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Man arrested for brandishing gun at Wal-Mart

By ROGER CLINE
 Staff Writer

Big Spring Police arrested a local man Tuesday morning on charges of illegally carrying firearms into Wal-Mart. According to a press release issued Tuesday afternoon, Clint Aaron Sorrells, 22, was arrested after brandishing a handgun inside the store. "On the 11th of September 2018 at approximately 4:20 a.m., Big Spring Police Department officers were dis-

patched to Walmart located at 201 W. Marcy in reference to a disturbance," reads the release. "Upon arrival, an individual later identified as Clint Aaron Sorrells...appeared to be suffering mental crisis. Officers made contact with Sorrells and through their investigation determined Sorrells was under the influence of methamphetamine." According to Wal-Mart staff, Sorrells brandished the hand-

gun, although he never directly threatened anyone with it, says the release.

The press release goes on to say that three other handguns and three rifles were discovered on the ground "in proximity of the vehicle Sorrells had been driving."

After he had been

handcuffed by officers and police were investigating the incident, Sorrells allegedly ran a short distance before being recaptured by officers.

The release goes on to say that Sorrells was arrested and charged with evading arrest or detention, unlawfully carrying a weapon, and public intoxication.



Clint Aaron Sorrells

Contact Staff Writer Roger Cline at 432-263-7331 ext. 235, or by email at reporter@big-springherald.com.

City Council okays tax rate, budget at Tuesday's meeting



The Big Spring Symphony Orchestra
 Presents
"B" is for Bernstein
 September 15, 7:30pm
 Municipal Auditorium
 Tickets Available At The Door

Memorial at the Plaza



Big Spring City Council members recite the pledges to the United States and Texas flags before their Tuesday, Sept. 11, meeting. During the meeting, the council approved the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 ad valorem tax rate and city budget.

By ROGER CLINE
 Staff Writer

The Big Spring City Council voted unanimously to adopt the proposed tax rate and budget at their meeting Tuesday evening.

A public hearing on the budget was held at the beginning of the 5:30 p.m. meeting, but no local citizens stepped up to address the council regarding the city's revenue and expenditures plan for the upcoming fiscal year.

Later in the meeting, the mayor and five council members present voted unanimously to adopt the ad valorem tax rate, and then the FY 2018-2019

budget. The tax rate adopted by the council amounts to a total 72.9311 cents per \$100 valuation, including 58.5269 cents per \$100 valuation in Maintenance and Operating tax, which will be used to make purchases and pay the expenses of the day-to-day city operations; and 14.4042 cents in Debt Service tax, which will be used to pay the interest and principal on the city's debt.

The budget adopted by the city for the upcoming fiscal year

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The community of Big Spring gathered yesterday for the Annual 9/11 Memorial at the Plaza: A Tribute to our Civil and Military Heroes at the Spring Town Plaza, located at 1801 FM 700. The event started at 6:30 p.m., and was presented by the Disabled Veterans Chapter #47 and the Howard County Volunteer Fire Department. Shown in the photo above is Sergeant First Class (retired) Daniel Martinez of the Army Green Berets.

By AMBER MANSFIELD
 Staff Writer

"We also will remember the eleventh of September." This was part the a poem called '11th of September' that was read at yesterday's annual 9/11 event, Memorial at the Plaza.

The 9/11 Memorial at

the Plaza is hosted every year at the Spring Town Plaza, located at 1801 FM 700, and is a Tribute to our Civil and Military Heroes. The event was presented by the Disabled American Veterans Chapter #47 and the Howard County Volunteer Fire Department.

During the memo-

rial this year the colors were presented, a poem of remembrance was shared, a song of dedication was played, and a special guest spoke to attendees of the 9/11 Memorial. Sergeant First Class Daniel Martinez, who served in the Army Green Beret and Special

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Fourth and final day of Progressive Revival

By AMBER MANSFIELD
 Staff Writer

If you're ready to revive yourself, then get ready for evenings of praise and worship as the Crossroads Baptist Association (CBA) as it presents its "Progressive Revival" for all citizens of Howard County.

The fourth and final night of the four day revival event will take place at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 12 at First Baptist Church Big Spring, located at 705 W FM 70. The final night will feature Pastor Ken McMeans.

"My earliest memories involve a loving family, playing outside with friends, and going to church. At age 12, as expected in my world, I made a life changing decision to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ," said



Photographed above is Ken McMeans and his wife Elesha. On Wednesday, Sept. 12 at 6:30 p.m., join McMeans for the fourth night of the Progressive Revival event presented by the Crossroads Baptist Association at First Baptist Church, located at 705 W FM 700.

SMMC: it's never too early for a flu shot

Special to the Herald

Fall is approaching, which means it's time to get your flu shot. Influenza, also known as "the flu," is a contagious respiratory disease caused by the influenza virus, which affects the nose, throat and lungs.

Every year in the United States more than 200,000 people are hospitalized with the disease, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. In fact, the 2017-2018 flu season exceeded previous years' hospitalization rates with over 30,000 confirmed cases from October 2017 through April 2018.

Individuals who are at high risk for developing

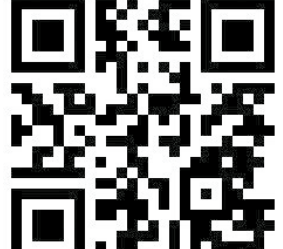
flu-related complications should exercise particular caution during flu season. Children under age five, adults 65 and older, pregnant women, people with chronic medical conditions and people who live in nursing homes or long-term care facilities are especially susceptible to complications related to flu.

Watch out for warning signs like:

- Fever
- Cough
- Sore throat
- Runny or stuffy nose
- Body aches
- Headache
- Chills
- Fatigue

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Obituaries

Kelila Michelle Slate



Kelila Michelle Slate, 39, died on Sept. 6, 2018, at her home in Montrose, Colorado. Funeral services will be held at Rosemont Baptist Church in Montrose at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 15, 2018. There will be a gathering in Big Spring for friends and family at a later date.

Kelila was born in Big Spring, Texas, on Aug. 30, 1979. She moved to Dallas where she attended Brookhaven College, and then to Montrose, Colorado where she lived for the past 20 years.

Kelila had a passion for music and dance and celebrated life by performing, teaching and sharing her enthusiasm and talent. She trained and performed at the regarded Park Avenue Dance Works in Montrose. She served as the pianist for Rosemont Baptist Church and was a part of the fellowship at Grace Community Church where she served on the

worship team.

Kelila taught piano and was known for her recitals at the end of each year, pouring her heart out to the children she mentored and the families she touched. In addition to piano and dance, she was also a black belt in karate.

Kelila especially loved trips to the mountains, 4-wheeling, spending time with her cousins, braiding hair, going to the movies, and her fabulous pink piano. She gave generously to friends and loved ones and was a constant and strong witness for her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

In 2017, Kelila wrote and published her book, *Keeping Silent*, under the pseudonym, Estella Stone. She was invited to speak at an assembly for students at Big Spring High School, providing hope and courage through her story.

Kelila was loved and admired for her bravery and positivity. Her contagious laughter and light were always present. She was a special, beautiful woman who shared her joy with all who spent time with her and will be greatly missed.

Paid Obituary

Manuela Moron



Manuela Moron, 100, of Big Spring, died Monday, Sept. 10, 2018, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12, 2018, at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Manuela was born Oct. 10, 1917, in Bakersfield, California to Josefita Duran Saldivar and Bernabe Saldivar. She married Simon Moron on Dec. 3, 1936, in Brady, Texas, and he preceded her in death on Sept. 29, 1987. She had been a resident of Big Spring since 1944. Manuela was a devout catholic and was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church and was a Cursilista. She loved her children and grandchildren the same. She enjoyed gardening. She taught her daughters how to make quilts, how to crochet and make tamales. She was a housewife, but at times she helped her husband out in the field. She spoke about the depression era in her early years of marriage, her husband worked clearing pastures and

they would live in tents. She had to cook outside in the bitter cold and hot summers. She was a strong, loving mother and grandmother. She would have been 101 years next month.

She is survived by six daughters, Alice Salazar, Terry Cervantez, both of Big Spring; Olivia Hernandez and husband Rudy of Big Spring, Sally Munoz, Stella Moron and Amy Hernandez and husband Louis, all of Big Spring; one son, Ray Moron of Big Spring; one sister, Lupe Ortegón of Eden; 17 grandchildren; 43 great grandchildren and 17 great-great grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she is preceded in death by two brothers, Carmen Saldivar and Salvador Saldivar and three sisters, Cuca Saldivar, Rosa Saldivar and Mary Saldivar; one step-son Manuel Martinez; two granddaughters, Sabrina Munoz and Sandra Martinez and two sons-in-laws, Sammy Munoz and Leo Salazar.

Pallbearers will be Simon Munoz, Eddie Cervantez, Rudy Hernandez, Jr., Jesse Salazar, Blake Guerra and Jonah Rayford.

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

Paid Obituary

Rocky Ramirez



Rocky Ramirez, 48, of Big Spring, went to be with the Lord Friday, Sept. 7, 2018. A memorial service is scheduled for 10 a.m., Friday, Sept. 14, 2018, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 13, 2018, with a vigil beginning at 7 p.m. at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel.

Rocky was born Jan. 23, 1970, in Big Spring, Texas, to Manuel & Rosario Ramirez and married Nina Carl on Feb. 27, 1999, in Phoenix, Arizona. Rocky worked for GEO Corrections for many years. He especially enjoyed spending time with his family – they were his world. He also enjoyed watching any type of sports, especially the Dallas Cowboys and TCU Horned Frogs.

Survivors include his wife, Nina Ramirez; two sons, Rocky Jr. and Tyler; his parents, Manuel Sr. & Rosario Ramirez; two brothers, Manuel Jr. (Debbie) and Randy (Danielle); numerous nieces, nephews and a large extended family.

Honorary Pallbearers will be, Frank Reyna, Garry Chavez, Paul Chavez, Jino Flores, Stan Solis, Stanley Johnson and Philip Matthews and his beloved co-workers from GEO Group.

Nina, Rocky and their boys shared a beautiful, wonderful life together. They enjoyed vacationing, attending football games and family gatherings.

The Ramirez family would like to thank Allison Care Center of Midland, Dr. Manmet Mangat, Kindred at Home staff especially Tamara, Heather and Roxanne.

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

Paid Obituary

Barbara Jean "Jeanie" Smith,



Barbara Jean "Jeanie" Smith, 78, died Saturday, Sept. 8, 2018, at Parkview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. The family will have a private service planned at a later date.

Barbara was born May 24, 1940 in Dublin, Texas, to Troy Virgil Little and Jessie Lee Gray Little. She moved to Big Spring in 1986 from Odessa, Texas. Barbara was a member of the Church of Christ, a homemaker and always had a smile on her face for everyone she met. She was loved by all who knew her.

Barbara is survived by one son, Raymond "Randy" Smith and his wife Angela of Big Spring; a daughter, Cynthia "Cindy" Hall and her husband Don of Crosby; two sisters, Phyllis Hogan of Big Spring and Debbie Masters and her husband Dan of Canyon Lake; six grandchildren, Chris Mulkey, Cory Mulkey, Rhiannon Smith, Joshua Smith, Heather Rodriguez and Mitchell Smith and 13 great grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, Barbara was preceded in death by one son, Rick Smith; two brothers, Robert Little and Ronnie Little; two sisters, Gerri Buchanan and Kathy Little.

A remembrance book will be at Parkview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. Please come by – leave a memory, laugh or just prayers.

The family of Barbara Smith expresses their thank you to Parkview for years of care and hospice for comfort and peace.

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

Paid Obituary

Bubba, Lewes Gilbert Grantham



Bubba, Lewes Gilbert Grantham, Jr., 65, passed away Wednesday, Sept. 5, 2018, in Big Spring, Texas after battling Stage four lung cancer for two years. Memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15, 2018, at Myers & Smith Chapel with Courtney Ballard of Circuit Riders Church.

I was born Dec. 13, 1952, in Big Spring to Vivian Corinne Norwood Grantham and Lewes Gilbert Grantham, Sr.

I am survived by my companion Lucy; sister and brother, Corky and Butch Burcham; nephew; niece Ashlee Norwood and Carol Grantham; son, B.J. Grantham; step-children, Nick and Samantha Denton, Amanda and Okla Thornton, Debbie and Kristi Morton; and one grandson.

I was preceded in death by my parents Shorty and Vivian Grantham.

In lieu of flowers, my wishes would be a memorial to the Circuit Riders Cowboy Church Building Fund, PO Box 1430, Big Spring, Texas, 79721 or www.circuitriderscowboychurch.com and go to the online giving link: Attn: Building Fund.

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

Sheriff

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

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 77 inmates at the time of this report.

• **TERESA LEANN GARCIA**, 45, was arrested by HCSO on a charge on assault causes bodily harm.

• **DAVID WAYNE GRANT**, 47, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant of possession of controlled substance in between one to four

gram.

• **HECTOR HERNANDEZ**, 34, was arrested by DPS on warrants of bail jumping, and on a DWI.

• **BRAXTON REECE MCFARLIN**, 26, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

• **JAY FRANK OLIVAS**, 28, was arrested by HCSO on warrants of fail to comply with sex offenders, and terroristic threat of family.

• **JUSTIN FABIAN RAMIREZ**, 29, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana

na less than two ounces, and on warrants of ran stop light, driving while license invalid, and tethering of animal.

• **CLINT AARON SORRELLS**, 22, was arrested by BSPD on charges of public intoxication, and carrying weapon, carrying weapon, and evading arrest detention.

• **DUSTIN CHARLES WASHBURN**, 34, was arrested by BSPD on a charges of public intoxication, and prohibited weapon knuckles.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2600 block of Dow. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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

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

• **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the 1500 block of Wood St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1200 block of W 4th St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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

• **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported on MM 173 I-20. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the MM 168 I-20. One person was transported to Scenic

Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1800 block of Old Colorado City Hwy. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 700 block of W 5th St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.



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Support Groups

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.

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10 Things to Know for Today

Your daily look at late-breaking news, upcoming events and the stories that will be talked about today:

1. 'MONSTER' HURRICANE FLORENCE NEARS US SEABOARD

Residents on the Carolina coast are finding empty gas pumps and depleted store shelves as they flee a potentially devastating blow from the Category 4 storm.

2. WHO CAPTURED GOP NOMINATION FOR NEW HAMPSHIRE HOUSE SEAT

Eddie Edwards, a black former police chief endorsed by Trump attorney Rudy Giuliani, triumphed in the toss-up congressional district.

3. POLITICAL ROOKIES RISING IN 2018

Of the more than 50 candidates running in GOP-held districts given the best chance for flipping, almost two-thirds are seeking office for the first time.

4. IRAN LOOKS WARILY TO CHINA FOR HELP AS US SANCTIONS RESUME

Tehran likely will further embrace Beijing as an alternative market for its crude oil and financial transactions amid uncertainty over the nuclear deal.

5. DALLAS' TOP COP PROBING TACTICS AT PROTEST

The city's police chief calls for a full

review and plans to meet with protest leaders after learning about reports that police used pepper-spray projectiles at a demonstration over a black man's death.

6. WHAT ADVICE JIMMY CARTER HAS FOR DEMOCRATS

The 93-year-old former president has a warning for a party looking to oust the Trump administration: Don't go too far to the left.

7. PUTIN IDS SUSPECTS IN NOV-ICHOK POISONING

The Russian president says there is "nothing criminal" about the two men that Britain named as suspects in the poisoning of a former Russian spy.

8. BIGGER, PRICIER IPHONE

EXPECTED AT APPLE EVENT

Most of the buzz is swirling around a rumored iPhone that is supposed to boast a 6.5-inch OLED screen, a significant step up from the iPhone X.

9. 'FAREWELL YELLOW BRICK ROAD'

Elton John kicked off the second night of his final tour in Philadelphia, a 300-date swing that will reach five continents and stretch into 2021.

10. RED SOX FIRST TO CLINCH PLAYOFF SPOT

Brock Holt helps Boston beat Toronto 7-2, adding to its major-league best record in baseball at 99-46.

REVIVAL

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McMeans. "Though that decision was very real, it would be years before I understood the full impact of that calling."

Following three years of ministry in Juneau, Alaska, McMeans met and married his wife, Elesha. The next seven years were filled with ministry preparation and children. McMeans accepted the call to serve as pastor of College Baptist Church (CBC) in January of 1990.

"My passion is proclaiming 'The Good News of Jesus Christ' as the only hope for a hopeless society," said McMeans. "Teaching from a practical perspective, my desire is to assist the hearer in putting feet to his Biblical knowledge in real life circumstances."

As a 1989 Masters Graduate of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, McMeans also holds an Agricultural Sciences degree from Texas Tech University. McMeans stated, "having grown up in Borden County, I have a local perspective and a love for the people of West Texas."

In 1996, McMeans' family was sent by CBC to pastor in Idaho. After three years in the Northwest, they returned home as pastor a second time. A heart for missions is reflected in the giving and ministry of College Baptist.

"We are here to bring everyone together and to equip the church for the evangelization of the lost, to train men and women in the scriptures, and create unity in the body," said John McCullough, Director of Missions of CBA.

With 27 member churches, a mission church, and several vibrant ministries, the CBA is an active association under the leadership of Brother McCullough, and is an association of Southern Baptist churches spanning Howard, Glasscock, Mitchell and Martin counties in West Texas. The CBA hosts events that bring all areas together, just like this progressive revival.

"It's called progressive revival because it's a four day event," said McCullough. "We are bringing different pastors from local Baptist churches to go around to other Baptist churches, and each one will speak on a different subject to help reestablish a relationship with God, or just to solidify their relationship with Him even more."

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PLAZA

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Force Engineer, awarded many medals such as a Bronze Heart, Purple Heart, and Global War on Terror just to name a few of the many. Martinez just retired from 23 years in the service, and spoke to the crowd with moving words and declarations of truth.

"So many years ago was Sept. 11, and when it first happened, people would stop and tell you thank you, now it seems a lot have lost perspective," said Martinez. "When we were attacked, service men could have been selfish, but we had people who had no interest in serving, join. They trained harder because they knew they had more than an obligation to serve their county but to protect and be a good battle buddy."

Martinez went on to say that the times are changing everywhere, in communities, in the schools, but that doesn't sway his mission of teaching his children on what it means to serve.

"I can't speak for everyone, but all I can do is teach my kids what is means to be patriotic," Martinez said. "People who don't have people in the military have no clue what they go through for our county. My father is a Veteran of the Korean War and my son is also serving. Thank you to my wife who put up with me for 23 years, and to my kids, I'm proud to call you mine."

Saturday, Sept. 15th, the Big Spring D.A.V. Chapter 47's will host their 5th Annual Dove Hunt. The evening will end with Community Support and Fellowship at Springcreek Fellowship inside of the Spring Town Plaza. This fellowship event will begin at 7 p.m. and free barbecue will be provided by the Howard County Fire Department until it is all gone.

Donations to the DAV are accepted to help our Veterans. For more information, contact Mike Tarpley at 432-566-2227.

"Next time you see someone who served, tell them thank you," said Martinez. "They don't do it for the thank you, but it would be greatly appreciated."

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FLU

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- Sometimes diarrhea and vomiting

The best way to prevent getting and spreading the flu is to get vaccinated. It's best to get vaccinated as early in the season as possible as it takes about two weeks for antibodies to develop after getting the shot. The composition of flu vaccines is reviewed annually and updated to protect against the season's most commonly circulating viruses. For the 2018-2019 season, injectable vaccines are once again being recommended over nasal mist vaccines.

Other steps you can take to prevent catching the virus include:

- Washing your hands regularly in warm, soapy water and avoiding contact with your face, mouth and eyes. Arm yourself with an alcohol-based hand sanitizer when you are not near a hand-washing station.
- Avoiding close contact with people who are sick. When you are sick, stay home to protect them from getting sick too.

• Covering your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing to prevent people around you from getting sick.

• Practicing other good health habits, such as disinfecting frequently touched surfaces at home, work or school. Get plenty of sleep, exercise and fresh air, manage your stress, drink plenty of fluids and eat nutritious food.

Because the flu virus changes every season, it is important to stay current with your vaccinations each year. Practicing good cleanliness habits and healthy routines can also help keep you and your loved ones healthy throughout the season.

Flu vaccines will be available from Scenic Mountain Medical Group beginning October 1. For information about scheduling a vaccine, please call 432-267-5531.

Scenic Mountain Medical Group has a team of primary care and internal medicine providers to choose from. To schedule your flu shot or annual wellness visit, log on to ScenicMountainAnytime.com and schedule your appointment today.

COUNCIL

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includes General Fund expenditures of \$25,359,869. A few changes to the Water and Sewage Fund revenues and expenditures were authorized by the council in response to water rate hikes by the city's supplier of raw water, the Colorado River Municipal Water District. Raw water purchase costs increased by \$194,000, from \$4,400,000 to \$4,594,000, bringing Water and Sewage expenditures up to \$16,104,892. In response, increased water rates by the city on commercial and high-volume residential water users will bring in an additional \$296,000. The Water and Sewage fund balance will increase by \$102,000 over the course of the year, according to the new budget.

In other business, the council:

- Awarded a bid on stop loss to ISU/Companion Life through the Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Employee Benefit Pool. The new contract will provide a savings of 1 percent compared to the city's current plan.
- Awarded a bid on life insurance and long-term disability insurance to the city's current provider, UNUM.
- Heard and approved a presentation on the Big Spring Economic Development Corporation's budget for 2018-2019.
- Heard a presentation of the Annual Delinquent Tax Report by Drew Mouton of Mouton and Mouton law firm.
- Approved 2.5 percent pay increases for Fire De-

partment and Police Department personnel.

• Approved sending a request to the Texas Department of Transportation for assistance with a sealcoat project at the McMahan-Wrinkle Airport. The request is for a \$500,000 grant, of which the city will pay 10 percent and TXDoT will pay 90 percent.

• Approved a change to city ordinance allowing alcohol to be sold near the northeast entrance of the Comanche Trail Park Amphitheater.

• Approved the city's participation in a negotiated settlement with Atmos Energy.

• Discussed banning all-terrain vehicles from city parks. Council member seemed generally in favor of the ban, but expressed some desire to allow ATV use at Moss Creek Lake. The council will vote on the issue at a future meeting.

• Discussed a request from Brint Ryan for a \$10,000 annual grant to the Northside Movement for assistance with maintenance and operation of Ryan Hall. The council seemed generally negative on the idea, expressing concern that if they provided funding for the Northside Movement, Big

Spring's other 170-plus other charitable organizations would request similar funding. Council members unanimously voiced admiration for the Northside Movement's charitable work. Some suggested the city provide a smaller funding amount, while others suggested the organization look into other options such as United Way.

• Donated two police cars, a 2007 and a 2008 model, each with more than 100,000 miles, to the Permian Basin Law Enforcement Academy.

• Approved joining an interlocal agreement with Tarrant County for cooperative purchasing.

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Deputy arrests prompt Texas sheriff to hire psychologist

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A Texas sheriff who's seen 18 deputies arrested this year on various charges says a staff psychologist will be hired to better screen applicants.

Bexar (bayr) County Sheriff Javier Salazar is requesting that county commissioners set aside \$118,000 to fund the position.

Three deputies have been arrested in the past week alone. Of the 18 arrested so far this year, 10 are accused of violent crimes such as assault while five are charged with drunken driving.

Nearly all of those arrested worked in the county jail. Detention deputies undergo less training than patrol and other deputies.

The sheriff's office has about 1,400 deputies and the ones arrested this year represent less than 2 percent of the force.

3 robbery suspects, 1 armed, caught inside Fort Worth school

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Police captured three fleeing robbery suspects inside a North Texas high school where administrators say the trio dashed in through the main entrance but were quickly caught.

A spokesman for the Fort Worth Independent School District says nobody was hurt in Tuesday's incident that prompted the lockdown of Polytechnic High School. Clint Bond says police reported one of the males had a gun. No shots were fired inside the school.

The district tweeted "Poly High School currently on lockdown because several unauthorized school aged males entered building. Students & staff are safe." Bond says the incident happened around midmorning Tuesday after someone was robbed near campus and police were chasing the suspects. The lockdown ended around 11:30 a.m.

Fort Worth police didn't immediately return messages to provide additional details Tuesday.

Texas preps for tropical disturbance nearing Gulf of Mexico

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Gov. Greg Abbott says Texas is preparing for a possible tropical storm system headed toward the Gulf of Mexico.

The tropical system is one of several that have formed in the Atlantic Ocean, including powerful Hurricane Florence heading toward the East Coast.

The National Hurricane Center says the storm system nearing the Gulf could become a tropical depression later this week and affect parts of Texas, Louisiana and northeastern Mexico.

Meanwhile, in an unrelated system, the National Weather Service issued a flash flood watch for the Houston area and parts of Southeast Texas until Tuesday night amid rain and scattered street flooding.

Texas City Independent School District canceled classes Tuesday due to street flooding in the community 35 miles (56.32 kilometers) southeast of Houston. Some roads also flooded in Dickinson.

Government to expand and extend Texas tent shelter for children

TORNILLO, Texas (AP) — The U.S. government says a West Texas tent shelter for immigrant children who have recently crossed the southwest border will remain open through the end of the year.

A spokesman for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services said Tuesday that the facility at Tornillo, Texas, will be expanded to 3,800 beds from its initial capacity of 360 beds. The department says 1,400 of those beds will be placed "on reserve status."

The department denied that it's expanding the facility because of the administration's zero-tolerance policy on border crossings that led to thousands of family separations earlier this year.

The facility is located at a U.S. Customs and Border Protection port of entry east of El Paso.

'Big and vicious': Hurricane Florence closes in on Carolinas

By JONATHAN DREW

Associated Press

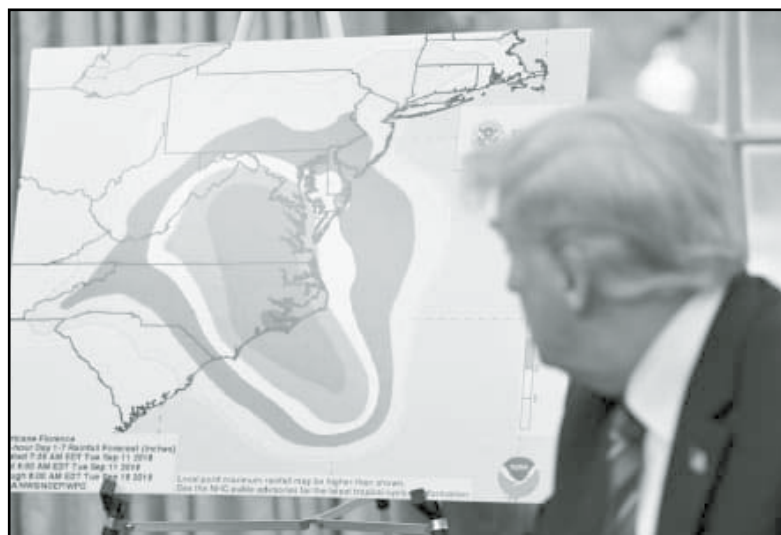
WILMINGTON, N.C.

— Motorists streamed inland on highways converted to one-way routes Tuesday as more than 1 million people in three states were ordered to get out of the way of Hurricane Florence, a hair-raising storm taking dead aim at the Carolinas with 130 mph winds and potentially ruinous rains.

Florence was expected to blow ashore late Thursday or early Friday, then slow down and wring itself out for days, unloading 1 to 2½ feet of rain that could cause flooding well inland and wreak environmental havoc by washing over industrial waste sites and hog farms.

Forecasters and politicians pleaded with the public to take the warnings seriously and minced no words in describing the threat.

"This storm is a monster. It's big and it's vicious. It



AP photo
President Donald Trump looks at a chart showing potential rainfall totals from Hurricane Florence during a briefing in the Oval Office of the White House in Washington, Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2018.

is an extremely, dangerous, life-threatening, historic hurricane," said North Carolina Gov. Roy Cooper.

He added: "The waves and the wind this storm may bring is nothing like you've ever seen. Even if you've ridden out storms before, this one is different. Don't bet your life on riding out a monster."

President Donald Trump declared states of emergency for North and South Carolina, opening the way for federal aid. He said the federal government was "absolutely, totally prepared" for Florence.

North and South Carolina and Virginia ordered mass evacuations along the coast. But getting out of harm's way could prove difficult.

Florence is so wide that a life-threatening storm surge was being pushed 300 miles ahead of its eye, and

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US marks 9/11 with somber tributes; Trump speaks at PA site



AP photo
Family members of Flight 93 listens during the September 11th Flight 93 Memorial Service, Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2018, in Shanksville, Pa.

By JENNIFER PELTZ and KAREN MATTHEWS

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Americans looked back on 9/11 Tuesday with tears and somber tributes as President Donald Trump hailed "the moment when America fought back" on one of the hijacked planes used as

weapons in the deadliest terror attack on U.S. soil.

Victims' relatives said prayers for their country, pleaded for national unity and pressed officials not to use the 2001 terror attacks as a political tool in a polarized nation.

Seventeen years after losing her husband, Margie Miller came from

her suburban home to join thousands of relatives, survivors, rescuers and others on a misty morning at the memorial plaza where the World Trade Center's twin towers once stood.

"To me, he is here. This is my holy place," she said before the hours-long reading of the names of her husband, Joel Miller, and the nearly 3,000 others killed when hijacked jets slammed into the towers, the Pentagon and a field near Shanksville, Pennsylvania on Sept. 11, 2001.

The president and first lady Melania Trump joined an observance at the Sept. 11 memorial near Shanksville, where one of the jetliners crashed after 40 passengers and crew members realized what was happening and several passengers tried to storm the cockpit.

Calling it "the moment when America fought back," Trump said the fallen "took control of their destiny and changed the course of history."

They "joined the immortal ranks of American heroes," said Trump.

At the Pentagon, Vice President

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AP Interview: Iran nuclear chief hopes deal will survive



By JON GAMBRELL and NASSER KARIMI

Associated Press

TEHRAN, Iran — Iran's nuclear chief said Tuesday he hopes Tehran's landmark atomic deal with world powers will survive President Donald Trump withdrawing the U.S. from it, warning the Islamic Republic's program stands ready to build advanced centrifuges and further enrich uranium.

In an exclusive interview with The Associated Press, Ali Akbar Salehi stressed Iran would be guided by "prudence and wisdom" when weighing whether to abandon the deal if European nations fail to protect it from Trump.

The U.S. withdrawal from the deal already has badly

shaken Iran's anemic economy, crashing its currency, the rial. That likely will be compounded by U.S. sanctions coming in November that threaten Iran's oil exports, a major source of government funding.

All this puts further pressure on the administration of Iran's relatively moderate President Hassan Rouhani, to whom Salehi reports as one of his vice presidents. But Salehi dismissed out of hand the idea of caving to American demands to renegotiate the accord.

"Yes, we have our problems. Yes, the sanctions have caused some problems for us. But if a nation decides to enjoy political

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AP photo
Iran's nuclear chief Ali Akbar Salehi speaks in an interview with The Associated Press at the headquarters of Iran's atomic energy agency, in Tehran, Iran, Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2018. Salehi told The Associated Press that he hopes the atomic deal between Tehran and world powers survives, but warns the program will be in a stronger position than ever if not.

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Palestinians file war crimes claim over West Bank hamlet

By MOHAMMED DARRAGHMEH

Associated Press

RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP) — A top official said Tuesday the Palestinians have filed a new complaint against Israel with the International Criminal Court, after the United States said it would resort to any means to protect its allies against such actions at the international war crimes body.

The move comes a day after the U.S. closed the Palestinian de facto embassy in Washington because of its leaders' refusal to enter peace talks with Israel. National security adviser John Bolton also lashed out at the Palestinians for their attempts to have Israel prosecuted at the ICC, denouncing the court's legitimacy and threatening sanctions if it targeted Israel and others.

But at a press conference in Ramallah, Saeb Erekat doubled down by saying the Palestinians have asked the ICC to investigate Israel's planned demolition of the Palestinian Bedouin village of Khan al Ahmar in the West Bank. He also indicated the Palestinians plan to join other international bodies.

Erekat said the Palestinians have asked the chief prosecutor to meet with village representatives and include Israel's actions as part of

her investigation into possible war crimes by Israel.

"The U.S. threats against the ICC are a coup against the rules in the international system," he said. "The Trump administration wants to dismantle the international order to ensure that it can stay above the laws and escape accountability."

Israel has long denounced Palestinian efforts to globalize their conflict by turning to external bodies with what it considers bogus claims. In particular, it says the ICC lacks jurisdiction because Israel is not a member of the court.

The Trump administration dramatically ratcheted up its rhetoric by threatening sanctions if the court pursues investigations against the U.S., Israel or other allies. Bolton said the ICC "is already dead" to the U.S.

"The United States supports a direct and robust peace process, and we will not allow the ICC, or any other organization, to constrain Israel's right to self-defense," he said in a speech to The Federalist Society, a conservative, Washington-based think tank.

The administration also cited the refusal of Palestinian leaders to enter into peace talks



AP photo

Palestinian Saeb Erekat, a veteran peace negotiator, speaks during a press conference in the West Bank city of Ramallah, Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2018.

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independence, it will have to pay the price," Salehi said. "If Iran decides today to go back to what it was before, the lackey of the United States, the situation would" be different.

Salehi heads the Atomic Energy Organization of Iran, whose Tehran campus encompasses a nuclear research reactor given to the country by the U.S. in 1967 under the rule of the shah. But in the time since that American "Atoms for Peace" donation, Iran was convulsed by its 1979 Islamic Revolution and the subsequent takeover and hostage crisis at the U.S. Embassy in Tehran.

For decades since, Western nations have been concerned about Iran's nuclear program, accusing Tehran of seeking atomic weapons. Iran long has said its program is for peaceful purposes, but it faced years of crippling sanctions.

The 2015 nuclear deal Iran struck with world powers, including the U.S. under President Barack Obama, was aimed at relieving those fears. Under it, Iran agreed to store its excess centrifuges at its underground Natanz enrichment facility under constant surveillance by the U.N. nuclear watchdog, the International Atomic Energy Agency. Iran can use 5,060 older-model IR-1 centrifuges at Natanz, but only to enrich uranium up to 3.67 percent.

That low-level enrichment means the uranium can be used to fuel a civilian reactor but is far below the 90 percent needed to produce a weapon. Iran also can possess no more than 300 kilograms (660 pounds) of that uranium. That's compared to the 10,000 kilograms (22,046 pounds) of higher-enriched uranium it once had.

Salehi spoke to the AP on Tuesday about Iran's efforts to build a new facility at Natanz that will produce more-advanced centrifuges, which enrich uranium by rapidly spinning uranium hexafluoride gas.

The new facility will allow Iran to build versions called the IR-2M, IR-4 and IR-6. The IR-2M and the

IR-4 can enrich uranium five times faster than an IR-1, while the IR-6 can do it 10 times faster, Salehi said. Western experts have suggested these centrifuges produce three to five times more enriched uranium in a year than the IR-1s.

While building the facility doesn't violate the nuclear deal, mass production of advanced centrifuges would. Salehi, however, said that wasn't immediately a plan.

"This does not mean that we are going to produce these centrifuges now. This is just a preparation," he said. "In case Iran decides to start producing in mass production such centrifuges, (we) would be ready for that."

Salehi suggested that if the nuclear deal fell apart, Iran would react in stages. He suggested one step may be uranium enrichment going to "20 percent because this is our need." He also suggested Iran could increase its stockpile of enriched uranium. Any withdrawal ultimately would be approved by Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei.

While the U.N. repeatedly has verified Iran's compliance with the deal, Trump campaigned on a promise to tear it up. In May, he withdrew the U.S. in part because he said the deal wasn't permanent and didn't address Iran's ballistic missile program and its influence across the wider Middle East. But Trump meanwhile has tweeted he'd accept talks without preconditions with Tehran.

Asked what he personally would tell Trump if he had the chance, Salehi chuckled and said: "I certainly would tell him he has made the wrong move on Iran."

"I think (Trump) is on the loser's side because he is

pursuing the logic of power," Salehi added. "He thinks that he can, you know, continue for some time but certainly I do not think he will benefit from this withdrawal, certainly not."

In the wake of Trump's decision, however, Western companies from airplane manufacturers to oil firms have pulled out of Iran. The rial, which traded before the decision at 62,000 to \$1, now stands at 142,000 to \$1.

Despite that, Salehi said Iran could withstand that economic pressure, as well as restart uranium enrichment with far more sophisticated equipment.

"If we have to go back and withdraw from the nuclear deal, we certainly do not go back to where we were before," Salehi said. "We will be standing on a much, much higher position."

Still, danger could loom for the program. The Stuxnet computer virus, widely believed to be a joint U.S.-Israeli creation, once disrupted thousands of Iranian centrifuges.

A string of bombings, blamed on Israel, targeted a number of scientists beginning in 2010 at the height of Western concerns over Iran's program. Israel never claimed responsibility for the attacks, though Israeli officials have boasted in the past about the reach of the country's intelligence services.

"I hope that they will not commit a similar mistake again because the consequences would be, I think, harsh," Salehi warned.

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Mike Pence recalled the heroism of service members and civilians who repeatedly went back into the Pentagon to rescue survivors.

The terrorists "hoped to break our spirit, and they failed," he said.

At the United Nations, Security Council members stood for a moment of silence, led by U.S. Ambassador Nikki Haley.

The 9/11 commemorations are by now familiar rituals, centered on reading the names of the dead. But each year at ground zero, victims' relatives infuse the ceremony with personal messages of remembrance, inspiration and concern.

For Nicholas Haros Jr., that concern is officials who make comparisons to 9/11 or invoke it for political purposes.

"Stop. Stop," implored Haros, who lost his 76-year-old mother, Frances. "Please stop using the bones and ashes of our loved ones as props in your political theater. Their lives, sacrifices and deaths are worth so much more. Let's not trivialize them."

This year's anniversary comes as a heated midterm election cycle kicks into high gear. But there have long been some efforts to separate the solemn anniversary from political campaigns. The group 9/11 Day, which promotes volunteering on the anniversary, asks candidates not to campaign or run political ads for the day. Organizers of the ground zero ceremony allow politicians to attend, but they've been barred since 2011 from reading names or delivering remarks.

If not political speeches, there were politically tinged appeals from some victims' relatives amid the reading.

"May we support our president to lead our country," said Joanne Barbara, who lost her husband, Fire Department Assistant Chief Gerard Barbara.

Another victim's family sent a different message.

"My hope is that discrimination, hatred and bigotry will cease and that we all will come together and love," said Debra Epps, a sister of victim Christopher Epps. Another sister, Chaundera, had an answer for anyone who wonders why families still come to such ceremonies after 17 years.

"Because soldiers are still dying for our freedom. First responders are still dying and being ill," Chaundera Epps said, adding, "God bless America that's never, ever, stopped being great."

Trump uses "Make Amer-

ica Great Again" as a slogan.

Other relatives laid bare the toll their losses had taken on their families. Thomas Langer said his brother, Timmy, "drank himself to death" after losing his wife, Vanessa, and their unborn child on Sept. 11.

"I witnessed my brother endure the pain that no one human being was ever meant to bear," Thomas Langer said.

Sept. 11 still shapes American policy, politics and everyday experiences in places from airports to office buildings, even if it's less of a constant presence in the public consciousness after 17 years.

A stark reminder came not long after last year's anniversary: A truck mowed down people, killing eight, on a bike path within a few blocks of the World Trade Center on Halloween.

In December, a would-be suicide bomber set off a pipe bomb in a subway passageway near Times Square, authorities said. They said suspects in both attacks were inspired by the Islamic State extremist group.

The recent attacks scare Ruben Perez, who read names at the trade center Tuesday.

"I get very worried for the state of society. ... It's part of what it means to be human in the 21st century, a fear for public safety," said Perez, 23, who lost his uncle, Calixto Anaya Jr.

Memorials to 9/11 continue to grow at Shanksville, where a newly dedicated Tower of Voices will eventually include a wind chime for each of the 40 people killed there, and ground zero, where work is to begin soon on a pathway honoring rescue and recovery workers.

It will serve as a way to recognize those who became sick or died from exposure to toxins released when the Trade Center's twin towers collapsed. Researchers have documented elevated rates of respiratory ailments, post-traumatic stress disorder and other illnesses among people who spent time in the rubble.

About 38,500 people have applied to a compensation fund, and over \$3.9 billion in claims have been approved.

Meanwhile, a subway station destroyed on 9/11 finally reopened Saturday. In June, doors opened at the 80-story 3 World Trade Center, one of several rebuilt office towers that have been constructed or planned at the site.

Victims' families, too, have evolved and grown.

"Even though I never met you," Isabella Del Corral said of her slain grandfather, Joseph Piskadlo, "I'll never forget you."

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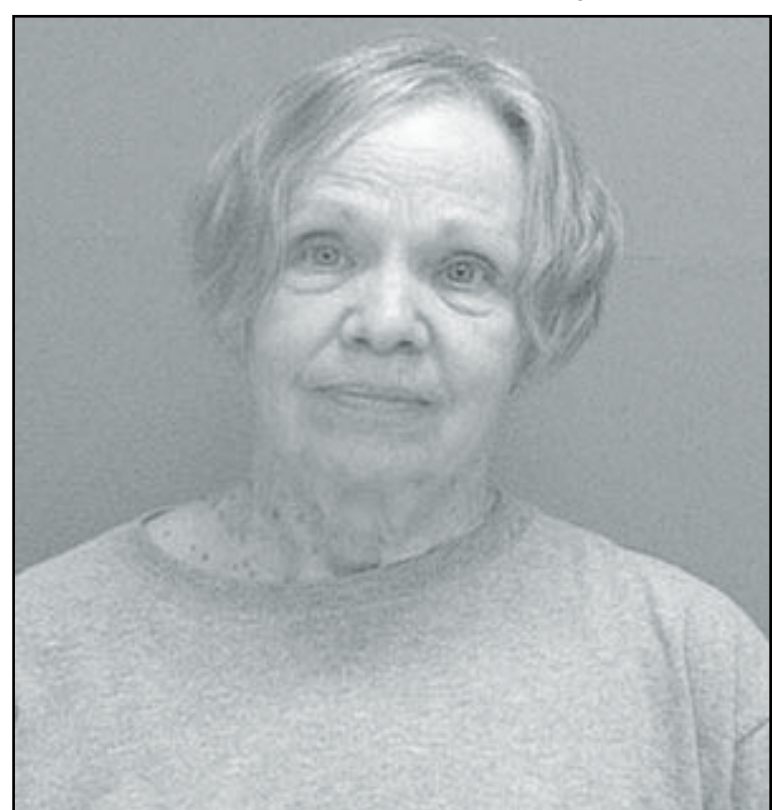
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Elizabeth Smart outraged 1 of her kidnappers to be freed



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In this April 24, 2015, file photo, shows Elizabeth Smart holding a photo of Elizabeth Elena Laguna Salgado during a news conference, in Sandy, Utah. Wanda Barzee, the woman convicted of helping a former street preacher kidnap Smart as a teenager from her Salt Lake City bedroom in 2002 and held her captive, will be released from prison next week.



AP photo

This 2016 photo provided by the Salt Lake County Sheriff's Office shows Wanda Barzee.

By BRADY McCOMBS

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — A woman convicted of helping a former street preacher kidnap Elizabeth Smart in 2002 will be freed from prison more than five years earlier than expected, a surprise decision that Smart called "incomprehensible" on Tuesday.

Wanda Barzee, 72, will be released Sept. 19 after the Utah Board of Pardons and Parole determined it had miscalculated the time she was required to serve in prison, board spokesman Greg Johnson said.

Barzee pleaded guilty to kidnapping Smart and helping keep her captive for nine months before then-teenager was found and rescued.

Smart, now 30, said in a statement she was "surprised and disappointed" to learn that Barzee will be freed next week. She said she's exploring her options and plans to speak publicly in the coming days.

"It is incomprehensible how someone who has not cooperated with her mental health evaluations or risk assessments and someone who did not

show up to her own parole hearing can be released into our community," Smart said.

The board said previously that Barzee would be released in January 2024 after it denied her an early parole following a hearing that she chose not to attend. At that June hearing, the board said Barzee had refused to take a psychological exam.

At the same hearing, her attorney questioned the calculation of her release date. Lawyer Scott Williams said Tuesday he appreciates that the board reviewed it and agreed with his assessment.

Williams said he's not concerned about Barzee being a danger to the community, but declined to say why. Williams has said Barzee has been diagnosed with several mental illnesses.

Smart's abduction from her Salt Lake City bedroom at knifepoint by a man who came in through an open kitchen window triggered waves of fear around the country.

Smart was found while walking with Barzee and Mitchell on a street in the suburb of Sandy, Utah, by peo-

ple who recognized the couple from media reports.

Mitchell is serving a life sentence after being convicted of kidnapping and raping Smart. He and Barzee were married at one point.

Barzee has been in custody for a total of 15 years from the time she was arrested in March 2003. She was convicted of both state and federal crimes. She was transferred to the Utah state prison in April 2016 after finishing a federal sentence in Texas.

Smart, now married with two children, has written a book about the ordeal and helped make a Lifetime movie and documentary. She is now a child safety activist who regularly gives speeches.

She said in her statement she appreciates the support she's receiving and vowed to work to address the issue of Barzee's release so the same thing doesn't happen again.

Barzee will be under federal supervision for five years.

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with Israel as the reason for closing the Palestinian Liberation Organization office in Washington, although the U.S. has yet to present its plan to resolve the Israel-Palestinian conflict.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said the U.S. administration made the right choice.

"Israel supports the American actions that are meant to clarify to the Palestinians that their refusal to negotiate and attempts to attack Israel in international forums will not promote peace," he said in a statement at the end of Jewish New Year holiday.

The Palestinians accuse the Trump administration of dismantling decades of U.S. engagement with them by blatantly siding with Israel. They say that given the recent moves by Washington, a pending U.S. peace plan will be dead on arrival.

The closure of the PLO office was the latest in a series of moves targeting the Palestinians. Just last month, it canceled more than \$200 million in aid for projects in the West Bank and Gaza as well as the remainder of its planned assistance for the U.N. agency that helps Palestinian refugees around the Middle East. Over the weekend, it announced it would cut \$25 million in assistance for hospitals in east Jerusalem that provide critical care to Palestinian patients.

"We don't want confrontation with the U.S., by the way, but how can anyone with all these American decisions, Trump's decisions, believe that these people can be honest brokers, facilitators in any peace process? They are no longer partners in the peace process," Erekat said.

He said Israel should be held ac-

countable for its plans for the Khan al-Ahmar encampment, a West Bank hamlet that has focused attention on what critics say is the displacement of Palestinians by Israel. European countries urged Israel this week to refrain from demolition.

Israel says Khan al-Ahmar was illegally built and has offered to resettle residents 12 kilometers (7 miles) away. But critics say it's impossible for Palestinians to get building permits and that the demolition is meant to make room for an Israeli settlement.

Israel's Supreme Court rejected an appeal last week, paving the way for demolition.

Palestinian activists put up several trailers early Tuesday in protest. Abdallah Abu Rahmeh said the white shipping containers, one with a Palestinian flag, were a message to Israel that "it's our right to build on our land."

Meanwhile, the Palestinian envoy to Washington said his staffers have been given a month to pack up after the U.S. punished them for what the State Department called the Palestinian leadership condemnation of "a U.S. peace plan they have not yet seen."

Husam Zomlot told The Associated Press the closure of the PLO mission would not deter Palestinians from seeking a state with east Jerusalem as the capital.

Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas halted ties with the Trump administration in December after the U.S. recognized contested Jerusalem as Israel's capital. The U.S. embassy was later moved there from Tel Aviv.

Zomlot was called home by Abbas in the spring as part of the crisis.

"We lost the U.S. administration but we gained our national rights," Zom-

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so wet that a swath from South Carolina to Ohio and Pennsylvania could get deluged.

People across the region rushed to buy bottled water and other supplies, board up their homes or get out of town.

A line of heavy traffic moved away from the coast on Interstate 40, the main route between the port city of Wilmington and inland Raleigh. Between the two cities, about two hours apart, the traffic flowed smoothly in places and became gridlocked in others because of fender-benders.

Only a trickle of vehicles was going in the opposite direction, including pickup trucks carrying plywood and other building materials.

Service stations started running out of gas as far west as Raleigh, with bright yellow bags, signs or rags placed over the pumps to show they were out of order. Some store shelves were picked clean.

"There's no water, there's no juices, there's no canned goods," Kristin Harrington said as she shopped at a Walmart in Wilmington.

At 2 p.m., the storm was centered 845 miles (1,360 km) southeast of Cape Fear, North Carolina, moving at 17 mph (28 kph). It was a potentially catastrophic Category 4 storm but was expected to keep drawing energy from the warm water and intensify to near Category 5, which

means winds of 157 mph (253 kph) or higher.

"This one really scares me," National Hurricane Center Director Ken Graham said.

Federal officials begged residents to put together emergency kits and have a plan on where to go.

"This storm is going to knock out power days into weeks. It's going to destroy infrastructure. It's going to destroy homes," said Jeff Byard, an official at the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Forecasters said parts of North Carolina could get 20 inches of rain, if not more, with as much as 10 inches elsewhere in the state and in Virginia, parts of Maryland and Washington, D.C.

One trusted computer model, the European simulation, predicted more than 45 inches in parts of North Carolina. A year ago, people would have laughed off such a forecast, but the European model was accurate in predicting 60 inches for Hurricane Harvey in the Houston area, so "you start to wonder what these models know that we don't," said University of Miami hurricane expert Brian McNoldy.

Rain measured in feet is "looking likely," he said.

The storm forced people to cut their vacations short along the coast.

Paula Matheson of Springfield, Oregon, got the full Southern experience during her 10-week RV vacation: hot weather, good food, beautiful beaches and, finally, a hurricane evacuation.

Florence interrupted

her stay on North Carolina's Outer Banks. It took Matheson and her husband nearly the whole day Monday to drive the 60 miles off the barrier island.

"It was so beautiful. The water was fabulous. Eighty-five degrees," Matheson said, pausing a moment. "I guess that's a big part of the problem."

Florence could slam the Carolinas harder than any hurricane since Hazel, which hit in 1954 with 130 mph (209 kph) winds. The Category 4 storm destroyed 15,000 buildings and killed 19 people in North Carolina.

In the six decades since, many thousands of people have moved to the coast.

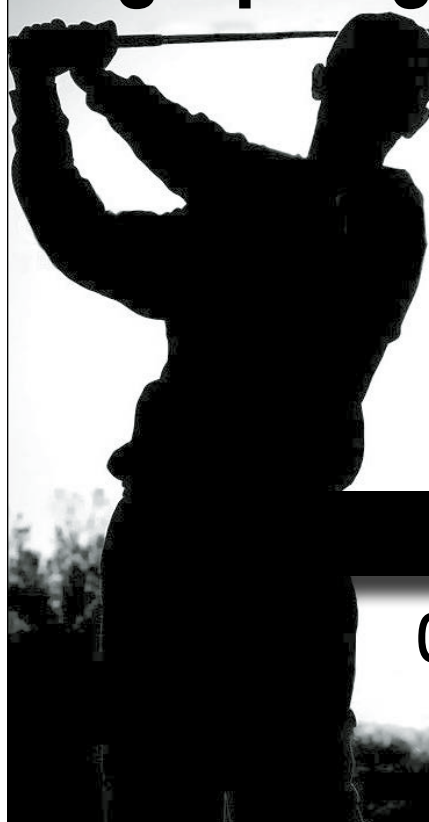
Florence's projected path includes half a dozen nuclear power plants, pits holding coal-ash and other industrial waste, and numerous hog farms that store animal waste in huge lagoons.

Duke Energy spokesman Ryan Mosier said operators would begin shutting down nuclear plants at least two hours before hurricane-force winds arrive.

North Carolina's governor issued what he called a first-of-its-kind mandatory evacuation order for North Carolina's fragile barrier islands from one end of the coast to the other. Typically, local governments in North Carolina make the call on evacuations.

"We've seen nor'easters and we've seen hurricanes before," Cooper said, "but this one is different."

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Lady Steers lose hard fought match to Andrews after tough weekend on the road

By JORDAN PARR

Sports Editor

After tough losses to Seminole and Midland Lee this past weekend on the road, the Lady Steers couldn't get the victory Tuesday night against the Lady Mustangs.

Logan Terrazas and Kayleigh Penny played great over the weekend, leading the Lady Steers in kills, with seven each, and in digs, with 14 and 18 respectively. Ryen Terrazas added another seven kills and a team leading five blocks over the weekend with Keila Yanez, Hannah Bell and Kalyn Whitehead rounding out the majority of the offense with three kills a piece. Olivia Bancroft, Keila Yanez, Hayden Bell, Robyn Evans, Hannah Bell and Mackenzie Rodriques all played great team defense. They each added 3 or more digs over the weekend as well.

Despite losing both games over the weekend, head coach Hittid Bell was encouraged by her teams play headed into Tuesday nights matchup with Andrews.

"The girls really fought hard against those two teams (Seminole and Midland Lee). Our ladies had so many great hustle plays that were all about heart and fight in those games. We were ahead, at some point, in each set of those matches, but we just let them get a few runs on us and couldn't hold them off. But we played together and with a lot of heart and energy so we are building confidence as we move forward" said coach Bell of her teams performance headed into the game against the Lady Mustangs.

In their rivalry game against Andrews, Big Spring played a great opening set. The Lady Steers tied the Lady Mustangs 17-17 before the Lady Steers on a five point run. Big Spring answered with a three point run of their own to get back in the set at 20-22. Unfortunately disaster struck on the third of the three points when Lady Steers' standout Kayleigh Penny landed on an Andrews' player's foot at the net and



Tony Claxton (www.claxtonphotography.com)
Big Spring's Kayleigh Penny gets a hit during the Lady Steer's loss to Andrews on Tuesday, September 11, 2018.

injured her knee. The Lady Mustangs closed out the set 25-20 with Penny out of the game and ladies looked back.

In the second set, Big Spring tried to regain their form but the rotation shift caused by the absence of Penny really seemed to throw off their rhythm for the rest of the match and they dropped the second set 25-14.

Despite the score, the Lady Steers kept fighting and made Andrews earn their points not giving up very many points on unforced errors and keeping volleys alive throughout. The third set was very similar to the second as the Lady Mustangs took the set 25-13 but Big Spring made them earn it. The ladies really played hard and fought for every point despite missing one of their key players and having to adjust to a completely different rotation.

Even though they lost in three straight sets, the Lady Steers really fought hard and played with and for each other the entire match.

Logan Terrazas led the way for Big Spring with eight kills, six digs and two aces in the match. Despite playing only the first set, Kayleigh Penny had four kills, two blocks and five digs in the match before she was injured. After her injury, all the Lady Steers stepped up their game and really tried to fill that void.

Olivia Bancroft added five assists and two digs, Amber Martinez had two kills and two digs, Keila Yanez had four kills and two blocks, Hayden Bell and Robyn Evans each had three digs, Hannah Bell added two aces with 12 assists and nine digs, Ryen Terrazas had one kill with two aces and two digs, Mackenzie Rodriques had a team high ten digs, Kalyn Whitehead had a key block, Marissa Aguilar had three kills and one dig with Gabby Lopez rounding out the team effort with two digs.

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Altuve hits leadoff homer, Astros power past Tigers 5-4



AP photo

Houston Astros' Jose Altuve hits a leadoff solo home run against the Detroit Tigers in the first inning of a baseball game in Detroit, Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2018.

By DAVE HOGG

Associated Press

DETROIT — For five innings, the Houston Astros were one pitch away from blowing an important game.

Their relievers never gave the Tigers that pitch.

Five Houston relievers threw shutout innings, and the Astros' three early homers held up in a 5-4 victory over Detroit on Tuesday night.

"None of those guys had a margin of error," Houston manager A.J. Hinch said.

Houston maintained a three-game lead over the Oakland Athletics in the AL West.

Jose Altuve homered on the first pitch of the game, and the Astros hit two more homers in the first four innings to go up 5-0.

Houston starter Framber Valdez, though, couldn't maintain that big lead.

Valdez allowed four runs in the bottom of the fourth, includ-

ing a three-run homer by JaCoby Jones. That ended his night and started a parade from the Houston bullpen.

Will Harris (4-3) struck out the side in the fifth, allowing one walk, and Joe Smith pitched a perfect sixth.

Hector Rondon gave up two hits in the seventh but got out of the jam, and Collin McHugh and Roberto Osuna retired the last six batters in order. Osuna struck out rookie Christin Stewart to end the game and earn his 17th save in 18 opportunities.

"It's hard to pick which was my favorite reliever of the night, because they all came in and were effective," Hinch said. "The way the game started, I didn't expect a bullpen day, but I looked up and it was suddenly a one-run game."

Jordan Zimmermann (7-7) allowed five runs on six hits in five innings. He walked one and struck out three.

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Summers to defense for No. 15 TCU an impressive switch

By STEPHEN HAWKINS

AP Sports Writer

FORT WORTH, Texas — Ty Summers was an all-district, dual-threat quarterback in high school, accounting for nearly 3,800 total yards and 47 touchdowns as a senior.

Since he started playing for No. 15 TCU, Summers has been on the other side, chasing quarterbacks and making tackles all over the field.

"It's fun having the ball and all, but it is fun to be able to chase these guys and throw them on the ground a little bit," Summers said with a smile.

After three seasons as primarily a linebacker, Summers started the first two games of his senior season as the right end in TCU's 4-2-5 defense. The 6-2, 235-pound Summers has a quarterback sack in each of those games.

"He's a Swiss-army knife. I think you can do anything with Ty Summers," senior safety Niko Small said Tuesday. "He's so athletic, he's so strong and big. ... I think just the hard work and dedication and the leadership he puts in, it allows him to do the things we need to have him do for us."

When the Frogs (2-0) play No. 4 Ohio State (2-0) on Saturday night, Summers could be playing linebacker again with the expected return of senior end L.J. Collier, who missed the first two games.

While Summers isn't a prototype defensive end, coach Gary Patterson mentioned Jerry Hughes, a 6-2 end who was a first-round draft pick



AP photo

TCU linebacker Ty Summers laughs while speaking with reporters during the Big 12 NCAA college football media day in Frisco, Texas.

out of TCU in 2010 and is now in his ninth NFL season. Patterson quickly clarified that he was "not saying he's Jerry Hughes," but talked about the smartness, quickness and experience of Summers.

Summers remembers playing defensive end when he was about 10 years old, but had no other real experience on defense until getting to TCU with Patterson, the defensive-minded head coach who often converts offensive skill guys into standout defenders.

"I'd play nose guard if I could come play for a Big 12 team, and so the fact that I was able to play linebacker, which is something that I also saw myself potentially playing, and other schools thought the same thing, I kind of settled with the idea," Summers said. "To be able to play in a position that he saw that I'd be successful at, apparently I guess he was right. I found some success."

The Frogs were looking for a linebacker to fill out their 2014 recruit-

ing class when Patterson spoke with Summers' high school coach about the player who had already committed to Rice.

"He played quarterback, so he could communicate. ... He was one of the last guys that we committed," Patterson said. "Usually if you can get anybody with a little bit of football sense, has some intelligence, they know how to work hard, good person, has the framework to be able to be big and do it, you've got a chance for that guy to get a chance to be a good player."

Summers has been more than just a good player in 43 games for TCU.

His 278 career tackles are the fourth-most in Patterson's 18 seasons as head coach, 65 shy of matching former teammate Travin Howard for the most. As starting linebackers together in 2016, they were top two Big 12 tacklers — Howard with 130 and Summers with 121.

The 26 career starts by Summers (23 at linebacker, three at end) are the most among current Frogs, as are his tackles — nearly twice as many as Small's 141, which are the second-most in 25 starts.

"I think No. 42 (Summers), I don't know his name, is one of the better players in the country," Southern University coach Dawson Odums said after his team lost its season opener at TCU. "We're not talking about this ballgame. I'm talking about in the country — NFL, college, high school — he's one of the best."

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By Steve Becker

A backward defensive play

North dealer.
East-West vulnerable.

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♠ 5
♥ K 10 8 2
♦ J 9 3
♣ A K J 10 5

WEST
♠ J 10 7 4 3
♥ 5
♦ A 7 6 2
♣ 9 6 2

EAST
♠ A Q 9 6 2
♥ 9 4 3
♦ K Q
♣ 8 7 3

SOUTH
♠ K 8
♥ A Q J 7 6
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♣ Q 4

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North	East	South	West
1 ♠	1 ♠	2 ♥	2 ♣
3 ♥	Pass	4 ♥	

Opening lead — jack of spades.

Assume you hold the East hand and are defending against four hearts. You win the opening spade lead with the ace as declarer follows with the eight. How do you continue?

To defeat the contract, your side needs to take three more tricks. You must therefore construct a lie of the cards that will allow you to achieve that goal.

Looking at dummy, it is obvious that your side will not get another spade trick, nor will you take any club tricks. Furthermore, there is an excellent chance that dummy's clubs

will furnish South with five tricks, regardless of who has the queen.

Although partner might have the ace of hearts, that will not really help your cause. In that case, the ace of diamonds would have to be in South's hand, which would limit the defense to no more than three tricks — a spade, a heart and a diamond. Conse- quently, that possibility must be dis- missed, leaving you with just one hope — that partner has the ace of diamonds.

Once this conclusion is reached, the only problem remaining is how to cash three diamond tricks before declarer can discard his diamond losers. You can lead the K-Q of dia- monds, but unless partner overtakes the second diamond with the ace and gives you a ruff, a third diamond trick will not be forthcoming. How- ever, partner is not likely to find this play without peeking into your hand. To alert him to the necessity of overtaking the second diamond, something unusual must be done. So, contrary to standard procedure, you lead the queen of diamonds first, fol- lowed by the king.

Partner should have no trouble deciphering the meaning of these plays. Since you have played your diamonds in reverse order — which you would not do with three or more cards in the suit — he should over- take the king with the ace and return a diamond to deliver the killing blow.

Tomorrow: Sylvia strikes again.

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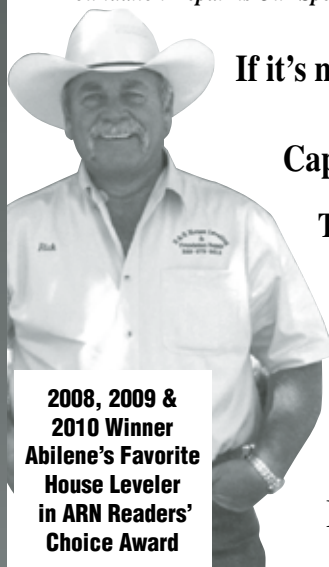
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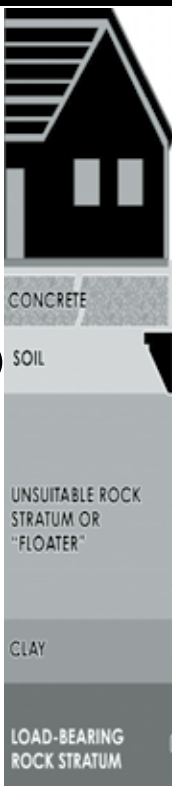
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Stinging Scorpio Moon

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS



Directness is a privilege of intimacy. It might also be a route to it, though it's certainly a risk. If directness is met with defensiveness, an emotional gap will open between people that will have to be bridged before any close relationship could ensue. Just something to consider before you speak up under the stinging Scorpio moon.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It might be strange to think of competition as a social skill, but its purpose is key to our social structures. Today's competitive interaction will help you decide how best to spend your time and who best to spend it with.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Talk can be cheap and it can be expensive, too. The value depends on who's buying it and what they are willing to give for it. Mostly, you'll pay in attention, which you're likely to give to those who talk less, not more.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). It's as if you're standing on the intersection of life pushing the "walk" button, unsure if it will actually have an influence on the traffic pattern. The jury's out on that one, but you're better off pressing than doing nothing.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). If what the Dalai Lama said is true, and the aim of spiritual practice is to become a friend to all beings, then it makes no sense to spiritually evolve to dislike someone or a group, and there is no such thing as righteous hatred.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You may find that you keep asking the same question to which

you already have the answer. That's because you don't like the answer. Either prove it wrong, or accept it so you can move on to better questions.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll do the noble thing, which is to say you'll protect those who are vulnerable and help those who are difficult. Ignore negative attitudes and try to connect with the goodness in others.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You've just about forgotten that someone wronged you, probably because you've trained your focus on the many things they did right by you. This is how you'll continue to bring out the best in others.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Even if it's not technically going so smoothly this morning, a simple nod to the universe will set your day off on the right note. Nothing fancy. "Thanks for everything" will do.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). To some degree, moods are choices. They certainly don't

feel like it. But there's something controllable in them if you're able to take a mental step back and witness your own emotional landscape.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Allow for mutuality. Don't let pride get in the way. If you give too much and don't let anyone give back, people will be robbed of the pleasure of completing the circle of reciprocity.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). One way to clear your mind is to talk it out. But to whom should you talk? Everyone has a bias. Those who love you are the most biased. Perhaps a stranger or a professional will provide the best insight.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). As long as people can change, the world can change. Be the agitator. Someone has to. Without those irritating grains of sand, the world would be bereft of pearls.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Sept. 12). You are learning to feel comfortable wherever you are and to love yourself no matter what. This eliminates the fear

of missing out and the need to grasp at things that will prove your worth. You'll enjoy an easier time in relationships. People trust you and give freely to you. A single big project will stretch the year. Libra and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 2, 5, 11, 15 and 20.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTION: "I was married to a very special person who loved me until the day he suddenly died. We were married 28 years but together for 30 years. Will I find happiness again? I've dated twice in 5 1/2 years and found myself with people I didn't like, much less want a relationship with. I'm a fun, loving person who is younger at heart than my age. I have a lot to offer, and I'm just not finding the right person. 10/25/1946."

How wonderful for you to have had such love in your life for so many years. And wowwie, are you ever a Scorpio! You have the sun, moon, Mercury, Mars and Jupiter all in the intense sign of transformation. If ever there were a person to have a

second "incarnation" of love in your life, it's you. What you need is to get everyone in your spiritual environment, including and especially your late husband, on board with your goal to attract someone new. In your mind or in a letter, talk to your late husband about helping bring in someone interesting, solid and fun into your life. I see November being a magical time for your personal life.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: It's out of the bag. Jennifer Hudson will play the Jellicle cat Grizabella in movie project based on the staged musical "Cats." The Grammy and Academy Award winner is a hard-working, health-conscious Virgo with five natal luminaries in artistic and diplomatic Libra. Should this talented participant in political events and functions at the White House ever decide to go into politics, she'd do very well.

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Annie's Mailbox

'Throwback Thursday' Pix Anger Friend

Dear Annie: "Lisa," a friend with whom I went to high school, got rhinoplasty -- aka a nose job -- between high school and college. Don't ask me why; I think she had a beautiful face beforehand, but that's a tale for another letter. I'm writing to you about a disagreement that's come up between her and me recently.

I love posting "Throwback Thursday" photos on social media. I do it pretty much every Thursday. Lisa and I were basically attached at the hip in high school, so naturally, a lot of my pictures include her. They also include her old nose -- and this is what Lisa takes issue with.

One time, after I made a post, she texted me, "Take that down!" I thought she was joking, so I laughed off her text. About a month later, I posted another photo that she was in. Then she sent me a much longer text, saying I had disrespected her wishes and made her

feel embarrassed. I told her I never meant to make her feel bad -- that those old photos make me feel happy, which is why I share them. I thought we reached an understanding. A few months later, I posted a group photo, which she was in. That's when she went nuclear. Now she's not speaking to me. Annie, was I wrong? -- Thrown Off

Dear Thrown Off: When you look at these photos, you see snapshots of fond memories. When your friend looks at these photos, all she sees are "before" pictures. That's a shame. It seems that she is still carrying a lot of insecurity about her looks and her surgery. Let's hope she makes peace with that. If you want to keep peace with her until then, avoid posting old photos of just her or the two of you. It is her likeness, after all, and not every memory needs to be shared with the whole world. Sometimes it's better to treasure them privately.

Dear Annie: "Not a

Trash Eater" complained about her husband's remark that she could retrieve a tomato core from the trash and suck on it if she was that upset at him for throwing it in the trash. And here I was thinking she was going to complain that he had put the core in the trash rather than the compost. Tomayto, tomahto?

In any case, tomato cores are considered safe to eat, but many of us have been trained to remove the core. Regardless of one's preferences, their disagreement could be respectfully discussed and perhaps lead to some positive changes. -- Composter

Dear Composter: I'm printing your letter because composting is a great option for making use of organic food scraps. According to Berkeley Wellness, 95 percent of food scraps end up in landfills. Composting is a much better option for the environment -- and a great way to generate rich soil for your garden. For more information, visit

<https://www.epa.gov/recycle/composting-home>.

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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!

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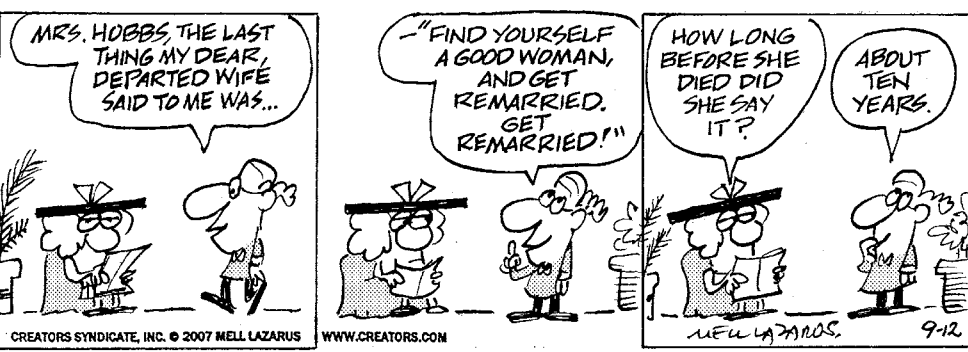
ONE BIG HAPPY



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This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, Sept. 12, the 255th day of 2018. There are 110 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 12, 1942, during World War II, a German U-boat off West Africa torpedoed the RMS Laconia, which was carrying Italian prisoners of war, British soldiers and civilians; it's estimated more than 1,600 people died while some 1,100 survived after the ship sank. The German crew, joined by other U-boats, began rescue operations. (On September 16, the rescue effort came to an abrupt halt when the Germans were attacked by a U.S. Army bomber; as a result, U-boat commanders were ordered to no longer rescue civilian survivors of submarine attacks.)

On this date:

In 1846, Elizabeth Barrett secretly married Robert Browning at St. Marylebone Church in London.

In 1914, during World War I, the First Battle of the Marne ended in an Allied victory against Germany.

In 1953, Massachusetts Sen. John F. Kennedy married Jacqueline Lee Bouvier (boovee-AY) in Newport, Rhode Island.

In 1958, the U.S. Supreme Court, in Cooper v. Aaron, unanimously ruled that Arkansas officials who were resisting public school desegregation orders could not disregard the high court's rulings.

In 1959, the Soviet Union launched its Luna 2 space probe, which made a crash landing on the moon. The TV Western series "Bonanza" premiered on NBC.

In 1960, Democratic presidential candidate John F. Kennedy addressed questions about his Roman Catholic faith, telling the Greater Houston Ministerial Association, "I do not speak for my church on public matters, and the church does not speak for me."

In 1977, South African black student leader and anti-apartheid activist Steve Biko (BEE-koh), 30, died while in police custody, triggering an international outcry.

In 1986, Joseph Cicippio (sih-SIH-pee-oh), the acting controller at the American University in Beirut, was kidnapped (he was released in December 1991).

In 1987, reports surfaced that Democratic presidential candidate Joseph Biden had borrowed, without attribution, passages of a speech by British Labour Party leader Neil

Kinnock (KIHN-ik) for one of his own campaign speeches. (The Kinnock report, along with other damaging revelations, prompted Biden to drop his White House bid.)

In 1992, the space shuttle Endeavour blasted off, carrying with it Mark Lee and Jan Davis, the first married couple in space; Mae Jemison, the first black woman in space; and Mamoru Mohri, the first Japanese national to fly on a U.S. spaceship. Police in Peru captured Shining Path founder Abimael Guzman. Actor Anthony Perkins died in Hollywood at age 60.

In 1994, a stolen, single-engine Cessna crashed into the South Lawn of the White House, coming to rest against the executive mansion; the pilot, Frank Corder, was killed.

In 2012, the U.S. dispatched an elite group of Marines to Tripoli, Libya, after the mob attack in Benghazi that killed the U.S. ambassador and three other Americans. President Barack Obama strongly condemned the violence, and vowed to bring the killers to justice; Republican challenger Mitt Romney accused the administration of showing weakness in the face of tumultuous events in the Middle East.

Ten years ago: A Metrolink commuter train struck a freight train head-on in Los Angeles, killing 25 people. (Federal investigators said the Metrolink engineer, Robert Sanchez, who was among those who died, had been text-messaging on his cell phone and ran a red light shortly before the crash.) Hurricane Ike began battering the Texas coast. Grand Ole Opry star Charlie Walker died in Hendersonville, Tenn. at age 81.

Five years ago: Omar Hammami, an American who became one of Somalia's most visible Islamic rebels, was killed by rivals in the al-Qaida-linked extremist group al-Shabab. The U.S. space agency NASA announced that Voyager 1, launched 36 years earlier, had crossed a new frontier, becoming the first man-made spacecraft ever to leave the solar system. American inventor Ray Dolby, 80, founder of

Dolby Laboratories, died in San Francisco.

One year ago: Crews worked to repair the lone highway connecting the Florida Keys, where 25 percent of the homes were feared to have been destroyed by Hurricane Irma; more than 9 million Floridians, or nearly half the state's population, were still without power in the late-summer heat. Seattle Mayor Ed Murray announced

that he was resigning amid sex abuse allegations. Gay rights pioneer Edith Windsor, whose landmark Supreme Court case struck down parts of a federal anti-gay-marriage law, died in New York at the age of 88.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Freddie Jones is 91. Actor Ian Holm is 87. Former U.S. Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., is 79. Actress Linda Gray is 78. Singer Maria Muldray is 76.

Actor Joe Pantoliano is 67. Singer-musician Gerry Beckley (America) is 66. Original MTV VJ Nina Blackwood is 66. Rock musician Neil Peart (Rush) is 66. Actor Peter Scolaro is 63. Former Kansas Gov. Sam Brownback is 62. Actress Rachel Ward is 61. Actress Amy Yasbeck is 56. Rock musician Norwood Fisher (Fishbone) is 53. Actor Darren E. Burrows is 52. Rock singer-

musician Ben Folds (Ben Folds Five) is 52. Actor-comedian Louis (loo-ee) C.K. is 51. Rock musician Larry LaLonde (Primus) is 50. Golfer Angel Cabrera is 49. Actor-singer Will Chase is 48. Actor Josh Hopkins is 48. Country singer Jennifer Nettles is 44. Actress Lauren Stamile (stuh'-MEE'-lay) is 42. Rapper 2 Chainz is 41. Actor Ben McKenzie is 40. Singer

Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS**
- 1 River blocker
 - 4 Dads
 - 9 Common dog biscuit shapes
 - 14 Memorable period
 - 15 Praise highly
 - 16 Get out of bed
 - 17 Horse's track record
 - 20 Woodwind instrument
 - 21 Fit for purchase
 - 22 Fire-starting twigs
 - 25 Part of the psyche
 - 26 Altar assent
 - 29 ___ in "Stockholm"
 - 30 Gone With the Wind home
 - 33 Flew like an eagle
 - 35 Wide-mouthed wine bottle
 - 37 Edible ice-cream container
 - 38 Right now
 - 42 Mr. Flintstone
 - 43 Filled in at the office
 - 44 Condensed story
 - 47 Assign stars to
 - 48 Faux ___ (misstep)
 - 51 Parisian pal
 - 52 "In what way?"
 - 54 Slow walk
 - 56 Train stop
 - 60 Shortest-named continent
 - 61 Part of some pro football trades
 - 65 Change formally
- DOWN**
- 11 Club for approach shots
 - 12 "Cancel" PC key
 - 13 Comprehend
 - 18 Actor Danson
 - 19 Dustcloths
 - 23 Flight board figs.
 - 24 Very hard to find
 - 27 Fender ding
 - 28 Poem of tribute
 - 31 Go on a tirade
 - 32 Fairy tale closer
 - 34 Scored 100 on
 - 35 Relinquish legally
 - 36 Actress Watson or Stone
 - 38 Strait-laced
 - 39 Enroll
 - 40 Selects, with "for"
 - 41 Intersect
 - 42 Meds-monitoring agcy.
 - 45 Pottery fragments
 - 46 Lug around
 - 48 Assumes to be true
 - 49 Pop singer Keys
 - 50 Satisfied, as thirst
 - 53 Shoebox datum
 - 55 Kanye West's music
 - 57 Melody
 - 58 Top-selling cookie
 - 59 Prefix meaning "billionth"
 - 61 Fidget spinners, for example
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 - 63 Enemy
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Texas A&M QB Mond looks to build on big game against Clemson

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

COLLEGE STATION, Texas — Texas A&M quarterback Kellen Mond turned heads by throwing for a career-high 430 yards as the Aggies came just short of knocking off No. 2 Clemson.

Despite his strong performance Mond knows he must improve this week against Louisiana-Monroe before the Aggies begin SEC play at top-ranked Alabama on Sept. 22.

"Still have a lot of work to do with me and a bunch of other positions," he said. "Really looking forward to a new week to get better."

The expectations were high for Mond from the moment he arrived on campus. Some recruiting services named him the top dual-threat quarterback in the nation after a senior season at IMG Academy in Florida, where he threw for 1,936 yards and 20 touchdowns and ran for 775 yards and more 18 scores.

He is off to a great start this season after an up-and-down freshman year where he started eight games while Nick Starkel was injured but lost his job late in the season when Starkel

returned. His offseason development and growth under new coach Jimbo Fisher helped him beat out Starkel to nab the starting job.

Mond's work has helped the Aggies average 629.5 yards of offense, which ranks third in the nation. The yards he put up against Clemson were the most by an Aggie against a top-five team since Johnny Manziel had 464 in a 49-42 loss to Alabama in 2013.

All his three touchdown passes last week came in the second half, the last one coming on a 14-yard throw to Kendrick Rogers that cut the deficit to 28-26 with 46 seconds left. Mond's 2-point conversion attempt was intercepted in the end zone.

Clemson coach Dabo Swinney raved about what Mond did against his defense, which features two first-team All-Americans on the line and a third who was named to the second team.

"I was really impressed by their

quarterback," he said. "When I watched him on tape, I said: 'This kid has a lot of moxie; he's going to be a tough out.' And he was ... he's a heck of a player."

Fisher said his quarterback has plenty of great qualities, but what he likes best is that he's always trying to get better. Each time he came off the field on Saturday he'd talk to the coaches about why he did what he did and why it was right or wrong. He discussed the different looks he was seeing and asked for advice on how to do things better on the next drive.

"His composure and his ability to process information I thought was outstanding as far as how he was seeing things and communicating with us on the sideline," Fisher said.

Mond has become a more vocal leader this season, but Fisher said he's been one of the best leaders on the team since he took over simply be-

cause of the way he conducts himself. Mond can often be found at the facility late at night studying film. Fisher said he's consistently one of the hardest workers at practice.

He also shines as an example to other players because of his ability to take coaching, even if it's unpleasant.

"He's messing up at practice and (I'll) chew (him) out and be getting on him and riding him and he just says: 'Yes sir, this is how we've got to do it,'" Fisher said. "Not throwing a fit, not getting mad. Taking coaching. Doing the things he's got to do of being an example for them so when it happens to you you need to do it, too."

When Mond is questioned about his work he often deflects such queries with talk about his weapons on offense. He raves about the work of junior running back Trayveon Williams and a young group of receivers led by sophomores Quartney Davis, Rogers and Camron Buckley.

"I think the really good part about this offense is ... just having that trust and that versatility in the offense keeps everybody together knowing that anybody can make a play on any down," Mond said.



ASTROS

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"I just didn't have my best stuff," he said. "My fastball command wasn't there, so my first pitch wasn't where I wanted it and Altuve's a great hitter. It seems like my starts lately have been very good or very bad."

Detroit got four scoreless innings from its bullpen.

"Those guys did a fantastic job of keeping us in the game," Tigers manager Ron Gardenhire said. "They've got so many great arms in their bullpen, though, and we could never get one more big hit."

After Altuve gave Houston the early lead, Tony Kemp hit a two-run homer in the second inning.

Tyler White hit Houston's third homer, a two-run shot into the Astros bullpen with one out in the fourth.

"We try to get runs any way we can," White said. "Altuve starting the game with a homer was an unbelievable way to get us going, and then Kempie came up with a big swing."

The Tigers scored all their runs with two outs in the fourth. With runners on the corners, Dawel Lugo hit what looked like a routine grounder to short, but the ball took a bad hop and went over Carlos Correa's head for an RBI single.

Jones then lined a 3-1 fastball into the left-field stands for his 11th homer of the season.

"I needed to refocus after the bad hop, because that's something I can't control," Valdez said through a trans-

lator. "It's just something that happens."

Jones came into the game hitting .183 with 51 strikeouts in his last 40 games but managed five homers during the slump.

"He can always hit a baseball a long way," Gardenhire said. "The problem comes when he tries to hit home runs. That screws him up, and he starts chasing. When he stays in the strike zone, he's a good hitter."

Houston missed a chance to add to its lead in the seventh.

Louis Coleman hit the first two batters, and a passed ball moved the runners to second and third with one out. Gardenhire intentionally walked Correa, loading the bases, and brought in lefty Daniel Stumpf.

Stumpf got Josh Reddick to pop out

and was immediately replaced by right-handed Victor Alcantara. Tyler White hit a hard grounder to third and was originally ruled safe after Jeimer Candelario didn't field the ball cleanly. However, a replay review showed the throw beat White to first, ending the inning.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Astros: Kemp stayed in the game after being hit on the right elbow by a pickoff attempt from Zimmermann. Alex Bregman (leg) and Yuli Gurriel (arm) both needed attention after being hit by Coleman.

UP NEXT

The teams finish the three-game series on Wednesday afternoon with Detroit's Daniel Norris (0-3, 5.47 ERA) facing Houston's Gerrit Cole (13-5, 2.86).



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Big Spring's Hayden Bell digs the ball out for a pass to the front row during the Lady Steer's loss to Andrews on Tuesday, September 11, 2018.



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Big Spring's Logan Terrazas stretches out to put the ball over the net during the Lady Steer's loss to Andrews on Tuesday, September 11, 2018.

LADY STEERS

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Every one of these ladies contributed and played hard the entire match and never stopped fighting no matter the score.

"Penny plays all the way around for us. She leads the team in kills sometimes and in digs other times, so it was definitely a change we weren't expecting. That said, I think our ladies did a good job of trying to adjust, and Marissa (Aguilar) came in and gave great effort trying to fill that role for us. Penny is a key player for us, she keeps the energy up and calls plays so losing her was kinda like losing our quarterback and that's a hard thing to replace. But our ladies got out there and competed and that's a positive for us" said head coach Mitzi Bell about losing Kayleigh Penny to injury in the first set.

Big Spring will close out their preseason with tough matches on the road against Odessa Permian this Friday and Abilene Wylie next Tuesday before starting district play at Steer Gym on

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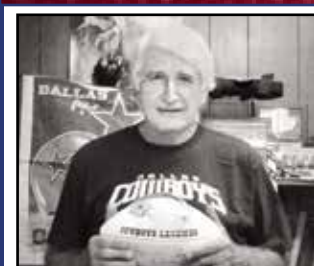
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