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Goliad, Washington meet STAAR standards

BSISD out of TEA takeover danger

By ROGER CLINE
 Staff Writer

The Big Spring Independent School District has some great news from the Texas Education Agency.

"It's probably the best news we've had in Big Spring for at least the last six or seven years, way before I got here," said BSISD Superintendent Jay McWilliams. "We had two schools, Goliad and Washington Elementaries. They've been on IR, which stands for 'Improvement Required,' for the past six years. TEA and the state, basically, when you're at that stage, when you go into year seven, they can step in and there can be closures, there can be reopenings, there can be partnerships with a college or university, there can be a lot of things. There could be the state coming in and basically putting a new school board in place. All of that had been

hanging over their heads, and this year was it. This was either, 'We do it,' or 'We're going to have to make changes and TEA's going to be right here.' The best news Big Spring has had in a long, long time is that both of those schools have officially met standard. They are no longer IR campuses."

The ratings are based on the schools' scores on the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR) test. McWilliams explained that each school needed at least a 60 percent on the overall test score to meet standards and avoid the IR list.

"As far as the overall score, Goliad was a 69. They were almost in the 70s. Washington was a 61," he said. "There are three different domains that you look at to get this, and Washington had a couple that

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Goliad Elementary students file across the crosswalk on the first day of school in 2016. As students prepare to return to school this year, the Big Spring Independent School District has received official word from the Texas Education Agency that Goliad and Washington Elementary Schools have met STAAR testing standards and escaped the 'Improvement Required' list after six years, thus averting the possibility of a takeover of those schools or the entire district by TEA.

Feeding the children



HERALD photo/Tyler Shellie

Grainger Industrial Supply donates a \$500 check to Big Spring's Food2Kids program Aug. 15. Shown are, bottom left to right, Muffet Bomar, Joanne Forrest, Nick Rodriguez. Middle left to right, Jeanee Cole, Fran Emerson, Betsy Bell. Top row left to right, Raul Marquez, Jan Foresyth, Karren Carman.

Special to the Herald

Grainger Foundation, part of Grainger Industrial Supply, presented a \$500 check Aug. 15 to help provide lunches for Big Spring students through the Food2Kids program.

Grainger is an organization whose culture of service extends into the local communities where like-minded organizations, individuals, and Grainger team members live and work. Their support and partnerships, products, and people enable them to provide vital resources to advance

the community, like the Food2Kids program.

Food2Kids is an outreach program started by members of First Methodist Church in 2013, and has now grown into a life of its own. A few days out of the month, volunteers meet at the old Lakeview High School gym to sack food for hundreds of Big Spring elementary students who do not receive adequate food over the weekends.

Donations to Food2Kids can be made through First Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1641, Big Spring, Texas, 79720.

Volunteers are welcome to help fill brown paper sacks with meals for kids.

Food2Kids Sacking Schedule 2018-2019 will be Sept. 10 and 11; Oct. 1 and 2; and Nov. 5 and 6.

There will be no sacking in December, then the work will continue Jan. 7 and 8; Feb. 4 and 5; March 4 and 5; and April 1.

Food sacking is at the old Lakeview High School on NW Seventh St. in Big Spring.

BSSO gearing up for new concert season



HERALD file photo

The Big Spring Symphony Orchestra performs its Winter Concert this past February. The Symphony is gearing up for its 2018-2019 Concert Season, starting Sept. 15 with a tribute to American Composer Leonard Bernstein.

By TYLER SCHELLIE
 Staff Writer

Big Spring Symphony Orchestra will be celebrating Leonard Bernstein's 100th Birthday Sept. 15. Bernstein, born Aug. 25, 1918, was one of the first American-born conductor to lead world-class orchestras. He died Oct. 14, 1990.

Bernstein is surly someone that will always be remembered in orchestras worldwide, and it gives great pleasure to those who will be playing some of his original pieces in the upcoming "B is for Bernstein" event the Big Spring Symphony will be holding Saturday, September 15, at 7:30 p.m. in Big Spring Municipal Auditorium.

Big Spring Symphony will begin the concert with Bernstein's "Overture to Candide," featuring countertenor soloist and Big Spring native, Alexa Grae; plus more guests to be announced.

The event will end with a series of melodies from the 1961 movie "West Side Story," composed by Bernstein.

The Big Spring Symphony Guild is selling their 2018-2019 Symphony Program Ads for the upcoming season, which has four concerts starting with the Bernstein show. Several spots are still available starting at \$50. You get a discount for paying now, or you can choose to be billed later. The deadline has been extended to August 22 for new business, so call or text 432-270-2125 for details.

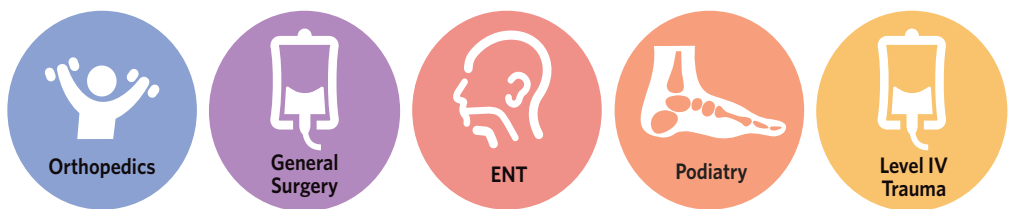
The Big Spring Symphony will also be having their Kick Off dinner September 13, which will be held at the Garrett Hall at the First Methodist Church. The event is catered by Al's BBQ, pre dinner registration is still available.

For ticket reservations call 432-816-5196 or message the Big Spring Symphony Facebook page.

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Obituaries

James Haven Howard



James Haven Howard, 81, of Lamesa Funeral services will be held Friday, August 17, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at Second Baptist Church with Roy Byrd officiating. Interment will follow in Dawson County Cemetery under the direction of Branon Funeral Home. Visitation will be held Thursday, August 16, 2018, from 6-7 p.m. James passed away Tuesday, August 14, 2018 in Midland. He was born August 3, 1937, in Morgan Mill, TX to Thomas Lavan and Geneva (Bean) Howard. He married Joye Nichols October 5, 1958. They were married 59 years. James was a rancher and farmed in Dawson, Martin, and Howard Counties. He was a very hard worker and ran cows on the Coleman Ranch

in Borden County as well. He played on the Dawson County Cowboy Polo Team ending career as three time world champions with his brothers, Junior, Troy, and friends. James is survived by his wife Joye Howard of Lamesa; children, Kathy Drennan and husband, Gordon of Pochontas, AR, and Carol Holcomb and husband, Mike of Lamesa; sister, JoAnn Ritchey of Big Spring; brother, Troy Howard and wife, Sue of Lamesa; grandchildren, Jessica Thomas and husband, Kurt of Wolforth, Jamie Crockett and husband, Zac of Welch, Mackenzie Holcomb of Lamesa, and Haydon Holcomb of Lamesa; and great-grandchildren, Jayden Makay Holcomb, Kynlee Mae Thomas, Kaydee Rhae Thomas, Brogan Rayne Crockett, and Remi James Crockett. He is preceded in death by his parents; brother, Junior Howard; and brother-in-law, Donald Ritchey. To send condolences online, please visit www.branonfuneralhome.com.

Paid Obituary

Irma Rosa Martinez



Irma Rosa Martinez, 76, of Big Spring, died Friday, August 17, 2018, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Sunday, August 19, 2018, at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Irma was born January 10, 1942, in Rio Grande City, Texas to Rebecca Reyna Rosa and Gavino Rosa. She was a lifetime resident of Big Spring and a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church.

She is survived by one daughter: Yolanda Gon-

zales (David) of Big Spring; four sons: Jesse Ortiz and Sandra Gonzales, Rafael V. Ortiz, Jr., Gavino Ortiz and Michelle Rodriguez and David Ortiz (Janel), all of Big Spring; three brothers: Gabino Rosa and Rolando Rosa, both of Hobbs, New Mexico, Harvey Rosa of Baytown and four sisters: Mary Ortiz of Stanton, Lorenza Rosa of Odessa, Sandra Cabezuela of VanHorn and Veronica Garza of Fredericksburg.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Frederico Martinez, Jr. on May 3, 2000.

Pallbearers will be David Ortiz, Jesse Ortiz, Rafael Ortiz, Gavino Ortiz, Harvey Rosa and Mike Villa.

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:

- **JOSEPH GLENN BISHOP**, 53, of 603 NE 8th St. was arrested on a charge of public intoxication
- **FIDEL MARTINEZ JR.**, 42, of 1610 Bluebird St. was arrested on a charge of driving with an invalid license.
- **KEVIN DOW MINER**, 61, of 2617 Albrook Dr. was arrested on a charge of sex offenders duty to register life/annually.
- **HARLEE DARLENE SANDRIDGE**, 19, of 1507 S Austin St. was arrested on charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, and burglary of habitation intend other felony.
- **JORDAN MICHAEL BERNAL**, 29, of 2623 ENT Dr. was arrested on a charge of criminal mischief <=\$100<\$750
- **ERIC MARTIN ZARRAGA**, 35, of 1201 S Ft.

Worth was arrested on charges of failure to identify, possession of marijuana, and picked up on a warrant from another agency.

- **ADRIAN RICARDO DEHOYOS**, 26, of 0 Transient was arrested on charges of public intoxication, and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- **MICHAEL JAY SULLIVAN**, 63, of 8033 Sunset Blvd was arrested on a charge of public intoxication
- **RICHARD PAUL JENKINS**, 59, of 807 Baylor was arrested on a charge of public intoxication

- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported on the 600 block of McEwen St.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported on the 2800 block of N HWY 87

Take Note

• 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 working 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 interested in volunteering, contact Sara Basaldua at 1-877-316-8346 or visit www.BecomeaCASA.org or www.casawtx.org.

• The Crossroads Young Marines is taking applications for another boot camp. For more information, call 432-517-4791. Young Marines welcomes boys and girls ages 8 to 18 who are still attending school.

• 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.

• 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 pron bono attorney may be assigned to handle some cases that include: bankruptcy, consumer issues/contract, child supper and custody, divorce, employment, foreclosure, housing, landlord/tenant, probate and guardianship, real estate, social security/SSI, Veterans benefits/issues, wills and estate planning. The Clinic dates are on Aug. 23 and 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.

• Big Spring's Centennial Lions Club is holding a drive to collect books for the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club. Books for kids in kindergarten through about 10th grade will be accepted, with special preference for books for younger children in kindergarten through third grade. Cash donations to allow the Lions to purchase additional books are also appreciated. Books or donations can be taken to the Salvation Army, 811 W. Fifth St., or to the home of Lions member Ken Lawhon at 1707 E. 15th St. For more information, contact Lawhon at 214-998-9716.

• Food 2 Kids Big Spring needs you! It is time to start sacking food for Big Spring elementary students who do not receive adequate food over the weekends. Members of the community can be a part by volunteering to sack the food. It just takes a couple hours of your time and the work is very rewarding. To volunteer, just show up at the time and dates listed. For more information, call, 432-935-3998.

If you want additional information about getting your child on this program please contact your child's school

• Seniors and mature adults are invited to a dance on the first, third and fifth Friday of each month at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Dances are from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. with live bands. No alcohol or smoking permitted. There will be a pot luck as well so bring a dish if you want to eat.

Cost has dropped to \$5 per person thanks to a sponsor Marcy House, 2301 Wasson Road.

Jimmy Leal

Jimmy Leal, 78, of Big Spring, died Friday, August 17, 2018, at Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Support Groups

SUNDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous closed meeting from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

MONDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous, As Bill Sees it, 615 Settles, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

TUESDAY

• Big Spring and Snyder Parkinson's Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month.

This is a group for all Parkinson's Disease patients, spouses and caregivers.

For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

• A six-week course in Wellness and Quality of Life with Chronic Pain will be held at Spring Creek Fellowship at the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-517-4840 for more information.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 and 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

• RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy) a chronic pain disease, a support and informative group, meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at 432-517-9207 for more information.

THURSDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Newcomers' meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

• Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.

• Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder support group meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the VA Medical Center Veteran's Healing Center.

• Bring Everyone Into The Zone, or BEITZ Support Group, is a veteran-based peer group. The purpose of the group is to provide peer-to-peer support to service members, veterans and families, especially those suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injury (TBI), military sexual trauma (MST) and other traumatic events in their lives. BEITZ meets every Thursday at 6 p.m. t 501 Birdwell Lane. For more information, email 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). Meetings are 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.

FRIDAY

• Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Fridays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.

• 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.

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were very high. They had one that hurt them a little bit. But last year, they weren't very close. I'll be honest. The growth shown is tremendous." BSISD's performance this year wasn't perfect, however. "All of our campuses met standard with the exception of (Big Spring Intermediate)," said McWilliams. "Let me just tell you this. To meet standard, to cut through all of the confusing figures and domains that you have to go through, bottom line was they had to have a total score above a 60. This is hard to believe, their score was a 59.2. When you round it off, if they had had a 59.5, all of our cam-

pus would have met standard. Big Spring has not had that in a very long time." BSISD could file an appeal regarding BSI's scores, if they discover a reason to do so. "You can appeal, if you see something you think wasn't included," McWilliams said. "And trust me, (Assistant Superintendent for Academics and Assessment) Dr. (Raemi) Thompson and the Curriculum Department are going over that with a fine-toothed comb." McWilliams added that Big Spring's alternative campus, Anderson Accelerated, also did not meet the standard this year, but due to the school's unique format, TEA is still debating how to handle its test scores.

"It's a different setting and they're still out on how they're going to grade that. They're an alternative high school setting," McWilliams said. "And of course our DAEP (Disciplinary Alternative Education Program) kids are out there too and they're removed from a regular setting. But the Anderson Accelerated, we have some kids who learn better in a different setting. It is brand new. We actually had our first graduates out there this year, which was really exciting. But I think the state is still working on how they're going to be evaluating that campus." The BSISD administration is ecstatic about the results, McWilliams said. "We are so excited and so thrilled not only for the kids sake. They did

a great job, but also for all of those teachers and staff members that, I'm going to be honest with you, have been under constant pressure on a daily basis," he said. "We thought early in the summer they were going to be out, but we didn't know officially until two days ago. It is official." The district isn't resting on its success this year, McWilliams added. "Now the challenge is to not only maintain that, but to get better," he said. "We're not happy where we're at. We're very happy we got out, but my mindset is, we've got to be a lot better, and we're going to get a lot better."
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Former UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan dies at age 80



In this Sunday, July 22, 2007 file photo Nelson Mandela and former United Nations Secretary General Kofi Annan arrive together at the 5th Nelson Mandela Annual Lecture, held at the Linder Auditorium in Johannesburg, South Africa. Annan, one of the world's most celebrated diplomats and a charismatic symbol of the United Nations who rose through its ranks to become the first black African secretary-general, has died. He was 80.

By JOHN HEILPRIN and FRANCIS KOKUTSE
Associated Press

GENEVA (AP) — Kofi Annan, one of the world's most celebrated diplomats and a charismatic symbol of the United Nations who rose through its ranks to become the first black African secretary-general, has died. He was 80. His foundation announced his death in Switzerland's capital, Bern, on Saturday in a tweet, saying he died after a short unspecified illness. It did not give details and remembered the Nobel Peace Prize winner as "radiating genuine kindness, warmth and brilliance in all he did." The president of Ghana, where Annan was born, said in a tweet that "I am ... comforted by the information, after speaking to (Annan's wife) Nane Maria, that he died peacefully in his sleep."

Annan spent virtually his entire career as an administrator in the United Nations. His aristocratic style, cool-tempered elegance and political savvy helped guide his ascent to become its seventh secretary-general, and the first hired from within. He served two terms from Jan. 1, 1997, to Dec. 31, 2006, capped nearly mid-way when he and the U.N. were jointly awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2001. During his tenure, Annan presided over some of the worst failures and scandals at the world body, one of its most turbulent periods since its founding in 1945. Challenges from the outset forced him to spend much of his time struggling to restore its tarnished reputation.

His enduring moral prestige remained largely undented, however, both through charisma and by virtue of having negotiated with most of the powers in the world. When he departed from the United Nations, he left behind a global organization far more aggressively engaged in peacekeeping and fighting poverty, setting the framework for the U.N.'s 21st-century response to mass atrocities and its emphasis on human rights and development.

"Kofi Annan was a guiding force for good," current U.N. Secretary-General Antonio Guterres said. "It is with profound sadness that I learned of his passing. In many ways, Kofi Annan was the United Nations. He rose through the ranks to lead the organization into the new millennium with matchless dignity and determination." Even out of office, Annan never completely left the U.N. orbit. He returned in special roles, including as the U.N.-Arab League's special envoy to Syria in 2012. He remained a powerful advocate for global causes through his eponymous foundation. Annan took on the top U.N. post six years after the collapse of the Soviet Union and presided during a decade when the world united against terrorism after the Sept. 11 attacks — then divided deeply over the U.S.-led war against Iraq. The U.S. relationship tested him as a world diplomatic leader.

"I think that my darkest moment was the Iraq war, and the fact that we could not stop it," Annan said in a February 2013 interview with TIME magazine to mark the publication of his memoir, "Interventions: A Life in War and Peace." "I worked very hard — I was working the phone, talking to leaders around the world. The U.S. did not have the support in the Security Council." An-

nan recalled in the videotaped interview posted on The Kofi Annan Foundation's website. "So they decided to go without the council. But I think the council was right in not sanctioning the war," he said. "Could you imagine if the U.N. had endorsed the war in Iraq, what our reputation would be like? Although at that point, President (George W.) Bush said the U.N. was headed toward irrelevance, because we had not supported the war. But now we know better." Despite his well-honed diplomatic skills, Annan was never afraid to speak candidly. That didn't always win him fans, particularly in the case of Bush's administration, with whom Annan's camp spent much time bickering. Much of his second term was spent at odds with the United States, the U.N.'s biggest contributor, as he tried to lean on the nation to pay almost \$2 billion in arrears.

Kofi Atta Annan was born April 8, 1938, into an elite family in Kumasi, Ghana, the son of a provincial governor and grandson of two tribal chiefs. He shared his middle name Atta — "twin" in Ghana's Akan language — with a twin sister, Efua. He became fluent in English, French and several African languages, attending an elite boarding school and the University of Science and Technology in Kumasi. He finished his undergraduate work in economics at Macalester College in St. Paul, Minnesota, in 1961. From there he went to Geneva, where he began his graduate studies in international affairs and launched his U.N. career.

Annan married Titi Alakija, a Nigerian woman, in 1965, and they had a daughter, Ama, and a son, Kojo. He returned to the U.S. in 1971 and earned a master's degree at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Sloan School of Management. The couple separated during the 1970s and, while working in Geneva, Annan met his second wife, Swedish lawyer Nane Lagergren. They married in 1984.

Annan worked for the U.N. Economic Commission for Africa in Ethiopia, its Emergency Force in Egypt, and the office of the High Commissioner for Refugees in Geneva, before taking a series of senior posts at U.N. headquarters in New York dealing with human resources, budget, finance, and staff security. He also had special assignments. After Iraq invaded Kuwait in 1990, he facilitated the repatriation from Iraq of more than 900 international staff and other

non-Iraqi nationals, and the release of western hostages in Iraq. He led the initial negotiations with Iraq for the sale of oil in exchange for humanitarian relief. Just before becoming secretary-general, Annan served as U.N. peacekeeping chief and as special envoy to the former Yugoslavia, where he oversaw a transition in Bosnia from U.N. protective forces to NATO-led troops. The U.N. peacekeeping operation faced two of its greatest failures during his tenure: the Rwanda genocide in 1994, and the massacre in the Bosnian town of Srebrenica in July 1995.

In both cases, the U.N. had deployed troops under Annan's command, but they failed to save the lives of the civilians they were mandated to protect. Annan offered apologies, but ignored calls to resign by U.S. Republican lawmakers. After becoming secretary-general, he called for U.N. reports on those two debacles — and they were highly critical of his management. As secretary-general, Annan forged his experiences into a doctrine called the "Responsibility to Protect," that countries accepted — at least in principle — to head off genocide, crimes against humanity, ethnic cleansing and war crimes.

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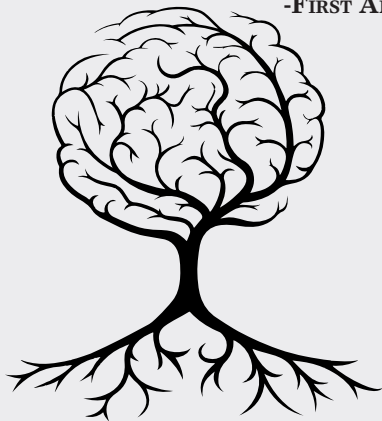
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Lord, guide and protect students and faculty returning to school this week. Amen.

The official Texas historian

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Dr. Bill O'Neill

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nearly fifty books.

"I just had two

new ones just released.

One of them is 'Frontier

Forts Of Texas.'

It's a pictorial

book with lots of

images of these

forts in Texas.

The other book

is a biography of

John Chisum, the

famous Texas

cattleman. My

first book is still in print. It's 'The

Encyclopedia Of Western

Gunfighters' and that thing has been

translated into German twice. It

sort of made my reputation. The

University of Oklahoma Press

published it back in 1979. It was

a four-year project. There was

another one called 'Fighting Men

Of The Indian Wars' which was a

three-year project. I did 'Historic

Ranches Of The Old West,' another

three-year project. But most of



TUMBLEWEED SMITH

Mrs. Hughes remembers...

To the Editor,

It is good to read about the Hang Gliders that come to Howard County every year. It brings back old memories. My husband, John Hughes had transferred from Brooks Field to the new Lubbock Army Air Force Base back in Jan. of 1942. We were married on on May 2nd, 1942, and when he found an apartment, I moved to Lubbock in June. In late August or September, he was trans-

ferred to the Lubbock City Airport where he joined the South Plains Army Air Field. "A glider base".

The year book begins with "Wings Over America" and the forward was by H. H. Hap Arnold.

The glider pilots were a special group, to volunteer for such a dangerous job. They were used to carry troops, military gear, and supplies into enemy territory. The base closed by 1945 as I remember, my husband was a supply Sgt. For the 848th Fighter Training squadron. We spent

about three happy years in Lubbock, until he was transferred to Biak Island in the Netherlands East Indies.

I tried to enter the picture of the "8th Forty Eight" Squadron and the Year book in Howard County Fair. They took my entries and hid them, but they were never judged.

I also took the "Throw" that I won at the "old Settlers" Reunion. It has five wonderful pictures of old Big Spring. When I picked my entries up, the lady told me that she called the museum and they said I bought

it and couldn't enter it, regardless of whether I won it a the "old Settles" reunion or bought it, it was still mine and I wanted to share it with the old timers.

I remembered my Aunt Mae coming in on the train and the depot where the whale was parked (or side tracked). I was happy for the one who entered her pumpkin and had her picture on the Herald. I remember how much fun I had raising my pumpkin and entering it in the fair.

Marie Hughes
Big Spring, Texas

The Idle American

A most unusual day...

The day was picture perfect-A+ in every way. It was the kind prayed for by brides planning garden weddings, and dreamed of by photographers challenged to shoot pictures for world class chamber of commerce brochures.

It may have been the kind of day that inspired the psalmist David--beholding his God and His almighty power--to write the 23rd Psalm more than 3,000 years ago.

For the 34 senior adults from our church who toured Dallas' fabulous Arboretum and Botanical Garden, it was a memorable day that "the Lord had made." We rejoiced and were glad in it....

The absolute perfection of floral beauty, grand landscaping and an enthusiastic staff made time stand still--or at least slow down greatly. The 66-acre tract, with White Rock Lake as a backdrop, is a recognized respite from a fearful, fractured world that surrounds--but fails to suffocate--and is not allowed inside.

Everything about the Arboretum is inviting, and more than a million folks from all 50 states visited during each of the past two years. It is a place of "do's," and almost no "don'ts." Want to walk on the lawn? That's fine; bring a picnic spread if you'd like. Inhale nature. Be on the lookout for summer concerts and special events.

The staff genuinely appreciates guests. Maybe it's because staffers likewise feel appreciated. Just a few days earlier, volunteers heard Arboretum leaders praise them for their toil, indicating that if their annual work had been done by hires, it would have cost in excess of \$2 million. There are more than 2,500 volunteers, including about 500 who serve regularly throughout the year. The remarkable attraction is open from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. daily, with only closures on Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day....

Adding to the delight of our visit were several 15-year-old Hispanic young ladies decked out in flowing formals. Their Quincea era celebrations at hand, they posed for photographs throughout the park.

Another unexpected participant was a runner, maybe 20-something. Actually, he was jogging,

clutching three tennis balls as he passed.

On the next lap, he was juggling the tennis balls as he jogged....

Someone asked what he was doing. "Practicing for 'joggling' competition," he answered, "I'm a juggler."

I listened, wondering if there truly is "joggling competition," and also fearing the bombardment of too much information.

Later investigation via Google revealed that "joggling" is the real deal, with numerous events around the country. One Boston "juggler" recently covered a one-mile course in four minutes and 32 seconds, juggling all the way. Nothing much surprises anymore. One wouldn't expect to learn of a "Big Mac" lover downing a minimum of two of the burgers daily since 1972. A few days ago, he reached the 30,000 figure, and his cholesterol numbers are every bit as impressive....

At day's end, the 23rd Psalm came to mind. We were led beside still waters, our souls were restored. Goodness and mercy were claimed.

Thoughts of rods and staffs comforted as we jostled with others inn traffic jams on Interstate 30.

I glanced at my wife, who had taken many notes. She was eager to take on our flower beds; a green glow lit up her thumbs....

I also was okay with reaching home, where one distinction is shared with the DeGolyer mansion, a 21,000-square-foot structure built in 1939. It was one of the first air-conditioned homes in the nation. Our home has AC, too, but is about the size of the DeGolyer home library.

Nearby is a giant Bois D'Arc tree that is more than 200 years old. It offered massive shade during hot summers more than a century before air-conditioning was dreamed of.

Poet Joyce Kilmer credited God with making trees, and surely this is one of the Almighty's best. Had Kilmer ever seen this tree, the poem for which he is known might have had verses without end....

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Jury awards more than \$242 million for Lexus seat defects

DALLAS (AP) — A Texas jury has awarded more than \$242 million to a Dallas-area family who sued Toyota over what they said were defective front seats in their Lexus sedan.

Benjamin and Kristi Reavis alleged defects caused their front seat backs in a September 2016 rear-end collision to collapse on their two young children seated in child safety seats in the back. Their attorney said the 5-year-old daughter and 3-year-old son suffered severe head trauma and other injuries.

The Reavises' attorney, Frank Branson, said Toyota consciously chose to protect front-seat occupants from crash injuries such as whiplash at the expense of rear-seat passengers.

The Dallas County jury determined Friday that the seats were unreasonably dangerous and Toyota failed to warn of those dangers.

Toyota didn't immediately respond to requests

Fathers back in Texas immigration lockup after 'disturbance'

KARNES CITY, Texas (AP) — An advocacy group says 16 men temporarily transferred out of a Texas family immigration detention center have been returned following what federal authorities called a "disturbance."

During a conference call Friday, the group Raices Texas said 16 of its clients were handcuffed Wednesday at a facility in Karnes City by armed agents with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. The men were transferred to another lockup for the night.

Some of the men said they weren't told why they were being removed, and that their children didn't know where they were. One man said he was just sitting in his room when he was ordered to put his hands up.

ICE said in a statement that about 40 men "were detained." The agency didn't say what caused the disturbance.

Alex Jones accused of destroying evidence in defamation case

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Conspiracy theorist Alex Jones has been accused of destroying evidence relevant to the case of families from Sandy Hook Elementary School who are suing him for claiming the massacre was a hoax.

In a filing Friday, attorneys for two Sandy Hook victims noted that Jones said during a recent broadcast of his radio show that he'd told his staff to delete information from his "Infowars" website after CNN cited content from it for violating Twitter policies.

That came after Twitter said it was temporarily suspending Jones for violating company rules about inciting violence.

Several families of Sandy Hook victims are suing Jones for spreading false claims about the 2012 shooting in Newtown, Connecticut, that killed 20 children and six adults.

Jones has sought to dismiss the case, arguing he acted as a journalist.

Texas man sentenced for trying to blow up Confederate statue

HOUSTON (AP) — A 26-year-old man has been sentenced to more than six years in prison for attempting to blow up a Confederate statue last summer at a Houston park.

A federal judge on Friday also imposed a \$10,000 fine against Andrew Schneck, who pleaded guilty in March to attempting to maliciously damage property receiving federal financial assistance.

Schneck was caught last August near a statue of Richard Dowling, a lieutenant in the Confederate army whose unit defeated a Union invasion force at the Battle of Sabine (suh-BEEN') Pass in 1863.

Schneck was found holding two boxes with duct tape and wires as well as a bottle and a small tube containing compounds that tests later revealed were explosive materials.

The incident happened amid a wave of protests over Confederate monuments across the U.S.

Trump help for Cruz could spell new twist for odd couple



In this Aug. 10, 2018 photo, Republican U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz, left, poses with Gary Malcik following a campaign stop in Temple, Texas. Cruz says he wouldn't be surprised if President Donald Trump comes to Texas to campaign for top Republicans like himself, who are running for re-election in November, potentially creating the latest twist in an on-again, off-again Trump-Cruz relationship that has made the two a political odd couple.

By **WILL WEISSERT**
Associated Press

TEMPLE, Texas (AP) — Gary Malcik wore a Trump T-shirt as he waited in a long, post-rally line to pose for pictures with Ted Cruz.

It was a far cry from the waning weeks of the 2016 GOP presidential primary, when Donald Trump supporters repeatedly heckled the Texas senator at campaign events, and from that year's Republican National Convention when Cruz was booed for refusing to endorse the party's nominee. But Malcik, 69 and self-employed, said he's glad to no longer have to choose sides.

"People like Ted," he said. "People love Trump."

Now facing a high-profile re-election fight with Democratic Congressman Beto O'Rourke, Cruz says he'd welcome Trump coming to Texas before November — though he shrugged off suggestions he needs the president's coattails to win.

"In the last year and a half, we have seen major victories for Texans," Cruz said moments after posing with Malcik at a barbecue restaurant whose walls were cluttered with hunting trophies in Temple, 130 miles (210 kilometers) south of Dallas.

Trump has visited Texas five times as president, including after Hurricane Harvey and to address the National Rifle Association's annual convention. Still, the prospect of his potentially boosting candidate Cruz creates another twist in the awkward dance of one of the leading odd couples in all of politics.

The off-again, on-again rela-

tionship lays bare just how uncomfortable Trump is for Republicans who want to demonstrate loyalty to someone the Republican base loves, but who also thrived before his rise — and hope to continue to do so after he's gone. Complicating matters is Cruz's refusal to rule out running again for president after Trump leaves the White House.



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Next mission for women with military service: Run for office

By **LAURIE KELLMAN**
and **BILL BARROW**

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — A dragon winds around a cherry tree in the tattoo across MJ Hegar's arm and back, over the shrapnel wounds she had, at one point, not wanted to see with her young children around.

But nine years after being shot down in Afghanistan, then winning a lawsuit against the federal government, writing a book and now running for a Texas congressional seat, Hegar isn't hiding much anymore.

"I carry my service with me wherever I go," Hegar said in a telephone interview near her home in Round Rock, outside Austin. "We don't see my family and my childhood and my service as different chapters. It's all a package deal."

Hegar is part of a crop of female veterans running for Congress in this year's mid-term elections. Almost all Democrats and many of them mothers, they are shaped by the Sept. 11 attacks and overseas wars, including the longest war in American history. Many are retiring from the military and looking for another way to serve the country.

They're part of a record number of women running for seats in Congress, but in certain ways, they are a class apart.

The female veterans claim expertise in national security and veterans issues, with a track record of thriving in institutions dominated by men. Regardless of party, they cast themselves as the antidote to bitterly partisan politics — describing themselves as "mission-driven" and trained by the military to work toward a common goal.

"I flew 89 combat missions as a U.S. Marine. My 90th mission is running for Congress to take on politicians who put party over country," said Kentucky Democratic candidate Amy McGrath, the

first female Marine to fly an F/A-18 in combat.

The increase in candidates with military experience is no accident, and the hopefuls are expected to be propelled by Democratic luminaries. Former Vice President Joe Biden, for example, is expected to campaign for McGrath, among others, according to officials close to them who spoke on condition of anonymity because the schedule is not set.

Two Democrats — Massachusetts Rep. Seth Moulton, a retired Marine Corps captain and Bronze Star recipient, and Illinois Sen. Tammy Duckworth, who lost her legs and partial use of an arm when her helicopter was shot down by a rocket-propelled grenade in Iraq — have been instrumental in recruiting veterans to run for office.

Moulton said female veterans in his party carry a particular authority when talking to voters concerned about President Donald Trump's leadership.

"It's the year of the woman, but it's also the year of yearning for bringing integrity and honor back to politics," Moulton said. "We need Democrats with the credibility to tell people what's really going on."

The women are hardly the first to use their military service to their political advantage — men have been doing it for decades.

One of the traditional knocks against female candidates is "they aren't tough enough, they aren't strong enough, and they might not have the leadership skills," said Debbie Walsh, director of the Center for American Women and Politics at Rutgers University.

Not female candidates who are veterans, particularly of combat.

"They kind of automatically get that kind of respect as leaders; it's well-earned," Walsh said. "It's such a logical next step for people who

are committed to this country and are committed to service."

But their campaigns highlight a set of political concerns specific to female veterans.

The candidates acknowledge that their extraordinary stories of trailblazing military careers could make it difficult for some voters to relate to them. Will they come off as too tough or hawkish? Is it possible for any candidate, male or female, to over-emphasize his or her military background in the post-9/11 era?

McGrath, who retired as a lieutenant colonel, opened her campaign with an online video in which she wears a bomber jacket, a fighter jet in the background.

McGrath sees herself as a bridge to male voters who "sort of see women as being weaker," she said in a telephone interview. "But yeah, I have to make an effort to reach out to women and make sure that they're not scared, or think that I'm too militant."

Out came a 30-second spot that mentioned the 89 combat missions — but focused on McGrath taking her three children to the pediatrician.

"I'm Amy McGrath and I approved this ad," she says, as her young son takes off down a hallway with his pants down. "Because I'd like to see the other guys running deal with this."

She upset popular Lexington Mayor Jim Gray in the Democratic primary and will take on Republican Rep. Andy Barr in November, a closely watched race considered competitive in a

district Barr won by 22 points in 2016. Poised for the different calculus of the general election, Barr last week released an ad quoting McGrath saying of herself, "Hell yeah, I'm a feminist" and calling herself "a progressive." "Seriously? Is that all you got?" McGrath retorted in a video response, sharing the screen once again with a fighter jet. But this time, she traded her bomber jacket for a denim one.

Much of Hegar's story was already public by the time she decided to challenge Republican Rep. John Carter in the Austin-area district, so she went for the full reveal — tattoos and all.

Her video, "Doors," features the door of the helicopter in which she was shot down on her third tour of Afghanistan as a combat search and rescue pi-



AP photo
Gina Ortiz Jones, the Democratic nominee for a House seat in West Texas, poses for a photo, Friday, Aug. 10, 2018, in San Antonio, Texas. Jones, an Air Force veteran will face Republican Rep. Will Hurd. Currently, only four of 535 lawmakers are both women and veterans. Women with military experience — many of them combat veterans — are among the record number of female candidates running for office this year.

lot. Her medals, including a Purple Heart, play a role, as does Hegar's 2012 lawsuit against the federal government that forced it to repeal the ban on women in combat.

The spot also features an intimate detail: One of Hegar's first memories was of her father throwing her mother through a glass door.

"That's been one of the most difficult transitions for me, is talking about myself more," Hegar said. "I hope that they take away that we have to start putting our faith in people who have a history of putting other people first, fighting against intimidation and bullying, and trying to do the right thing."

Air Force veteran Gina Ortiz Jones, the Democratic nominee for a House seat in West Texas, hopes her active military duty and intelligence work will "neutralize this perceived strength" of Republicans as strong on security issues.

That could be important in the race for the San Antonio-area seat, currently held by Republican Rep. Will Hurd, a former CIA operative. Ortiz Jones supports single-payer health insurance, a position that could be considered too liberal for the district.

"Liberal" isn't a word that is normally used to describe my work in national security," she said.

If these women win, they will join an exclusive club in Congress. Just 19 percent of lawmakers are veterans — the same percentage that are women. Only four members are both: Sens. Joni Ernst, R-Iowa, and Tammy Duckworth, D-Ill.; and Reps. Martha McSally, R-Ariz., and Tulsi Gabbard, D-Hawaii.

"It kind of reminds me of a fighter squadron, with so few women," said McSally, a retired Air Force veteran who was the first woman to fly in combat and is now running for U.S. Senate.

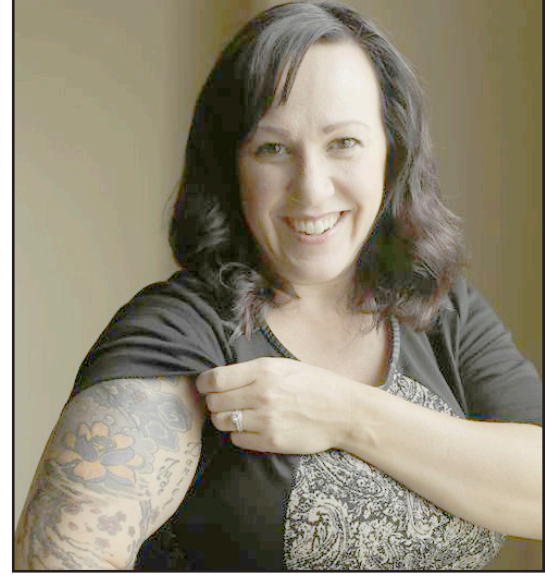
All the candidates have stories about being among the only women working among

men and have used their platform to speak out about abuses in the military.

McSally told The Wall Street Journal in April that she was pressured into having sex in high school with a coach and that she became an Air Force pilot in part to regain a sense of power. But even there, she told the paper, she had "similar, awful experiences in the military on the spectrum of abuse of power and sexual assault." She did not elaborate.

Pennsylvania's Chrissy Houlahan, a retired Air Force officer and now a congressional candidate, said she cringed more than once when a male colonel "used blonde jokes" to introduce her for presentations to superior officers.

"I definitely felt some overt



AP photo
MJ Hegar pulls up her sleeve to reveal part of a tattoo that winds around her arm and back, for a portrait at her home in Round Rock, Texas., on Thursday, Aug. 9, 2018. Nine years after being shot down in Afghanistan, winning a lawsuit against the federal government, and writing a book, Hegar is now running for a Texas congressional seat.

sexism," she said.

New Jersey's Mikie Sherill is a former helicopter pilot and prosecutor whose time at the Naval Academy dovetailed with the Tailhook sexual assault scandal in the Navy and Marine Corps. In the 1990s, she said, speaking out when she felt sexually harassed "would really have impacted the way I was treated in the squadron."

But these days, with a generation of women retiring from the military and a record number running for Congress, "it's become a lot easier to talk about these things," she said.

The Latest: Trump expects to revoke Ohr's security clearance

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Latest on President Donald Trump and the revoking of security clearances (all times local): 11:10 a.m.

President Donald Trump says he expects to "quickly" revoke the security clearance for the Justice Department official whose wife worked for the firm involved in producing the dossier on Trump's ties to Russia.

Trump says the official, Bruce Ohr, is a "disgrace."

Asked about Ohr's security clearance, Trump said: "I suspect I'll be taking it away very quickly. For him to be in the Justice Department and doing what he did, that is a disgrace."

Ohr has come under Republican scrutiny for his contacts to Glenn Simpson, co-founder of Fusion GPS. The opposition research firm hired former British spy Christopher Steele during the 2016 presidential campaign to compile the dossier.

Ohr's wife, Nellie, worked for

Fusion GPS during the campaign — something Trump has tweeted about to highlight his assertions of political bias behind the Russia investigation.

12:15 a.m.

Former U.S. security officials issued scathing rebukes to President Donald Trump on Thursday, admonishing him for yanking former CIA chief John Brennan's security clearance in what they cast as an act of political vengeance.

Trump said he'd had to do "something" about the "rigged" federal probe of Russian election interference.

Trump's admission that he acted out of frustration about the Russia probe underscored his willingness to use his executive power to fight back against an investigation he sees as a threat to his presidency. Legal experts said the dispute may add to the evidence being reviewed by special counsel Robert Mueller.

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Latitude 032.534328, Longitude -101.459260. Datum: NAD 27
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Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
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Total Depth: 9000 feet
Latitude 032.457365, Longitude -101.511033. Datum: NAD 27
891' FNL, 908' FWL of 160-acre lease
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Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, EI: NA
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A-278, Section 31, Block 32, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9000 feet
X=759994.12, Y=289576.72. Datum: NAD 27
245' FNL, 1157' FWL of 635.72-acre lease
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X=760062.96, Y=289586.28. Datum: NAD 27
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Total Depth: 9000 feet
X=757610.67, Y=288995.66. Datum: NAD 27
245' FNL, 1342' FWL of 318.17-acre lease
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X=757649.50, Y=289004.57. Datum: NAD 27
245' FNL, 62' FWL of 318.17-acre lease
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latan, East Howard Field
15.60 miles northeast of Forsan
A-252, Section 11, Block 30, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 3000 feet
X=857686, Y=244574. Datum: NAD 27
219' FEL, 2372' FNL of 1,127-acre lease
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A-1365, Section 10, Block 30, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 3000 feet
X=852047, Y=245469. Datum: NAD 27
236' FEL, 245' FNL of 80-acre lease
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15.60 miles northeast of Forsan
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Total Depth: 3000 feet
X=855665, Y=246870. Datum: NAD 27
306' FSL, 378' FEL of 80-acre lease
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#2747WA Guitar North, drill horizontal, API #42-227-39709
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, EI: NA
11.50 miles northwest of Big Spring
A-575, Section 25, Block A, Bauer & Cockrell survey
Total Depth: 10,600 feet
X=714122, Y=253608. Datum: NAD 27
542' FSEL, 998' FNEL of 3,360-acre lease
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#2726LS Guitar North, drill horizontal, API #42-227-39710
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11.50 miles northwest of Big Spring
A-575, Section 26, Block A, Bauer & Cockrell survey
Total Depth: 10,600 feet
X=714151, Y=253615. Datum: NAD 27
542' FSEL, 968' FNEL of 3,360-acre lease
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Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, EI: NA
11.50 miles northwest of Big Spring
A-575, Section 26, Block A, Bauer & Cockrell survey
Total Depth: 10,600 feet
X=714093, Y=253601. Datum: NAD 27
542' FSEL, 1027' FNEL of 3,360-acre lease
542' FSEL, 1027' FNEL of the survey
Rule 37 Exception

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#2765WB Guitar North, drill horizontal, API #42-227-39712
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, EI: NA
11.50 miles northwest of Big Spring
A-575, Section 26, Block A, Bauer & Cockrell survey
Total Depth: 10,600 feet
X=714180, Y=253622. Datum: NAD 27
542' FSEL, 937' FNEL of 3,360-acre lease
542' FSEL, 937' FNEL of the survey
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#2748WA Laurie Cathey "A", drill horizontal, EI: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-227-39713
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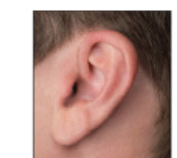
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The Big Spring quarterback passes down the field during the Steer's scrimmage with Fort Stockton on Friday, August 17, 2018.



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A Big Spring tackler takes down the Panther runner during the Steer's scrimmage with Fort Stockton on Friday, August 17, 2018.



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A Big Spring receiver splits two Panther tacklers during the Steer's scrimmage with Fort Stockton on Friday, August 17, 2018.

The Buffs made a strong showing on both sides of the ball in their first action against Grape Creek



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Buff's Quarterback warming up before the scrimmage against Grape Creek Friday evening at Forsan.



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Buff's defensive end comes up to make a big play in the backfield in the scrimmage against Grape Creek Friday evening at Forsan.



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Buff's QB rolls out and makes a big time throw in the scrimmage against Grape Creek Friday evening at Forsan.

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Rougned Odor drives in 3 for Rangers in 6-4 win over Angels

By **STEPHEN HAWKINS**

AP Sports Writer

ARLINGTON, Texas — Rougned Odor and the Texas Rangers quickly got after yet another new Angels pitcher.

Odor's two-run single capped a five-run outburst in the second inning off recently acquired Odrisamer Despaigne, the 14th starting pitcher used by Los Angeles this season, and the Rangers went on to a 6-4 win on Friday night.

"Hopefully we keep doing what we're doing right now," said Nomar Mazara, whose leadoff single started the second.

"You've got to credit the hitters in the lineup, the job that they're doing," manager Jeff Banister said. "We're constantly talking the message of grinding at-bats out, be able to keep the ball in the middle of the field, the at-bats to draw walks, to create run-scoring opportunities, to hit behind runners, and drive the baseball in the gap."

Joey Gallo's two-run double into the right-field corner put the Rangers up 2-1 before he scored on a groundout by Isiah Kiner-Falefa. Odor's two-run single was the fourth consecutive Rangers hit, and he added a sac fly in the seventh inning.

Drew Hutchison (2-2) struck out six and allowed two runs over five innings in his third start for the Rangers.

"Anytime you give up a run and then come back and score five ... then I was able to kind of get in a rhythm after that and have a few good innings," Hutchison said.

Jose Leclerc struck out the side in the ninth for his fourth save.

"He's nasty. It's fun to watch him when I'm playing the outfield," Mazara said. "His pitches move a lot."

Andrelton Simmons hit a two-run homer, his eighth, that got the Angels within 5-4 in the sixth.

Despaigne (2-1), acquired Tuesday from the Miami Marlins in exchange for cash considerations, allowed five runs in four innings while becoming the 34th pitcher used by Los Angeles, which had never before used more than 31 in a season. Two relievers made their big-league debuts in the series opener for the Angels, when Texas overcame a five-run deficit even before its first at-bat to win.

"His stuff looked good. He obviously had a tough second inning," manager Mike Scioscia said. "It looks like he lost his release point in the second. His ball-strike ratio was getting a little out of whack and he fought hard to get out of that inning with only five, but the damage was done at that point."

SHORT HOPS

Carlos Tocci had his first career three-hit game and scored twice for Texas. The Angels have used 57 different players overall, also a team record.

THE PLAYERS NAMED LATER

The Rangers acquired a pair of 19-year-old prospects, the players to be named later to complete trades they made last month with Pittsburgh and Arizona. Texas got 3B Sherten Apostel from the Pirates, who acquired right-hander Keone Kela in a July 30 deal. Left-hander Josh Javier is part of the July 31 trade that sent lefty reliever Jake Diekman to the Diamondbacks.

TRAINER'S ROOM



AP photo

Texas Rangers' Rougned Odor follows through on a two-run single against the Los Angeles Angels during the second inning of a baseball game, Friday, Aug. 17, 2018, in Arlington, Texas.

Angels: RHP Matt Shoemaker, who made only one start before going on the DL with a right forearm strain the first week of the season, is working out in Arizona. Scioscia said "Shoemaker is making some great strides, and that's great to see." The Angels play in Arizona next week.

Rangers: CF Delino DeShields was placed on the 10-day disabled list with a fracture on the tip of his right middle finger. He got hurt in the series opener Thursday night when he got hit by a pitch on an attempted bunt. ... 3B Adrian Beltre missed his third consecutive game since coming

out Monday night after aggravating his trouble left hamstring that has already landed him on the DL twice this season.

UP NEXT

Angels lefty Andrew Heaney has gone nearly three years since winning a start on the road. His streak of 16 consecutive winless road starts has already tied Rudy May (1965-69) for the longest such streak in team history. Heaney is 0-2 with a 10.57 ERA in two career starts at Texas. He is 0-5 in 11 road starts this year, and 7-2 in 11 starts at Angel Stadium. Martin Perez (2-5) will start for the Rangers.

Matt Olson homers in 10th, A's pull within game of Astros

By **JANIE McCAULEY**

AP Baseball Writer

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — With September approaching, the Oakland Athletics are showing the baseball world what they believed from the start: This group and its young sluggers are ready to make a playoff push.

Matt Olson hit a leadoff home run in the 10th inning after a video review gave Oakland the tying run in the ninth, and the A's beat the Houston Astros 4-3 on Friday night to pull within a game of the reigning World Series champs for the AL West lead.

"We've known that we're a capable team, we're a very good team all along," Olson said. "We knew it going into the year that we were going to have a chance to make a run, so glad to finally get a little recognition for it and when we go out and win games like that, people are looking at us a little bit."

Houston has been alone atop the AL West since June 14. Now the Astros are being pushed by a team coming off three straight last-place finishes.

Olson pulled a 3-2 pitch from left-hander Tony Sipp (2-1) for his 23rd homer. It was his second career walkoff RBI and first game-ending homer.

"Definitely one of the cooler things I've done in my career," Olson said. "It's the most juiced I've gotten on a field for sure."

That came an inning after Oakland baserunner Ramon Laureano narrowly beat the tag at home from catcher Martin Maldonado for the tying run. Laureano took off from first on Nick Martini's double to the wall in right field, testing the arms of outfielder Josh Reddick and relay man Carlos Correa — who made a beautiful one-hop throw right to Maldonado's mitt. Laureano was initially called out, but immediately urged Oakland to challenge the call.

Umpires overturned the ruling after a review of more than three minutes.

Houston was stunned

by the replay decision.

"From everything I saw he was out. I have no idea what they saw," Reddick said. "There was no angle that showed otherwise. I'm tired of getting screwed by replays. That's not the first time. I'm upset by a call that controls everything. I threw it gunning for home plate all the way. I wanted to get the ball to Carlos. He has the best arm in the infield and the most accurate arm."

A's manager Bob Melvin said, "When the play is that important and you're past the eighth inning, you're going to challenge it regardless."

Melvin also thought Laureano was interfered with near third base, where Alex Bregman ran through the baseline a moment before Laureano went sprinting by.

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Cubs turn record-tying 7 double plays, beat Pirates 1-0

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — The Chicago Cubs tied a major league record by turning seven double plays Friday night, including a game-ending effort by rookie third baseman David Bote on a grounder by David Freese to finish off a 1-0 win over the Pittsburgh Pirates.

The Cubs got six double plays on grounders — five with Cole Hamels pitching — and one on a line drive. The Elias Sports Bureau said the Cubs became the third team in big league history to turn seven DPs in a nine-inning game.

Pittsburgh put runners on first and second in the ninth before Jesse Chavez got Freese to ground to Bote. Having hit a game-ending grand slam last Sunday night to beat Washington 4-3, Bote again was in the right place to cap off a win. Bote stepped on third and threw to first base to end it.

Hamels (8-9) pitched seven solid innings. Kyle Schwarber hit a home run in the second off Trevor Williams (10-9). Chavez got his second save as the Pirates lost their fifth in a row.

The Cubs beat the Pirates by a 1-0 score for the second straight game.

ATHLETICS 4, ASTROS 3, 10 INNING

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CARDINALS 5, BREWERS 2

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Kolten Wong and Marcell Ozuna drove in two runs apiece, Jack Flaherty pitched six shutout innings and St. Louis beat Milwaukee.

The Cardinals won for the ninth time in 10 games and pulled within a half-game of the Brewers for the NL's second wild-card spot.

Milwaukee has dropped three of four.



Pittsburgh Pirates' Kevin Newman, left, is doubled off first as Chicago Cubs first baseman Anthony Rizzo gets the throw from second baseman Javier Baez on a line-out by David Freese during the eighth inning of a baseball game, Friday, Aug. 17, 2018, in Pittsburgh. The Pirates challenged the call, but it was upheld.

Flaherty (7-6) gave up three hits, walked three and struck out seven. The Brewers had only two runners reach second base against the rookie, who has allowed two earned runs in his past 19 innings pitched.

Bud Norris earned his 24th save in 28 opportunities.

Freddy Peralta (5-4) went six innings, giving up three earned runs.

DODGERS 11, MARINERS 1

SEATTLE (AP) — Manny Machado hit two of Los Angeles' five home runs and Walker Buehler allowed one run in six innings in the win over Seattle.

The Dodgers won consecutive games for just the third time since July 28, using the long ball to knock around Seattle starter Wade LeBlanc and for a night take the pressure off their shaky bullpen. Machado's first homer led off the fourth inning and was his third since being acquired in a trade with Baltimore. He added a two-run shot in the seventh inning.

Machado has 28 homers overall this season.

LeBlanc (7-3) allowed seven runs, five earned, and lasted just 4 1/3 innings.

Buehler (6-4) allowed just Ryon Healy's home run leading off the fourth inning. The young right-hander struck out eight and gave up three hits.

ROCKIES 11, BRAVES 5

ATLANTA (AP) — Ian Desmond

tripled and drove in five runs, Kyle Freeland pitched six strong innings and Colorado beat Atlanta.

The Rockies have won six of seven, and they're 28-14 since June 28, tops in the NL over that span. And they've done it without the benefit of many blowouts: Friday's game snapped a franchise-long, 25-game streak in which the Rockies scored six runs or fewer.

Sean Newcomb (10-6) struggled for his second straight start as Atlanta's NL East lead dropped to one-half game over Philadelphia. Colorado began the night 1 1/2 games out of the West lead.

Ronald Acuna Jr. reached on an infield single in the first against Freeland and scored on a sacrifice fly, but that was all Atlanta could muster against him.

Freeland (11-7) gave up three hits and four walks and struck out four, improving to 5-1 with a 2.20 ERA over 12 starts since June 16.

PHILLIES 4, METS 2

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Aaron Nola struck out 11 in seven impressive innings to stay unbeaten at Citizens Bank Park, pitching Philadelphia past New York.

Asdrubal Cabrera hit an RBI double off former teammate Noah Syndergaard during a three-run first inning, and Nola made the early lead stand up.

Nola (14-3) allowed one run on three hits with one walk while lowering his ERA in 2.24. The All-Star is even better at home, improving to 9-0 with a 2.00 mark in 12 starts in Philadelphia this season.

Pat Neshek pitched a scoreless ninth for his third save in as many chances.

Syndergaard (8-3) allowed four runs on eight hits with five strikeouts and two walks in 5 2/3 innings.

YANKEES 7, BLUE JAYS 5, 7 INNING

NEW YORK (AP) — Neil Walker hit a three-run homer, Giancarlo Stanton added an impressive opposite-field blast and New York rallied for a

rain-shortened victory over Toronto.

Stanton hit his 31st homer of the season into a party deck behind the home bullpen in the bottom of the seventh, and a batter later, umpires pulled the teams off the field amid rain at Yankee Stadium. The game was called with one out in the seventh after a delay of 1 hour, 25 minutes.

Chad Green (6-2) pitched two scoreless innings for the win. In a scoring oddity, David Robertson got his third save despite not recording the final out of the game.

Rookie Gleyber Torres drove in the go-ahead run with a fielder's choice off Joe Biagini (1-7) in the fifth.

Toronto jumped on starter Lance Lynn for four runs in the first inning.

NATIONALS 8, MARLINS 2

WASHINGTON (AP) — Max Scherzer pitched six scoreless innings for his major league-leading 16th win, and Ryan Zimmerman and Matt Wieters homered as Washington beat Miami.

After throwing seven shutout innings against the Cubs Sunday only to watch Chicago win on a walk-off grand slam, Scherzer (16-5) left with a 5-0 lead and watched as the Nationals thwarted a Marlins rally.

Scherzer allowed at least one baserunner in four of six innings but worked out of trouble as Washington opened a six-game homestand with little margin for error as it seeks to get back into playoff contention.

Bryce Harper and Adam Eaton had three hits each for Washington, which has won two straight after losing seven of its previous nine.

Austin Dean homered for his first career hit for the Marlins, who have lost six straight.

Miami's Dan Straily (4-6) allowed five runs on nine hits in six innings.

RED SOX 7, RAYS 3

BOSTON (AP) — Xander Bogaerts hit a two-run triple and added a pair of doubles, and Boston scored seven straight runs after allowing three in the first to beat Tampa Bay.

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Blake Treinen (6-2) struck out the side in the 10th for the win.

Reddick singled in the go-ahead run in the sixth inning against his former club after Bregman and Maldonado each hit solo home runs for the Astros.

Houston lost for the first time in seven games on Oakland's home field this season, having swept three-game series from May 7-9 and June 12-14. The unbeaten run was second in franchise history to a 10-game winning streak at the Coliseum from July 20, 2016, to June 22, 2017.

Astros starter Charlie Morton retired the first nine batters in order before Martini's leadoff walk in the fourth and Jed Lowrie's single one out later. New Houston reliever Roberto Osuna faced runners on first and second with no outs

in the eighth and got out of the jam before Hector Rondon blew his fifth save.

The Astros won 12-1 against the Rockies on Wednesday to end a five-game skid but were unable to make it two in a row.

Bregman homered in the fourth for his 23rd to give the Astros the lead then Maldonado connected in the fifth. The A's tied it in the fifth on an RBI single by Matt Chapman, who extended the majors' longest active hitting streak to 14 games and reached base for the 30th consecutive game. The hitting streak matches the A's longest of the season, also done by Khris Davis.

Astros center fielder George Springer came off the 10-day disabled list from a sprained left thumb and added a single batting leadoff in his first game since Aug. 5.

CALIFORNIA DREAMIN'

The Astros are 14-4 in 18 games playing in Cali-

fornia in 2018. Houston leads the season series with the A's 9-5.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Astros: All-Star 2B and 2017 AL MVP Jose Altuve (right knee soreness) worked on situational baserunning with spontaneous starts and stops in Oakland with the hope he can play rehab games with Triple-A Fresno this weekend at Tacoma before joining the Astros in nearby Seattle when they begin a series with the Mariners on Monday. ... C Brian McCann, working back from July 3 arthroscopic surgery on his right knee, began his rehab assignment Thursday with Fresno and went 1 for 4 with a walk and a run playing designated hitter. He is set to catch five innings Saturday at Tacoma then take another day off before catching five to seven innings and eventually working up to nine.

MLB

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Jackie Bradley Jr. had two hits, including an RBI double in the sixth, and the Red Sox improved on the best record in the majors with their 87th victory.

Brian Johnson recovered after getting roughed up in the first with three runs on four hits and a walk. Johnson (4-3) didn't allow another run and pitched 5 2/3 innings before leaving after Joey Wendle's two-out double in the sixth — Tampa Bay's first hit since the first inning.

Wendle drove in two runs with a double in the first and Carlos Gomez had an RBI single for the Rays.

Yonny Chirinos (1-5) took over for Ryne Stanek in the second inning and allowed five runs on nine hits over six innings.

REDS 2, GIANTS 1, 11 INNINGS
CINCINNATI (AP) — Phillip Ervin led off the 11th inning with a home run over the center field fence, lifting Cincinnati over San Francisco.

Ervin's third homer of the season and first career walk-off drive came on a 1-1 pitch from Ray Black (2-2).

David Hernandez (5-0) struck out two in a perfect 11th inning as the Reds ended a four-game losing streak.

Scooter Gennett had three hits for the Reds. Andrew McCutchen had three of San Francisco's eight hits.

Cincinnati starter Anthony DeSclafani pitched a season-high 7 2/3 innings, giving up six hits and one run with one walk and five strikeouts. He retired 11 consecutive batters from the fifth into the eighth.

Casey Kelly, making his 10th major league start and first since May 22, 2016, for Atlanta, pitched around giving up nine hits and a walk to allow just one run in 4 1/3 innings.

INDIANS 2, ORIOLES 1
CLEVELAND (AP) — Carlos Carrasco pitched seven scoreless innings and moved into a tie for the AL lead with his 15th win, Jose Ramirez hit his 37th home run and Cleveland beat Baltimore.

Carrasco (15-6) allowed three hits, struck out six and retired his final 10 hitters.

Ramirez's first-inning homer tied him with Boston's J.D. Martinez, who entered Friday with the major league lead.

Cleveland has won six straight and is a season-high 19 games over .500 (70-51).

David Hess (2-7) allowed two runs in six innings for the Orioles. Trey Mancini's RBI single in the eighth scored the only run for Baltimore, which has lost 11 of 13.

Cody Allen walked Renato Nunez with one out in the ninth. Pinch-runner Craig Gentry stole second before Tim Beckham flied out. Allen struck Joey Rickard for his 24th save in 27 chances.

TWINS 5, TIGERS 4
MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Pinch-hitter Joe Mauer hit a go-ahead, three-run homer in the seventh inning, and Minnesota beat Detroit.

Eddie Rosario and Tyler Austin added solo home runs for Minnesota, which finally broke through against Detroit starter Matt Boyd to win its fourth straight game.

Kyle Gibson (7-9) allowed three runs and eight hits and struck out five in seven innings for the Twins. Taylor

Rogers earned his first major league save by striking out Jeimer Candelario with two runners on in the ninth.

Boyd (7-11) beat Minnesota on Sunday and had not allowed a hit over the previous nine innings until Austin singled to start the fifth on Friday. Boyd stranded Austin, but the Twins finally broke through an inning later.

Rosario homered to break the scoreless streak against Boyd. Austin started a four-run seventh with his second home run in five games for Minnesota, a towering shot that reached the second deck in left-center field.

RANGERS 6, ANGELS 4
ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Rougned Odor drove in three runs with a single and a sacrifice fly, Joey Gallo ripped a two-run double and Texas beat pitching-depleted Los Angeles.

Odor's two-run single capped a five-run outburst in the second inning off recently acquired Odrisamer Despaigne (2-1), the 14th starting pitcher used by the Angels this season.

Drew Hutchison (2-2) struck out six and allowed two runs over five innings in his third start for the Rangers. Jose Leclerc struck out the side in the ninth for his fourth save.

Gallo's double into the right-field corner made it 2-0 before he scored on a groundout by Isiah Kiner-Falefa. Odor's two-run single was the fourth consecutive Rangers hit after that, and he added a sac fly in the seventh inning.

DIAMONDBACKS 9, PADRES 4
SAN DIEGO (AP) — Paul Goldschmidt hit a two-run home run, Steven Souza Jr. drove in three and Arizona beat San Diego.

Goldschmidt drove the first pitch he saw from left-hander Joey Lucchesi (6-7) out to left-center field for his 28th of the season. That got Arizona going en route to its sixth straight win over San Diego at Petco Park.

Souza doubled into the right-center gap with the bases loaded to bring home three runs in the sixth and extend the lead to 8-3.

Robbie Ray started for Arizona and walked his first two batters. While Ray held San Diego to two hits, both by Eric Hosmer, he allowed three runs over 4 2/3 innings. Ray walked five and struck out three.

WHITE SOX 9, ROYALS 3
CHICAGO (AP) — Jose Abreu and Nicky Delmonico hit three-run homers in a seven-run, seventh-inning outburst, lifting Chicago past Kansas City.

Delmonico went 2 for 4 and had a career-high five RBIs. Tim Anderson went 3 for 3 with a walk and two stolen bases for Chicago, which has won eight of 14.

Abreu's homer was his 22nd. The White Sox have homered in a season-high nine straight games, totaling 13 during that stretch.

James Shields (5-14) allowed three runs on six hits in seven innings to snap a five-start winless streak.

Yoan Moncada started the rally in the seventh with a walk. Yolmer Sanchez then followed with a slow grounder to shortstop that Alcides Escobar booted for an error — snapping the Royals' 16-game errorless streak.

Right-hander Jason Adam came on to replace Tim Hill (1-4) and Abreu hit the first pitch into the left-center bleachers to give the White Sox a 5-3 lead.



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100 Years of Heart



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Evelyn at age five.



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Evelyn at age 17.



Courtesy photo

Evelyn today at her 100th birthday, Aug. 9.

By: AMBER MANSFIELD

Staff Writer

It's a rarity to see constant genuine niceness, for a lack a better term, in the world today. Someone who has led their life not with greed or constricted by social norms, but by their heart. One local astonishing lady has done just that: lived her life guided by her heart, and has done so for 100 years... she celebrated her 100 birthday Aug. 9. Meet Evelyn Carter.

Evelyn Homolka Carter came to this world Aug. 9, 1918, in Wilber, Nebraska. In the year she was born, the Spanish Flu Epidemic was sweeping across the U.S. where it claimed 675,000 lives. A total of 50 million people died around the world, but that

teacher for rural county school districts. So began a life as teacher for Evelyn; helping, guiding, and teaching children.

As you can imagine it was a very difficult time to be a teacher. When Evelyn got married to Gale Carter, Aug. 11, 1941. She had to keep her marriage a secret for two years, because in the early 1940s many county school districts did not allow female teachers to be married.

"When my husband and I got married, the only people who knew about it were our parents and our closest friends. We had to keep it a secret because many rural school districts would not hire married female teachers," said Evelyn. "In those days a lot of rural school boards just would not tolerate having married female teachers. It was okay to have married male teachers, but not married female teachers." It wouldn't be too long though and Evelyn would temporarily set aside her teaching career when the United States called upon the county's citizens to join in and help for a greater cause.

When World War 2 began, her husband, a decorated veteran, served with the U.S. Army. He was assigned to the U.S. Expeditionary forces in several battles in the Philippines and Okinawa.

During the war, Evelyn Carter worked for the U.S. Department of Defense, where she was assigned to calculate the cost and resources required to build American war planes. The information was used to help the mili-

tary expand the production for the war effort. Prior to World War 2 the US produced fewer than 3,000 planes a year, by the end of the war the US was building more than 300,000 planes a year.

After World War 2 she and her husband, Gale Carter moved to Mer Rouge, Louisiana where she once again followed her heart and became a teacher for the Morehouse Parish School District. Though later in life she became a real estate agent and president of her local board of realtors (Bastrop, Louisiana Board of Realtors).

Her husband, Gale passed away in 1933 not before creating with Evelyn three daughters Susan Durham who resides in Big Spring, Penny Ruffin of Denver, Colorado, and John William Carter of Torrance, California, and in turn have had children of their own, creating one huge family of generations of love.

Organized by her daughter Susan Durham, Evelyn celebrated her 100th birthday on Aug. 9, 2018 with 70 Marcy Place residents, friends and relatives. Together the celebrated all that was Evelyn reflecting back on her life all her achievements one as such was

getting to say she has lived through two eclipse and have given to actual-ly see one, observing her first eclipse in 1918 in Wilber, Nebraska and then again in Aug. 21, 2017 at Marcy Place she observed the "Great American

Eclipse," which was visible across the entire contiguous United States.

Evelyn was asked what she attributed to living so long, she said, "I've learned that you have to just go with the flow. Don't let things bother you or frustrate you."

She also said she never held grudges, "You shouldn't hold bitterness in your heart. You have to learn to forgive and forget."

One of her friends asked her what she is most thankful for: "I've had a wonderful life. I have a wonderful and loving family. I have been blessed. God has been good."



File photo

Aug. 21, 2017 at Marcy Place Evelyn, with her daughter Susan, observed the "Great American Eclipse,"

didn't stop Evelyn, and through her life she has endured many struggles and hardships that most people today couldn't even imagine happening to begin with.

Evelyn was like any other smart young lady, she was filled with ambition and filled with heart. She knew she wanted to help others. When she graduated at Peru State Teachers College in Peru, Nebraska, she started her teaching career in Iowa in 1936, working as an elementary school



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Evelyn poses for a family photo in 1984 with husband Gale Carter, now deceased; daughter Susan, and granddaughters Wendy, Kimberly and Christina.



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Here shows the table and Evelyn's 100th Birthday Cake. The photo to the right shows several generations of Evelyn's family.



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Paul Walker's brothers open to 'Fast' franchise return

By RYAN PEARSON

AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Nearly five years after Paul Walker's death, his brothers say they're open to playing his character again in the "Fast and Furious" franchise.

Producers asked Caleb and Cody Walker to fill in for their brother and help complete "Furious 7" after he died in a fiery off-set car crash in November 2013.

His face was digitally superimposed onto his brothers' performances for scenes that Walker had not yet shot and in a modified ending in which his character Brian O'Conner drives off into the sunset.

The character remains alive in the fictional "Fast" universe and is mentioned twice in 2017's "The Fate of the Furious."

"I just hope we get to — I don't know — have a little cameo and bring Paul back to save the day and I get to help create that again," Caleb Walker, 40, said in an interview last week. "That's my dream and I hope we get to do that in one of the future movies."

"I think there could potentially be a way to do it. But it would take a lot of thought and it'd have to be tasteful. It would have to be tasteful," Cody Walker, 30, said in the interview. "He was the real deal, the real car guy. And in his absence, I — you know — I think it's lost its way in a big way."

Caleb and Cody Walker were promoting "I Am Paul Walker," a new one-hour documentary about the actor's childhood, family and career directed by Adrian Buitenhuis. It premiered last weekend on the Paramount Network.

Both Walker brothers became fathers for the first time last year and live in Southern California. They have not re-watched



AP photo

In this Aug. 8, 2018 photo, Adrian Buitenhuis, director of the documentary film "I Am Paul Walker," poses for a portrait in Los Angeles. The new one-hour documentary about the actor's childhood, family and career is directed by Buitenhuis. It premiered last weekend on the Paramount Network.

the full "Furious 7" film since attending the premiere in April 2015.

"It's kind of creepy sometimes when you're like, 'Oh, that's me.' It doesn't feel right," Caleb Walker said. "I think one day, when our kids are little older and we are able to share that experience with them and be like, 'Hey look, this is your uncle Paul. He was the greatest guy in the world and here we are being able to portray him and finish up this movie for him.' That's when I think it will really hit that I think it was really worth it and special and all that. But in the meantime, it's still a little conflicted."

Walker was 40 years old when the Porsche Carrera GT he was riding in spun out of control, struck three trees and burst into flames on a street in Santa Clarita, California.

The next scheduled film in the "Fast" franchise is a spin-off featuring Dwayne Johnson and Jason Statham. It's set for release next year.

Suspect says smashing Trump's star was 'right and just act'

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The man accused of smashing President Donald Trump's star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame called it a "rightful and just act."

Austin Clay pleaded not guilty to a felony vandalism charge Wednesday in Los Angeles.

Prosecutors say Clay took a pickaxe to Trump's star on Hollywood Boulevard on July 25. It recognizes Trump for his work on the TV reality show "The Apprentice." It has been repaired.



Clay spoke to reporters outside the courthouse Wednesday. He says he wanted to "bring about positive political change" and doesn't believe prosecutors should have brought charges against him.

Clay says he thinks the "repercussions of it were only positive." If convicted, he could face up to three years behind bars.

AP photo

This photo July 25, 2018 photo shows Donald Trump's star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame that was vandalized, in Los Angeles. The man accused of smashing Trump's star says his actions were a "rightful and just act." Austin Clay pleaded not guilty to a felony vandalism charge in Los Angeles, Wednesday, Aug. 15, 2018.

Van Damme's son pleads guilty in Arizona knife incident

TEMPE, Ariz. (AP) — A son of actor Jean-Claude Van Damme has pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct for holding his roommate at knifepoint at their apartment in suburban Phoenix.

Nicholas Van Varenberg had a change of plea hearing Wednesday.

He's now scheduled to be sentenced on Oct. 3 and authorities say Van Varenberg likely will get probation.

Tempe police arrested Van Varenberg last September on

suspicion of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, unlawful imprisonment, marijuana possession and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Police say Van Varenberg became upset at his unidentified roommate for answering the door, grabbed a knife and kept his roommate from leaving the apartment.

The 22-year-old Van Varenberg is the youngest son of Van Damme, known for his martial arts action films of the 1980s and 1990s.

LGDs: Guardians of Agriculture

By Judy Tereletsky

Howard SWCD District Clerk

Many people believe the "dog days of summer" refers to dogs being lazy due to the heat of late summer. However, the phrase refers to the star Sirius. The ancient Romans called the hottest and most humid days of summer "dog days" because Sirius is seen with the sun during July and August. Sirius also known as the "Dog Star" is the brightest star in the night sky and in the constellation Canis Major (Large Dog). Sirius is so bright that the ancient Greeks and Romans believed it added heat to the sun making the days hotter. Although the dog days of summer don't actually have anything to do with dogs, it reminds us of the importance that dogs and other animals play in our society. One role is that of guardian animals in agriculture.

Domestic livestock (sheep, goats, etc.) are susceptible to being attacked by various wild and domesticated animals. With the proper instinct and training, livestock guardian dogs (LGD) can minimize livestock being preyed upon by other animals. Guardian dogs reduce this danger in three major ways: territorial exclusion, disruption, and confrontation. Territorial exclusion is particularly important for protection against other dog like (canid) predators. All dogs wild or domestic, use scent to mark their territory. Other canids, even of different species, recognize these boundaries and tend to seek unoccupied areas rather than risk invading another dog's territory. Disruption is aggressive behavior such as barking and posturing that falls short of direct physical contact. Finally, confrontation is used when predators are not dissuaded by exclusion or disruption. Confrontation is not necessarily lethal to the predator. (1)

Finding the right guardian dog is a vital part of using a LGD. Matching a dog's behavior to the rancher's or farmer's needs is very important. Every dog has its own personality and every ranch has unique livestock protection needs. Some dogs stay with the livestock all the time while others roam the perimeter. Some dogs aggressively chase predators that invade their territory while others remain with the animals they protect and bark to warn off the predators. Some breeders market fully trained livestock guardian dogs. One of the risks in purchasing a trained LGD includes them running away or failing to bond with the livestock. Properly reared guardian dogs are exposed to livestock from birth. They do not regard livestock animals as compe-

titition for territory but rather an extension of their own pack or family. LGDs still know they are dogs but the livestock are important members of their pack. Guardian dogs are usually trained on the property and with the livestock they will be guarding learning their role more quickly with reward than punishment. The saying "good fences make good neighbors" also applies to livestock and guard dogs. Before you release a guardian dog, tell your neighbors you are adding a dog or dogs to your property and what steps you would prefer they take if your guardians are found off the property. It is wise to use dog tags that include information that the dog is a livestock protection animal and post signs on the land boundaries (especially public roads) that guardian dogs are working on site. (2)

The most common LGD in Texas is the Great Pyrenees a dog breed used for centuries to guard livestock. They can be aggressive to predators while trustworthy around small helpless animals and have a nocturnal nature (tend to stay awake at night). Other common breeds in Texas are The Anatolian Shepherd, Maremma Sheepdog and Akbash. The Maremma is known to protect free-range animals from both terrestrial predators (coyotes, foxes, stray dogs, etc.) and aerial predators (hawks, owls, eagles, etc.) No matter what breed the producer chooses there can be significant costs associated with them. High quality dog food especially with adolescent LGDs helps to ensure good health and to keep them from roaming in search of food. As with people regular medical check ups are important especially considering tick and flea populations among deer and other wildlife. Consider rattlesnake vaccines as LGDs are more likely to encounter rattlesnakes than normal "pets". Scheduled vaccinations, deworming and heartworm preventions are a necessity. Removal of porcupine quills or treatment of wounds by a licensed veterinarian are a possibility. Some breeds require grooming to prevent matted coats and heat stress. Spaying or neutering does not seem to decrease a guardian dog's protectiveness however when a female LGD is taking care of her own pups or a male is attracted to breeding females the LGD is not as effective at their jobs. Neutering males tends to reduce how much they roam.

When using a LGD to manage predators in livestock operations effects on non-predatory wildlife must be considered. While some breeds may identify deer as trespassers, others will instinctively protect fawns like

livestock. Some gamebirds (Bobwhites, turkey, doves, etc.) may be stressed by the presence of LGDs while the presence of LGDs can also reduce the loss of gamebird offspring to predators. Cattle ranchers in South Texas have used LGDs to limit interaction of livestock and wildlife to reduce potential disease transmission. (3)

Guard dogs are not the only option for farmers and ranchers. Guard donkeys are an appealing option and don't require special feeding or care as they can be turned out to graze the same pasture as the livestock they are guarding. Their front and hind legs dish out crushing blows and their large teeth can be used to bite intruders. However sometimes they cannot handle multiple canine attackers or large predators like mountain lions or feral hogs. Llama and alpacas are a great deterrent to predators. By kicking, spitting and screaming, these guardian animals can chase off coyotes and foxes with ease. In other countries emus and ostriches are im-



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Great Pyrenees is one of the most popular Livestock Guardian Dogs in Texas.

pressive guardian animals defending sheep and cattle herds. Ostriches can range from 6 to 9 feet in height weighing between 140 to 320 pounds and can run more than 40 miles per hour. When they stand their ground to protect themselves or "family group", their powerful kicks and sharp claws have been known to kill man and beast.

Choosing a guardian animal is as personal as the animals you wish it to protect. It takes time, money and effort to get a guardian animal program established but it can be a rewarding predator management tool.

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ROGER'S REVIEW:

MILE 22

It seems like I can review this week's movie and still have a little space left over, so I'm going to talk a bit about my review process.



ROGER CLINE

Let me start by saying that none of what I'm about to say is a rigorous, regimented system so much as it's just a few things I think about when I'm deciding what final "star" rating to bestow on a movie.

Basically there are three things I think about.

First, and probably most important: Is it good? When I say "good," I mean things like "well-acted," "well-directed," "well-shot," "well-cast." Pretty much all the things you think about when you think about "Is it a good movie?"

Second, I ask, "Is it original?" Does it bring something new to the table? This can be something as simple as stunts I haven't seen before in other movies to something as complicated



as a new, unique genre-defying story. New settings, or even historical things I haven't seen cinematized before.

If a movie is "good" and "original," it's probably going to get a pretty high grade from me. If a movie is good but unoriginal, it generally gets a "meh" rating from me (maybe six to perhaps eight stars, depending on just how good it is).

If a movie is original but not good, it'll probably be a bit lower than that. Original isn't necessarily a good thing - movies that are original in a bad way can be some of the worst stinkers.

Oddly enough, a bad, unoriginal movie can often get a slightly higher rating than a bad, original movie. "Unoriginal" usually means pretty

safe; perhaps a tad boring, but hard to mess up too much.

Of course, the best movies will be both "good" (in the first criterion's sense) and original. These movies often bring something kind of mind-blowing to the table, make me think about things in a new way, or make me say, "No...they couldn't possibly be going there..." and then they go there.

Those who can count to three may have noticed that there's one more criterion I tend to grade movies on, and it's an important one. I usually only review one movie a week, and this third criterion often determines what movies I even watch - "Is it in my wheelhouse?"

As loyal Triple-Rs will know (That's Roger's Reviews Readers, for those just joining us), superhero, fantasy, and sci-fi are my favorites, with mystery, western, action, and horror movies on perhaps a slightly lower but still highly enjoyable tier. Third tier might include straight-up dramas, comedies, animation (Pixar, etc.); while the bottom of the totem pole might include romance, tearjerkers, and movies based on a true story



(unless they fit into a higher tier). One exception to the tier system: I fell in love with Shakespeare en route to my English literature degree, so any Shakespeare-related movie (i.e. "Shakespeare In Love"), actual movie version of a Shakespeare play (i.e. the DiCaprio/Danes "Romeo+Juliet"), or movie based on a Shakespeare play (i.e. "10 Things I Hate About You") are part of my wheelhouse.

In actual rating of movies I do watch, "wheelhouse" is probably the least-weighted criterion. It's much more important to me that the movie be, first, good; and second, original, than it be pigeonholed in one of my favored genres.

So this week's movie, the new Marky Mark Wahlberg vehicle "Mile



22," is fair to middlin' in the "good" category. As a straight up action movie, it's probably in my second tier of "wheelhouse." But where it really falls down is the "originality" factor. This movie literally brings nothing new to the table. It's exactly like every other paramilitary shoot-em-up spy movie you've ever seen.

Wahlberg's James Silva is a hyperactive, genius, violent spy type dude. His "tic" is that he wears one of those rubber "Livestrong"-style bracelets on his wrist, and continually snaps it to return his mind to the present and keep his thoughts from running wild. That's the most original thing in the movie. It could have been pretty cool, but the movie never capitalized on it. He sure snaps it a lot, but there's no payoff.

Anyway, Silva is part of a group called "Overwatch" (but it doesn't have any of the cool original characters that Blizzard Entertainment's game of the same name does) who do black ops (ditto "Call of Duty").

The movie starts with one of those operations in progress. It goes wrong, and some people get killed. The team, including Alice (TWD's Maggie, Lauren Cohen) and Samantha (lady boxer Ronda Rousey), relocates to... well, I thought it was somewhere in Asia, but the internet tells me Bogota,

Columbia. They're trying to recover some radioactive Cesium which could be used to turn six metropolitan areas into uninhabitable wastelands.

Alice's contact misleads the team, and they don't get the Cesium; but then the contact, Li Noor (Iko Uwais), turns himself in at the American Embassy. He has a device with the location of the Cesium on it, but it's protected by encryption which will delete the data in eight hours. He demands to be taken out of the country.

The Overwatch team is activated to transport Li the 22 miles (title reference!) to a secret airstrip to be extracted from the country. Unfortunately, the bad guys don't want him to leave, and they're trying to blow up the caravan across that 22 miles.

And then there are some other mysterious people flying around on an AWACS airplane monitoring the situation.

Meh. I wasn't impressed. I'm going to give this movie five and a half stars because it's just...so...meh.

Mile 22
Director: Peter Berg
Writers: Screenplay by Lea Carpenter; story by Graham Roland and Lea Carpenter.
Production company: STXfilms, Huayi Brothers
R; 1 hr. 35 min.; Action/Thriller; Aug. 17, 2018

Queen of Soul also leaves a powerful civil rights legacy

By ERRIN HAINES WHACK

AP National Writer

Aretha Franklin, who was born and rose to fame during the segregation era and went on to sing at the inauguration of the first black president, often used her talent, fortune and platform to inspire millions of black Americans and support the fight for racial equality.

"She not only provided the soundtrack for the civil rights movement, Aretha's music transcended race, nationality and religion and helped people from all backgrounds to recognize what they had in common," said longtime civil rights leader the Rev. Joseph E. Lowery.

Franklin, who died Thursday at 76, was a close confidante of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. and a financial lifeline to the civil rights organization he co-founded, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

The Queen of Soul's commitment to civil rights was instilled by her father, the Rev. C.L. Franklin, who also knew King and preached social justice from his pulpit at New Bethel Baptist Church in Detroit. The church, in fact, was the first place King gave his "I Have a Dream" speech in 1963. Among those in the congregation were Aretha Franklin and Mahalia Jackson. It was Jackson who later urged the civil rights leader to "tell them about the dream, Martin" at the March on Washington, where he delivered the oration for which he is most famous. Franklin recorded "Respect" on Valentine's Day 1967. Black Americans had already won federal legislation outlawing segregation and protecting their voting rights, particularly in the Deep South.

But blacks were still a year away from the Fair Housing Act. And just months after the song was recorded, urban centers, including Franklin's hometown of Detroit, would burn, exposing police brutality and unequal living conditions and job opportunities.

"Her songs were songs of the movement," Andrew Young, the former King lieutenant and U.N. ambassador, said Thursday. "R-E-S-P-E-C-T. ... That's basically what we wanted. The movement was about respect."

The SCLC often struggled financially, but Franklin played a vital role in keeping the movement afloat.

"Almost every time we needed money, there were two people we could always count on: Aretha Franklin and Harry Belafonte," Young said. "They would get together and have a concert, and that would put us back on our feet."

King and Franklin were like spiritual siblings,

sharing a bond rooted in their Christian faith, Young said. King would often ask Franklin to sing his favorite songs, "Amazing Grace" or "Precious Lord, Take My Hand." When King was assassinated in 1968, Franklin sang "Precious Lord" at his funeral in Atlanta. Franklin's "Amazing Grace" was also a comfort to the Rev. Al Sharpton when he was a boy. He recalled that his mother would play the song nonstop in their Brooklyn home after his father left. As an adult and an activist, Sharpton became friends with the soul singer. He noted her unwavering faith, which she brought with her on stage to every performance.

"Whether it was the White House, Radio City Music Hall or the Apollo Theater, she always did gospel numbers," Sharpton said. "She was unapologetically a hardcore, faith-believing Baptist. At the height of her career, she cut a gospel album. Who does that? Her faith is what motivated her."

Long after the civil rights movement ended, Franklin remained committed to social justice, helping Sharpton as he began his organization, the National Action Network, in New York. She would call Sharpton for updates on the emerging Black Lives Matter movement, asking about such cases as those of Trayvon Martin and Eric Garner.

"She gave so much to so many people, from Dr. King, to Mandela, to Barack Obama," said Rev. Jesse Jackson, a longtime friend who visited her the day before her death. Her presence and influence

were as valuable to the movement as her financial contributions, Sharpton said.

"To have someone like that that involved and interested ... was a statement," he said. "It gave all the credibility in the world. Others had celebrity, but she had gravity and respect."

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Trump asks SEC to consider ending required quarterly reports



In this Aug. 13, 2018 file photo, President Donald Trump speaks before signing a \$716 billion defense policy bill named for Sen. John McCain in Fort Drum, N.Y. Trump says he's asking federal regulators to look into the effectiveness of the quarterly financial reports that publicly traded companies are required to file. In a tweet early Friday, Aug. 17, Trump said he's asked the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission to determine whether shifting to a six-month reporting regimen would make more sense.

AP photo

By **MARCY GORDON**

AP Business Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Donald Trump is calling on federal regulators to consider scrapping the requirement for public companies to report quarterly results, after business executives told him twice-yearly reports would make better economic sense.

In a tweet early Friday, Trump said that after speaking with several top business leaders, he's asking the Securities and Exchange Commission to determine whether shifting to a six-month reporting requirement would help companies grow fast-

er and create more jobs.

For companies, "That would allow greater flexibility & save money," Trump tweeted.

Trump later told reporters the idea was especially urged on him by Indra Nooyi, CEO of PepsiCo, who is stepping down in October. Nooyi, who led the food and beverage giant during a turbulent time in the industry, is a rarity as a woman and a minority leading a Fortune 500 company.

"I'd like to see twice (a year), but we're going to see," Trump said. "So we're looking at that very, very seriously. We're looking at twice a year instead of four times a year."

Quarterly financial reports are a staple of U.S. corporate practice. The SEC requires public companies to report profit, revenue and other figures publicly every three months. The requirement dates to the establishment of the agency in the 1930s Great Depression, as a way to give investors confidence in company information.

Experts have long asserted that the practice of companies publicly forecasting every quarter how they expect earnings to shake out puts too much stress on short-term performance and stock

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Industrials, health care companies help US stocks higher



AP photo

In this April 24, 2018, file photo replicas of Arturo Di Modica's "Charging Bull" are for sale on a street vendor's table outside the New York Stock Exchange in New York. The U.S. stock market opens at 9:30 a.m. EDT on Friday, Aug 17.

By **MARLEY JAY**

AP Markets Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — U.S. stocks are slightly higher Friday afternoon as strong sales from Deere help industrial companies and a dip in

bond yields sends high-dividend companies upward. Health care companies are up but chipmakers are sliding. Tesla is falling further on reports of a wider government investigation into the company

and concerns about CEO Elon Musk's health.

KEEPING SCORE: The S&P 500 index rose 1 point, or 0.1 percent, to 2,842 as of 1:45 p.m. Eastern time. The Dow Jones Industrial Average rose 52 points, or 0.2 percent, to 25,611. The Nasdaq composite fell 22 points, or 0.3 percent, to 7,784. The Russell 2000 index of smaller-company stocks added 1 point, or 0.1 percent, to 1,687.

The S&P 500 is up 0.3 percent this week after a series of big swings linked to worries about Turkey's currency crisis, China's economic growth, and hopes for trade talks between the U.S. and China. The concerns about China's economy have hurt technology companies in particular, and the Nasdaq is down 0.7 per-

cent this week.

CHIPS CHOPPED: Chipmakers fell after two companies gave weaker forecasts for the third quarter. Applied Materials slumped 6.5 percent to \$44.34 and Nvidia fell 4.6 percent to \$245.67. That affected other technology companies.

Software maker Adobe dipped 2 percent to \$243.99 and video game company Activision Blizzard slid 1.6 percent to \$68.56.

Some of the market's favorite technology and retail companies also fell. Netflix lost 2.2 percent to \$315.21 and Facebook slipped 1.5 percent to \$172.11 after a loss of 3 percent Thursday. Amazon dipped 0.8 percent to \$1,872.03.

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Building Permits

- Stan Solis, 706 NW 10th St., construction, Val: \$6,500, Fee: \$45
- Silverleaf Communities, 720 Bucknell, res hvac, Val: \$6,350, Fee: \$45
- Mark McMahon, 1404 Aylesford, res plumb, Val: \$1,500, Fee: \$34
- Silverleaf, 712 Bucknell, res hvac, Val: \$6,350, Fee: \$45
- Billy McMahon, 2502 Central Dr., res plumb, res gas, Val: \$5,000, Fee: \$89
- Silverleaf, 718 Bucknell, res plumb, Val: \$5,000, Fee: \$39
- Silverleaf, 710 Bucknell, res plumb, Val: \$5,000, Fee: \$39
- Edward Roach, 500 State St., res hvac, Val: \$4,500, Fee: \$45
- Park Village Apartments, 1901 Wasson Rd., com hvac, Val: \$2,500, Fee: \$35
- Park Village Apartments, 1901 Wasson Rd., com hvac, Val: \$2,000, Fee: \$35
- Desert Flower Art Gallery, 109 E 2nd St., com elec., Val: \$25, Fee: \$25
- Ted Moulas, 1600 Sycamore St., fence, Val: \$3,000, Fee: \$25
- Steve Miles, 1111 N Gregg St., com-water tap, Val: \$687, Fee: \$687
- Kupper Family REV Trust, 1512 Sunset Ave., res hvac, Val: \$2,800, Fee: \$45
- Torbic Trucking LLC, 707 NW 11th, com elec., Val: \$25, Fee: \$25
- Stacie Purcell, 3202 Duke Ave., res re-roof, Val: \$1,200, Fee: \$25
- David Dominguez II, 4104 Bilger St., siding, Val: \$500, Fee: \$25
- Ashley Kelsner R., 1404 Park St., res gas, Val: \$1,200, Fee: \$32
- Jack K White, 617 Holbert St., fence, Val: \$2,000, Fee: \$25
- Francisco Martinez, 605 Johnson St., res re-roof, Val: \$1,000, Fee: \$25
- Tom Vollmer, 525 Scott Dr., res plumb, Val: \$1,500, Fee: \$32
- Drew Mouton, 210 W 3rd St., com elec., Val: \$25, Fee: \$25
- JP Morgan Chase Bank, 4201 Dixon St., res elec., Val: \$1,600, Fee: \$25
- Kimmie Juel Long, 4212 Dixon St., res elec., Val: \$1,600, Fee: \$25
- Raymond Mathews, 4033 Alma Circle, construction, Val: \$1,000, Fee: \$25
- CDR Investments, 1204 Lancaster, res-add., Val: \$500, Fee: \$25
- Timothy Mark Duffery, 2903 Clanton St., res plumb, Val: \$3,000, Fee: \$32
- Shirley Burgess, 2904 Hunter Glen, res hvac, Val: \$6,700, Fee: \$45
- Ken Haas, 712 Caprock Dr., res gas, Val: \$1,000, Fee: \$32
- Terry Allen Wofford, 7 Indian Ridge, res plumb, Val: \$12,000, Fee: \$32

Public Records

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Musk tells newspaper he's cracking under stress of Tesla job



AP photo

In this March 9, 2013, file photo, Electric car maker Tesla's CEO Elon Musk gives the opening keynote at the SXSW Interactive Festival in Austin, Texas. Musk has admitted in a wide-ranging interview with The New York Times that stress is taking a heavy toll in what he calls an "excruciating year." In the newspaper's account of the interview, published Friday, Musk said he was working up to 120 hours a week and sometimes takes Ambien to get to sleep.

By **TOM KRISHER**

AP Auto Writer

What do you do when your CEO confesses that he's cracking under the stress of his job?

That's the question that the nine board members of electric car and solar panel maker Tesla Inc. must answer after Elon Musk, the company's impulsive leader, admitted to The New York Times that work is rattling his nerves in what he described as the most "difficult and painful year of my career."

The newspaper reported that during an hour-long telephone interview on Thursday, Musk alternated between laughter and tears, acknowledging that he was working up to 120 hours a week and sometimes takes Ambien to get to sleep.

His comments confirmed what many in and out of the company had suspected as Musk conceded that exhaustion was affecting his personal health and that friends have come by "who are really concerned."

Yet he told the newspaper that he has no plans to give up his dual role as Tesla's chairman and CEO.

"If you have anyone who can do a better job, please let me know. They can have the job. Is there someone who can do the job bet-

ter? They can have the reins right now," he told the paper.

The interview puts board members in a difficult position because Musk, who entered Tesla as a major investor and built the company into a force that has changed the perception of electric cars, is the company's public identity.

But Erik Gordon, a University of Michigan business and law professor, said Tesla's board has a fiduciary duty to shareholders to take action.

"If the board does not get him out of this slot at a minimum on a leave of absence basis, I think the board is going to be seen by a lot of people who love the company as being derelict in their duties," Gordon said Friday. "You can love the company, you can love Musk and hate having him be the CEO at this point."

Shares of Tesla slumped more than 7 percent in early trading Friday.

The board has stood behind Musk despite some bizarre behavior including a tweet labeling a diver who aided in the cave rescue of Thai soccer players as a pedophile. But

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Nordstrom jumped 12.4 percent to \$58.78 after raising its annual profit and sales forecasts and posting better earnings and sales than analysts expected. It's been a mostly difficult week for department stores as Macy's and J.C. Penney both plunged after issuing their quarterly reports.

BAD NEWS PILEUP: The Wall Street Journal reported that the Securities and Exchange Commission started investigating electric car maker Tesla last year to determine if it made false statements about production of its Model 3 sedan.

The SEC is also reportedly looking into CEO Elon Musk's comments about possibly taking the company private.

Tesla stock rose from about \$345 a share to about \$380 following Musk's tweet, which said Tesla could go private for \$420 a share. On Friday it dropped 8.2 percent to \$308.02.

Musk also gave an emotional interview to the New York Times about the stress he's experienced as the company tries to ramp up production. He said this year has been "excruciating" and described working up 120 hours a week, raising concerns about his health.

ON THE FARM: Agricultural equipment maker Deere posted stronger

than expected sales and its stock rose 2.4 percent to \$140.58. The stock started lower after Deere disclosed a smaller profit than analysts expected and said rising costs for raw materials and freight are affecting its business.

Construction equipment maker Caterpillar rose 1.5 percent to \$138.31 and engine maker Paccar added 2.2 percent to \$67.10.

BONDS: Bond prices rose. The yield on the 10-year Treasury note fell to 2.85 percent from 2.87 percent.

With yields falling, investors bought shares of high dividend companies. Beauty products maker Coty jumped 4.8 percent to \$12.03 and Oreo maker Mondelez picked up 1.4 per-

cent to \$42.70. Utility company Sempra Energy rose 0.8 percent to \$116.98.

ENERGY: U.S. crude picked up 0.2 percent to \$65.60 a barrel in New York. Brent crude, the standard for international oil prices, added 0.1 percent to \$71.52 per barrel in London.

CURRENCIES: The dollar dipped to 110.39 yen from 110.88 yen. The euro rose to \$1.1414 from \$1.1365.

OVERSEAS: The German DAX lost 0.2 percent and France's CAC 40 fell 0.1 percent. The FTSE 100 in Britain was little changed.

Japan's Nikkei 225 index added 0.4 percent and Hong Kong's Hang Seng gained 0.4 percent. In South Korea, the Kospi gained 0.3 percent.

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price gains. That can pressure executives to engage in reckless practices to hit quarterly targets or even to manipulate earnings reports. But quarterly reports on results are distinct from the so-called earnings guidance that company executives provide as a forecast.

Scrapping the quarterly requirement "is a solution in search of a problem," said Charles Elson, a professor and director of the University of Delaware's Weinberg Center for Corporate Governance. "Earnings manipulation can take place whether quarterly or every six months."

Quarterly reports are "early warning signs of oth-

er bigger problems," Elson said.

Companies' intense focus on short-term gains rather than long-term investment and growth, and the tying of executives' compensation to quarterly earnings targets, has been widely criticized — and blamed in the case of big banks for helping fuel the 2008 financial crisis. Two influential figures, JPMorgan Chase CEO Jamie Dimon and billionaire investor Warren Buffett, recently urged together that public companies either reduce or eliminate quarterly earnings guidance.

However, they said, their view on the harm caused by corporate "short-termism" shouldn't be interpreted as opposition to quarterly and annual reporting. "Transparency about financial and operating results is an essential aspect of U.S. public markets," they wrote in a Wall Street Journal op-ed

in June.

On the other hand, a study by experts at Duke University's Fuqua School of Business and City University of London, England, found that frequent financial reporting in itself creates short-sightedness that pushes companies to stress immediate results at the expense of longer-term investments. They found that long-term investments declined at companies that were required to step up the frequency of their reporting.

Business executives pressing for less frequent financial reporting maintain that the costs of putting together quarterly as well as annual reports are burdensome.

SEC spokesmen didn't respond to a request for comment.

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Gordon said it has to act now or be open to shareholder lawsuits. He suggested replacing Musk as CEO and keeping him on as a visionary chief technical officer.

The interview and other actions, Gordon said, are signs that Musk no longer can handle the CEO job. Musk spent nights at Tesla's Fremont, California, factory working out production problems on its new Model 3 car that is supposed to take Tesla from niche luxury carmaker to a mass producer that competes with Detroit.

But Gordon said a CEO wouldn't live at the factory. Instead, he or she would form a team to work overnight and solve problems.

In the interview, Musk stood by his Aug. 7 tweet saying he had secured funding to take Tesla private in a deal that could be worth more than \$20 billion. But he told the newspaper that he wrote the tweet inside a Tesla Model S while he was driving to the

airport, and that no one else reviewed it.

Asked if he regretted it, he said, "Why would I?"

Musk, 47, has a reputation for being an eccentric visionary. But his out-of-the-blue go-private announcement raised a huge ruckus and pushed Tesla's shares up 11 percent in a day, raising the company's value by \$6 billion. They've fallen back, including a 4 percent decline in premarket trading Friday to \$323.50.

There are multiple reports that the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission is investigating the disclosure.

Experts say regulators likely are investigating if Musk was truthful in the tweet about having the financing set for the deal.

The company said the board formed a special committee to evaluate proposals to take the company private. It later disclosed that Musk had talked with the Saudi Arabia government investment fund about the deal.

Tesla didn't respond to requests for comment from The Associated Press early Friday.

The New York Times said that in response to questions for its article on the interview, Tesla issued a statement from its board, excluding

Musk, that stated: "We would like to make it clear that Elon's commitment and dedication to Tesla is obvious."

Some of Musk's stress comes from critical stock short-sellers who are betting against the company's success. But much of it comes from Musk's own statements issuing lofty goals for production of cars or turning a sustained profit starting this quarter. Tesla has never made money for a full year and has had only two profitable quarters since it went public in 2010.

Musk told the newspaper that sometimes he did not leave the Tesla factory for three or four days straight, and that he had not taken off more than a week at a time since he was sick with malaria in 2001.

The Times cited people familiar with the situation as saying Tesla has been trying to find another top level executive to help relieve some of the pressure on Musk.

In a separate report, The Wall Street Journal said securities regulators have been investigating if Tesla misled investors about Model 3 production problems.

The company could face sanctions if regulators find it did not accurately portray production delays to investors.

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District Court Filings

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Respondent: Bradley Garrison
Type of Case: Contract-consumer
Date: Aug. 9, 2018

Plaintiff: Ally Bank
Respondent: Laura A. Villa, Jack D. Paredez
Type of Case: Contract-consumer
Date: Aug. 13, 2018

Plaintiff: Gary Pritchett
Respondent: Michelle Pritchett
Type of Case: Divorce
Date: Aug. 13, 2018

Plaintiff: Big Spring Hospital Corporation
Respondent: Rosario Martinez
Type of Case: Contract-consumer
Date: Aug. 14, 2018

Plaintiff: Faye Rogers
Respondent: The Fingerhut Company, Inc. Bluestem Brands, Inc.
Type of Case: Injury/damage-other product liability.
Date: Aug. 15, 2018

County Court Judgements

(The State of Texas is listed as the prosecutor in all county court judgements)

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Offense: Theft of property in between \$750 and \$2,500
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$317 court cost, 28 days in jail
Date: July 11, 2018

Defendant: Denise Freeman
Offense: Driving while intoxicated
Sentence: 12 months probation
Date: July 12, 2018

Defendant: Jordan Balios
Offense: Possession of marijuana less than two ounces
Sentence: 12 months probation
Date: July 12, 2018

Defendant: Lance Land
Offense: Possession of a dangerous drug
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$327 court cost
Date: July 30, 2018

Defendant: Juan Rodriguez

See **RECORDS**, Page 12C

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Glasscock County Independent School District Board of Trustees will hold a public meeting at 8:00 am August 30, 2018 in GCISD Board Room in the Administration Building Garden City, Texas. **The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.**

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$ <u>1.04</u> /\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	
Approved by Local Voters	\$ <u>0.051</u> /\$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	<u>1.61</u> % increase	or	<u> </u> % (decrease)
Debt service	<u>15.00</u> % increase	or	<u> </u> % (decrease)
Total expenditures	<u>1.58</u> % increase	or	<u> </u> % (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Tax Code Section 26.04)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$ <u>2,969,026,642</u>	\$ <u>3,654,622,208</u>
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$ <u>805,754</u>	\$ <u>1,155,862</u>
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$ <u>1,885,689,480</u>	\$ <u>2,887,293,997</u>
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$ <u>795,184</u>	\$ <u>1,155,862</u>

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(8).
** "New property" is defined by Tax Code Section 26.012(17).
*** "Taxable value" is defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(10).

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$ 14,525,000

* Outstanding principal.

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Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$ 1.04000	\$ 0.06500	\$ 1.10500	\$ 21,239	\$ 289
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ 1.19968	\$ 0.04467	\$ 1.24435	\$ 23,013	\$ 532
Proposed Rate	\$ 1.04000	\$ 0.05100	\$ 1.09100	\$ 25,285	\$ 532

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 75,949	\$ 76,977
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 52,784	\$ 55,671
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.117100	\$ 1.105000
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 589.65	\$ 615.16
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$ 25.51

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.0910. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.0910.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

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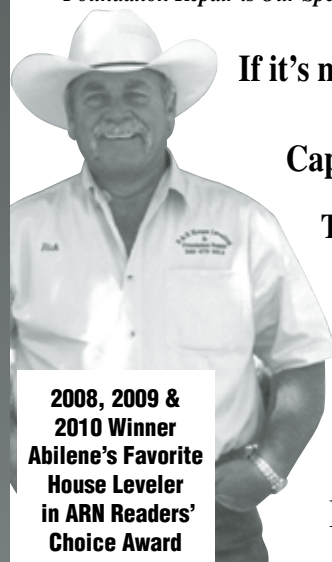
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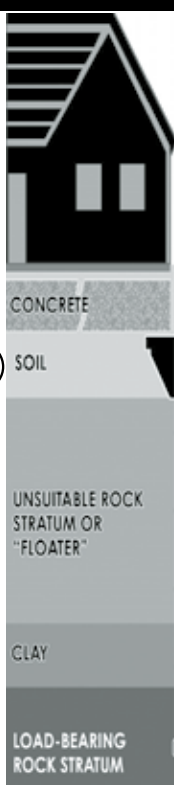
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THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS, AND EXTENDING THE BOUNDARY LIMITS SO AS TO INCLUDE; AND GRANTING TO SAID TERRITORY AND TO ALL FUTURE INHABITANTS OF THE PROPERTY ALL OF THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF OTHER CITIZENS; ADOPTING A SERVICE PLAN FOR THE TERRITORY ANNEXED; BINDING FUTURE INHABITANTS BY ALL OF THE ACTS AND ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BIG SPRING; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

#9854 August 17 & 19, 2018

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS AMENDING CHAPTER 18 OF THE BIG SPRING CODE OF ORDINANCES ENTITLED "TRAFFIC," ARTICLE 3 ENTITLED "OPERATION OF VEHICLES GENERALLY," SECTION 18-80 ENTITLED "PRIMARY TRUCK ROUTES ESTABLISHED," SUBSECTION "A" BY AMENDING THE DEFINITION OF "TRUCK"; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

#9855 August 17 & 19, 2018

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS AMENDING CHAPTER 18 OF THE BIG SPRING CODE OF ORDINANCES ENTITLED "TRAFFIC," ARTICLE 3 ENTITLED "OPERATION OF VEHICLES GENERALLY," SECTION 18-73 ENTITLED "SPEED LIMITS IN SCHOOL ZONES," BY AMENDING THE TIMES IN WHICH REDUCED SPEED IS REQUIRED IN VARIOUS SCHOOL ZONES, AND ADOPTING THE TEXAS UNIFORM MANUAL ON TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

#9856 August 17 & 19, 2018

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS AMENDING CHAPTER 11 OF THE BIG SPRING CODE OF ORDINANCES ENTITLED "REFUSE," ARTICLE 4 ENTITLED "ENFORCEMENT" BY AMENDING SECTION 11-15 ENTITLED "INSPECTIONS BY MANAGER; AUTHORITY TO ENFORCE" BY AMENDING THE TITLE OF SAID SECTION TO "INSPECTIONS AND AUTHORITY TO ENFORCE" AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO INSPECT AND ENFORCE THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CHAPTER; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

#9857 August 17 & 19, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Donald Lee Rich, deceased were issued on December 6th 2017 in Cause No. P-14736, pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, to: Larry Rich
All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and manner prescribed by law.
c/o: Larry Rich
306 Jill RD
Big Spring, TX 79720

DATED the 15th of August, 2018

C.E. MIKE THOMAS III
Attorney for Larry Rich
State Bar No.: 19845200
P.O. BOX 2117
BIG SPRING, TX 79721
Telephone: (432)263-4142
Facsimile: (432)267-2763

#9853 August 19, 2018

Public Notification of Nondiscrimination in Career and Technical Programs within the Big Spring Independent School District

The Big Spring Independent School District offers career

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and technical education programs in Consumer and Family Economics, Trade and Industrial Education, Business Education Career Preparation, and Industrial Technology Education. Admission to these programs is based on interest, aptitude, age appropriateness, and class space available.

It is the policy of the Big Spring Independent School District not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, or handicap in its career and technology programs, services, or activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

It is the policy of Big Spring Independent School District not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, handicap, or age in its employment practices as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended. The Big Spring Independent School District will take steps to assure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all educational and vocational programs.

For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator George Bancroft, Assistant Superintendent, and/or Michelle Grigg, the Section 504 Coordinator, at Big Spring I.S.D., Administrative Offices, 708 11th Place, Big Spring, Texas 79720, Phone Number (432) 264-3600.

#9837 August 12 & 19, 2018

CITATION BY PUBLICATION TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF DR. DOROTHY G. PURGASON, DECEASED, No. P-14828, County Court of Howard County, Texas

To the Unknown Heirs of Dr. Dorothy G. Purgason, Deceased. On August 9, 2018, Rebecca Suzanne Smith filed in County Court of Howard County, Texas, an Application for Heirship in a proceeding styled "In the Estate of Dr. Dorothy G. Purgason, Deceased" and given the file number P-14828 in the County Court of Howard County, Texas.

The Court will hear and act upon the aforementioned application anytime following 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the first Monday next after the expiration of ten days from the publication of this Citation. The hearing will be in the County Courtroom of the Courthouse of Howard County, Texas, which is Room 207, 300 Main Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720.

All persons interested in said estate are hereby cited to appear before said Honorable Court as said above mentioned time and place by filing a written answer contesting such application should they desire to do so.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF SAID COURT AT office in Big Spring, Texas this August 14, 2018

BRENT ZITTERKOPF,
COUNTY CLERK HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS
By: Nancy Porter
Deputy

#9849 August 19, 2018

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0314175
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Aug 16, 2018 Status/Permit No. 841999

NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Sep 20, 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

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SM ENERGY COMPANY, [RRC Operator No. 788997] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the lease line 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. 23, Bk. 31 T2N, T&P RR CO Survey, A-187, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 13.8 miles NE 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 Protest should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 (512)463-6751.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Sep 20, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

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

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : RAY KINSELLA

Lease/Unit Well No. : 1341WA

Lease/Unit Acres : 637.62
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 1.0

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Lease Lines : 320.0 F SE L, 636.0 F SW L

Survey Lines : 2321.0 F NW L, 636.0 F SW L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal Lateral: TH1

Penetration Point Location

Lease Lines: 100.0 F SE L

330.0 F SW L

Terminus Location BH County: HOWARD

Section: 13 Block: 31 T2N Abstract: 183 Survey: T&P RR CO

Lease Lines: 70.0 F NW L

330.0 F SW L Survey Lines: 2588.0 F SE L

330.0 F SW 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 10000 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Lisa Hunt, at (432)8484833.

#9852 August 19, 26, September 2 & 9, 2018

CITY OF BIG SPRING NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Pursuant to the authority granted by the City Council of the City of Big Spring, Texas, the City of Big Spring will receive sealed proposals on the following date/time for the purchase of the items/services listed below:

Date/Time: Thursday, September 6, 2018, at 2:00 p.m., for the following:

RFP # 18-024 Base Materials- Item 247-6123 must meet 2014 TxDOT Standard Specification. Item 423M-6001 must meet 2014 Howard County Modified specification.

Proposals are to be opened and read aloud in the City Council Chambers at 307 East 4th Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720, with award to be made at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Big Spring City Council. Proposal information and specifications may be obtained from the Office of the Purchasing Agent, 1380 Airpark Drive East, Bldg. #19, Big Spring, Texas 79720. All proposals must be marked with the date of the proposals and a general description of the proposal item(s). Bid packet and specifications are available online at www.mybigspring.com

The City of Big Spring reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive any or all formalities.

#9858 August 19, 26 & September 2, 2018

NOTA LEGAL/DE PUBLICA La Notificación Pública de No Discriminación en la Carrera y el Programa Tecnología dentro del Distrito Independiente Escolar de Big Spring

Public Notice

El Distrito Independiente Escolar de Big Spring ofrece la carrera y los programas de la educación de la tecnología en la Educación de la Agricultura, en la Economía de Consumidor y Familia, en el Comercio y la Educación Industrial, en la Carrera de la Educación del Negocio de Preparación, y en la Educación Industrial de la Tecnología. La admisión a estos programas se basa en el interés, la aptitud, la conveniencia de la edad, y la espacian del clase disponible.

Es la política del Distrito Independiente Escolar de Big Spring de no discriminar a base de raza, de color, de origen nacional, o sexo, ni a base la desventaja en sus programas de la carrera y la tecnología, en los servicios, o en las actividades como requerido por el Título VI del Acto Civil de Derechos de 1964, cuando enmendado; el Título IX de las Enmiendas de la Educación de 1972; y la Sección 504 del Acto de Rehabilitación de 1973, cuando enmendado.

Es la política del Distrito Independiente Escolar de Big Spring de no discriminar a base de raza, de color, de origen nacional, o sexo, a base la desventaja, ni la edad en las practicas de empleo como requerido por el Título VI del Acto Civil de Derechos de 1964, cuando enmendado; el Título IX de las Enmiendas de la Educación de 1972; el Acto de la Discriminación de la Edad de 1975, cuando enmendado; y la Sección 504 del Acto de Rehabilitación de 1973, cuando enmendado.

El Distrito Independiente Escolar de Big Spring tomará los pasos para asegurar esa falta de habilidades del idioma ingles no será una barrera a la admisión y la participación en todos los programas educativos y vocacionales.

Para información acerca de sus procedimientos de derechos o queja, contacte al Coordinador del Título IX George Bancroft, Supendente Ayudante, o Michelle Grigg, Coordinador de la Sección 504, en las Oficinas Administrativas del Distrito Independiente Escolar de Big Spring, en lugar 708 11th Place, Big Spring, Texas 79720, el número de teléfono (432)264-3600.

#9838 August 12 & 19, 2018

CITY OF BIG SPRING NOTICE TO BIDDERS

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Date/Time: Thursday, September 6, 2018, at 2:00 p.m., for the following:

RFP # 18-024 Base Materials- Item 247-6123 must meet 2014 TxDOT Standard Specification. Item 423M-6001 must meet 2014 Howard County Modified specification.

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1. RFP # 18-023 Sale of approximately 89.4 Acres in the N. 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Section 25, Block 33 1N, City of Big Spring

Proposals are to be opened and read aloud in the City Council Chambers at 307 East 4th Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720, with award to be made at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Big Spring City Council. Proposal information and specifications may be obtained from the Office of the Purchasing Agent, 1380 Airpark Drive East, Bldg. #19, Big Spring, Texas 79720. All proposals must be marked with the date of the proposals and a general description of the proposal item(s).

The City of Big Spring reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive any or all formalities.

#9839 August 12, 19, 26 & September 2, 2018

Noticia pública
Agencia de Educación de Texas

División de Educación Profesional y Tecnológica

1. Glasscock County ISD ofrece programas de educación profesional y tecnológica en Educación Empresarial: Sistemas de Información I y II, Principios de Tecnología de la Información, Medios Digitales y Medios de Video: Producción de Audio y Video, Producción Avanzada de Audio y Video: Ciencias Agrícolas: Principios de Ag, Alimentación y Recursos Naturales, Prof Agronegocios Estándar, Mecánica y Metal Ag, Instalaciones Agrícolas y Diseño, Ag Power Systems, Soldadura: Ciencias de Consumo Familiar: Principios de Ciencias Humanas, Nutrición y Bienestar de por vida, Desarrollo Infantil y Dólar y Sentido.

La admisión a estos programas se basa en la inscripción en la escuela, en la edad apropiada, en el espacio de clase y en los requisitos previos.

2. Es política de la ISD de Glasscock County no discriminar por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo o discapacidad en sus programas, servicios o actividades profesionales como lo exige el Título VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964, Modificado; Título IX de la Ley de Educación Enmiendas de 1972; Y la Sección 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitación de 1973, según enmendada.

3. Glasscock County ISD tomará medidas para asegurar que la falta de habilidades en el idioma inglés no ser una barrera a la admisión y participación en todos los programas educativos y vocacionales.

4. Para información sobre sus derechos o procedimientos para quejas,

SUDOKU

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

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

Level: Intermediate

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

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

ANSWER:

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker
Looks wrong, but it's right

South dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ K Q 10 4
♥ 4 3 2
♦ 8 5 2
♣ A 9 4

WEST
♠ 9 7 5 2
♥ 9
♦ A 7 6 3
♣ Q J 10 7

EAST
♠ 8 3
♥ Q J 8
♦ Q J 10
♣ K 8 5 3 2

SOUTH
♠ A J 6
♥ A K 10 7 6 5
♦ K 9 4
♣ 6

The bidding:
1♥ West 1♠ North East
3♥ Pass 4♥ Pass
Opening lead — queen of clubs.

Let's say you're in four hearts and West leads a club. You win with the ace and play the A-K of trumps, hoping for a 2-2 split. When East turns up with three trumps, you shift your attention to spades by playing the A-J and another spade. Unfortunately, East ruffs the third spade and returns the queen of diamonds, and down you go.

You could certainly claim to have been very unlucky, since you would have made the contract had the trumps divided 2-2, or if West had the three trumps, or if East had the ace of diamonds, or if East had three or more spades.

Even so, the fact remains that the contract can be made with more careful play. After East follows low on the first trump lead from dummy at trick two, the correct line of play — by far — is to finesse the ten! In the actual deal, the ten wins, and you finish with 11 tricks. But that in itself doesn't prove that the ten is the right play.

Finessing the ten is best because it has the great virtue of practically guaranteeing the contract, and not because you luckily find East with the Q-J-x. Indeed, you don't really mind losing a trump trick to West, because you're certain to score at least 10 tricks — five hearts, four spades and a club — if you do.

The primary concern is that East might have three trumps and later gain the lead to return a diamond through your king. The first-round trump finesse guards against this possibility. It is true that the deep finesse will sometimes cost a trick unnecessarily, but that is a tiny premium to pay for ensuring the contract.

Tomorrow: Famous Hand.
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comúniquese con el Coordinador del Título IX, Scott Bicknell, PO Box 9, Garden City, Texas 79739, o por teléfono 432-354-2230, y / o el Coordinador de la Sección 504, Laura Dieringer, En PO Box 9, Garden City, Texas 79739, o al teléfono 432-354-2230.

#9861 August 19, 2018
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Texas Education Agency
Division of Career and Technology Education

Glasscock County ISD offers career and technology education programs in Business Education: Information Systems I & II, Principles of Information Technology, Digital Media and Video Media: Audio Video Production, Advanced Audio Video Production: Agricultural Science: Principles of Ag, Food & Natural Resources, Prof Standard Agribusiness, Ag Mechanics & Metal, Ag Facilities and Design, Ag Power Systems, Welding: Family Consumer Science: Principles of Human Science, Lifetime Nutrition and Wellness, Child Development & Dollar & Sense. Admission to these programs is based on enrollment in school, age appropriateness, class space, and prerequisites.

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#9860 August 19, 2018

Real Estate for Rent

1102 Sycamore
1 Bed / 1 Bath
No Pets
432-517-0025 or
432-517-0640
References required

1908 Morrison. 3 bed, 2 bath brick house, carport. \$900/month, \$900/dep. No pets, no hud/no smoking. References required. Call 432-270-3849

Will be available September 1. 3BR 1BT, newly remodeled home, with energy efficient windows, insulation, flooring & paint. Large gated yard great for pets and off street parking. \$1500 deposit. \$1500 monthly with 12 month lease. References a MUST. 340-690-5731.

Affordable Country Living-OASIS RV Park has Spaces & Travel Trailers for Rent. Call 432-517-0062 or 264-9907.

Furnished (or unfurnished) Super private.-Super quiet. Utilities paid. No neighbors or loud apartment walls/music. Delightful/ spacious 1 bdrm cottage. Available September 1st. Convenient shopping. One person only! Nonsmoking. Credit Qualify. \$650 432-270-0707

Newly remodeled! 3 bedroom/1 bath, C/HA, laundry room, walk in closet. No indoor pets/no smoking. Large fenced in back yard near the High School. \$1,500/Month. Utilities not included. Must pass background/ Credit Check. For more info call 432-631-1994

Real Estate for Sale

For Sale by Owner - 2 bedroom 1 bath. Kitchen, 2 living areas, new roof, and shower remodel. \$28,000 cash or for rent \$1200 a month. FIRM. Call 432-263-4000

Nice home for sale - **Price Reduced** 2 bed 1 bath. Living, kitchen, front & back yard, corner lot in Colorado City. Please call Janet 325.242.0082

Vehicles

For Sale '91 Ford E-350 Diesel Oversized Van/Bus. New tires, good condition, runs good. \$5,000 623-606-5898 call or text and leave a message.

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION
DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0313301 DATE OF IS-SUANCE: Aug 2, 2018Status/Permit No. 840424 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Sep 6, 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

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SABALO OPERATING, LLC, [RRC Operator No. 741939] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the lease line 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. 37, Bk. 32 T2N, T&P RR CO Survey, A-281, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 12.1 miles SE direction from VEALMOOR, Texas. PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 (512)463-6751.

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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below: FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Lease/Unit Name: JOSEPHINE 37-36 Lease/Unit Well No.: 1AH Lease/Unit Acres: 640.0 Nearest Lease Line (ft): 100.0 Lease Lines: 305.0 FSL, 2368.0 FWL Survey Lines: 305.0 FSL, 2368.0 FWL Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal Lateral: TH1 Penetration Point Location Lease Lines: 305.0 F S L 2368.0 F W L Terminus Location BH County: HOWARD Section: 36 Block: 32 T2N Abstract: 620 Survey: T&P RR CO/CLINTON, C A Lease Lines: 100.0 F N L 330.0 F W L Survey Lines: 100.0 F N L 2312.0 F E 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 9000 feet. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Shelly Carrigan, at (361)8887708, x6015.

#9825 August 5, 12, 19 & 26

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION
DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0313300 DATE OF IS-SUANCE: Aug 2, 2018Status/Permit No. 840426 NOTICE OF

Legals

PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Sep 6, 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

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The location and identity of the well is as shown below: FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Lease/Unit Name: SATNIN 37-36 Lease/Unit Well No.: 4AH Lease/Unit Acres: 640.0 Nearest Lease Line (ft): 100.0 Lease Lines: 285.0 FSL, 4.0 FEL Survey Lines: 285.0 FSL, 2638.0 FWL Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal Lateral: TH1 Penetration Point Location Lease Lines: 285.0 FSL 4.0 FEL Terminus Location BH County: HOWARD Section: 36 Block: 32 T2N Abstract: 620 Survey: T&P RR CO/CLINTON, CA Lease Lines: 100.0 FNL 330.0 FEL Survey Lines: 100.0 F N L 2312.0 FWL 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 9000 feet. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Shelly Carrigan, at (361)8887708, x6015.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Mercury Goes Direct

The idea that animals can predict earthquakes, tsunamis, hurricanes and the like has gained a level of acceptance among scientists. When animals behave out of character, they have their reasons. Humans are typically less predictive, but at least the direct turn of Mercury should lend some instinctual intelligence worth heeding today.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). People will find out who you are through your actions, your stories or because you share your preferences. So you really don't have to worry about telling them who you are. You're already showing them.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You're gutsy. You forget that sometimes. Or rather, you take it for granted, believing that everyone else is gutsy, too. Not true! You're lucky when you recognize the quality and make it count today.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Before a mutually satisfying deal can be struck, the others will want to understand your story. So let them know where you were, what happened, and why they need to know. That should do it.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Self-sufficiency is among your many attractive qualities.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).

Your compassion is an enormous strength. You will ideally use it to be helpful, to teach others and/or be the catalyst for their growth. What you don't want is to enable others or "fix" them, which never works.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Aim for the middle of the road. You'll hit the perfect note: surprising, but not obvious; spontaneous, but not impulsive; romantic, but nobody's fool.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). If "play" is an art form, you're a fine artist indeed today. You'll be so involved in your process of curious enjoyment that you won't even think to stop and commemorate it. This is living.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). In friendship, you'll deal with the other person's flaws or be kind enough to look the other way. But you're stricter when your heart's on the line. There are standards that must be met before you give your trust.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 19). "We are all lions," said the poet Rumi, "but lions on a banner: because of the wind they are rushing onward from moment to moment." This solar return, you'll seize your moment, marching forward for your cause, a purpose that brings out your most regal characteristics. Windfall months: September and June. Cancer and Capricorn adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 30, 2, 21 and 16.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You love to know what's really going on in people's lives, but mostly they show you what their lives look like instead of what they feel like. Good thing you never go strictly by appearances.

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Newsday Crossword SATURDAY STUMPER by Greg Johnson Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

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| ACROSS | DOWN | ACROSS | DOWN |
| 1 Mixed-up game | 1 Development facilitator | 9 Something tongued at a brunch buffet | 21 Nostalgia trigger |
| 11 Auto Pioneer autobiographer (1949) | 2 "Fire" valuable | 10 Hirsers of dishwashers | 23 Groovy group of the '60s? |
| 15 Grande produzione musicale | 3 City near the Comstock Lode | 11 One end of the first bullet-train route | 25 Come out quickly |
| 16 Narrow meeting place | 4 Negative | 12 Common sushi ingredient | 26 Come out slowly |
| 17 Poster of "please" signs | 5 Burst of excess | 13 "I'm impressed!" | 27 "Tropical" treat in WWII rations |
| 18 Barbed comments, say | 6 Gone | 14 Cause for some alerts | 28 All modesty aside |
| 19 Lam it | 7 Concentration, essentially | 15 "I'm impressed!" | 30 Choice words |
| 20 Game with an '80s heyday | 8 General who cowrote A World Transformed with George H.W. | 16 Mesa howler | 31 Mullah's moolah, maybe |
| 22 Let out | | 17 Without much of a break | |
| 24 Stabling mottling | | 18 Notary, for instance | |
| 25 Pep talk directive | | 19 Considerable inconvenience | |
| 28 Current or cushion preceder | | 20 Vegas airport code | |
| 29 Discomfit | | 21 Busy times | |
| 32 Recall announcers, often | | 22 Recurring O'Keeffe subject | |
| 33 Number for lithium | | 23 Make a crook out of | |
| 35 Alternative to "leo" in "leopard" | | 24 "Parrot fashion" | |
| 36 Try to stay unseen | | 25 Film advancer | |
| 37 Tries to avoid a bump, perhaps | | 26 Its first logo had two feet and antennae | |
| 38 Princess whom John wrote for | | 27 Service call | |
| 39 Spinning tray fillers | | 28 Rather big breakaway | |
| 40 Beach, CA ("Clam Capital of the World") | | 29 The tennis US Open is played on it | |
| 41 Patton, c. 1918 | | | |
| 42 "You deserved that" | | | |
| 43 Color add-on | | | |
| 44 Salad-making aids | | | |
| 46 Fourth in a moist mnemonic | | | |
| 48 Conservation, to many | | | |
| 49 Flat-bottomed vessels | | | |

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Greek bailout ends, but Europe's debt problems grind on



In this file photo dated Tuesday, Nov. 21, 2017, people stand in front of the Greek Parliament building, as vehicles drive past, in central Athens. Greece officially emerges from its bailout program on upcoming Monday, Aug. 20, 2018, after eight years of cutbacks enforced in return for three massive loan infusions, but the huge debt pile in Greece and throughout Europe could take generations to defuse.

By DAVID McHUGH

AP Business Writer

FRANKFURT, Germany (AP) — Greece officially completes its bailout program on Monday, after eight years of cutbacks enforced in return for massive loans and following an economic collapse on the scale of the Great Depression.

The exit is a welcome milestone. But it offers little assurance that the 19-country euro currency union has left behind its problems with debt. The huge debt pile in Greece and an even bigger one in Italy will remain a lurking financial threat to Europe that could take a generation to defuse.

Europe's debt problems have repeatedly raised fears over the past decade of a break-up in the euro, a worst-case scenario that would cause severe economic damage in the region and shake world financial markets and trade.

In Greece, successive governments had borrowed heavily for three decades to fund generous spending on pensions and jobs given to political supporters, while tolerating widespread tax evasion and covering up budget shortfalls. All that blew up mightily in October 2009, when Greece admitted its budget deficit was much bigger than previously reported. Shocked investors no longer would risk loaning Greece money at affordable rates, forcing the government to turn to rescue loans from the other eurozone countries and the International Monetary Fund.

The loans came with tough conditions: closing deficits, which led to aggressive tax increases and spending cuts; and a raft of reforms aimed at improving tax collection and the business climate in general. The economy, hit hard by spending cuts, shrank by a quarter.

All told, Greece now owes total debt of 322 billion euros (\$366 billion), or over 180 percent of annual economic output. Of that, 256.6 billion euros

is owed to eurozone creditors and 32.1 billion to the International Monetary Fund. In 2012, about 107 billion euros in debt was lopped off by inflicting losses on private bondholders.

Monday is the day the third and last bailout program expires, meaning no more money is available. Greece will remain subject to quarterly visits by technical experts to make sure it is meeting agreed targets for public finances until the last bailout loan is repaid, in 2060.

The other eurozone countries gave Greece enough cash to cover 22 months of financing needs and significantly eased its debt repayment terms. Greece needs to pass the quarterly reviews to activate that debt relief. But Greece will get no new reform requirements.

Some experts say that the best way to help Greece would be for eurozone countries to write off a part of the loans altogether. But governments have balked at that. The bailouts were unpopular, particularly in Germany, and loan forgiveness would be a tough sell for leaders such as German Chancellor Angela Merkel.

The IMF and prominent economists say that if part of Greece's loans are not written off, its debt loan will eventually start to rise out of control again. Greece is meant to run exceptionally large budget surpluses before interest payments — so-called primary surpluses of 3.5 percent of GDP through 2023, and 2.2 percent thereafter. The IMF says very few countries historically have been able to do that.

It says countries often quickly undo cuts, as people get fed up over lost services. Spending on state health care in Greece, for instance, has been squeezed to one of the lowest levels in the eurozone, with the poorest 20 percent of Greeks saying they spend 44 percent of household income on out-of-pocket medical expenses and many reporting they have simply done without medical care.

George Pagoulatos, a professor at the Athens University of Economics and Business, says that in the end the country's creditors may have to lower their expectations for how much Greece can save.

He thinks lower surpluses plus better economic growth from the pro-business reforms could be the key to make debt sustainable.

"It doesn't mean that tax evasion has been eradicated or that governments will no longer do favors for their supporters," Pagoulatos said. But the degree of reform should not be underestimated. The changes over eight years "have been very significant and they must have an impact on productivity."

Italy's slow growth since joining the euro has meant that the eurozone's third-largest member has failed to work down the huge debt burden it carried into the currency union when it joined as a founding member in 1999. It remains at an elevated 133.4 percent of GDP, the second highest after Greece. Officials associated with the coalition between the populist 5 Star Movement party and the anti-immigration League have made comments about leaving

AP photo

the euro and criticized the European Union's rules limiting debt and deficits. That has raised fears of a new debt crisis.

Eurozone officials have set up ways to protect the currency union in a crisis. One is to have the European Central Bank offer to buy bonds of countries with excessive borrowing costs. But that requires signing up for a plan to reduce the public deficit, and that appears to be the last thing the current government would do. The most drastic alternative would be for Italy to leave the euro.

Guntram Wolff, director of the Bruegel research institute in Brussels, says Italy's debt situation is different from Greece's, in that most Italian bonds are in the hands of Italians. That means the governments' debt payments stay at home to support spending and investment by Italians.

"In Italy, the debt problem is essentially an internal question," he said.

Italy's progress will be decided by a mix of three factors: rising interest rates, economic growth, and the political willingness to making savings in public finances over a number of years, that is, to forgo spending on things like schools and pensions in order to pay debt. The recent political turmoil has unnerved investors, who raised the cost for Italy to borrow on bond markets.

"Whether Italy will be able to do this politically and economically, that is the 2 trillion euro question," said Wolff, referring to the size of Italy's public debt. He believes politicians' determination to keep public finances in check is eroding. "So I would say the picture looks grimmer than it did six months ago."

Ultimately Wolff thinks that the disruption from leaving the euro would be so great that the government would change course.

The losses "would be so massive, people would say, no, no let's not do that."

Benjamin Smith is new CEO of Air France-KLM, unions worried



In this Feb. 9, 2017, photo Benjamin Smith, President, Passenger Airlines Air Canada, speaks before revealing the new Air Canada Boeing 787-8 Dreamliner at a hangar at the Toronto Pearson International Airport in Mississauga, Ontario. Air Canada's chief operating officer Smith has been named the new CEO of Air France-KLM.

PARIS (AP) — Air France-KLM has named Benjamin Smith, formerly a top executive at Air Canada, as its new CEO, sparking union fears Friday that he would cut back on wages and work conditions.

The company announced Thursday that Smith, 46, who was previously Air Canada's chief operating officer, will fill the role by Sept. 30.

Vincent Salles, an official at the CGT-Air France union, told France Info radio on Friday that unions fear Smith's mission is to implement plans that would "deteriorate working conditions and wages."

Unions also have expressed concerns that he would tend to expand the company's low cost

subsidiaries instead of developing Air France's main brand.

Smith is the first foreign CEO in the company's history, which has also sparked criticism from unions. Nine unions objected to the appointment of a foreigner in the name of "the defense of our national airline's interests," in a joint statement.

Union representatives are gathering on Aug. 27 to discuss potential strike actions.

The Dutch pilots' union said Friday that its KLM members are preparing to take industrial action after talks with the carrier about a new collective labor agreement broke down.

The union said its members "will take action ... to change the mind of the KLM."

RECORDS

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Offense: Driving while intoxicated
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$442.10 court cost
Date: July 30, 2018

Warranty Deeds

Grantor: Linda Russell
Grantee: Stephanie Autumn Gre-non
Property: Surface estate only:SE/4 section 48, block 34, T-3-N T and P Ry. Co. Survey.
Date: Aug. 7, 2018

Grantor: Dolores Anderson Jen-kins
Grantee: Sabalo Energy, LLC
Property: Surface estate only of the 15 acre tract SE/4 section 21, T-3-N T and P Ry. Co. Survey.
Date: Aug. 15, 2018

Grantor: Randal Crockett
Grantee: Kenneth Greanhouse and Caren Greanhouse
Property: Lot 12, block 2, Sunset Annex
Date: Aug. 15, 2018

Grantor: William D Lovelace

Grantee: SCS Technologies, LLC
Property: Being a 2.441 acre tract of land, more or less, out the the NW/4 of section 46, block 32, T-1-N, T and P Railroad Co. Survey
Date: Aug. 16, 2018

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