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Dueling pianos at the Settles



HERALD file photo
A musician with the South Plains Jazz Band tickles the ivories at 2017's Silver Wings Ball at the Hotel Settles. The Settles will be the site of some more fine piano music during the upcoming Howl at the Moon Dueling Piano event, scheduled Feb. 14 from 6 to 10 p.m.

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Centers serve as the designated local authority for mental health and intellectual and developmental disabilities through a contractual relationship with the Texas Department of State Health Services, Texas Department of Aging & Disability Services, and Texas

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By AMBER MANSFIELD
 Staff Writer

Celebrate Valentine's Day with a Dueling Piano event in the Historic Grand Ballroom of the Historic Settles, Feb. 14, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

This romantic and festive evening includes a dinner buffet, entertainment by Howl2GO Dueling Pianos, and roses for the ladies.

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famous dueling pianos are hitting the road to provide phenomenal entertainment for events across the country!

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Howard County Teen Court seeks director

By ROGER CLINE
 Staff Writer

Do you have a passion for helping young people succeed? Would you like a part-time job building a program to help teens stay out of trouble? You might be just who the Howard County Teen Court is looking for.

"We are advertising and putting out the call for our director position," said Big Spring ISD Truancy Officer and Teen Court Board President Dana Rodriguez. "We have a couple of resumes that have been turned in, they heard us on the radio talking about it."

Rodriguez said the Teen Court was recently re-established after several years out of operation.

"Howard County Teen Court had been around years ago," she said. "It was approved to be re-established earlier this year by the Big Spring City Council, and members of the Howard County Teen Court Board of Directors have been continually working hard to get the program started."

According to the job de-

scription sent out by Rodriguez for the executive director's position, the director "Will have overall strategic and operational responsibility for Teen Court programs, expansion, and execution of its mission."

"Responsibilities include meeting with teens, parents, judges, attorneys, etc.; holding Teen Court sessions twice per month in the evenings, attend juvenile court hearings, speak at various schools to solicit teen volunteers, facilitate board meetings, organize fundraiser(s), approximately 12 office hours per week," says the job description.

"Right now, it is a part-time job, and we hope that it goes into a full-time job. Right now, it is part time because we're just starting," said Rodriguez. "It's going to be very much a growing job. As we get going and as things grow, it will grow into a full-time job. I would actually like to see the program grow into a two- or three-person job, but because of funding right now we're starting small."

Rodriguez said the position

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Fresh Outa Big Spring Tour



By ANNA GUTIERREZ
 Staff Writer

Coahoma native DJ CJ Pimp is starting his Fresh Outa Big

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at 308 Price St.; show begins at 8 p.m.

"We're still in the early stages right now," says DJ CJ Pimp. "If everything goes right, we're hoping to set up shows all over Texas."

DJ CJ says he's been rapping for about three years but has really started taking it seriously within the last year. He's been doing shows and open mics for other people, but after hosting a local rap battle and the success of that, he decided to start and host his own show.

"This tour will feature other local artists," says DJ CJ. "I'm trying to bring the rap scene to Big Spring because I know there's really not one here. Hopefully we can take this out of Big Spring and make some fans in oth-

er areas, too."

Other artists that will be performing are Ketchup, OG Thunchoo, Flare, Antonio Blokka, N-Do and Loetz. For more information, you can contact DJ CJ Pimp at 432-213-7304, or follow him on social media @cjpimp1996.

Contact Staff Writer Anna Gutierrez at 432-263-7331 ext. 232, or by email at citydesk@bigspringherald.com

Watercolors on the walls



HERALD photos/Roger Cline

These photos show a sample of the artwork on display now through Feb. 14 during the Caboose Watercolor Society Winter Art Show at the Heritage Museum of Big Spring, 510 S. Scurry St.



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Obituaries

Jim Coker



Jim Coker, 68, of Sand Springs died Friday, Jan. 25, 2019.

Memorial service will be at 4 p.m. Friday, Feb. 1, 2019, at Midway Baptist Church with Mike Seay, pastor of Midway Baptist Church, officiating.

Jim was born January 6, 1951, at Spur to Francis Hambrick Coker and Haskell Coker. He was a veteran of the Army serving in Vietnam.

Jim is survived by his wife, Annette Coker of Sand Springs; four daughters, Angie Coker of Big Spring, Margie Hamby and her husband Chris of

Big Spring, Crista Darden and her husband Justin of Sand Springs, and Kassi Coker of Big Spring; four sons, Spencer Coker Sr. of Big Spring, Spencer Coker Jr. of Big Spring, Ryan Coker of Big Spring, and Jim Coker of Big Spring; mother, Francis Coker of Big Spring; one brother, Richard Coker and his wife Tiffany of Colorado City; three sisters, Mary Storen and her husband Mike of Big Spring; Sharon Filson of Big Spring, and Laura Coker and her husband Dandy Edens of Big Spring; 14 grandchildren; and 2 great-grandchildren.

In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by one son, Todd Coker; and two sisters, Ruby Hooser and Irene Coker.

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

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• **LANCE WAYNE LAND**, 29, of 1102 Sycamore St., was arrested on charges of escaping while arrested or confined (felony), robbery, and criminal trespassing.

• **ASSAULT** was reported in the 700 block of W. Interstate 20 and the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Boulevard

• **THEFT** was reported at the intersection of N. Hwy 87 & WCR 46, in the 500 block of E. 3rd St, and on N. Hwy 87 next to KV

Power

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 1300 block of Standford Ave.

• **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 900 block of Willia St

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 re-

port.

• **MICHAEL LEE WHITE**, 22, was booked by HCSO on a warrant of sexual abuse of a child continuous

• **LANCE WAYNE BIDDLE**

LAND, 29, was booked by BSPD on charges of escaping while arrested or confined (felony), robber and criminal trespassing

Take Note

• Come enjoy some hot, fresh pizza and help the Coahoma ISD eighth-grade Academy Leadership class raise funds for their summer educational trip to Philadelphia. The fundraiser will be held from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., Monday, Feb. 11, at Pizza Inn. Ten percent of the night's sales and all tips and donations goes to help fund the summer trip.

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

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

• Maranatha Baptist Academy, 903 Johnson Big Spring, Texas 432-213-1046, Call today for educational needs. In School, High School graduation, Tutoring, homeschool. We are qualified to help you with your child's education, kindergarten through twelfth grade. Come by or give us a call. Open enrollment.

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

Duties include working in the gift shop, delivering newspapers to inpatients, hospitality services, popcorn and more.

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

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

• The Homeownership Preservation Foundation (HPF) is an independent national nonprofit dedicated to helping distressed homeowners navigate financial challenges and avoid mortgage foreclosure. If you want to stop mortgage foreclosure and are need of help, the time to call 888-995-HOPE is now. HPF can provide counseling free of charge, in English and 170 other languages, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. For free foreclosure help, call the hotline.

• The Howard County Democrats will meet the second and fourth Monday of each month at 5:30 pm. at the Howard County Democratic Headquarters, 1408 Scurry, behind Prosperity Bank .

• The Emergency Services Chaplains Corps is seeking volunteer chaplains. The corps provides spiritual services to Howard County residents and visitors in crisis situations. Prospective chaplains

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don't require any specific experience or education to qualify for the position, just a calling from God and a willingness to devote time to the program, which requires a 24- to 30-week training program and dedication of one day per week for emergency call-outs. Those interested should contact Senior Chaplain Joel Miller at 432-213-1221.

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

• Food 2 Kids Big Spring needs you! It is time to start sacking food for Big Spring elementary students who do not receive adequate food over the weekends. Members of the community can be a part by volunteering to sack the food. It just takes a couple hours of your time and the work is very rewarding. To volunteer, just show up at the time and dates listed. For more information, call, 432-935-0713.

If you want additional information about getting your child on this program please contact your child's school. The next sacking event will be February 4 and 5 at the old Lakeview High School, 1107 NW 7th St, at 5:30 p.m.

• Each week Kindred offers free health checks from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Corner House Coffee Shop, 1701 Scurry St.

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

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

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

• Howard County Republicans meet the second Monday of each month. Club members meet in the Cactus Room at Howard College at 11:30 a.m. for Dutch treat lunch and meeting at 12 p.m.

• The Christensen-Tucker Post-2013 Veterans of Foreign Wars meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 pm at 500 Driver Road. For more information, contact David Leonard, Post Commander, at 432-816-6004. All combat veterans of foreign wars are invited to come.

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Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1500 block of Sycamore. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center

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

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported was reported in the 600 block of Sgt. Paredez. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported was reported in the 100 block of Pettus. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1000 block of S. Johnson. No transport required.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported was reported in the 1400 block of Grafa. No transport required.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 800 block of W. Interstate 20. No transport required.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 400 block of Scurry. No transport required.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported 2500 block of Broadway. No transport required.

• **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported 1400 block of E. Hwy 350. No transport required.

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.

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

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

• Bring Everyone Into The Zone, or BEITZ Support Group, is a veteran-based peer group. The purpose of the group is to provide peer-to-peer support to service members, veterans and families, especially those suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injury (TBI), military sexual trauma (MST) and other traumatic events in their lives. BEITZ meets every Thursday at 6 p.m. t 501 Birdwell Lane. For more information, email francisco.garza@wtc-mhmr.org, or call 432-268-3003.

• GriefShare is a Biblical support group that focuses on helping people who are dealing with a loved one's death. Each DVD session features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories, followed by small group discussion about the topics presented (with workbook support). Meetings are weekly, every Thursday, at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Call Vivian Gordon at 432-466-3583 for more information.

FRIDAY

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

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

SATURDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. Covered dish supper at 7 p.m.

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DIRECTOR

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comes with an office, which will be located at the BSISD Administration Building.

- Qualifications for the post include:
- Unwavering commitment to quality programs and data-driven program evaluation;
 - Excellence in organizational management with the ability to coach teens and manage a budget;
 - Past success working with a Board of Directors with the ability to cultivate existing board member relationships;

- Strong marketing, public relations, and fundraising experience with the ability to engage a wide range of stakeholders and cultures;
- Strong written and verbal communication skills; a persuasive and passionate communicator with excellent interpersonal and multidisciplinary project skills;
- Action-oriented, entrepreneurial, adaptable, and innovative approach to business planning;
- Ability to work effectively in collaboration with diverse groups of people;
- Passion, idealism, integrity, posi-

tive attitude, mission-driven, and self-directed.

An associate's degree or higher is preferred, as is at least two years' experience with a non-profit organization or similar situation.

"We would really like to have the person in place by the end of February," Rodriguez said.

Teen Court is also looking for volunteers to step up and help out with the program.

"We need adult volunteers who are going to serve as, like, bailiffs and court-appointed people," she said. "We need college kids to help be lawyers. We need people who are going

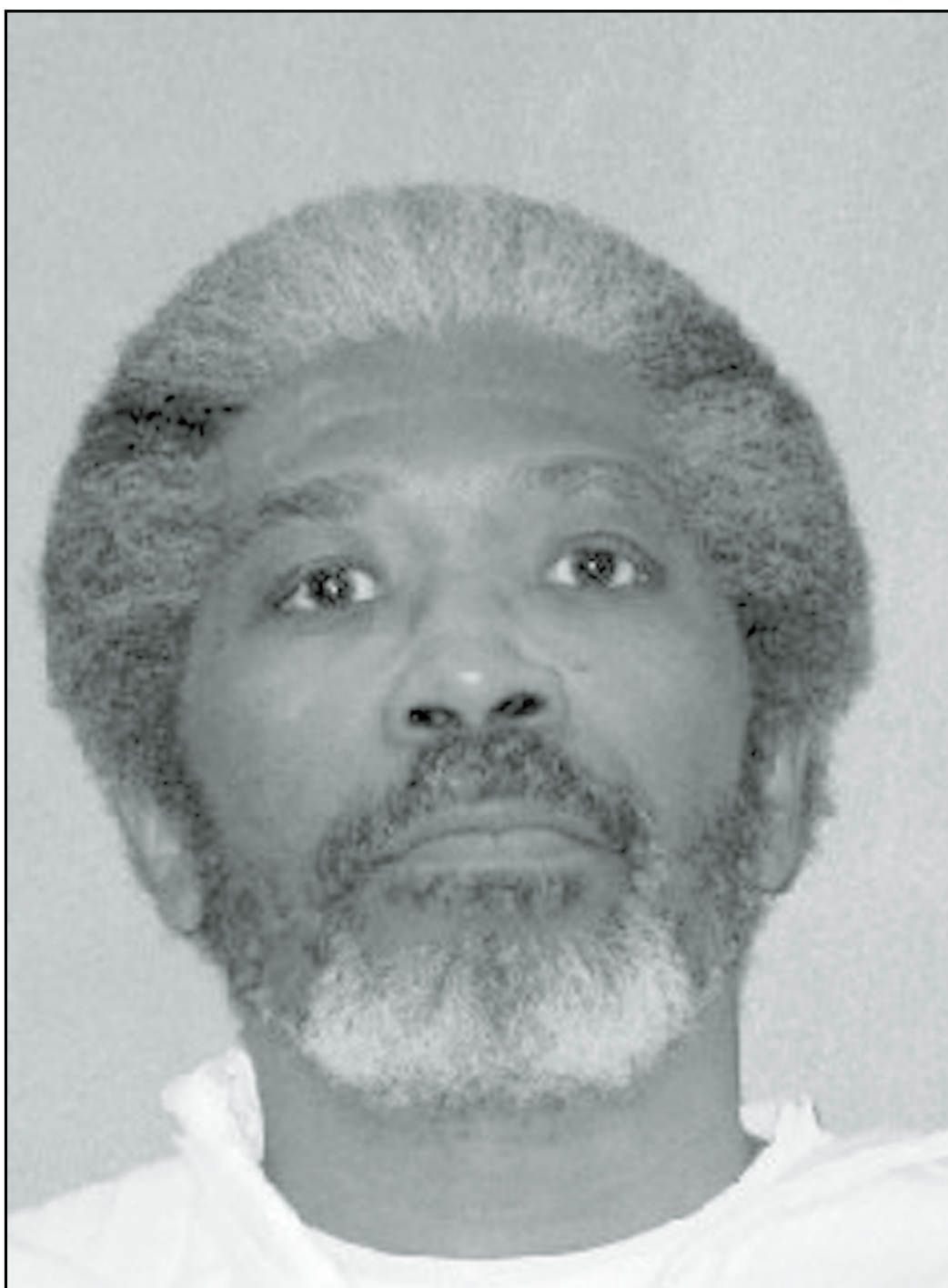
into speech and debate, thinking about politics. This is a great avenue. It looks great on a resume or a scholarship application. So we need adults and kids as far as volunteer workers. It takes a lot of people to run a courtroom."

For more information, contact Rodriguez at 432-264-3622 ext. 1111, or Brenda Tubbs with the Juvenile Probation Office at 432-264-2240.

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

Texas inmate set to be executed for Houston officer's death

AP photo
This undated photo released by Texas Department of Criminal Justice shows death row inmate Robert Jennings. The 61-year-old Texas man on death row was set to be executed Wednesday, Jan. 30, 2019, for killing a Houston police officer more than three decades ago. Jennings would be the first inmate put to death this year both in the U.S. and in Texas, which is the nation's busiest capital punishment state. Jennings was condemned for the July 1988 slaying of Houston Police Officer Elston Howard during a robbery of an adult bookstore.



By **JUAN A. LOZANO** and **MICHAEL GRACZYK**

Associated Press

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — A 61-year-old Texas inmate was set to be executed Wednesday for killing a Houston police officer more than three decades ago during a robbery.

Robert Jennings was condemned for the July 1988 slaying of Officer Elston Howard during a robbery at an adult bookstore.

Jennings would be the first inmate put to death this year both in the U.S. and in Texas, which is the nation's busiest capital punishment state.

His attorneys have asked the U.S. Supreme Court to delay the execution, arguing Jennings' trial attorneys failed to ask jurors to fully consider evidence — including details of his remorse for the officer's shooting, troubled childhood and possible brain damage — that might have spared him a death sentence.

Jennings got an execution stay in 2016. Lower appeals courts have rejected his request to delay Wednesday's execution and the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles has turned down Jennings' request to commute his sentence.

A twice convicted robber, Jennings had been on parole for about two months when prosecutors say he entered Mr. Peeper's Bookstore with the intention of robbing the business. Since being paroled, Jennings had gone on a crime spree, committing about 10 robberies, including having already robbed the adult bookstore 12 days before Howard's slaying.

The 24-year-old Howard was in the middle of arresting the store clerk for operating a pornographic video arcade without a permit when Jennings shot the officer twice in the head.

Howard, who had been wearing a jacket with the words "Houston Police" on it, staggered for a few feet before falling to the ground, where he was shot

twice more by Jennings. The clerk later testified the shooting was so quick, Howard never had a chance to unholster his gun.

Jennings was arrested hours later when he went to a Houston hospital after being shot in the hand by his accomplice, who got angry at Jennings for shooting the officer.

Joe Gamaldi, the president of the Houston Police Officers' Union, said Jennings has spent more time on death row than Howard was alive.

Howard "was an honorable man full of integrity who did his job. He was absolutely one of the best and he was just taken entirely too soon by this animal who murdered him in cold blood," Gamaldi said.

After his arrest, Jennings confessed to killing Howard, telling police in a tape-recorded statement he was remorseful about what happened and would "face what-

ever punishment (he had) coming."

Edward Mallett, one of Jennings' current appellate attorneys, said the inmate's trial attorneys failed to present sufficient evidence of his remorse as well as his history of brain damage, being abused as a child and drug addiction. He said the trial attorneys also failed to provide an instruction to jurors that would have allowed them to give sufficient weight to these aspects of Jennings' life when they deliberated.

Mallett said a prior appellate attorney also failed to argue these issues in earlier appeals.

"There has not been an adequate presentation of his circumstances including mental illness and mental limitations," Mallett said.

Jennings' trial in 1989 took place just as the Supreme Court issued a ruling that faulted Texas' capital sentencing statute for not allowing jurors to consider evidence supporting a sentence less than death.

The Texas Legislature changed the statute to address the high court's concerns but that took place after Jennings was convicted.

The Texas Attorney General's Office called Jennings' claim he had ineffective lawyers at his trial and during earlier appeals "specious," and said appeals courts have previously rejected allegations his personal history was not adequately investigated and presented at his trial.

"My hope is that on Wednesday (Howard's family gets) the closure that they've been searching for for 30 years," Gamaldi said.

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Dorothy Darling, 83, died Thursday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Jim Coker, 68, died Friday. Memorial service will be at 4 p.m. Friday at Midway Baptist Church.

Hayzel Jesusita Ruiz, 3 days, died Saturday. Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Carol Rains, 75, died Saturday. Graveside service will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Mary Helen Escovedo, 54, of died Sunday. Vigil services will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

PIANOS

Texas inmate set to be executed for Houston officer's death

Department of Assistive & Rehabilitative Services.

If you really want to help or really want to go big for Valentine's Day? Settles is also offering a platinum package. Which will include roses for the ladies and Champagne on arrival. Also it includes a luxury accommodations and breakfast in the Settle's Grill before departing the next day.

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Texas news briefs

Chief: Injured Houston officer shot 3 times in line of duty

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston's police chief says one of four narcotics officers shot while serving a search warrant at a suspected drug house has been struck by gunfire two other times during his career.

Police Chief Art Acevedo said Tuesday that the 54-year-old police supervisor, whose name hasn't been released, was also shot in 1992 and 1997. Acevedo didn't provide details of the other shootings.

Acevedo says that the officer told him in a note that he had to go into the house Monday after his colleagues were shot because he knew his "guys were down."

Acevedo described the officer as "tough as nails." He says: "The only thing bigger than his body, in terms of his stature, is his courage."

Two suspects were killed during the raid.

Top Harris County official questions \$105M Houston Astrodome plan

HOUSTON (AP) — The top official in the county home to the Houston Astrodome is raising questions about a \$105 million plan to redevelop the long-vacant sports stadium into a parking garage and events venue.

The Houston Chronicle reports that Harris County Judge Lina Hidalgo questioned the project's costs last week after learning the funding doesn't include air conditioning. Hidalgo says she's making sure the plan is fiscally responsible for the iconic stadium that hasn't housed a professional sports team for nearly two decades.

County Engineer John Blount says air conditioning was never part of the initial cost, but will be pursued later.

County commissioners last year approved the renovations that include 1,400 parking spaces and upgrades for music festivals and other events. Crews began preparing the stadium for redevelopment in October.

Trial opens for man charged with abducting 2 Texas sisters

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Prosecutors say a man who abducted two sisters and is suspected of killing their mother had moved into their Central Texas home to help look after the girls.

Terry Allen Miles is on trial for kidnapping charges for allegedly abducting the girls and fleeing to Colorado in December 2017.

Prosecutors said during opening statements Tuesday that Miles admitting taking the girls. His attorneys say Miles was protecting the pair from their mother's chaotic and illicit lifestyle.

Defense attorneys say Miles had no part in the death of the girls' mother. Investigators have said the woman was found dead from apparent blunt force trauma at her home in Round Rock. The officer who found her was conducting a welfare check after she didn't show up at work.

Authorities say Miles was found days later in a remote area of southern Colorado.

Judge: Texas man accused in hazing death must give phone passcode

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — A judge says a former Louisiana State University student charged in the alcohol-related hazing death of a fraternity pledge must give prosecutors the passcode to his seized cellphone.

The Advocate reports the judge ruled Monday that 20-year-old Matthew Alexander Naquin of Fair Oaks Ranch, Texas must give prosecutors the phone's password. The East Baton Rouge Parish District Attorney's Office confiscated the phone but had been unable to access its content because it's password-protected.

Naquin is charged in the death of 18-year-old Max Gruver of Roswell, Georgia. Gruver died last year after a Phi Delta Theta hazing ritual that required pledges to chug hard liquor.

Naquin is scheduled to stand trial July 8. Ryan Matthew Isto and Sean-Paul Gott have pleaded no contest to misdemeanor hazing in Gruver's death.

ACLU slams Texas' findings on potential non-citizen voters



AP photo
In this May 1, 2018, file photo, Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton speaks at a news conference in Austin, Texas. Civil rights groups are asking Texas officials to walk back a letter that questioned the citizenship of thousands of voters and prompted President Donald Trump to renew unsubstantiated claims of rampant voter fraud. Paxton told supporters in a fundraising email Monday, Jan. 28, 2019, that many of those people could have become citizens and voted legally.

By PAUL J. WEBER

Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Civil rights groups demanded Monday that Texas officials walk back their recent suggestion that tens of thousands of non-citizens may have voted in the state since 1996, an announcement that spurred President Donald Trump to renew unsubstantiated claims of rampant voter fraud.

The ACLU, along with a dozen other voter and minority rights groups, sent state election officials a letter calling the state's method for identifying non-citizens "deeply flawed" and warning that local officials who took voters off their rolls based on those records risk violating federal law.

The backlash came after the Texas secretary of state's office announced Friday that 95,000 people identified as non-citizens in the state's driver's license and ID databases appeared to match individuals in voter registration records. About 58,000 of those people voted in at least one election, state officials said.

Trump seized on the announcement over the weekend, tweeting: "58,000 non-citizens voted in Texas, with 95,000 non-citizens registered to vote. These numbers are just the tip of the iceberg. All over the country, especially in California, voter fraud is rampant. Must be stopped. Strong voter ID!"

But on Monday, several Texas county election chiefs said they didn't know how many of these alleged matches would hold up once they investigated.

Even Republican Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton, a Trump ally who said last week his office

was ready to prosecute cases, told supporters in a fundraising email that "many of these individuals may have been naturalized before registering and voting, which makes their conduct perfectly legal."

Nearly 16 million people in Texas are registered to vote. The potential non-citizen matches found by the state go back as far as 1996, said Sam Taylor, a spokesman for the Texas secretary of state's office.

Taylor said Monday that his office used "our strongest possible matching criteria to make sure each of the matches was the same person." He said that although county election chiefs were instructed Friday in a written advisory to treat the names as "WEAK matches" while they investigate, Taylor said it did not "mean the criteria used to match the names was weak."

But voting rights groups remain skeptical about the list, which has not been made public.

"The methodology your office apparently employed to identify such voters looks deeply flawed, and its origins and intent are highly suspect," the letter reads.

Lisa Wise, the election administrator in El Paso County along the U.S.-Mexico border, said she received a list of 4,100 potential non-citizens. She said her office would investigate, but that after a first scan she could tell all of the names wouldn't hold up.

Wise said that at naturalization ceremonies for new U.S. citizens, her office registers between 150 and 200 to people alone.

"Anything is possible," she said. "But I can tell just from our list, and I don't know what anyone else's looks like, but I can tell that universe is going to continue to shrink."

Delay in producing evidence may delay school shooting trial

GALVESTON, Texas (AP) — The trial of a Texas school shooting suspect may be delayed for a year as federal investigators have yet to deliver key evidence, prosecutors said Monday.

The disclosure came at a 10-minute status conference in a Galveston courtroom where, by closed circuit video from jail, Dimitrios Pagourtzis made his first public appearance since his arrest at Santa Fe High School. The 18-year-old student is accused of a May 18 rampage at the school that left 10 people dead

and 13 wounded.

Galveston County District Attorney Jack Roady told state District Judge John Ellisor that his staff still awaits a "substantial amount of evidence" from the FBI and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. The defense team said they'd be ready for trial this year.

About three dozen of the victims' family members attended the hearing. Some wept as the proceedings unfolded with the shooting suspect onscreen, and one woman fled the courtroom in

tears.

Ellisor set another status hearing in about three months, at which point Roady said he expected to have the evidence developed by the federal agencies.

The defense team has asked Ellisor to move the trial from Galveston, citing publicity surrounding the case that could prejudice potential jurors and prevent a fair trial. Prosecutors said they would respond to the change-of-venue motion by Friday, at which point a hearing on the motion could be scheduled.

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Police say man who killed 3 also stole \$210K from his family



SANFORD, Fla. (AP) — A Florida man killed his parents and brother after he was kicked out of his home and accused of stealing \$210,000 from his family to send to a woman he had met on a porn website, according to a sheriff's office.

Grant Amato, 29, has been charged with three counts of first-degree murder in the deaths of his parents, Chad and Margaret Ann Amato, and brother Cody.

Seminole County Sheriff's Office deputies found the victims' bodies Friday in their Chuluota home after a co-worker reported that Cody Amato had not shown up for work.

Grant Amato was arrested and ordered held without bail Monday.

According to an affidavit, Cody Amato's girlfriend told deputies Grant Amato had stolen \$60,000 and guns from his brother. She said Grant Amato had recently been kicked

out of a training program to become a nurse anesthetist and stole the money to talk to a Bulgarian woman he met online. She also said Cody Amato told her he was afraid Grant "would kill everyone."

Another brother, Jason Amato, told investigators Grant had stolen \$150,000 from their father, including a loan taken out on his parents' house, and had sent the woman over \$200,000 in a three-month period.

In an interview with investigators, Grant Amato said he had argued with his parents over his relationship with the woman he met through an adult website in June, and that his parents told him he could have no contact with her if he wanted to continue living at their home.

Amato said he began a 60-day internet- and sex-addiction treatment program in Fort Lauderdale in late December at his

parents' request, but he left Jan. 4.

"Grant Amato initially agreed to the rules his father had set, but he didn't think they were fair because he felt that the Bulgarian female was his girlfriend and they had a relationship," the affidavit said.

According to the affidavit, in response to seeing crime-scene pictures of his parents and brother, Amato said "his family had been blaming him for months for ruining their lives ... so he might as well be blamed for this, too."

"There's some issues there, I think we have some mental health issues," Jeffery Dowdy, Amato's public defender, told WOFL-TV.

Amato is scheduled for arraignment March 26.

The Orlando Sentinel reported that last year, authorities responded twice to calls about Amato's behavior.

In June, Orlando po-

lice responded to AdventHealth Orlando, where he worked as a nurse, about a report of a suicidal person. Officers said Amato did not meet the criteria to be held for observation as a danger to himself or others, but he was arrested on a grand theft charge for allegedly stealing vials of Propofol, a powerful sedative.

Amato said he took the drug for patients who were not "adequately relaxed by doctor-ordered medication," according to a police report. Prosecutors opted against filing charges against him.

On Dec. 20, his mother and brother reported that Amato was missing, depressed and possibly suicidal after losing his job and failing out of school. They also told deputies Amato had access to guns.

Jail records did not show whether Amato had an attorney.

In this Jan. 28, 2019 photo made available by the Seminole County Sheriff's Office, Grant Amato is under arrest. Amato killed his parents and brother after he was kicked out of his home after stealing \$210,000 from his family to send to a woman he had met on a porn site. Amato has been charged with three counts of first-degree murder.

AP photo

FBI finds no specific motive in Vegas shooting

By KEN RITTER and MICHAEL BALSAMO

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS (AP) — A high-stakes gambler who rained a hail of gunfire down on a crowd of country music fans, killing 58, took any specific motive for the 2017 attack to his grave, the FBI said Tuesday as it concluded the investigation into the deadliest mass shooting in modern U.S. history.

The agency found no "single or clear motivating factor" to explain why Stephen Paddock carried out the attack from his suite in a high-rise casino hotel. The 64-year-old fatally shot himself as police closed in.

"It wasn't about MGM, Mandalay Bay or a specific casino or venue," Aaron Rouse, the agent in charge of the FBI's Las Vegas office, told The Associated Press. "It was all about doing the maximum amount of damage and him obtaining some form of infamy."

The finding was contained in a long-awaited report compiled by the FBI's Behavior Analysis Unit, a group of experts who spent months examining several factors that might have led to the rampage.

"This report comes as close to understanding the why as we're ever going to get," Rouse said.

Almost 900 people were hurt during the Oct. 1, 2017, attack on an outdoor concert.

Paddock wanted to die in infamy, inspired in part by his father's reputation as a bank robber who was once on the FBI most wanted list, the report said. In many ways, he was similar to other active shooters the FBI has studied.

His "decision to murder people while they were being entertained was consistent with his personality," the report said.

The gunman was not directed or inspired by any group and was not seeking to further any agenda. He did not leave a manifesto or suicide note, and federal agents believe he had planned to fatally shoot himself after the attack, according to the report.

Paddock was a retired postal service worker, accountant and real estate investor who owned rental properties and homes in Reno and in a retirement community more than an hour's drive from Las Vegas. He also held a private pilot's license and liked to gamble tens of thousands of dollars at a time playing high-stakes video poker.

His younger brother, Eric Paddock, called him the "king of microaggression" — narcissistic, detail-oriented and maybe bored enough with life to plan an attack that would make him famous. His ex-wife told investigators that he grew up with a single mom in a financially unstable home and he felt a need to be self-reliant.

Police characterized him as a loner with no religious or political affiliations who began stockpiling weapons about a year before the attack. He spent more than \$1.5 million in the two years before the shooting and distanced himself from his girlfriend and family.

He sent his girlfriend, Marilou Danley, to visit her family in the Philippines two weeks before the attack and wired her \$150,000 while she was there. Danley, a former casino worker in Reno, returned to the U.S. after the shooting and told authorities



AP photo

In this Oct. 1, 2017, file image taken from police body cam video released by the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department on July 25, 2018, an armed law enforcement official points his gun while searching for a shooter in Las Vegas. The FBI has concluded its investigation into the deadliest mass shooting in modern U.S. history without determining a motive. The FBI makes the conclusion in a report given to The Associated Press on Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2019. After nearly 16 months, the agency says it can't determine why gunman Stephen Paddock killed 58 people and injured nearly 900 others in October 2017.

that Paddock had complained that he was sick and that doctors told him he had a "chemical imbalance" and could not cure him.

Danley, who is Catholic, told investigators that Paddock often told her, "Your God doesn't love me."

A Reno car salesman told police that in the months before the shooting Paddock told him he was depressed and had relationship troubles, and his doctor offered him antidepressants. Paddock would only accept a prescription for anxiety medication, the salesman said.

Paddock's gambling habits made him a sought-after casino patron. Mandalay Bay employees readily let him use a service elevator to take multiple suitcases to the \$590-per-night suite he had been provided for free. Authorities said he asked for the room, which had a commanding view of the Strip and the Route 91 Harvest Festival concert grounds across the street.

The night of the massacre, Paddock used assault-style rifles to fire more than 1,000 rounds in 11 minutes into the crowd of 22,000 music fans. Most of the rifles were fitted with rapid-fire "bump stock" devices and high-capacity magazines. Some had bipod braces and scopes. Authorities said Paddock's guns had been legally purchased.

Las Vegas police closed their investigation last August, and Clark County Sheriff Joe Lombardo declared the police work complete after hundreds of interviews and thousands of hours of investigative work. Lombardo vowed never to speak Pad-

dock's name again in public.

A separate report made public in August involving the Federal Emergency Management Agency found that communications were snarled during and after the shooting. It said police, fire and medical responders were overwhelmed by 911 calls, false reports of other shootings at Las Vegas casinos and the number of victims.

Hotel security video and police body camera recordings made public in a public-records lawsuit filed by media organizations including the AP showed police using explosives to blast through the door of the 32nd-floor hotel suite where Paddock was found dead.

He left behind nothing that offered an explanation.

"He acted alone. He committed a heinous act. He died by his own hand," Rouse said. "If he wanted to leave a message, he would have left a message. Bottom line is he didn't want people to know."

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Arrests in Brazil dam disaster, dead fish wash up downstream



of Minas Gerais.

Three of the arrested worked for Vale, the company said, adding that it was cooperating with investigating authorities.

A German company that has inspected the dam said two of its employees were arrested. The Munich-based TUEV Sued company declined to specify whether the arrested staff were from its German headquarters or its Brazilian branch.

In ordering the arrests, Minas Gerais state judge Perla Saliba Brito wrote that the disaster could have been avoided.

It's not believable that "dams of such magnitude, run by one of the largest mining companies in the world, would break suddenly without any indication of vulnerability," the judge wrote in the decision, according to news portal UOL.

Authorities said the five will be detained for 30 days while officials investigate possible criminal responsibility.

At a cemetery in Brumadinho, 15 freshly dug graves awaited the remains of some of those killed.

Wailing in grief at the cemetery was the wife of Edgar Carvalho Santos, one of the mining company's workers whose body has been found.

"He did not deserve this, he did not deserve it!" she sobbed.

Friends and family members prevented reporters from approaching the woman.

One woman told Santos' wife that "this was not a tragedy, it's a crime." It was a sign of the growing anger directed at Vale over the disaster.

The company is one of Brazil's largest and a key employer in Brumadinho, but many residents have complained that a siren that should have gone off to warn people to evacuate never sounded.

Military police Col. Evandro Borges told reporters that the official death toll was 65, though more bodies had been recovered Tuesday and that an updated death toll would be provided later in the day. He said 288 people were still missing, most of them Vale employees.

Vale is the world's largest producer of the ore, which is the raw ingredient for steel.

Many employees were eating lunch last Friday when the dam collapsed, burying a cafeteria and other company buildings.

The company's American depository shares on the New York Stock Exchange were up 3 percent Tuesday afternoon on the New York Stock Exchange, to \$11.54 each, after falling nearly 18 percent on Monday.

Friends and relatives attend the burial of Vale SA employee Edgar Carvalho Santos, victim of the collapsed dam in Brumadinho, Brazil, Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2019. Officials said the death toll was expected to grow "exponentially," since no had been rescued alive since Saturday.

By **MARCELO SILVA DE SOUSA and PETER PRENGAMAN**

Associated Press

BRUMADINHO, Brazil (AP) — Brazilian authorities arrested five people Tuesday in connection with a dam collapse that killed at least 65 people and left nearly 300 missing, and dead fish were seen downstream floating at the banks of a river that an indigenous community depends on for food and water.

The dam that held back iron-ore waste, owned and operated by big mining company Vale SA, collapsed on Friday — burying a company cafeteria, other Vale buildings and inundating part of the small southeastern city of Brumadinho.

Grieving relatives of the dead buried some of the victims in Brumadinho and rescue teams continued a delicate search through swaths of muck for more victims or survivors. One official said the death toll was sure to rise.

The dead fish and trash were seen by a reporting team for The Associated Press about 18 kilometers

(11 miles) downstream from the dam along the banks of the Paraopeba River.

The Pataxo Indians living alongside the river who use it to fish, bathe and gather water for the plants they cultivate as food were told by Brazilian environmental officials that they should no longer do so, said Hayo, the village chief who goes by one name.

"We used the river to take baths, to fish, to water our plants and now we can't do any of that," said Hayo, wearing a large feathered headdress and a red and black-beaded neckless. "We can't even water our plants because they say it damages the soil."

Two agents with the Brazilian Institute of Environment and Renewable Natural Resources, the country's environmental enforcement agency, took water samples and talked with tribe members but said they were not authorized to speak about their findings. The agency did not immediately respond to an email seeking comment.

The signs of possible ecological consequences came as the arrests of company workers with links to the dam were made in Sao Paulo and in the state

AP photo

French jihadis will return home, and to prison, from Syria

By **LORIHINNANT**

Associated Press

PARIS (AP) — France's government is preparing for an influx of homegrown jihadis with the departure of U.S. troops from Syria, saying Tuesday that anyone who left to fight for Islamic extremists will go straight to jail.

In an interview with BFM television, Interior Minister Christophe Castaner said that a handful of French jihadis had already returned and more would follow soon. Neither he nor France's foreign ministry confirmed BFM's report that as many as 130 could come back within weeks.

"The Americans are leaving Syria. It's important to keep that in mind," Castaner said. "There are a certain number who are imprisoned because the Americans are there, and they will be freed. They will want to return to France."

The question of what to do with foreigners who joined the Islamic State group has grown increasingly thorny as the U.S. departure looms.

French jihadis made up the largest contingent of European recruits, and in 2015 and 2016 an Islamic State cell of French and Belgian fighters who sneaked in from Turkey attacked Paris and Brussels.

Britain refuses to take back citizens who joined the group and has stripped their citizenship. Other European

countries have remained largely silent about the fate of men and women whom many see as a security threat.

"These are people who have voluntarily joined a terrorist organization ... that has committed attacks in France and continues to threaten us," France's foreign ministry said.

Castaner said all would be jailed immediately in France and face trial, but declined to provide details.

Kurdish authorities in Syria have detained 900 foreign members of the group, and 4,000 family of IS members, according to Ilham Ahmed, a senior Syrian Kurdish official. Russia has taken some of the recruits back and jailed them.

The Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said there are at least 78 French women and children who had recently come out of the last stronghold of IS in eastern Syria. This is in addition to another 65 previously evacuated from other IS held areas and in Kurdish custody. It was not clear if Castaner was also speaking of civilians and families of IS members.

Castaner said a small number had already returned to France, although it's not clear whether they had voluntarily surrendered or were repatriated, or whether he meant fighters or their families.

In April, then-Defense Secretary Jim Mattis said French special forces had joined American troops in Syria.



AP photo

In this file photo dated Friday, Jan. 4, 2019, French Interior Minister Christophe Castaner, at the Interior Ministry in Paris. In an interview Tuesday Jan. 29, 2019, with BFM television, French Interior Minister Christophe Castaner said that a handful of French jihadis had already returned from Syria, and more would follow soon, as France's government prepares for the return of homegrown jihadis with the departure of U.S. troops from Syria.

Greek farmers vow to keep up roadblocks despite court action

THESSALONIKI, Greece (AP) — Farmers blocking a key highway in Greece for a second day to demand tax cuts are vowing to keep up their protest despite a summons for leaders to appear in court for transport disruptions.

Protest leader Rizos Maroudas on Tuesday accused the left-wing government of seeking their prosecution to avoid the embarrassment of ordering their arrest.

He said he and another nine organizers have received summonses for inciting the blockades.

More than 200 farmers with their tractors have blocked the main north-south highway linking Athens and Thessaloniki at Nikaia, outside the northern city of Larissa, forcing long traffic diversions.

Others are threatening similar action elsewhere in Greece.

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Simmons, Mitchell, Doncic headline Rising Stars game



AP photo

Dallas Mavericks forward Luka Doncic (77) listens to head coach Rick Carlisle on the sideline during the first half of an NBA basketball game against the Toronto Raptors in Dallas, Sunday, Jan. 27, 2019.

Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Philadelphia's Ben Simmons, Utah's Donovan Mitchell and Dallas' Luka Doncic were among the 20 players announced Tuesday as participants in this year's Rising Stars game at All-Star weekend.

Simmons is the reigning rookie of the year, and Doncic is the favorite to win that award this season.

For the fifth straight year, the game that features rookies and second-year players will use a U.S. vs. World format.

The U.S. team includes Mitchell, Jarrett Allen of Brooklyn, Marvin Bagley III and De'Aaron Fox of Sacramento, Lonzo Ball and Kyle Kuzma of the Los Angeles Lakers, Jayson Tatum of Boston, Jaren

Jackson Jr. of Memphis, and John Collins and Trae Young of Atlanta.

The world team has Doncic, Simmons, Cedi Osman of Cleveland, Josh Okogie of Minnesota, Lauri Markkanen of Chicago, Rodions Kurucs of Brooklyn, Shai Gilgeous-Alexander of the Los Angeles Clippers, Deandre Ayton of Phoenix, OG Anunoby of Toronto and Bogdan Bogdanovic of Sacramento.

Bogdanovic was the game's MVP last year when the World team beat the U.S. 155-124. The World team is 3-1 in the current format of what was once called the rookie-sophomore game.

The game is Feb. 15. Boston's Kyrie Irving and Dallas' Dirk Nowitzki will be honorary members of the coaching staffs.

Gay's buzzer beater gives Spurs 126-124 win over Suns

By RAUL DOMINGUEZ

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — The San Antonio Spurs mobbed Rudy Gay after his game-winning shot against Phoenix, but that celebration got a cold dose of reality once they hit the locker room.

Gay hit a 21-foot jumper at the buzzer and the Spurs overcame Devin Booker's 38 points to escape with a 126-124 victory Tuesday night, extending the Suns' losing streak to nine games.

"We were really fortunate to win the game," San Antonio coach Gregg Popovich said. "I thought that they outplayed us, outcoached us, out-physicaled us, out-executed us. We had no respect for them or for the game. We didn't play with each other. It was a pathetic performance, and Phoenix got robbed."

The Suns lost their previous four games by an average of 23 points and were without top draft pick Deandre Ayton, but the Spurs needed a clutch shot at the buzzer to win.

"It's a win," Gay said. "I'm not happy about how it happened, but we got a win. That's part of being a good team — you've got to find ways to get wins."

LaMarcus Aldridge had 29 points and 14 rebounds for San Antonio, which is 2-0 on a four-game homestand despite playing without injured DeMar DeRozan. Gay finished with 16 points, five rebounds and five assists.

The Suns lost their 11th straight in San Antonio even as Booker matched his season high in points.

"Dropping nine straight and losing three or four to game-winners, you realize that you have to be locked in the whole game," Booker said. "It's not just the final shot."

Phoenix tied this one with 19.6 sec-

onds remaining. Booker stole a pass from Marco Belinelli and fed Josh Jackson for an uncontested dunk to make it 124-all.

With time winding down, Gay was isolated and pulled up off the dribble for a jumper over Kelly Oubre Jr. on the left wing as the clock expired to help San Antonio avoid an upset.

"Salute to Rudy for hitting that," Oubre said.

The Spurs entered allowing 109.7 points per game, 13th in the NBA, but struggled to contain the Suns. Phoenix had six players score in double figures, including 22 points by Jamal Crawford.

"We're just not as physical as we were when we were really playing well," said San Antonio point guard Derrick White, who had 15 points. "We have moments where we're doing the right things but we haven't been consistent with it."

The Suns were 13 for 29 on 3-pointers and shot 60 percent from the field to turn a 12-point deficit in the third quarter into a near victory.

San Antonio went on a 14-2 run starting midway through the third in taking a 94-82 lead. Phoenix pulled to 96-95 early in the fourth, 106-105 half-way through the period and 119-118 with two minutes remaining.

"We just weathered the storm," Crawford said. "They threw some haymakers at us and we didn't fold. We showed some growth and continue to push forward. We gave ourselves a chance, that's all you can ask for."

The Spurs finished with seven players in double figures, including every starter. Davis Bertans had 17 points and Belinelli scored 17 off the bench.

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AP photo

San Antonio Spurs' Rudy Gay (22) shoots the game-winning basket at the end of the team's NBA basketball game against the Phoenix Suns, Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2019, in San Antonio. San Antonio won 126-124.

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Applications are required
and are available at the Dis-
trict's office, 400 E. 24TH
Street, Big Spring, Texas or
by calling (432) 267-6341.

PSI

Taking Applications for
The following position
Lease Operator
Pay will depend on experi-
ence Benefits include
Health/Dental/Vision/Life In-
surance and Retirement plan
Must have a Valid Driver's Li-
cense that will meet Insur-
ance requirements Please
email resumes to
psi@snydertex.com or come
by 4316 CR 132 Snyder, TX

Help Wanted

Farmworker: 1 temporary
position. 03/15/2019 thru
12/15/2019,
Drive tractors and operate
farm equipment to till soil,
plant, irrigate, spray, and har-
vest crops. Have mechanical
skills perform maintenance
operate farm vehicles on
public roads. 3 mos. experi-
ence, basic literacy reading
and math skills required.
Must have or be able to ob-
tain driver's license within 30
days after hire. Increase or
bonus may be possible de-
pending on experience and
merit.48 hr. /wk., \$12.23 per
hr., free housing. 3/4 work
period guaranteed. Tools &
equip. provided. Transporta-
tion to and from place of re-
cruitment will be paid upon
completion of 50% of work
contract. Job location is at,
James Stewart Farms
Garden City, TX. Apply for
this job at Texas Workforce
Commission 2505 Lakeview
Dr Amarillo, TX
806-358-7481. With job
order# 7362539 or nearest
workforce office with a copy
of this ad.



G & G Roughneck Services
LLC is hiring for CDL drivers.
Pay based on experience.
Pays weekly, uniforms
provided and quarterly bon-
uses available. Contact
Gary Hernandez:
806-559-6095 or
806-200-3734.

Looking for experience LEAD
VALVE TECH.
Sign on bonus contact us at
cyr@callendervalue.com

NEIGHBORS
CONVENIENCE STORE
now hiring cooks, cashiers,
stockers. All Shifts.
Apply at 3315 E. FM 700.

GRAVITY
OILFIELD SERVICES

NOW HIRING

Immediate Openings for
Trans/Vac and Pump Truck
Operators, Hot Oil Unit Oper-
ators, Hazmat Drivers.

Gravity offers competitive pay
depending on experience
with \$2,500 Sign-on-Bonus,
Overtime and a Great Ben-
efit package including medical,
dental, vision, 401(k), life &
disability insurance.

Apply online at
gvtycareers.com or in person
at 5605 N HWY 87 in Big
Spring.

For more information contact:
Anthony Vasquez (Branch
Manager) at 325-575-0115

Now hiring a part-time
reception/administration.
Duties will include phones, fil-
ing, scanning, data entry and
special projects. Word, Excel,
10-key and typing tests re-
quired. Flexible hours – can
work around school sched-
ules. Apply at
9400 S. Service Rd.,
Coahoma, TX, or call
432-394-4604 for more in-
formation.

Now hiring part-time
caregivers for busy Christian
Preschool. Must be depend-
able and able to pass back-
ground and drug screenings.
Apply in person at
118 Cedar Road.

SUPEROD IS LOOKING
FOR TECHS
Clean driving record, Be able
to pass a drug screen,
Willing to travel (overnight at
times), Company vehicle
provided, Health insurance
provided.

All interested applicants need
to pick up an app at our
corporate office. 610 S Main
St Big Spring, TX 79720

Help Wanted

Parkview Skilled Care and
Rehabilitation is now hiring
for the following positions:

*Charge Nurse
*Certified Med Aide
*Certified and Non certified
Nurse Aides
*Dietary Aide (evening shift
12pm-8pm)

We offer:
Sign on Bonus
Competitive Pay
Health, Vision and Dental
401 K
Life and Supplemental
Insurance
Paid Vacation time
Great Family working
environment

You can apply on-line at
www.parkviewnursing.net
or in person at
3200 Parkway Rd.

THIS OUT!

**PART & FULL-TIME
CHILD CARE & VAN
DRIVER POSITIONS
AVAILABLE**

You will receive child care as-
sistance If you are a success-
ful applicant

**CHILD CAREGIVER
Various hours between
7:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.**

**VAN DRIVER
2:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.**

Apply at Jack & Jill
1708 Nolan

Pizza Inn is hiring for
all positions: Cooks, phone
pros, & waitstaff. Apply in
Person 2-5pm Mon-Sun at
700 E. FM 700.

Pizza Inn is now hiring
Delivery Drivers, flexible
hours, full time/part time.
Delivery vehicle provided.
Must be 18+. Must have
clean driving record and val-
id drivers license. Tips paid
nightly. Apply in person at
700 E. FM 700.
\$100 bonus after 30 days of
employment!

The Wood Group is hiring a
Licensed Vocational Nurse
for Crisis Residential facility.
Fulltime M-F (8am to 4pm). A
valid LVN license is required.
Benefit package included. To
apply visit our website
www.thewoodgroup.us and
fax a completed application
to our Human Resource
Dept. 940-767-0466. For
questions call 432-264-2752.

**Plant Operator / Control
Operator - REQ#1801441**

Falcon Power Operating
Company, Big Spring, TX.

This is a multi-level posting.
Candidates may be con-
sidered at either level de-
pending on their level experi-
ence and depth of expertise.

Responsible for the safe,
proper and efficient opera-
tion of the assigned power
plants and process facility.
Responsible for operating
and monitoring plant equip-
ment outside of the control
room. Records operational
data and reports any abnor-
malities. Performs minor
maintenance tasks. All du-
ties are performed in accord-
ance with approved proced-
ures, guidelines and operat-
ing directives in effect. As-
sists in coordinating, direct-
ing and training the assigned
crew. Work is performed with
minimal supervision and Di-
rection from the control oper-
ator.

**Primary Job Duties and Re-
sponsibilities (Essential
Job Functions)**

Read meters and gauges or
automatic recording devices
at specific intervals. Record
data such as temperature of
equipment, hours of opera-
tion, pressures, Voltage load
and generator balance and
power meter readings. Moni-
tor plant performance and en-
sure optimum operating con-
ditions are maintained.

Help Wanted

Assist in the start-up, opera-
tion and shutdown of all
equipment. Assist or perform
start-up of turbine/generators
sets and synchronization and
place them on the grid.

Maintain the wellfield, brine
processing facility, power sta-
tion and control room in a
safe and clean operating con-
dition.

Qualifications

High school diploma or gen-
eral education degree;
demonstrated knowledge of
power plant operations and
outside operator job skills or
equivalent education and ex-
perience. Minimum of one
year of demonstrated com-
petence in outside operator
competencies. Knowledge of
personal computer software
applications, including
spreadsheet, word pro-
cessing and database.

Effective oral and written
communication skills, includ-
ing the use of a radio and
group presentations. Ability to
read and interpret docu-
ments such as safety rules,
operating and maintenance
instructions and procedure
manuals. Ability to write
routine reports and corres-
pondence accurately.

Effective analytical and prob-
lem-solving skills. Ability to
calculate figures and
amounts including percent-
ages, area, circumference and
volume. Ability to apply
concepts of basic algebra
and geometry.

All qualified applicants will re-
ceive consideration for em-
ployment without regard to
race, color, religion, sex,
sexual orientation, gender
identity, national origin, dis-
ability or veteran status.

For additional details related
to performance expectations,
position requirements and
other duties, interested ap-
plicats can apply at:
<https://midamerican.taleo.net/careersection/10061/jobdetail.ftl?job=1801441&lang=en>

Public Notice

DATE OF ISSUANCE:
JANUARY 23, 2019
NOTICE OF OBJECTION
DEADLINE:
FEBRUARY 20, 2019
ADDRESS:
SM ENERGY COMPANY
ATTN: LISA HUNT
6301 HOLIDAY HILL ROAD,
BLDG #1
MIDLAND, TX 79707
PHONE: (432) 848-4833
EMAIL:
LHUNT@SM-ENERGY.COM

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR OFFSITE TRACT PENETRATION POINT

SM ENERGY COMPANY,
[RRC Operator No. 788997]
seeks to be an applicant for a
drilling permit of a horizontal
well in which the penetration
point of such well is located
on an Offsite Tract of an un-
leased mineral owner. As re-
quired by the applicable Field
Rules of the Railroad Com-
mission, SM Energy Com-
pany, as applicant, is re-
quired to give 21 days notice
by certified mail, return re-
ceipt requested to the miner-
al owners of the Offsite Tract.
If applicant is unable to lo-
cate the whereabouts of any
person to whom notice is
due, the applicant may pub-
lish notice of the application.

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

Field: SPRABERRY (TREND
AREA)
Lease/Unit Name: DUSTY
Lease/Unit well No.: 4824LS
Surface Hole Location: 1916'
FSL, 2245' FEL, Section 37,
Block 32, T1N
Penetration Point: 1599' FSL,
2392' FEL, Section 37, Block
32, T1N
County: Howard County,

Public Notice

Texas

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
to PETER RONALD
MURPHY, the unleased min-
eral owner to whom notice is
due, of the Offsite Tract pen-
etration point.

Any objections to the Offsite
Tract penetration point must
be mailed, delivered, faxed or
emailed to the applicant, SM
Energy Company (contact in-
formation set out above), and
to the Railroad Commission
of Texas, at the address, fax
number, or e-mail address
listed below. The objection
must be received before
**February 20, 2019 at 5:00
p.m. CST**, the deadline to ob-
ject.

RAILROAD COMMISSION
OF TEXAS
ATTN: DRILLING PERMIT
UNIT
P.O. BOX 12967
AUSTIN, TX 78711-2967
FAX - (512) 463 - 6780
EMAIL -
SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

#10066 Jan. 23, 30, Feb. 6, &
13, 2019

**RAILROAD COMMISSION
OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION**
DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case
No. 0317568

DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jan
25, 2019
Status/Permit No. 848482
NOTICE OF PROTEST
DEADLINE:
5:00 PM, Mar 1, 2019
Address: Railroad
Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email:
SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the CALLON PETRO-
LEUM OPERATING CO,
[RRC Operator No. 124828]
has made application for a
spacing exception permit un-
der the provisions of Railroad
Commission Statewide Rule
37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code
section 3.37). Applicant
seeks

exception to the lease line
distance requirement be-
cause the Applicant is less
than the
required Rule 37 lease line
distance to an unleased or
non-pooled interest within the
subject unit for the
AMENDED NEW DRILL per-
mit in Sec. 33, Bk. 33 T3N,
T&P RR CO Survey,
A-350, SPRABERRY
(TREND AREA) Field,
HOWARD County, being
18.63 miles NW direction
from
BIG SPRING, Texas.
PURSUANT TO THE
TERMS of Railroad Commis-
sion rules and regulations,
this application may
be granted **WITHOUT A
HEARING** if no protest to the
application is received within
the
deadline. An affected person
is entitled to protest this ap-
plication. Affected persons
include owners of record and
the operator or lessees of re-
cord of adjacent tracts and
tracts nearer to the proposed
well than the minimum lease
line spacing distance. If a
hearing is called, the applic-
ant has the burden to prove
the need for an exception. A
Protestant should be pre-
pared to establish standing
as an affected person, and to
appear

at the hearing either in per-
son or by qualified represent-
ative and protest the
application with cross-exam-
ination or presentation of a
direct case. The rules of
evidence are applicable in
the hearing. If you have any
questions regarding the hear-
ing
procedure, please contact the
Commission's Docket Ser-
vices Department at
(512)463-6848.

If you have questions which
are specific to the Applica-

tion or the information set
forth

in this Notice, please contact
the Commission's Drilling
Permit Unit at rule 37
(512)463-6751.

**IF YOU WISH TO RE-
QUEST A HEARING ON
THIS APPLICATION, AN IN-
TENT TO APPEAR IN
PROTEST MUST
BE RECEIVED IN THE
RAILROAD COMMISSION'S
AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE
ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER,
OR
E-MAIL ADDRESS SET
OUT ABOVE BY Mar 1,
2019 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO
PROTEST IS RECEIVED
WITHIN
SUCH TIME, YOU WILL
LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO
PROTEST AND THE RE-
QUESTED PERMIT MAY BE
GRANTED
ADMINISTRATIVELY.
THIS NOTICE OF APPLI-
CATION REQUIRES PUBLICA-
TION**

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

Lease/Unit Name : WRIGHT
UNIT 40-33

Lease/Unit Well No. : 10SH
Lease/Unit Acres : 690.0
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 1.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :
267.0

Lease Lines : 260.0 F North
L, 626.0 F East L
Survey Lines : 920.0 F North
L, 626.0 F East L
Rule 37 Case No. 0317568
(Dist. 08) Page 1
Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 260.0 F NORTH
L

626.0 F EAST L
Terminus Location
BH County: HOWARD
Section: 40 Block: 33 T3N
Abstract: 1250

Survey: T&P RR
CO/BOYDSTON, J N
Lease Lines: 100.0 F SOUTH
L

1077.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines: 100.0 F
SOUTH L
1077.0 F EAST L

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

This well is to be drilled to an
approximate depth of 8500
feet.

If you have questions regard-
ing this application, please
contact the Applicant's
representative, Ryan Emery,
at (281)589-5200.

#10078 Jan. 30 Feb. 6, 13 &
20, 2019

**RAILROAD COMMISSION
OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION**
DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case
No. 0317566

DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jan
25, 2019
Status/Permit No. 848480
NOTICE OF PROTEST
DEADLINE:
5:00 PM, Mar 1, 2019

Address: Railroad
Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email:
SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the CALLON PETRO-
LEUM OPERATING CO,
[RRC Operator No. 124828]
has made application for a
spacing exception permit un-
der the provisions of Railroad
Commission Statewide Rule
37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code
section 3.37). Applicant
seeks
exception to the lease line
distance requirement be-
cause the Applicant is less
than the
required Rule 37 lease line
distance to an unleased or
non-pooled interest within the
subject unit for the
AMENDED NEW DRILL per-
mit in Sec. 33, Bk. 33, T&P

Public Notice

RR CO Survey, A-350, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 18.63 miles NW direction from BIG SPRING, Texas. PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 (512)463-6751.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Mar 1, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY. THIS NOTICE OF APPLICA-

Public Notice

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

Lease/Unit Name : WRIGHT UNIT 40-33
Lease/Unit Well No. : 1AH
Lease/Unit Acres : 690.0
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 1.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 591.0
Lease Lines : 200.0 F North L, 608.0 F East L
Survey Lines : 860.0 F North L, 608.0 F East L
Rule 37 Case No. 0317566 (Dist. 08) Page 1
Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal
Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 200.0 F NORTH L
608.0 F EAST L
Terminus Location
BH County: HOWARD
Section: 40 Block: 33 T3N
Abstract: 1250
Survey: T&P RR CO/BOYDSTON, J N
Lease Lines: 100.0 F SOUTH L
747.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines: 100.0 F SOUTH L
747.0 F EAST L
Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:
SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres.
This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 8500 feet.
If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Ryan Emery, at (281)589-5200.

#10076 Jan. 30, Feb. 6, 13 & 20, 2019

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION
DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0317567
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jan 25, 2019
Status/Permit No. 848481
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Mar 1, 2019
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email:

Public Notice

SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

NOTICE OF APPLICATION NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the CALLON PETROLEUM OPERATING CO, [RRC Operator No. 124828] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the lease line distance requirement because the Applicant is less than the required Rule 37 lease line distance to an unleased or non-pooled interest within the subject unit for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 33, Bk. 33, T&P RR CO Survey, A-350, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 18.63 miles NW direction from BIG SPRING, Texas. PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling

Public Notice

Permit Unit at rule 37 (512)463-6751.

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

Lease/Unit Name : WRIGHT UNIT 40-33
Lease/Unit Well No. : 2AH
Lease/Unit Acres : 690.0
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 1.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 59.0
Lease Lines : 230.0 F North L, 626.0 F East L
Survey Lines : 890.0 F North L, 626.0 F East L
Rule 37 Case No. 0317567 (Dist. 08) Page 1
Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal
Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 230.0 F NORTH L
626.0 F EAST L
Terminus Location
BH County: HOWARD
Section: 40 Block: 33 T3N
Abstract: 1250
Survey: T&P RR CO/BOYDSTON, J N
Lease Lines: 100.0 F SOUTH L
1407.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines: 100.0 F SOUTH L
1407.0 F EAST L
Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:
SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres.
This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 8500 feet.
If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Ryan Emery, at (281)589-5200.

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Legals

this cause; and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees, devisees, trustees, officers, directors, stockholders, partners, managers or other governing persons of the above named persons or entities, who own or claim some interest in the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause, to-wit:

A TRACT OF LAND OUT OF SEC 42 BK 32, TIN, TRACT 34, WILLIAM B CURRIE ADDN., CITY OF BIG SPRING, HWOARD COUNTY, TEXAS, DESCRIBED MORE FULLY IN THE ATTACHED METES AND BOUNDS:

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$149.24, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and costs thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against JAMES MORALES, PRESCILIANO L. PEREZ AND EUSEVIO G. GALAVIZ and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on NOVEMBER 29, 2016, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. JAMES MORALES, PRESCILIANO L. PEREZ AND EUSEVIO G. GALAVIZ, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 6649 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and Intervenor, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein, and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 4th day of March, 2019 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 18th day of January, A.D. 2019

Jury Padron
Clerk of the District Court
Howard County, Texas,
118th Judicial District.

#10080 Jan. 30 Feb. 6, 2019

Legals

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN AS FOLLOWS:

TO:
MANUEL E VILLA

if living, and if any or all of the above named Defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of such person if he should be deceased, and any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, owning or claiming or having any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause, to-wit:

THE SOUTH 50 FEET OF LOT 1, BLOCK 10, JONES VALEY ADDITION, TO THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS

GEO # B4020007100
PROPERTY ID # R5593

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$1,331.30, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and costs thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against MANUEL E VILLA and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on NOVEMBER 7, 2016, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. MANUEL E VILLA, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is T-6631 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

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You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 4th day of March, 2019 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 18th day of January, A.D. 2019

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cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve
A shadow on the horizon

West dealer.
East-West vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ K 8 7 3
♥ A 8 4
♦ 10 5
♣ Q 7 4 2

WEST
♠ 9
♥ Q 10 9 7 5 2
♦ 6 4 2
♣ 9 8 3

EAST
♥ Q J 10 6 4 2
♦ K J 6 3
♠ A
♣ A 5

SOUTH
♠ A 5
♥ —
♦ K Q J 9 8 7 3
♣ K J 10 6

The bidding:
West North East South
Pass Pass 1♦ 5♦
Opening lead — nine of spades.

The many forms a safety play can take are too great to enumerate. The most common ones are well-known, and are easy enough to learn either through experience or in textbooks devoted to the play of the cards.

The trouble comes when an unusual situation develops that really belongs in the safety-play family, and the declarer is unable to relate it to a previous experience. Unaware that safety measures are necessary, he plunges ahead without taking precau-

tions against a potential danger. As a result, he may sometimes go down in a contract that could have been made.

Take this case where South was in five diamonds. He won the spade lead with the ace and led a diamond. East took the ace and returned a spade. West ruffed, and South had to go down one — but he could have made the contract with the aid of an unusual play.

When declarer first sees dummy, he should realize that the primary threat to his contract is a spade ruff. Given East's opening spade bid, this is certainly a realistic possibility.

After this danger registers on South, he should start looking for a way to protect against the ruff. It should also occur to him that ordinary measures will not avert defeat if West really does have only one spade.

Once declarer is thinking along these lines, it should not take him long to find the solution: Win the spade lead with dummy's king, cash the ace of hearts and discard the ace of spades!

From then on, he has smooth sailing. Dummy leads a diamond, taken by East with the ace. Declarer ruffs the spade return, and West cannot overruff. South then draws trumps and concedes the ace of clubs, and the contract is home safe and sound.

Tomorrow: Larceny of a high order.
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9				2				5
	7	1			6	2		
			9			8	7	
	1			4				
		6				1	4	9
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8	2	7	2	6	8	9	9	1
2	8	8	9	9	1	6	2	7
6	7	1	8	2	2	9	8	9
2	9	9	6	7	8	8	1	1
1	2	8	7	8	6	2	9	9
7	6	2	9	8	9	1	7	8
5	8	9	1	2	2	7	8	4

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BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

MOON OF SOCIAL IMPACT
When you look back, there are characters that stand out as being highly influential in your life, though you wouldn't have guessed it at the time. And presently, there are people around you who are having more of an impact than you think, and you are influencing them more than you know, too. The Sagittarius moon drives this social swirl.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). There is a social adjustment to be made -- an addition or subtraction to help you stay on the road of health. Pinpoint what needs to be done, make a plan and execute it. This won't take time so much as will.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Where the physical space is tight, you can make emotional space. Think: passengers on a plane who wear headphones. Where emotional space is tight, make physical space.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You could distill things down to dollars and cents, but it wouldn't be an accurate assessment of the situation -- far from it. In fact, mostly the situation is about invaluable things.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You're not about to use guilt as a tactic. While it may work well enough, it's just not an emotion you want people to feel. Either they get you, or they miss out. Guilt doesn't need to play into the equation in the least.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). While many can do what they're told, fewer can figure it out on their own and even fewer can see the opportunity on their own and then figure it out from there. You're in the final category, and without much competition.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The hard worker will win against the "gifted" person every time. And if you have both going for you in a category, it's something to bank on. Believe in yourself, and put your resources behind it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your friends are the ones who stand by you when you need it, when you don't, when you're right, and when you're wrong. Your best friends are the ones who tell you you're wrong and stand by you anyway.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The control freak is not very much fun. Why? Because this person is trying to insure against mystery -- every risk calculated, every move audited. What a bore. Embrace mystery, relinquish some control, have fun.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Adults usually have a purpose for moving and rarely wander without a destination. But if you have the time for it, such wandering could benefit you today, as it will allow you to access an unreasonable sort of knowing.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Patience and long-term thinking are the orders of the day. The big problems will be solved through creating systems that will work for you every day. The big problems will be solved over time.

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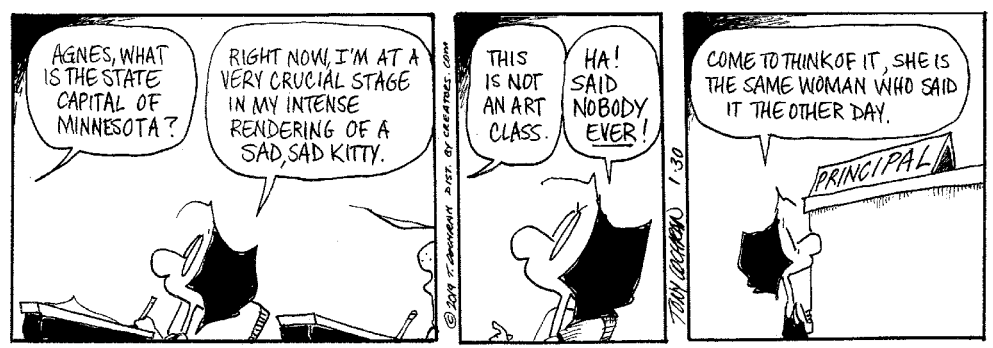
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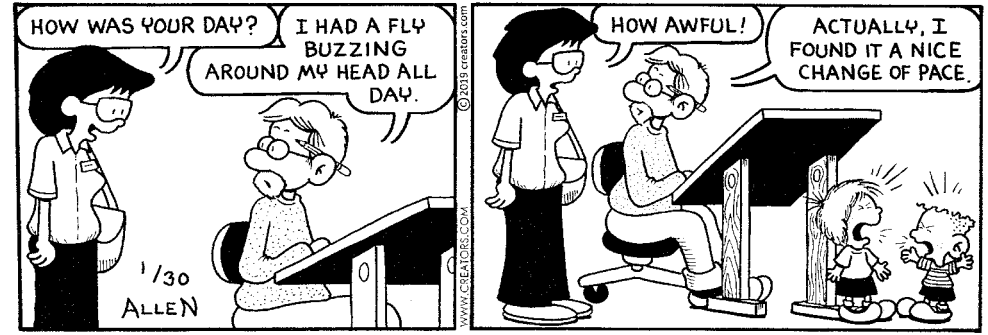
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This Date In History

pioneer Orville Wright, 76, died in Dayton, Ohio.

In 1962, two members of "The Flying Wallendas" high-wire act were killed when their seven-person pyramid collapsed during a performance at the State Fair Coliseum in Detroit.

In 1968, the Tet Offensive began during the Vietnam War as Communist forces launched surprise attacks against South Vietnamese towns and cities; although the Communists were beaten back, the offensive was seen as a major setback for the U.S. and its allies.

In 1969, The Beatles staged an impromptu concert atop Apple headquarters in London; it was the group's last public performance.

In 1972, 13 Roman Catholic civil rights marchers were shot to death by British soldiers in Northern Ireland on what became known as "Bloody Sunday."

In 1973, the rock group KISS performed its first show at a club in Queens, N.Y.

In 1981, an estimated 2 million New Yorkers

turned out for a ticker-tape parade honoring the American hostages freed from Iran.

In 1993, Los Angeles inaugurated its Metro Red Line, the city's first modern subway.

In 2006, Coretta Scott King, widow of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., died in Rosarito Beach, Mexico, at age 78.

Ten years ago: Michael Steele was elected the

first black chairman of the Republican National Committee. President Barack Obama signed a series of executive orders that he said should "level the playing field" for labor unions

in their struggles with management. Ingemar Johansson, who stunned the boxing world by knocking out Floyd Patterson to win the heavyweight title in 1959, died in Kungsbacka, Sweden.

Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS
1 Winter resort gear
5 Stories
10 Surface for 1 Across
14 Additional
15 Writer of poetic tributes
16 Muscle quality
17 Woodwind instrument
18 Florida Gulf city
19 Black-and-white dolphin
20 Guy with an agricultural hobby
23 ___ Holiness (papal title)
24 Cook in oil
25 Celestial stalker with a tail
28 Small, mischievous one
31 Ping-Pong surface
35 Skating surface
36 Accolades
39 Dappled horse
40 Troop campout novice
43 Reduce the pressure of
44 Try to make it on one's own
45 Dugout VIP
46 Breaks sharply
48 Football official
49 Suspicious
51 Assembly line org.
53 Relatives
54 Computer program spec writer
63 Asian cuisine
64 Of ___ (pointless)

- 65 Flying-related prefix
66 Helper
67 Rich cake
68 A US alliance
69 Supervisor
70 Seat at the bar
71 "Doggone it!"
DOWN
1 Urban air pollution
2 Basketball great Bryant
3 Fairway club
4 Be silently furious
5 Lugs around
6 Genesis exile
7 Capital of Peru
8 NFL game ainer
9 Office personnel
10 Many-episode plot line
11 Par for the course
12 Some time ago
13 Have on
21 Limber
22 Gallery display
25 Refers to
26 Large briny body
27 Brainy club
28 About to experience
29 Elk relative
30 Verification
32 Explosive sounds
33 Respond to a joke
34 Sweepstakes submission
37 End of a charity's URL
38 City in Mo.
41 Sheriff's assistants
42 Bulgaria's capital
47 Tool with teeth
50 Far from the coast
52 Would like to have
53 Prepare to propose
54 Wild guess
55 River at Pittsburgh
56 Passing fancies
57 Underlying cause
58 Money in France
59 Concerning
60 Number on a wine label
61 Miss of Madrid: Abbr.
62 Sound of a whistle

Answer to previous puzzle
SALK TRIAD PODS
ALIE HINGE ERIE
GINGERSNAP PACT
ABE EEK TOPPLES
SINGLE EERIE
ASPEN TORSO
HAIR MAG SUSANS
EXALT RUN STICK
RETIRE LBJ EDDY
DECOR FAUNA
BLESS NOKIDS
OVERLAP AIR NEW
AIDE DILL PICKLE
FLEA ERODE CUTE
SEND RETAR SPAT

13x13 crossword grid with numbers 1-71 indicating starting positions for clues.

Osetkowski, defense lead Texas past No. 11 Kansas 73-63

By **JIM VERTUNO**

AP Sports Writer
AUSTIN, Texas — Three days after he declared the Texas season at a crossroads, Longhorns senior forward Dylan Osetkowski let his wide body do the talking.

A 73-63 win over No. 11 Kansas, Texas' first against the Jayhawks since 2014, is certainly one step in the right direction.

Osetkowski scored 16 points and Texas used stifling defense Tuesday night in snapping a 10-game losing streak to Kansas. Texas trailed for just nine seconds in the opening minute and batted away every run the Jayhawks made late.

Kerwin Roach II scored 15 points and Jase Febres scored 12, knocking down three critical 3-pointers for the Longhorns late in the second half.

"We've been talking about our identity being defense for a long time now," Osetkowski said. "I think tonight we showed that."

Texas held Kansas' leading scorer Detric Lawson without a point in the first half, and held the Jayhawks to their fewest points in a half this season. Just three days earlier, the Longhorns gave up 98 in a loss to Georgia in Big 12/SEC Challenge.

Coach Shaka Smart's team limped home after that defeat, the fifth in six games, and held a players-only meeting to sort things out before the team shootaround Tuesday.

"A sense of urgency," Osetkowski said. "We talked about it before the game. We knew what we wanted to do, what we had to do. Coach always talks about being the aggressor. We did that."

Back in the Big 12, Texas (12-9,



Texas guard Kerwin Roach II (12) celebrates a score against Kansas during the first half on an NCAA college basketball game in Austin, Texas, Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2019.

AP photo

4-4) knocked the Jayhawks (16-5, 5-3) out of first place, at least temporarily. Kansas, which has won at least a share of the Big 12 title the last 14 years, has lost three of its last four and this week fell out of the Top 10 for the first time this season.

Freshman Ochai Agbaji scored 24 for Kansas in his first career start. He'd only played in six games and his previous high was 10 points.

Kansas needed a big body on Osetkowski, who was a physical presence the Jayhawks couldn't match early in the second half as he bullied his way to the basket for layups and rebounds or kicked out cross-court passes for 3-pointers. Osetkowski scored six points in a run that pushed the Texas lead to nine early in the second half.

"Osetkowski, he played to his size, especially when we went small,"

Kansas coach Bill Self said.

Kansas cut the lead to 48-45 before Febres made two 3-pointers two minutes apart for the cushion Texas needed. Febres made another with 1:22 left that put Texas up 63-56. Texas made 21 of 23 free throws.

Smart, who is 62-59 in his four seasons at Texas, got his first win over the Jayhawks.

"Feels great, but it's more about we needed to win this game for us, regardless of who the opponent was," Smart said.

BIG PICTURE

Kansas: Kansas looked befuddled early by Texas' defense, which harassed the guards on the perimeter and denied the Jayhawks on just about every chance at getting close to the basket. Kansas scored just 23 points in the first half and the Jayhawks looked like they could get blown out until an 11-1

run late in the period. Kansas never cleaned up sloppy ball-handling that led to 13 turnovers, several of them coming in the second half.

Texas: Freshman forward Jaxson Hayes set the defensive tone with two blocks in the first two minutes and a soaring, two-handed dunk on the other end. Hayes leads the Big 12 in blocks and ranked first nationally among freshmen with 2.65 per game coming in. That sort of defensive effort could carry Texas a long way through the second half of the Big 12 schedule.

ROAD WOES

All five Kansas' losses have been on the road.

"I've got to be consistent so we have our best chance to win. When I played average or below average, we lost," said Lawson, who finished with 14 points after his scoreless first half. "We've got to find

ways to win on the road. ... Do something different, change shoes or something."

ROACH'S WILD RIDE

Roach had been the goat in a two-point loss at Kansas two weeks ago when he was out of position as Texas tried but failed to set up a winning shot. He came out firing in the rematch, making three 3-pointers in the opening minutes.

Roach didn't score again until the closing seconds when he was 6 of 6 from the line in the final 41 seconds, and those came after he had thrown the ball away on a wild turnover seconds earlier. He made up for the turnover on Texas' next possession when he chased down a rebound on a missed free throw.

"I was 0-7 against KU. Now I'm 1-7," Roach said. "I'll take it."

SPURS

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TIP-INS

Suns: Phoenix's last win in San Antonio was Feb. 27, 2013, when Jermaine O'Neal scored 22 points off the bench in a 105-101 victory. ... Ayton missed his sixth straight game with a sprained left ankle.

Spurs: DeRozan sat out his third consecutive game with a sore left knee. He has missed four games this season, all within the last two weeks. ... Belinelli was 4 for 7 on 3-pointers to reach 1,100 career 3s in his 12th season. ... Aldridge has 17,968 career points, moving him past World B. Free, Calvin Murphy and Lou Hudson and into the top 75 scorers in NBA history.

PUT HIM IN, COACHES

Bertans was not invited to participate in the 3-point shooting contest during All-Star weekend despite leading the league in 3-point percentage.

That confounds his teammates. "I think he's one of the best 3-point shooters in the league," Gay said. "I don't know why he's not in the 3-point contest."

TAKING A BREAK

Phoenix has three days off before playing Atlanta. The Suns seek their first win since Jan. 12.

"At this point everybody's a little banged up," Crawford said. "It may be good to get away from it for a day and then get back to it."

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