against us."

Of his 112 homers the past three seasons — three more than Giancarlo Stanton of the New York Yankees — Davis has gone deep 24 times against the Rangers in that span. He has homered in six consecutive games against them.

Texas led 5-1 going into the seventh, a night after being ahead 10-2 into the seventh and losing 13-10 when Davis hit a tiebreaking three-run homer in the 10th.

Davis has 25 homers and 57 RBIs in 49 career games overall against the Rangers — 15 homers and 31 RBIs in 26 road games, though he insisted he doesn't really feel any different when hitting in Texas.

"The moment that you think you have it figured out, it will bite you in the behind," he said. "I just take it

pitch by pitch," he said.

Then as reporters started walking away from his locker, he called out, "See you tomorrow."

Only Ken Griffey Jr. has homered in more consecutive games against Texas — seven in a row with the Mariners in 1994.

Leclerc, without a save in his four chances, worked Wednesday in place of Keone Kela, the regular closer who threw a career-high 40 pitches and had his first blown save in 24 chances this season on Tuesday night.

Oakland has won the first three games of the four-game series, and 26 of 33 overall. They have won 10 of their last 11 series, with a split in the other.

Lou Trivino (8-1), the fifth Oakland pitcher, worked a scoreless eighth. Blake Treinen struck out the side in the ninth for his 26th save in 30 chances.

SCORING LATE

The A's have scored 24 of their 34 runs in this series in the seventh in-

ning of later. They lead the majors with 201 runs scored in the seventh inning or later. "They try and tell me this is supposed to make me younger. I don't know that it makes me any younger. It might make him (Davis) younger," A's manager Bob Melvin said.

COMING BACK STRONG

The loss overshadowed six strong innings by Texas starter Martin Perez, who allowed only one run over six innings in his third start since coming back from 2 1/2 months for his second DL stint recovering from a broken right elbow during the offseason. "Probably one of the brighter spots of the night," Banister said.

RANGERS RUNS

Robinson Chirinos hit a three-run homer for Texas and Adrian Beltre doubled in the third, giving him 5,221 career total bases and matching Dave Winfield for 16th on that list. Beltre's RBI single in the fifth pushed him past Winfield and put the Rangers up 5-1 against A's starter Edwin Jackson.

LOT OF TEAMS

Oakland is the MLB record-matching 13th team for Jackson. Texas is the 11th team for Bartolo Colon, the Rangers scheduled starter Thursday. Colon pitched for the A's in 2012-13, making that one of four franchises both he and Jackson have pitched for — they've never been teammates. The common franchises include Colon pitching for the Montreal Expos before that team to the nation's capital, where Jackson pitched for the Washington Nationals. Overall, the two have pitched for 20 of the 30 current franchises.

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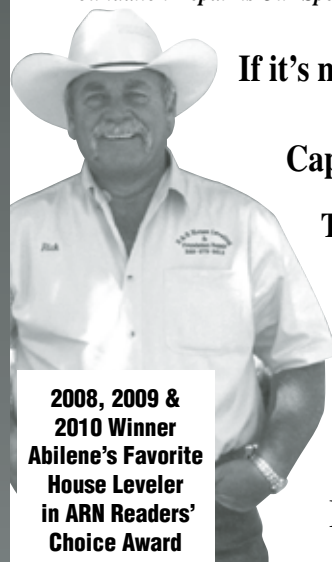


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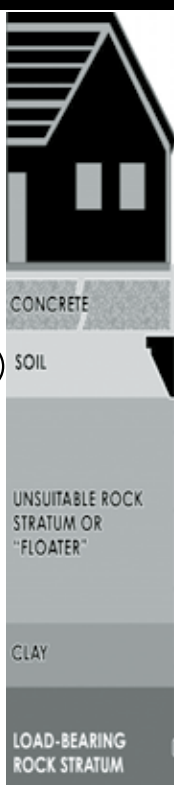
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Mercury Makes an Attention Grab

By HOLIDAY MATHIS



That thing about humans only using 10 percent of their brain capacity turns out to be totally untrue. If any part of the brain were not in operation, we'd notice. Our brains are performing thousands of complex and intricate functions at once, mostly without our consciousness, though the Mercury retrograde encourages us to pay more attention.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You were lucky enough to come into this world with so much talent. Now you have to be talented enough to get lucky. Go where there are a lot of socially connected people, and talk about what you do.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The known and unknown will come together in a beautiful yin-and-yang-type balance. So don't rush to know the next thing. Stay awhile in this mystery: It's quite literally "wonder"-ful.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You said yes to something that, upon further reflection, now seems like a bad fit for you. The ink hasn't dried yet, so no worries. Go back and ask to be released. You'll be let off the hook.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your environment has become too familiar. You're not seeing what's there, because it looks too much like what was there yesterday. For understanding and appreciation, look with your heart instead of your pupils.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll be called to service, not by an official phone call but by the need you see in the world. It's not in your nature to stand by and witness incompetence when you know that

you can do something about it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Seize the chance to speak publicly. Most people avoid this, and that's precisely what makes it such a fine opportunity for you. Maybe the reasons are not so obvious to you, but there's money to be made, and this is the first step.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Everything you own but don't want, need or love is a drain of your energy. Most things just take a tiny bit of your energy every time you look, touch or think about them, but that little bit adds up. What can you get rid of today?

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). There's a strong feeling of ennui, like you've already done all the rides in the theme park twice. That may be so, but you're missing something. To find out what it is, ask for help and advice.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). It's not enough for you to know that you're doing something. You want to see the results, and you want validation from others that the results mat-

ter. Build this into your approach and you'll succeed brilliantly today.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Of course you don't expect yourself to be perfect (which would be an absurd and immature sort of relationship to set up with yourself), but what you (SET ITAL) do(END ITAL) expect may still be too stringent, or a little off the mark. Give it a think.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). People who give advice are a dime a dozen, but people who take it are extremely rare. That's because following advice is difficult! You have to lose your ego to do it. Today the loss will be so worth it, though.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Now more than ever, many young people know things that many older people do not, but that doesn't mean young people are smarter or wiser. Today works best when the generations help one another.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 26). A short trip in September will rekindle your adventurous spirit. You'll receive many invitations over

the holiday season, and one special event will open an exciting network of relationships. Someone works hard to earn your favor. You'll finally get a chance you've been waiting for in February. Extra work will be lucrative. Capricorn and Aries adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 30, 45, 6, 28 and 49.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "How do you know the difference between love and infatuation? I've been with a Capricorn for three weeks, and I think it's love. I'm ready to be exclusive with him. He says I'm taking it too fast and that I'm still in the infatuation phase. He says he doesn't want to get hurt. Should I slow my roll? This is the most exciting, passionate, romantic relationship I've ever been in. I'm an Aries."

Fiery Aries thrives on excitement, impulse and risk. Can you savor this fun without being pushy? Like your practical Capricorn beau, I, too, believe that you're infatuated, but that's beside the point. Whether you're infatuated or in love, you're still creating

this relationship with another person. If he's feeling pushed or pulled, that's repellent. He's going to be less attracted to you because you're asking him to make decisions he's not ready to make. My advice in this early stage is to build the fun, have experiences, get to know one another, and bond like crazy. For now, don't worry about defining your feelings; just let them grow naturally through the dating process.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Academy Award winner Sandra Bullock will go from plotting the diamond heist of "Ocean's Eight" to navigating the post-apocalyptic world of "Bird Box." Though it's easy to see how the charisma of her Leo sun is represented in Bullock's life and work, it's even easier to spot the influence of her friendly, kindhearted Aquarius moon. Bullock is "Miss Congeniality" both on and off screen.

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

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Precautionary measure

South dealer. Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A 10 4
♥ A 2
♦ Q 8 5 3
♣ Q J 10 6

WEST
♠ J 9 8 2
♥ Q J 9 7 3
♦ —
♣ 9 8 4 2

EAST
♠ 6 3
♥ K 8 6 5 4
♦ K 10 9 2
♣ 7 5

SOUTH
♠ K Q 7 5
♥ 10
♦ A J 7 6 4
♣ A K 3

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♦	Pass	2 NT	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	4 ♦	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 ♥	Pass
5 NT	Pass	6 ♣	Pass
6 ♦			

Opening lead — queen of hearts.

In the long run, optimism pays far greater dividends at bridge than does pessimism. Nevertheless, optimism must be tempered by some degree of pessimism. Otherwise, the steadfast optimist is sure to experience occasional disappointments when a more cautious view might have served him better.

Consider this deal where South is in six diamonds and West leads a heart. Declarer can see immediately

that there are no losers outside the trump suit, where the K-10-9-2 are missing.

But if he adopts a cavalier attitude toward the play, he will go down one as the cards lie. Thus, if he takes the ace of hearts and leads a diamond to the ace or jack at trick two, he will find himself saddled with two trump losers.

Before broaching the trump suit, South should adopt a pessimistic stance and ask himself what, if anything, might pose a threat to his contract. He should reason that if the diamonds break 2-2 or 3-1, it doesn't matter how he tackles the suit, since he can't lose more than one trump trick. But if the diamonds are divided 4-0, the slam is in distinct jeopardy.

The next step is to recognize that, for all practical purposes, the slam can't be made if West holds all the missing trumps. But if East happens to have the K-10-9-2, that holding can be neutralized by leading the queen of diamonds from dummy at trick two.

Once this is done, nothing can stop declarer from making 12 tricks. East's most effective play is to cover the queen with the king. South wins with the ace and, after seeing West show out, returns a trump to the eight. East takes the trick with the nine, but his 10-2 later fall prey to South's J-7-6, and the slam is home.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz.
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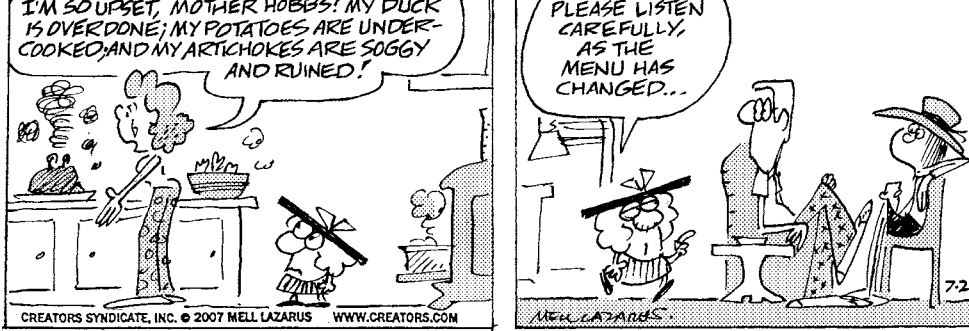
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In 1775, the Continental Congress established a Post Office and appointed Benjamin Franklin its Postmaster-General.

In 1847, the western African country of Liberia, founded by freed American slaves, declared its independence.

In 1908, U.S. Attorney General Charles J. Bonaparte ordered creation of a force of special agents that was a forerunner of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

In 1945, the Potsdam Declaration warned Imperial Japan to unconditionally surrender, or face "prompt and utter destruction." Winston Churchill resigned as Britain's prime minister after his Conservatives were soundly defeated by the Labour Party; Clement Attlee succeeded him.

In 1947, President Harry S. Truman signed the National Security Act, which reorganized America's armed forces as the National Military Establishment and created the Central Intelligence Agency.

In 1952, Argentina's first lady, Eva Peron, died in Buenos Aires at age 33. King Farouk I of Egypt abdicated in the wake of a coup led by Gamal Abdel Nasser.

In 1953, Fidel Castro began his revolt against Fulgencio Batista (fool-HEN'-see-oh bah-TEES'-tah) with an unsuccessful attack on an army barracks in eastern Cuba. (Castro ousted Batista in 1959.)

In 1986, Islamic radicals in Lebanon released the Rev. Lawrence Martin Jenco, an American hostage held for nearly 19 months. American statesman W. Averell Harriman died in Yorktown Heights, New York, at age 94.

In 1990, President George H.W. Bush signed the Americans with Disabilities Act.

In 2006, in a dramatic turnaround from her first murder trial, Andrea Yates was found not guilty by reason of insanity by a Houston jury in the bathtub drownings of her five children; she was committed

to a state mental hospital. (Yates had initially been found guilty of murder, but had her conviction overturned.)

In 2016, Hillary Clinton became the first woman to be nominated for president by a major political party at the Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia.

Ten years ago: At least 22 small bombs exploded in Ahmadabad (AH'-muh-duh-bahd) in the Indian state of Gujarat, killing 58 people.

Five years ago: Ariel Castro, the man who'd imprisoned three women in his Cleveland home, subjecting them to a decade of rapes and beatings, pleaded guilty to 937 counts in a deal to avoid the death penalty. (Castro later committed suicide in prison.) A gunman went on a rampage at a Hialeah, Florida, apartment complex, killing six people before being shot dead by police. Billionaire Texas oilman George P. Mitchell, considered the father of fracking, died at his home in Galveston; he was 94. JJ Cale, 74, whose best songs like "After Midnight" and "Cocaine" were towering hits for other artists, died in La Jolla, California.

One year ago: President Donald Trump announced on Twitter that he will not "accept or allow" transgender people to serve in the U.S. military. (The pronouncement was blocked by legal challenges, and the Pentagon began allowing transgender recruits to seek enlistment on January 1.) A thrill ride broke apart at the Ohio State Fair, killing an 18-year-old high school student and injuring seven others. Child killer Ronald Phillips was put to death in Ohio's first execution in 3½ years; they'd been put on hold amid an uproar over the reliability of the lethal injection drugs used by the state. Actress June Foray, the voice of Rocky the Flying Squirrel and hundreds of other cartoon characters, died in a Los Angeles hospital at the age of 99.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Robert Colbert is 87. Songwriter-music producer-label executive Fred Fobber (co-writer of "Me and Bobby McGee") is 87. Actress-singer

Darlene Love is 77. Singer Brenton Wood is 77. Rock star Mick Jagger is 75. Movie director Peter Hyams is 75. Actress Helen Mirren is 73. Rock musician Roger Taylor (Queen) is 69. Actress Susan George is 68. Olympic gold medal figure skater Dorothy Hamill is 62. Actor Kevin Spacey is 59. Rock singer Gary Cherone is 57. Actress Sandra Bullock is 54. Actor-comedian

Danny Woodburn is 54. Rock singer Jim Lindberg (Pennywise) is 53. Actor Jeremy Piven is 53. Rapper-reggae singer Wayne Wonder is 52. Actor Jason Statham (STAY'-thum) is 51. Actor Cress Williams is 48. TV host Chris Harrison is 47. Actress Kate Beckinsale is 45. Actor Gary Owen is 45. Rock musician Dan Konopka (OK Go) is 44. Gospel/Contemporary

Christian singer Rebecca St. James is 41. Actress Eve Myles is 40. Actress Juliet Rylance is 39. Actress Monica Raymund is 32. Actress Caitlin Gerard is 30. Actress Francia Raisa is 30. Christian rock musician Jamie Sharpe (Rush of Fools) is 29. Actress Bianca Santos is 28. Actress-singer Taylor Momsen is 25. Actress Elizabeth Gillies is 25.

Thought for Today:

"A life spent making mistakes is not only more honorable, but more useful than a life spent doing nothing."

George Bernard Shaw (born this date in 1856, died 1950).

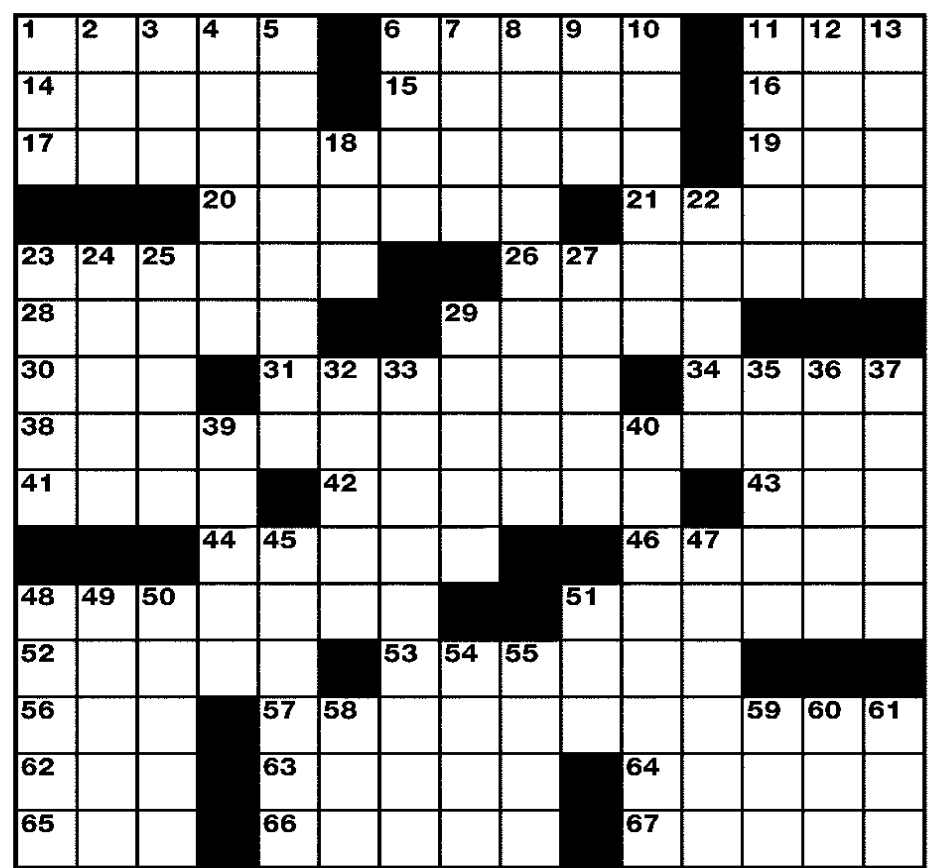
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Newsday Crossword

WEIGHTY ENDINGS by Mark McClain Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

- ACROSS
- 1 Reel thing, once
 - 6 Does lawn work
 - 11 Hound hand
 - 14 "Of thee ___"
 - 15 Angler's basket
 - 16 Poet's preposition
 - 17 Hole-in-one helper, maybe
 - 19 Clinicians' grp.
 - 20 Kitchen cleaner
 - 21 Flub
 - 23 It hardly ever happens
 - 26 "Bitter" competition
 - 28 Certain Middle Easterner
 - 29 Out of fashion
 - 30 Approval from Auguste
 - 31 Is in store
 - 34 "Play it, Sam" speaker
 - 38 Cholesterol, for instance
 - 41 Casual attire
 - 42 Headphones descriptor
 - 43 Start of a Cato confession
 - 44 Visual aids, informally
 - 46 Barely into a new day
 - 48 Portuguese wine
 - 51 Puts together
 - 52 Put together
 - 53 Stuff in some vitamin packets
 - 56 NL or NBA honor
 - 57 Remote feature
 - 62 Beaut
 - 63 Whirlpool sister brand

- 64 Omit orally
 - 65 Not straightforward
 - 66 Rope material
 - 67 Religious assembly
- DOWN
- 1 A thousand large
 - 2 Big Ten sch.
 - 3 "Old" London theatre
 - 4 Schedules for sure
 - 5 Cleopatra, for one
 - 6 Financial subj.
 - 7 Doctor's prescription
 - 8 Power source
 - 9 One-time Common Market initials
 - 10 LP holder
 - 11 Gem, specifically or in general
 - 12 Medieval defense
 - 13 Tuckered out
 - 18 Tyke
 - 22 "Satellite" service
 - 23 Unthinking worker
 - 24 Juliet's love
 - 25 Vocal extent
 - 27 Unhelpful knock follower
 - 29 Cuts into cubes
 - 32 More sensible
 - 33 "Try to be less obvious"
 - 35 Measure of brightness
 - 36 #1 in PGA Tour wins
 - 37 Dogbert drawer
 - 39 Cash, e.g.
 - 40 Tools for breaking
 - 45 Ersatz Frisbee
 - 47 With panache
 - 48 What a certain vaccine can prevent
 - 49 Heavy metal in Road Runner cartoons
 - 50 Foolish
 - 51 Mealtime protector
 - 54 "There ___ substitute for paying attention"
 - 55 Meager
 - 58 Alcott girl
 - 59 Roofing material
 - 60 Dash device
 - 61 Homer's neighbor



Answer to previous puzzle

AMOK HEAT FARCE
NONO QUICH INOUT
YMCOR OROG ATSEA
SELAFOSS ETTED
AOL ETC

MPS WASH HOARDS
ARMED WIFIL CART
COOLASACUCUMBER
HURL TYKE LEASE
ODESSA SLAT TSP

HIS BRA
IMPETURABLE
PRIOR ERIE HARM
RATER ESPY OKRA
ENEMY PASS REST

Jerry Jones: Cowboys can't stay in locker room for anthem



AP photo

Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones takes questions during the "state of the team" press conference at the start of the team's NFL training camp, Wednesday, July 25, 2018, in Oxnard, Calif.

By SCHUYLER DIXON

AP Pro Football Writer

OXNARD, Calif. (AP) — Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones doubled down Wednesday on insisting that his players stand for the national anthem, declaring that he wouldn't support anyone who chose to stay in the locker room.

Speaking at his annual news conference to open training camp in California, the outspoken billionaire became the first owner to say publicly that his players would not be allowed to stay off the field during the anthem.

"No," Jones said when asked if he would support players staying in the locker room. "Our policy is that you stand at the anthem, toe on the line."

Last week, the NFL and the players' union agreed to suspend the rule approved by owners this spring that gave players the option of staying in the locker room while allowing teams to discipline players who took a knee or sat during the anthem.

The decision to begin negotiating on the issue came hours after The Associated Press reported that Miami Dolphins players who protested during the anthem could be suspended for up to four games under team policy.

Last season, Jones was the first owner to declare that he would bench a player for protesting during the anthem. Two of his players — defensive linemen David Irving and Damontre Moore — raised their fists briefly as "The Star Spangled Banner" ended but weren't disciplined.

"I obviously wouldn't dare speak for any of the other owners, much less in general about 31 other owners," Jones said. "As far as the Dallas Cowboys are concerned, you know where I stand. Our team knows where I stand on the issue."

The issue erupted in 2016 when then-San Francisco 49ers quarterback Colin Kaepernick began protesting police brutality, social injustice and racial inequality by kneeling during the national anthem. The demonstration spread to other players and teams.

The NFL started requiring players to be on the field for the anthem in 2009, the year it signed a marketing deal with the military. Jones had already owned the Cowboys for 20 years when players moved from the locker room to the field for the anthem.

Jones said he understood the point of view of players who say they aren't protesting the flag or the military.

"This is a case where we need to in my mind check that and be real clear that it is, the priority is about the flag, and be real clear about that," Jones said. "Sometimes it's best to just be real clear and succinct so that nobody misunderstands. I think that's our case."

Executive vice president Stephen Jones said the Cowboys don't have an anthem issue because his father has made his stance clear from the beginning.

"I do understand when you see the back and forth," Stephen Jones said. "But we've been consistent and we've never moved. Jerry's never changed his stance once. I think he feels strongly about it."

The younger Jones didn't want to speak for the players when asked if Jerry Jones' strong message is the reason none of his players have defied him.

"I was always brought up when you work for somebody and they're the boss, you play by their rules," Stephen Jones said.

Jones, who drew praise from President Donald Trump when he said last year that he would bench players, said Trump's continuing involvement in the anthem issue is "problematic" for the league.

Trump weighed in again after news of the Dolphins' policy broke, tweeting "The \$40,000,000 Commissioner must now make a stand," a reference to Roger Goodell.

"His interest in what we're doing is problematic from my chair and I would say, in general, in the owner's chairs," Jerry Jones said. "And unprecedented if you really think about it. But like the very game itself, that's the way it is and we'll deal with it. But, yes, everybody would like for it to go away."

Unlike other sports organizations, the Cowboys haven't distanced themselves from Papa John's after founder and CEO John Schnatter was ousted over a racial slur.

Schnatter was already under fire for suggesting last year that the pizza company's sluggish sales were a result of the controversy surrounding the anthem.

Jerry Jones, who has had a close relationship with Schnatter, said the Cowboys couldn't cut ties with the company because of an ownership stake in Papa John's stores. Stephen Jones said the team was linked to 50 stores in the Dallas area.

"I regret that for John," Jerry Jones said. "But at the end of the day we've got too many people, too many customers, too many people that we just need to do as good as we can do under the circumstances."

NOTES: DE David Irving was placed on the "did not report" list after getting clearance from the Cowboys to deal with personal issues. Jerry Jones said he didn't expect Irving to attend camp for the three weeks the Cowboys are in California. ... DT Maliek Collins (foot) was placed on the physically unable to perform list, while S Kavon Frazier and DE Randy Gregory are on the non-football injury list. Gregory was recently reinstated from a year-long ban for violating the NFL's substance-abuse policy.

8, 3.60 ERA) starts Friday night at home against Texas RHP Yovani Gallardo (4-1, 5.56). Keuchel is 5-0 in his last seven starts.

Rockies: Open a three-game interleague series Friday night against Oakland. LHP Kyle Freeland (8-6, 3.28 ERA) faces LHP Sean Manaea (9-6, 3.38). Colorado has won each of Freeland's last four starts.

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Both starters pitched well but did not figure in the decision.

Gray allowed one hit and two runs — one earned. Charlie Morton gave up one run on four hits in six innings for Houston.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Astros: Altuve left in the bottom of the fifth. He was replaced in the batting order by J.D. Davis.

Rockies: Chad Bettis threw a light bullpen. He's expected to make a second rehab start this weekend for Triple-A Albuquerque. The first was last Saturday. He threw 70 pitches in four innings but had to stop when a blister on his right middle finger bothered him.

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Astros: After an off day, LHP Dallas Keuchel (8-

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MMA star Conor McGregor pleads guilty in melee case



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In this April 6, 2018 file photo, Ultimate fighting star Conor McGregor is escorted by New York Court Police officers after a hearing at the Brooklyn Criminal Court, in New York. McGregor is due in court amid plea negotiations to resolve charges stemming from a backstage melee at a New York City arena. The 30-year-old Irish fighter is expected to be joined Thursday, July 26 in Brooklyn by his 25-year-old friend and co-defendant Cian Cowley.

By MICHAEL R. SISAK

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Mixed martial arts star Conor McGregor pleaded guilty Thursday to disorderly conduct in exchange for community service to resolve charges stemming from a backstage melee at a New York City arena.

McGregor will also be evaluated for an anger management program in addition to his five days of community service.

"I just want to say I'm thankful to the DA and the judge for allowing me to move forward," McGregor said outside court. "I want to say to my friends, my family, my fans, thank you for the support." He and his entourage then rushed to a waiting SUV, separated by bike-rack barricades from dozens of photographers and reporters.

The 30-year-old Irish fighter was joined in Brooklyn court by his 25-year-old friend and co-defendant Cian Cowley, who got three days of community service and anger management.

Video showed what appeared to be McGregor hurling a hand truck at a bus full of fighters after a news conference for the UFC 223 event at Brooklyn's Barclays Center in April.

Two fighters hurt by broken glass were unable to compete.

McGregor has paid to fix the damaged bus.

The charges to which they pleaded guilty are technically violations, meaning they'll have no criminal record or travel issues. If they violate the terms of their agreement, though, they could be sentenced to 15 days in jail.

The UFC did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

Prosecutors said the sentence will allow McGregor to "reflect on his conduct and give back to society."

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