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West Texas VA unveils first Small House Community Living Center

Sand Castle, first of four planned community living cottages in Big Spring





HERALD photos/Anna Gutierrez

The West Texas VA Health Care System celebrated the grand opening of the first of four community living center cottages on March 10. Community members, VA staff and administrations, along with city officials and local veterans celebrated the occassion with a ribbon cutting and a tour of the cottage.

By AMANDA DUFORAT

Managing Editor

The West Texas VA Health Care System celebrated the opening of the first of four small house community living center - Sand Castle - with a ribbon cutting and community celebration.

"This is a special day for West Texas VA Medical Center and an even more special day for our veterans. With the opening of this small house, we are ushering in a new and wonderful level of care for our veterans," Rebecca Fri-

The small houses are designed to offer a home-like atmosphere with spacious common living spaces, full kitchen, fireplace, 10 private rooms with private baths and other amenities for the Veterans and their guests. The project originated eight years ago as a way for VA to serve the health care needs of veterans and provide excellence in service.

"For those who have served our country and selflessly sacrificed so that we may live in a free nation. The primary focus of the small house is to provide our veterans with a homelike environment that fosters a feeling of family

and support," Friday said. During The West Texas VA Interim Director Jason Cave's speech, he mentioned the fact that this building

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Thank a Veteran Day



David Stubblefield U.S. Army, Infantry World War II

Editor's Note: Information in the article regarding our feature Veteran, along with the photograph, was provided by the West Texas VA Medical Center Public Relations Depart-

Special to the Herald

Veteran David Stubblefield served in the U.S. Army Infantry during World War II.

He has chosen to share a few thoughts about why he served in the

"The greatest honor, and the best day in my life - after the day I married my wife of course, was the day I met General Dwight D. Eisenhower," he said.

Stubblefield found himself walking down a street in Japan follow-



Courtesy image/KBest Media

"WHEREAS, the City of Big Spring, in recognition of the courage, honor, devotion and sacrifice of our service men and women, hereby establish the 15th day of every month as "Thank a Veteran Day", and this day shall forever stand as a day to honor those that have selflessly served each citizen of this Great Nation.

The Big Spring Herald stands in support of all Veterans. The above is part of a proclamation presented by the Big Spring City Council in honor of everyone that has served our Country.

Please take a moment today to thank a Veteran. This proclamation was presented by Mayor Larry McLellan on behalf of the Big Spring City Council on Tuesday, April 10th, 2018. God Bless our veterans! If you know a veteran we should

recognize, please send the information editor@bigspringherald.com.

ing the signing of the Armistice, officially ending World War II, and up ahead he witnessed a motorcade headed his direction - the lead vehicle was flying the U.S. flag on its front fender.

"I thought to myself, wow this has to be someone really important, so I popped to and offered my sharpest salute," Stubblefield said.

See VETERAN, Page 3A

BSISD, FSISD return to class Monday

Editor's Note: The following are statements from BSISD and FISD. At press time no report had been issued by CISD.

Herald Staff Report

Big Spring ISD prides itself on placing the safety of our students and staff as its top priority. Our district understands the recent health concerns over the recent outbreak of a respiratory illness caused by the

new coronavirus called COVID-19. Classes have not been canceled and will

See CLASS, Page 3A

Hoops, Dreams and Goals postponed due to COVID-19

Special to the Herald

BIG SPRING - West Texas Centers has been monitoring both national and state health information regarding Coronavirus (COVID-19) including the most current recommendations.

Exercising an abundance of caution and adhering to "First do no harm", West Texas Centers has decided to postpone Hoops Dreams and Goals for a later date, West Texas Centers Deputy CEO Rodney Jones

"We will be working diligently with

See HOOPS, Page 3A



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Obituaries

Alfred Eugene Perry



Alfred Eugene Perry, 91, of the Lomax community, died Tuesday, March 10, 2020. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m., Monday, March 16, 2020, at First United Methodist Church in Stanton with Rev. Charlie Stevens officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

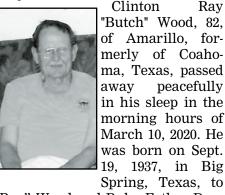
The family will receive friends from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday, March 15, 2020, at Gilbreath Funer-

al Home.

He was born in Haskell County to Hoyt and Thelma Perry. After graduating from Paint Creek High School in 1947, he served in the Army for a short stint prior to returning home to help farm. Gene married Jeneane Turnbow on August 30, 1953, in Weinert, Texas. He moved to the Lomax commu-

Clinton Ray "Butch" Wood





John William "Pop" Wood and Ruby Esther Donnell "Mom" Wood. He was the youngest of their three boys and grew up in Big Spring, and Coahoma, Texas. He disliked his first name and always went by his middle name, Ray. He was given the nickname "Butch" by his family, which they still call him.

He graduated from Coahoma High School and received his BA in English from McMurry College in Abilene, Texas. He later earned an Associates Degree in Science from Odessa College in 1988.

He met Barbara Wanette Holleman while at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge. They married on April 13, 1968, in Washington D.C., where they both worked at the Library of Congress. They were blessed with two sons, Philip Lee and Andrew

nity in 1957 and farmed alongside his wife until retiring in 1998.

He was a member of First United Methodist Church of Stanton. Gene's greatest joy in life was his family.

Survivors include his daughter, Carla Brooks of the Lomax community; two granddaughters, Jody Roberts and husband, Ross, and their children, Jordan and Bryson of the Elbow community, and Lisa Baggerly and husband, Scott, and their son, Chandler of Teague.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Jeneane Perry; one son, Dirk Perry; a brother, J.R. Perry; and son-in-law, Roger Brooks.

The family suggests memorials be made to First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1193, Stanton, Texas 79782.

Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com.

Paid Obituary

Mark.

They moved back to the Big Spring area in 1977. Ray worked many different jobs after moving back to Texas, from being a self employed piano tuner to working as a microbiologist at several medical facilities in Big Spring. He retired from Scenic Mountain Medical Center in Big Spring in 2018. Ray was an active member of Coahoma United

Methodist Church. He and Barbara celebrated their 50th anniversary in 2018 at their church in Coahoma. He is always described by family, friends, and colleagues as a kind and gentle man, tempered with a dry but sharp sense of humor. He will be dearly missed by many people whose lives were touched by knowing him.

He was preceded in death by his parents. He is

survived by his wife, Barbara; sons, Philip (wife Liz) Wood of Nixa, MO, and Andrew Wood of Nixa, MO; his two older brothers, Johnnie Lee Wood of Canyon, Texas, and William (Bill) Wade Wood of Fairfax, VA; as well as many nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and nephews.

There will be a public colobration of life services.

There will be a public celebration of life service at the United Methodist Church in Coahoma, Texas, at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you give donations in Ray's name to a Parkinson's Disease related charity such as the National Parkinson's Foundation and the Michael J. Fox Foundation.

Paid Obituary

Sheriff

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

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 95 inmates at the time of this report

• TROY DANIEL AUSTIN, 33, was arrested by BSPD on warrants for disregarding stop sign, driving with invalid license, violating promise to appear, and possession of a controlled substance penalty group 1 (less than

one gram).
• CLINT BRANDON BOL-LIER JR., 29, was arrested by BSPD on warrants for unauthorized use of a vehicle and burglary

of a building.
• DYLAN JEFFERY DELAR-OSA, 23, was arrested by BSPD

The Big Spring Police Depart-

• TOYA DENISE RIVERS, 57,

of 1311 Stanford, was arrested on

a charge of injury to an elderly

person with intentional bodily

CLINT BRANDON BOL-

LIER JR., 29, of 7805 N. Service

Rd., was arrested on warrants for

burglary of a building and unau-

thorized used of a motor vehicle.

REBEKAH ANNE OVER-

TON, 42, of 1804 Mittel Ave., was

arrested on a charge of public in-

• AARON JOE GUZMAN, 28,

of 1425 E. 6th St., Apt. 28, was ar-

rested on warrants for speeding,

failure to maintain financial re-

sponsibility, assault family violence threat or offensive touch,

ment reported the following ac-

tivity:

toxication.

on a warrant for duty on striking unattended vehicle.
• FRANK MUNOZ GALAN

JR., 43, was arrested by HCSI on charges of interfering with public duties and resisting arrest, search or transport.

• AARON JOE GUZMAN, 28, was arrested by BSPD on warrants for failure to appear-deadly conduct discharging firearm, bondsman off bond-deadly conduct discharging firearm, two counts of bail jumping and failure to appear, speeding over limit, failure to maintain financial responsibility, assault family violence, and unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon.

• DAKOTA JAMES HERNAN-DEZ, 28, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of criminal trespass.

• **REBEKAH ANNE MELIUS**, 42, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

• MICHAEL GLENN PUCK-ETT, 32, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication

• TOYA RIVERS, 47, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of injury to a child, elderly or disabled with intentional bodily injury.

• **JAMES KEITH WEBB**, 49, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for theft of property (\$750 to \$2.500).

• **REBECCA DAWN WIN-TERS,** 62, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

Police blotter

and five other outstanding warrants from other agencies.

• DYLAN JEFFREY DELAR-OSA, 23, of 128 Jonesboro Rd., was arrested on a warrant for duty on striking unattended vehicle

• **DAKOTA HERNANDEZ**, 28, of 505 Young St., was arrested on a charge of criminal trespass of a property, building, aircraft or vehicle.

• MELISSA KAY WHITE, 33, of 412 E/ Davis Rd., was arrested on a charge of criminal trespass of a property, building, aircraft or vehicle.

• MICHAEL GLEN PUCK-ETT, 32, of 360 Timpson St., Timpson, Texas, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• REBECCA DAWN WINTERS, 62, of 1724 Yale Ave., was

arrested on a charge of public in-

toxication.
 FRANK MUNOZ GALAN
 JR., 43, of 406 Dallas St., was arrested on a charge of interfering with duties of a public servant.

• ACCIDENT MINOR was reported in the 2900 block of W. Hwy 80.

• **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1300 block of E. Hwy 80.

• BURGLARY IN PROGRESS was reported in the 400 block of Young St.

• WELFARE CONCERN was reported in the 900 block of N. Lamesa Hwy.

• ALARM was reported in the 800 block of E. I-20.

• INTOXICATED SUBJECT was reported in the 700 block of W. 3rd St.

Take Note

- Big Spring High School will be recognizing the football team, band members and cheerleaders who participated in the first game at Memorial Stadium in the fall of 1956. The recognition will take place Friday, Sept. 4, 2020 at Memorial Stadium. If you are a member of these groups, or know of a member of these groups, and would like to participate, please contact Edward Slate at 432-270-1995, or at 813 Vista Ridge, Big Spring, Texas, 79720.
- The Alzheimer's Association West Texas Chapter will host the Big Spring Community Forum on March 26, 2020, from 9:30 a.m to 11:30 a.m., at the Big Spring Senior Center, located at 100 Whipkey. The event is free, but space is limited. RSVP to West-

Texas@alz.org, call 1-800-272-3900, or go to the link at bit/ly/ConfBS20. More information can also be found at www.alz.org/westtexas.

- \bullet Scenic Volunteers will be having their annual jewelry sale April 7 and 8, 2020, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Medical Plaza, right next door to the hospital.
- Kindred at Home will be hosting a blood drive on Tuesday, March 31, 2020, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Vitalant Bloodmobile will be on site. See Nicole Doose to sign up. The Sponsor Code is BSKindred. Eat a good meal, drink plenty of water, and bring a picture ID.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:
• MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1400 block

- of N. Hwy 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1100 block of Dogwood. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
 MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1800 block
- Mountain Medical Center.
 MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 700 block of Scurry. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 400 block of Echols. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 100 block of Swinney. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- block of Wasson Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 900 block

• MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 3700

- of N. Lamesa Hwy. No transport was required.
 OUTSIDE RUBBISH/TRASH FIRE was reported in the 100 block of Lockhart. Fire was con-
- CAMPER/RECREATIONAL VEHICLE FIRE was reported in the 6700 block of Robinson Rd. Fire was contained.

Support Groups

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.

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

- Big Spring and Snyder Parkinson's Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month. This is a group for all Parkinson's Disease patients, spouses and caregivers. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA of-
- fice at 806-785-0942.
 Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- A six-week course in Wellness and Quality of Life with Chronic Pain will be held at Spring Creek Fellowship at the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-517-4840 for more information.
- Caregivers Support Group, sponsored by the Area Agency on Aging, meets the second Tuesday of every month at 10:30 a.m. The meetings are held at the Senior Citizens Center located at 100 Whipkey Drive. These meetings are open for any caregiver, whether medical professional or family member. For more information, please call Becky Letz at 267-1628.
- Al-anon family group meets at 8 p.m. at 615 Settles.



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is here is an example of the way West Texas and the Big Spring community comes together to get things done. While many in the VA system have talked about creating one of these cottages, West Texas is the first to do it.

This particular cottage will primarily be used for hospice care. We have fewer than 400,000 World War II veterans left with us remaining these days.

"As many are aware they (World War II veterans) are getting advanced in years. We are always mindful of that time period towards end of life," Cave said. "I think everyone here has certainly been in that time with a family member, a loved one, a friend. In the emotionally trying time, during that time little things really matter."

resume as normal on Monday, March 16. This deci-

sion is based on emphasizing facts over fear and

relying on credible sources for information. Our

number one concern is the safety and well-being of

our students and staff, and at this time there is no

indication of an immediate threat to the communi-

ty of Big Spring or the students of Big Spring ISD.

Big Spring ISD is closely monitoring the situa-

tion and tracking information provided by local,

state, and national healthcare providers. This is a

fluid, ongoing situation, and we will closely moni-

Weather

Saturday: Isolated showers

before 10am. Patchy fog before

10am. Otherwise, mostly sunny,

with a high near 73. West wind

Saturday Night: A 20 percent

around 5 mph. Chance of

precipitation is 10%.

chance of showers and

thunderstorms. Increasing

East wind around 5 mph.

Sunday: Showers and

inch possible.

is 70%.

clouds, with a low around 53.

thunderstorms likely. Cloudy, with

a high near 58. East wind 10 to

Sunday Night: Showers and

Monday: A 50 percent chance

of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near

becoming south in the afternoon.

Monday Night: A 20 percent

thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy,

(Weather courtesy National Weather Service via

72. East wind 5 to 10 mph

chance of showers and

with a low around 59.

15 mph. Chance of precipitation

According to information presented during the grand opening, the cottages will offer space to allow for those family members sitting with the veteran at the end of life to step out for a moment, create a meal for those who are visiting, take time for a prayer group or even step outside for a breathe of fresh air. As Cave wrapped up his speech, he mentioned a unique feature of the small house. Above the fireplace, there is an oak mantel that was hand crafted by the engineering staff. Where the small house now stands was once the location of an oak tree. In order for the small house to be built the oak tree had to be brought down. The tree was preserved to be used in the future small houses and other build-

"Oak has special significance in military history," Cave said. "The oak leaf cluster has been used since 1836 by the Army as a ribbon device for certain decorations and awards ... It also goes back to Ancient Rome where the oak leaf were used to adorn senators and emperors. It has been used as a symbol of service to country and it will always do so."

He continued, "When I think of oak and you look at that mantel it reminds me of some of the aspects of our veterans, strong, unyielding, unwavering. When you think of things that are strong or firm as oak. In the way the oak that was here will be used in these small cottages, it will be memorialized so it can adorn the halls for years and years to come so is it our desire and earnest pledge to remember and memorialize the stories of the veterans who will call Sand Castle home for generations to come."

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break, please contact the school for further instruc-

We are closely monitoring the situation involving COVID-19 with guidance from TEA and will post any updates as they are made available. Please enjoy the rest of spring break and we are looking forward to seeing students back on Monday.

Coahoma ISD issued a post on the ISD's Facebook page notifying families and students of the UIL Contests suspensions, which will effect the Bulldogettes game vs Pecos and the Lamesa Tournament.

The decision was made by UIL in an efort to support the health and safety of students and communities, to suspend all UIL sanctioned contests due to the outbreak of COVID-19 in Texas. Effective March 16, all UIL Interscholastic competition is suspended through March 29.

Rehearsals and practices may be held at the discretion of the local school district.

More information will be released as it is received by the Big Spring Herald. Updates will also be posted to the Big Spring Herald website over the weekend should any be received.

tor the situation on a daily basis for any changes or issues we will need to address as we move forward in the next few weeks and onward throughout the remainder of the school year.

Please remember to keep students home if they are ill, and if you traveled outside of the country during spring break, please contact the school for further instruction. Be aware that the UIL has cancelled all UIL activities effective Monday, March 16, Sunday, March 29. Further details relating to these activities will be released at a later date.

The dedicated maintenance staff of Big Spring ISD used the break to cleanse and spray all of our campuses as we looked forward to welcoming our students back on Monday, March 16.

Forsan ISD issued the following statement on the ISD's Facebook page Friday evening:

Forsan ISD will open as planned on Monday, March 16th, following spring break. The UIL has cancelled all UIL events until March 29th and any student travel will be restricted up until that point

Please keep students home if they are ill. If you traveled outside of the country during spring

Howard College early next week to reschedule Hoops, Dreams & Goals," Jones said. "We will be in communication regarding a future date for Hoops, Dreams & Goals.'

with the 23 counties served by West Texas Centers

and other community centers.

"There is consensus that caution is needed due to the vulnerable population served," Jones said. "We apologize for any inconvenience in which this may have caused."

"Thank you all for your understanding and continued support of this wonderful event," Jones said.

For more information, contact Amy Vidal at 432 264-3256.

The decision was reached after communicating

Symphony Guild fundraiser luncheon set for March 21 postponed

Special to the Herald

The Big Spring Symphony Guild has made the decision to postpone our "Hap-

Birthday Beethoven" Fundraiser Luncheon and Fashion Show that was scheduled for March 21st at Trinity Baptist Church, due to Corona Virus public

We are very sad because we were looking forward to this fun event and we can't wait to celebrate with our very generous patrons and vendors once this crises has passed! Anyone who has purchased tickets can get their money refunded or hold on to their tickets until the event is rescheduled. All vendors and ticket holders can contact our Guild President, Suzanne Markwell at (214) 256-1674 or our Publicist/Secretary Natalie Permenter at (432) 270-2125

with any questions or concerns.

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24th & Johnson

Arthur Jackson, 53, died Friday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Alcantar, 39, died Tuesday. Funeral Service will be at 10:00 AM Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Coahoma Cemetery.

Reminder: Wash your hands with warm water and

The Big Spring Herald will continue to provide updates as they are received. Any events postponed or cancelled, send info to us at editor@ bigspringherald.

is 70%. New rainfall amounts between a quarter and half of an thunderstorms likely. Cloudy, with soap! a low around 52. East wind 5 to 10 mph. Chance of precipitation

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Just three months ago he visited President Eisenhower's hometown, Denison, TX, on his birthday to visit his museum, and during that visit he got to talk with President Eisenhower's granddaughter. He was able to help with the construction of the museum, and it was such an

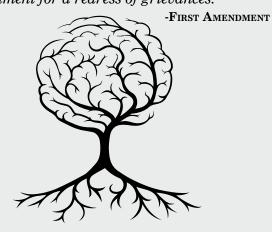
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honor to be there, to speak with his family.

"He knew what he was doing, he did it right," said Stubblefield about Gen-

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"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."



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Daily Prayer

With You, Lord, we can accomplish anything that You want us to. Amen

One wedding ring lost and found

he weather was terrible. to be going that fast. It didn't start out that way, though. When we left Dallas around 9:30 AM, it was just cold and cloudy. We were encouraged that our drive of 280 miles west might be accomplished without any problems.

As approached Fort Worth we even saw a little sunshine. That made us feel even better. Eastland

where we ran problems. into The sky just turned dark and huge snowflakes poured down. The snow piled up and the roads became dangerous. We started seeing flashing signs saying "WINTER STORM.

EL DISCOURAGED." The snow must have been at least 3 or 4 inches deep and it froze as it hit the pavement. Soon

DO NOT TRAVEL" and "TRAV-

every forward movement was crunchy. We slowed down to 37 miles an hour and felt fortunate

At Tye, just west of Abilene we ran into a full-fledged blinding blizzard. We made a wise decision to stop at Flying J Travel Center for gas, a snack, and a restroom stop. We wasted 20 minutes or so just looking at the merchandise and recuperating

from the hazardous white knuckle stomach-churning driving experience.

We considered just staying at Flying J until the storm passed, even thought about getting a motel room nearby. But knowing we just had a little over a hundred miles to our house, we got back in the car and battled the elements again. This was early February in West Texas, not Minne-Tumbleweed sota. But the weather re-**SMITH** minded us of that cold, icy northern state.

Trucks whizzed by us like it was 80 degrees and clear. Some with more prudent drivers slowed down. Those are the ones we got behind, letting them blaze a trail thru the icy roadway.

Around Sweetwater I panicked when I realized my wedding ring wasn't on my finger. I was devastated, thinking that I had lost

the most precious item I own. I just knew someone had picked it up and walked off with it. Susan asked me if I wanted to go back to Flying J. I told her the weather was too bad and we were just 70 miles from home. Susan called Flying J and told the person on the phone that the ring was very important to us and could they look for it PLEASE.

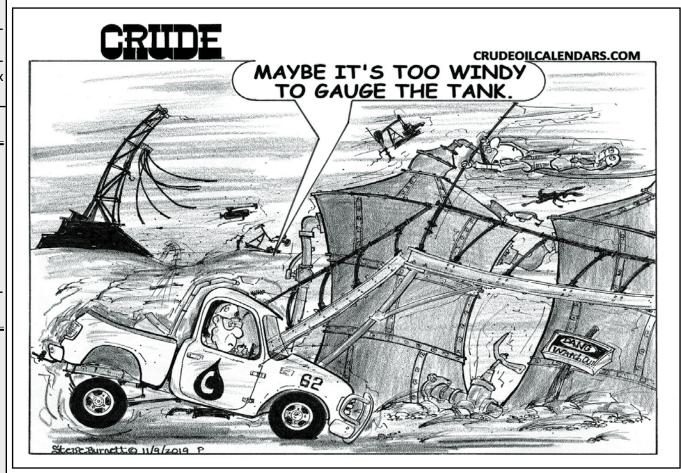
We left our home phone number. It was a sad drive home. I figured the ring was probably on its was to another state by now.

When we got home there was a foot of snow around our house. We parked on the street and walked down the driveway, knowing we would have difficulty driving up. The phone indicated there was a message. It was from Juan Lueras, manager of Flying J.

He said someone had turned in the ring and he had it and I could come get it any time. I went to Flying J the next day (the highway was completely clear under sunny skies) and Juan reached into his coat pocked and retrieved the ring, which had been wrapped in tissue paper.

I'm grateful for good, honest people.

I will do more business with Flying J.



Vote as you please (or not)

ing" at its best recently when Texans gathered at polling places to exercise their voting preferences in primary elections. Yep, it was a foretaste of the "Big One" in November.

They showed up in attire ranging from the serious sloppy to "after five," with a few of the

latter adorned as if headed to an opera box. (Not to be confused with the Grand Ole Opry.)

So far as I know, there were no malfunctions--wardrobe or voting machinery--where we voted. Yet, it was a most unusual day.

For starters, several folks in line were wearing face masks. Two guys so "masked" appeared to be cowboys--one perhaps of the drugstore vari-

ety (fake), decked out in freshlyironed, designer jeans, shirt with bolo tie and new boots still smelling of new leather. The other was wearing old britches, a sweat shirt with armpit stains and scruffy footwear. Anyway, they "bumped boots"

(that's what they called it) upon entering the building, one of them claiming that "boot-bumping" seemed safer than "fisteral years ago. Old-fashioned

bumping," an act of greeting that may trace its origin to the outbreak of another flu strain sevhandshakes seem so "long ago," when we claimed our word and our hand-

shake to be "sacred bonds."

Somehow, citing "fist-bumps"

here was "people-watch- or "boot-bumps" as our bond doesn't have the same ring.

> Voting irregularities seemed absent in our part of the woods. Friends and neighbors who "signed on" for 12 hours of tedious work, were "furrowbrowed," determined to "get it right."

Because of such rigidity, Rev. David Couch and wife Carrie

didn't get to cast votes. Theirs was an error of assumption. Last summer, they swapped 10 years of urban living for a one-acre "spread" out beyond the city limits. After a 30-minute wait in line, the couple hoped they were at the right polling place, since time for voting was down to minutes. "You're at the right polling place," the voting official responded, "But, you live at the wrong address."

They assumed that arranging for a change of address on their drivers' licenses would be shared with election officials. David and Carrie, married for almost a quarter-century, had never failed to vote since becoming eligible to do so. Their change of address is now corrected in the voting records, and they'll cast votes in the November general election, perhaps arriving early in the day in case of unexpected "malfunctions."... This reminds me of my late

Don

Newbury

grandmother. She delighted in voting, since women of previous generations weren't allowed to do so. Grandmother liked the procedures back then, when voters emphasized displeasure by marking through names of can-

didates they didn't care for.

They were handed ballots listing candidates' names, along with dark, wide-leaded pencils (like carpenters use) to darken the names of candidates they wanted banished, probably forever. (Grandmother said she moistened the pencil lead to

make the darkest mark possible.) "I enjoyed 'blacking out' the names of candidates I didn't like more than I did leaving one name unmarked to indicate my choice," she said. (It was she who thought it was unbelievable that representatives of a thousand islands could come together and agree on a single dressing.)...

Meanwhile, the coronavirus has played havoc with our world, causing many cancellations, including schools, universities, concerts and athletic events, and I don't know what all.

In the Metroplex, there's been much "drum-beating" for the first major league baseball game in the Texas Rangers' \$1.2 billion Globe Life Field. At this writing, the game remains "on."

Assuming it is played, it won't be a decision easily reached. Maybe they'll hand out face masks to the first 10,000 fans. What about special seating arrangements, left-handers to the left, and right-handers to the right? Thus, "coughs into elbows" might be in the same direction. On the field, sending in relievers could take on brand new meanings.

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X=1072151.6, Y=6807668.6. Datum: NAD 83 1103' FSL, 911' FEL of 563.44-acre lease 1103' FSL, 911' FEL of the survey

#1HA Wild Bill Hickok Unit "40-33", drill horizontal, El: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-227-40631 Murchison Oil and Gas, LLC Rule 37 Exception Legacy Tower One 7250 Dallas Pkwy, Suite 1400 Plano, TX 75024-0000 #8NA Gilbert "25-24" (Allocation 'H'), drill horizontal Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, EI: NA, API #42-227-40585 Laredo Petroleum, Inc. 15 W. 6th Street, Suite 900 9 miles southeast of Vealmoor A-1288, Section 40, Block 31, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey Cindy Cottrell, Reg. Coordinator 6 miles northeast of Big Spring
A-140, Section 25, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9000 feet Tulsa, OK 74119-0000 Total Depth: 7235 feet Jessica DeMarce, Regulatory Analyst Latitude 032.514499, Longitude -101.414855. Datum: NAD 83 443' FSL, 322' FWL of 642.56-acre lease 443' FSL, 2310' FEL of the survey (972) 931-0700, Ext. 113 (918) 858-5264 X=1072162.7, Y=6807619.7. Datum: NAD 83 1053' FSL, 911' FEL of 563.44-acre lease 1053' FSL, 911' FEL of the survey #2HA Wild Bill Hickok Unit "40-33", drill horizontal, EI: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-227-40632 9 miles southeast of Vealmoor Rule 37 Exception Murchison Oil and Gas, LLC Legacy Tower One 7250 Dallas Pkwy, Suite 1400 Plano, TX 75024-0000 #8NS Gilbert "25-24" (Allocation 'H'), drill horizontal Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA, API #42-227-40586 6 miles northeast of Big Spring A-140, Section 25, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. survey Laredo Petroleum, Inc. 15 W. 6th Street, Suite 900 Tulsa, OK 74119-0000 A-1288, Section 40, Block 31, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey Cindy Cottrell, Reg. Coordinator (972) 931-0700, Ext. 113 Jessica DeMarce, Regulatory Analyst Total Depth: 7196 feet Latitude 032.514514, Longitude -101.414793. Datum: NAD 83 443' FSL, 342' FWL of 642.56-acre lease 443' FSL, 2290' FEL of the survey Total Depth: 9000 feet X=1072157.2, Y=6807644.3. Datum: NAD 83 1078' FSL, 911' FEL of 563.44-acre lease (918) 858-5264 1078' FSL, 911' FEL of the survey Surge Operating, LLC horizontal #1BH Wolfe-Brophy Unit "45-04", re-completion Rule 37 Exception 7850 N. Sam Houston Pkwy West Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA, API #42-227-39080 **New Oil Completions:** 5.09 miles southwest of Vealmoor A-356, Section 45, Block 33, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey Suite 300 Houston, TX 7 7064-0000 **Howard County** Total Depth: 9000 feet Gayle Foord, Regulatory Analyst Latitude 032.465131, Longitude -101.622169. Datum: #2AH Williams Unit "A 24-13", API #42-227-39787 Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, new well, El: 2642' GR Surge Operating, LLC 7850 N. Sam Houston Pkwy West (832) 333-2332 NAD 27 A-1563, Section 24, Block 33, T&P RR Co. survey
336' FSL, 950' FWL of the survey
Latitude 032.5194336, Longitude -101.5846353
Total Depth: 7848 feet. PBTD: 7848 feet. Logs: 269' FNL, 616' FWL of 967.12-acre lease 269' FNL, 616' FWL of the survey Suite 300 Houston, TX 77064-0000 (832) 333-2332 Surge Operating, LLC #1MH Wolfe-Brophy Unit "45-04", re-completion Contractor not listed horizontal 7850 N. Sam Houston Pkwy West Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA, API #42-227-39360 Neutron Suite 300 5.09 miles southwest of Vealmoor Daily Potential: 800 Bbls 39.0 gravity oil w/ 1,719 A-356, Section 45, Block 33, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 9000 feet Houston, TX 7 7064-0000 Gayle Foord, Regulatory Analyst **BWPD** Pumping. GOR: 490 Yates 1940' (832) 333-2332 Latitude 032.464981, Longitude -101.6221129. San Andres 3491' Spud: 3-22-19. Completed: 8-20-19. Pay: NA 9-5/8" @ 7695 feet w/ 660 sx. MS tool @ 4506 feet w/ 1,150 sx. Clear Fork 5695' Spraberry 6289' Datum: NAD 27 324' FNL, 613' FWL of 967.12-acre lease 324' FNL, 613' FWL of the survey 5-1/2" @ 15,235 feet w/ 1,860 sx.; 2-7/8" @ 6904 feet Wolfcamp 7651' Perfs: 8015-15,111 #1SH Wolfe-Brophy Unit "45-04", re-completion Surge Operating, LLC horizontal Murchison Oil and Gas, LLC #2HA Tom Ketchum Unit "43-6", API #42-227-40088 **2-HA Tolli Retchtlin Ollit 43-6 , API **42-227-40068
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, new well, El: 2712' GR
17 miles northeast of Big Spring
A-200, Section 43, Block 31, T&P RR Co. survey
185' FNL, 300' FWL of the survey
Latitude 032.5034617, Longitude -101.4552649
Total Depth: 7390 feet. PBTD: NA. Log: Gamma Ray Legacy Tower One 7250 Dallas Pkwy, Suite 1400 7850 N. Sam Houston Pkwy West Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA, API #42-227-39362 Suite 300 5.09 miles southwest of Vealmoor Plano, TX 75024-0000 (972) 931-0700 Houston, TX 7 7064-0000 A-356, Section 45, Block 33, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey Gayle Foord, Regulatory Analyst (832) 333-2332 Total Depth: 9000 feet Latitude 032.464915, Longitude -101.622106. Datum: NAD 27 Contractor not listed 349' FNL, 614' FWL of 967.12-acre lease 349' FNL, 614' FWL of the survey (MWD) Daily Potential: 943 Bbls 39.4 gravity oil w/ 3,195

> Total Depth: 9000 feet Latitude 032.467437, Longitude -101.610176. Datum: 301' FNL, 851' FEL of 967.12-acre lease 301' FNL, 851' FEL of the survey #8BH Wolfe-Brophy Unit "45-04", re-completion Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA, API #42-227-38780 4.35 miles southwest of Vealmoor A-356, Section 45, Block 33, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 9000 feet Latitude 032.467644, Longitude -101.609086. Datum:

Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA, API #42-227-39582

4.35 miles southwest of Vealmoor A-356, Section 45, Block 33, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey

#8SH Wolfe-Brophy Unit "45-04", re-completion

#4MH Wolfe-Brophy Unit "45-04", re-completion Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA, API #42-227-40633 4.74 miles southwest of Vealmoor A-356, Section 45, Block 33, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 9000 feet Latitude 032.465943, Longitude -101.616443. Datum: 387' FNL, 2396' FWL of 967.12-acre lease 387' FNL, 2396' FWL of the survey

#4H Wolfe-Brophy Unit "45-04", drill horizontal Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, EI: NA, API #42-227-40634

#4SH Wolfe-Brophy Unit "45-04", drill horizontal Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA, API #42-227-40635

Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA, API #42-227-40636 4.74 miles southwest of Vealmoor

A-356, Section 45, Block 33, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey

Total Depth: 9000 feet

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305' FNL, 507' FEL of 967.12-acre lease 305' FNL, 507' FEL of the survey

4.74 miles southwest of Vealmoor A-356, Section 45, Block 33, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 9000 feet Latitude 032.465876, Longitude -101.616425. Datum: 412' FNL, 2395' FWL of 967.12-acre lease 412' FNL, 2395' FWL of the survey

4.74 miles southwest of Vealmoor A-356, Section 45, Block 33, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 9000 feet Latitude 032.466419, Longitude -101.614744. Datum: . 2307' FEL of 967.12-acre lease 338' FNL, 2307' FEL of the survey

#5AH Wolfe-Brophy Unit "45-04", drill horizontal

Latitude 032.466286, Longitude -101.614707. Datum:

388' FNL, 2309' FEL of 967.12-acre lease 388' FNL, 2309' FEL of the survey #5SH Wolfe-Brophy Unit "45-04", drill horizontal Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA, API #42-227-40637 4.74 miles southwest of Vealmoor

A-356, Section 45, Block 33, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 9000 feet Latitude 032.466352, Longitude -101.614725. Datum: 363' FNL, 2308' FEL of 967.12-acre lease 363' FNL, 2308' FEL of the survey #5MH Wolfe-Brophy Unit "45-04", drill horizontal Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, EI: NA, API #42-227-40638

4.74 miles southwest of Vealmoor A-356, Section 45, Block 33, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey

Latitude 032.466219, Longitude -101.614688. Datum: 413' FNL, 2310' FEL of 967.12-acre lease 413' FNL, 2310' FEL of the survey #2D Cottonmouth, drill, EI: NA, API #42-227-40639

Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
12.30 miles northwest of Big Spring
A-401, Section 23, Block 34, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 6900 feet
Latitude 032.220226, Longitude -101.380807. Datum: 250' FEL, 200' FNL of 5.06-acre lease 1711' FEL, 2263' FNL of the survey

#4SB Trentino "36-37" (Allocation 'D'), drill

Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA, API #42-227-40643 5.60 miles northeast of Big Spring A-1664, Section 36, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 9000 feet X=1070453.3, Y=6805933.1. Datum: NAD 83 206' FNL, 313' FEL of 959.62-acre lease 206' FNL, 2326' FWL of the survey

Rule 37 Exception #4SA Trentino "36-37" (Allocation 'D'), drill Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA, API #42-227-40641 5.60 miles northeast of Big Spring
A-1664, Section 36, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9000 feet

X=1070428.8, Y=6105927.6. Datum: NAD 83 206' FNL, 338' FEL of 959.62-acre lease 206' FNL, 2301' FWL of the survey Rule 37 Exception #4SS Trentino "36-37" (Allocation 'D'), drill Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, EI: NA, API #42-227-40642 5.60 miles northeast of Big Spring A-1664, Section 36, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 9000 feet X=1070477.7, Y=6105938.6. Datum: NAD 83

206' FNL, 288' FEL of 959.62-acre lease 206' FNL, 2351' FWL of the survey Rule 37 Exception

BWPD Yates 1972' Seven Rivers 2086' San Andres 2317

Glorieta 4086' Clear Fork 4749'

Spraberry 5942'

Dean 7170'

Wolfcamp 7296' SM Energy Company 6301 Holiday Hill Road 2505' GR Midland, TX 79707-0000 (432)848-4855 survey

Contractor not listed Ray (MWD0 Yates 1913'

Seven Rivers 2030' San Andres 3463' Glorieta 4000' Clear Fork 4721' Leonard 5233

6301 Holiday Hill Road 2505' GR Midland, TX 79707-0000 (432) 848-4855 survey Contractor not listed

(MWD) Yates 1909' BWPD Seven Rivers 2029' San Andres 3300' Glorieta 3847'

Clear Fork 4717'

Contractor not listed

Spraberry 6549' Leonard 5237' Surge Operating, LLC 7850 N. Sam Houston Pkwy West (832) 333-2332 survey

Neutron Yates 2102' BWPD San Andres 3523' Clear Fork 5953' Spraberry 6454' Dean 7709 Wolfcamp 7848'

2505' GR Midland, TX 79707-0000 (432) 848-4855 survey Contractor not listed

SM Energy Company 6301 Holiday Hill Road

(MWD) Yates 1914' BWPD Seven Rivers 2028' San Andres 3448'

Glorieta 4084'

995 sx. Clear Fork 4740' Leonard 5231' Spraberry 6527' Encana Oil & Gas, Inc. 370 17th Street, Suite 1700 Denver, CO 80202-0000

Contractor not listed

Clear Fork 4157 Spraberry 6202' 661 sx. Dean 7435' Wolfcamp 7590'

Perf: 7800-17.724

Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, new well, El: 2675' GR 11.60 miles northwest of Big Spring A-330, Section 25, Block 33, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. survey 290' FNL, 1025' FWL of the survey Latitude 032.4070302, Longitude -101.549167 Total Depth: 7791 feet. PBTD: 7743 feet. Log:

Perfs: 8065-17,446 #5AH Ammit Unit "23-14", API #42-227-39874

Laredo Petroleum, Inc. #8NB Gilbert "25-24" (Allocation 'H'), drill horizontal
15 W. 6th Street, Suite 900 Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA, API #42-227-40584
Tulsa, OK 74119-0000 6 miles northeast of Big Spring
Jessica DeMarce, Regulatory Analyst (918) 858-5264 A-140, Section 25, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9000 feet

See OIL, Page 6A

Neutron

1,426 BWPD

San Andres 3534'

Clear Fork 5951' Spraberry 6304'

Wolfcamp 7696'

Surge Operating, LLC

Yates 1964'

Dean 7549

Suite 300

Pumping. GOR: 258

Spud: 4-02-19. Completed: 9-16-19. Pay: NA
9-5/8" @ 6887 feet w/ 755 sx.

MS tool @ 4037 feet w/ 1,095 sx.
5-1/2" @ 17,790 feet w/ 2,610 sx.; 2-3/8" @ 6602 feet

BWPD

Spraberry 6545' **SM Energy Company**

Pumping. GOR: 932

5-1/2" @ 19,228 feet w/ 2,435 sx.; 2-7/8" @ 7650 feet Perfs: 8618-19,179

Pumping. GOR: 447

5-1/2" @ 14,693 feet w/ 1,710 sx.; 2-7/8" @ 7281 feet Perfs: 8480-14,571 #2642WA Merlin "B", API #42-227-39453 Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, re-completion, El:

Pumping. GOR: 643 Spud: 4-20-18. Completed: 3-26-19. Pay: NA

#2HK Hamlin Unit, API #42-227-39963

Latitude 032.4456046, Longitude -101.5135125 Total Depth: 7624 feet. PBTD: NA. Logs: Gamma Daily Potential: 1,058.01 Bbls 40.2 gravity oil w/

Spud: 2-03-19. Completed: 7-21-19. Pay: NA 9-5/8" @ 7135 feet w/ 730 sx.; MS tool @ 3529 feet w/ 5-1/2" @ 17,826 feet w/ 2,510 sx.; 2-7/8" @ 7136 feet

Daily Potential; 1756.79 Bbls 39.1 gravity oil w/

Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, new well, EI: 2679' GR 1.20 miles west of Vealmoor A-345, Section 23, Block 33, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey 611' FSL, 2028' FEL of the survey Latitude 032.5182596, Longitude -101.5942786

(720) 876-5894 survey

Ray (MWD) Yates 1962 2.232 BWPD San Andres 3129'

Surge Operating, LLC 39906 7850 N. Sam Houston Pkwy West Suite 300

Houston, TX 77064-0000 (832) 333-2332 Contractor not listed

7850 N. Sam Houston Pkwy West

Houston, TX 77064-0000 (832) 333-2332

424' FSL, 492' FWL of the survey Latitude 032.3444641, Longitude -101.389340 Total Depth: 7969 feet. PBTD: NA. Logs: Gamma Daily Potential: 1,490 Bbls 38.0 gravity oil w/ 1,455 Pumping. GOR: 742

Perf: 7445-17,700

Spud: 4-20-18. Completed: 4-03-19. Pay: NA 9-5/8" @ 7303 feet w/ 600 sx.

MS tool @ 4808 feet w/ 1,010 sx. 5-1/2" @ 18,923 feet w/ 2,360 sx.; 2-7/8" @ 7385 feet Perfs: 8347-18,874

11.10 miles northwest of Big Spring
A-1213, Section 24, Block 34, T-2-N, T&P RR Co.

#2641WA Merlin "A", API #42-227-39450 Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, re-completion, EI:

#2661WB Merlin "A", API #42-227-39452 Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, re-completion, El:

11.10 miles northwest of Big Spring A-1213, Section 24, Block 334, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. 424' FSL, 462' FWL of the survey Latitude 032.3444205, Longitude -101.6390113 Total Depth: 8282 feet. PBTD: NA. Log: Gamma Ray

Daily Potential: 1,272 Bbls 38.0 gravity oil w/ 2,057 Spud: 4-22-18. Completed: 3-25-19. Pay: NA 9-5/8" @ 7596 feet w/ 605 sx. MS tool @ 4803 feet w/ 1,035 sx.

#1AH Stanley Unit, "48-01", API #42-227-39889 Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, new well, EI: 2748' GR 3.60 miles south of Vealmoor A-994, Section 48, Block 33, T-3-N, T&P RR Co.

> 2300' FSL, 500' FWL of the survey Latitude 032.4683741, Longitude -101.5694146 Total Depth: 7921 feet. PBTD: 7870 feet. Log: Daily Potential: 1,257 Bbls 37.8 gravity oil w/ 1,820

Spud: 3-09-19. Completed: 8-08-19. Pay: NA 9-5/8" @ 7870 feet w/ 690 sx. MS tool @ 4505 feet w/ 1,100 sx.

11.10 miles northwest of Big Spring
A-1213, Section 24, Block 34, T-2-N, T&P RR Co.

424' FSL, 552' FWL of the survey Latitude 032.3445041, Longitude -101.6387450 Total Depth: 8060 feet. PBTD: NA. Log: Gamma Ray Daily Potential: 1,455 Bbls 38.0 gravity oil w/ 2,064

9-5/8" @ 7320 feet w/ 575 sx.; MS tool @ 4821 feet w/ 5-1/2" @ 19,032 feet w/ 2,365 sx.; 2-7/8" @ 7434 feet

Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, new well, El: 2716' GR 6.20 miles southeast of Vealmoor A-1005, Section 8, Block 32, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. 370' FSL, 799' FEL of the survey

Gas Lift. GOR: 1132

#2AH Garrett-Snell Unit "A 25-36", API #42-227-

Pumping. GOR: 605 9-5/8" @ 7697 feet w/ 665 sx. MS tool @ 4459 feet w/ 1,125 sx. 5-1/2" @ 17,570 feet w/ 2,540 sx.; 2-7/8" @ 7212 feet

Pumping. GOR: 294 9-5/8" @ 7825 feet w/ 680 sx. MS tool @ 4520 feet w/ 1,100 sx.

Perfs: 8230-17.871

Contractor not listed Neutron

Yates 1983' San Andres 3442' Clear Fork 5728' Spraberry 6287' Dean 7639' Wolfcamp 7764'

SM Energy Company 6301 Holiday Hill Road 2505' GR Midland, TX 2505' GR (432) 848-4855 survey

Contractor not listed

(MWD) Yates 1915' BWPD Seven Rivers 2029' San Andres 3467' Glorieta 4123' Clear Fork 4754' Leonard 5239' Spraberry 6560'

SM Energy Company 6301 Holiday Hill Road Midland, TX 79707-0000 (432) 848-4855

Contractor not listed

(MWD) Yates 1918' BWPD Seven Rivers 2029' San Andres 3308' Glorieta 3844' 985 sx. Clear Fork 4731' Spraberry 6561'

SM Energy Company

Pumping. GOR: 681 Spud: 4-18-18. Completed: 4-12-19. Pay: NA 9-5/8" @ 7420 feet w/ 555 sx. MS tool @ 4878 feet w/ 1,038 sx. 5-1/2" @ 19,142 feet w/ 2,380 sx.; 2-7/8" @ 7572 feet Perfs: 8571-19,091 #3132LS Oredigger "D", API #42-227-39456 Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: 2505' GR

11.10 miles northwest of Big Spring
A-1213, Section 24, Block 34, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. 424' FSEL, 402' FSWL of the survey Latitude 032.3444041, Longitude -101.6392160 Total Depth: 7663 feet. PBTD: NA. Log: Gamma Ray

Daily Potential: 943 Bbls 38.0 gravity oil w/ 1,659

Total Depth: 7918 feet. PBTD: 7913 feet. Log:

Daily Potential; 493.14 Bbls 39.3 gravity oil w/ 2,534

5-1/2" @ 17,996 feet w/ 2,440 sx.; 2-7/8" @ 7072 feet

#3152WA Oredigger "D", API #42-227-39455 Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, re-completion, El:

11.10 miles northwest of Big Spring A-1213, Section 24, Block 34, T-2-n, T&P RR Co.

Total Depth: 8044 feet. PBTD: NA. Log: Gamma Ray

Daily Potential: 1,899 Bbls 38.0 gravity oil w/ 1,778

424' FSL, 432' FWL of the survey Latitude 032.3444241, Longitude -101.6391220

Pumping. GOR: 820 Spud: 4-16-18. Completed: 6-11-19. Pay: NA

9-5/8" @ 7100 feet w/ 555 sx.; MS tool @ 4930 feet w/ 5-1/2" @ 18,679 feet w/ 2,360 sx.; 2-7/8" @ 7097 feet 2-7/8" @ 7143 feet Perfs: 8102-18,629

#2621LS Merlin "A", API #42-227-39451

6301 Holiday Hill Road 2505' GR Midland, TX 79707-0000 (432) 848-4855

Contractor not listed

(MWD) Yates 1916' BWPD Seven Rivers 2031' San Andres 3460' Glorieta 4086' Clear Fork 4719' Leonard 5239' Spraberry 6532'

SM Energy Company 6301 Holiday Hill Road 2484' GR Midland, TX 79707-0000 (432) 848-4855

Contractor not listed

(MWD) Yates 1840' **BWPD** Seven Rivers 1960' San Andres 3328' Glorieta 3798' Clear Fork 4823' Leonard 5330' Spraberry 6535' Dean 7809 Wolfcamp 7903'

SM Energy Company 6301 Holiday Hill Road Midland, TX 79707-0000 (432) 848-4855

Contractor not listed

(MWD) Yates 1840' BWPD Seven Rivers 1959' San Andres 3365' Glorieta 3869' Clear Fork 4821' Leonard 5318' Spraberry 6580'

Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, re-completion, El: 11.10 miles northwest of Big Spring

A-1213, Section 24, Block 34, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. 424' FSL, 522' FWL of the survey

Latitude 032.3444841, Longitude -101.6388390 Total Depth: 7565 feet. PBTD: NA. Logs: Gamma Ray

Daily Potential: 867 Bbls 38.0 gravity oil w/ 2,843 Pumping. GOR: 769

Spud: 4-19-18.Completed: 4-25-19. Pay: NA 9-5/8"@ 6853 feet w/ 495 sx. MS tool @ 4898 feet w/ 1,040 sx. 5-1/2" @ 18,541 feet w/ 2,360 sx.; 2-7/8" @ 6760 feet Perfs: 7944-18,493 #2746WA Guitar North, API #42-227-39702

Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, re-completion, El: 11.50 miles northwest of Big Spring
A-575, Section 26, Block A, Bauer & Cockrell survey
395' FSEL, 2371' FSWL of the survey
Latitude 032.2921804, Longitude -101.685386
Total Depth: 8203 feet. PBTD: NA. Log: Gamma Ray

Daily Potential: 1,202 Bbls 41.0 gravity oil w/ 1,332

Pumping. GOR: 101 Spud: 9-23-18. Completed: 9-13-19. Pay: NA 9-5/8" @ 7292 feet w/ 450 sx. MS tool @ 5087 feet w/ 1,265 sx.

5-1/2" @ 18,378 feet w/ 1,980 sx.; 2-7/8" @ 8357 feet

#2725LS Guitar North, API #42-227-39700 #2725LS duitar North, API #42-227-39700
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, new well, El: 2485' GR
11.50 miles northwest of Big Spring
A-575, Section 26, Block A, Bauer & Cockrell survey
395' FSEL, 2401' FSWL of the survey
Latitude 032.2922014, Longitude -101.684446.
Total Depth: 7708 feet. PBTD: NA. Logs: Gamma Ray

Daily Potential: 1,213 Bbls 41.0 gravity oil w/ 2,597

Pumping. GOR; 679 Spud: 9-24-18. Completed: 9-20-19. Pay: NA 9-5/8" @ 6785 feet w/ 405 sx. MS tool @ 5084 feet w/ 1,190 sx. 5-1/2" @ 17,875 feet w/ 1,950 sx.; 2-7/8" @ 6989 feet

Perfs: 7936-18,329

Perfs: 7473-17,826

Census faces challenges as it aims to hire up to 500,000

By MIKE SCHNEIDER and ANGELIKI KASTANIS

Associated Press

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — The U.S. Census Bureau said it has reached its goal of recruiting more than 2.6 million applicants for the once-a-decade head count that launched for most of America this week — but it has been a bumpy road getting there.

The nation's abundance of jobs has complicated the effort, and some rural areas — particularly in New England, Appalachia and some Rocky Mountain states — are falling behind recruitment goals as the agency works to hire up to a half-million temporary workers before May. Falling short could threaten the count in some parts of the country, which in turn could lead to underrepresentation in Congress and less federal funding.

An analysis by The Associated Press shows how low unemployment has affected the bureau's ability to attract workers, with urban counties, especially large ones, more likely to hit recruitment goals than rural areas. The bureau has yet to account for how hiring could be affected by novel coronavirus concerns. The virus may dampen workers' enthusiasm for going door to door, but it could also create a new application pool of workers who have been laid off.

While the bureau has reached its recruiting goal nationally, hiring has varied widely from place to place. States with populations concentrated in large metro areas — Georgia, Illinois, Maryland and Nevada — have overrecruited. Mostly rural states with high numbers of older residents Vermont, Maine, New Hampshire and West Virginia — are well below recruitment goals.

If the bureau can't find enough applicants in those areas, "it may have difficulty hiring enough staff to complete upcoming operations, leading to delays, increased costs and eroded data quality," J. Christopher Mihm of the Government Accountability Office said during a congressional hearing

"Recruitment and hiring success in one area may provide little advantage to an area where efforts are lagging," Mihm said. "The census, while a national effort, is implemented locally in communities and neighborhoods across the country." Most of the workers will be hired to knock on

the doors of households whose residents haven't responded by May to the census either online, by telephone or through the mail in what is the federal government's largest peacetime mobilization. The Census Bureau hopes to hire people from the areas they will be working in because they know their communities best.

In Vermont, part of the problem is the number of jobs. Its unemployment rate was just 2.4% at the

"Vermont is a rural, small state, and I know we

general, said in a statement.

have one of the lowest unemployment rates in the nation," said state librarian Jason Broughton, who is chairing a committee on encouraging census participation. "That plays a huge factor. A lot of people already are working two or three jobs, so everybody is already working."

The extremes in recruiting can be found in Teton County, Wyoming — home of the Jackson Hole ski area — and Clayton County, Georgia, in metro Atlanta, home of the world's busiest airport. In Teton County, the Census Bureau reached below 17% of its recruiting goal as of Feb. 24. In Clayton County, home to Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport, the bureau had recruited more than double its goal.

Census Bureau officials insist there's no reason to be worried. As of the end of February, there were more than 22,500 temporary workers on the payroll, the bureau reported last week.

On Thursday, more than a dozen Democratic U.S. lawmakers from New York asked the department overseeing the U.S. Census Bureau to extend the period for conducting the count because of the spreading coronavirus. Another group of House members, as well as the agency's own inspector general, asked for details on the Census Bureau's coronavirus plans.

"We are particularly concerned about the impact on hard-to-count communities, which the Census Bureau has acknowledged are more likely to respond to in-person census enumerators, rather than to census forms completed by mail or online," said the letter from Democratic Reps. David Price, Jose Serrano, Carolyn Maloney and Jamie

The 2020 census started this week with the online questionnaire going live, and it is supposed to end in July. In response to coronavirus concerns, the Census Bureau said this week, "It has never been easier to respond on your own, whether online, over the phone or by mail — all without having to meet a census taker."

Some advocates leading census outreach efforts on Friday worried that the coronavirus would lead some census takers to quit their jobs, said Jeri Green, 2020 census senior advisor for the National Urban League.

There are at least three recruits for every position in every part of the country, and in some parts, there are four or five applicants, Census Bureau Director Steven Dillingham told lawmakers last month.

"We are not behind," Dillingham said.

Servicemen killed in Iraq attack were Oklahoman,

Californian

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Two servicemen killed in an Iraqi rocket attack on a U.S. base in Iraq

Air Force Staff Sgt. Marshal Roberts, 28, of Owasso, and Army Spc. Juan Miguel Mendez Covarru-

bias, 27, of Hanford, California, died in the Wednesday attack that also killed a British service mem-

The U.S. has launched retaliatory airstrikes against militants in Iraq following the attack on Camp

The department said Roberts was a member of the 219th Engineering Installation Squadron of the

Roberts served "selflessly and with honor," Maj. Gen. Michael Thompson, Oklahoma's adjutant

Oklahoma Gov. Kevin Stitt, Sens. James Lankford and Jim Inhofe and Rep. Kevin Hern of Tulsa,

where the Oklahoma squadron is based, issued statements of condolence, calling Roberts a hero.

Oklahoma Air National Guard and Covarrubias was assigned to 1st Battalion, 227th Aviation Regi-

were an Oklahoman and a Californian, the U.S. Department of Defense said Friday.

ment, 1st Air Cavalry Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Hood, Texas.

The census helps determine the allocation of \$1.5 trillion in federal spending and how many congressional seats each state gets. For the first time, the bureau is encouraging most people to fill out their forms online.

Finding such a large, temporary workforce in

the current labor market had been a formidable challenge, U.S. Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross, whose department oversees the Census Bureau, testified before a Senate committee last week. But he said the bureau had reached out to college students, previous census-takers and private companies like Walmart that have a large number of temporary workers.

"I feel quite comfortable that we will accomplish what we need to," Ross said.

After recruiting efforts hit a plateau last December, the Census Bureau increased its hourly wages by around \$1.50 in almost three-quarters of U.S. counties. The hourly wages now range from \$14 to almost \$30 an hour, depending on the city, with workers in California, Chicago and the Northeast earning the most.

U.S. Reps. Ayanna Pressley of Massachusetts and Deb Haaland of New Mexico told Census Bureau officials last month that residents had applied for jobs but never heard back. The two Democrats worried that recruiting and hiring problems would lead to undercounting of hard-tocount communities in their districts, which both

have large numbers of minority groups. That concern was echoed on a recent conference call the bureau hosted to answer questions about the 2020 census. Several callers wanted to know why they hadn't heard anything after they applied

for a temporary job. "I'm concerned that maybe I'm getting waylaid and nobody is really paying attention," said one

caller from South Florida. The Census Bureau says the bulk of the hiring wouldn't start until this month. Kaile Bower, the bureau official who led the conference call, urged callers to follow up by reaching out to their regional office.

In New Mexico, the recruiting shortfall seems most drastic in Hispanic communities and Indian country, Haaland said.

"Those I would say largely are rural communities where the unemployment rate is higher, so I almost feel like that would be a great place to find people," she said.

Dillingham, the bureau's director, promised to ensure those communities are properly staffed.

"It is very important that we meet the needs of particular states and particular communities within those states," he said.

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Coronavirus shutting down Texas sports

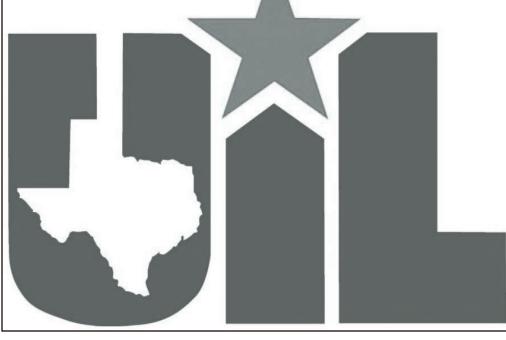
By SHAWN MORAN

After careful deliberation, the University Interscholastic League (UIL) has suspended all sanctioned games and events until further notice.

This decision was made on Friday night and affects the entire state of Texas. The suspension will go into effect starting on Monday and will go through March 29. In their press release, the UIL stated that, "Rehearsals and practices may be held at the discretion of the local school district."

The coronavirus (COVID-19) has been taking over the professional and college sports world during this past week. Now, it has stretched down to the preps level. All spring sports have been suspended until further notice and they will hopefully be able to make up the missed games once the situation is under control.

"We are urging our member schools and their communities to stay vigilant and take every possible precaution to remain safe and healthy," UIL Executive Director Dr. Charles Breithaupt said. "We understand there is a lot of uncertainty during this unprecedented time. Please know UIL leadership is working diligently to adjust to this rapidly evolving situation and will share updates as soon



as possible."

Since the suspension does not start until Monday, the Big Spring Steers baseball team will be finishing out the 25th Annual West Texas March Classic with a triple-header on Saturday afternoon against

While the situation is very serious, there have been no cases of positive tests for the virus in West Texas. Big Spring has decided to not close down the school or extend their spring break unlike many other schools around the country are currently doing.

"This decision is based on emphasizing facts over fear and relying on credible sources for information, Big Spring ISD superintendent Jay McWilliams said in his own press re-

The next two weeks, at least, will be without any local high school sports. Following a state of emergency being declared by President Trump, it will be a wait-and-see situation with keeping the local schools open.

"Big Spring ISD is closely monitoring the situation and tracking information provided by local, state, and national healthcare providers," Mc-Williams said in his press release. "This is a fluid, ongoing situation, and we will closely monitor the situation on a daily basis for any changes or issues we will need to address as we

move forward in the next few weeks, and onward throughout the remainder of the school year." With the situation seemingly evolving quicker

everyday, it is now a waiting game for the school district and the entire state of Texas.

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Munoz leads Bulldogettes to 15-9 rally over 4A Monahans

Special to the Herald

COAHOMA — Pitcher Alexcia Munoz led the Bulldogettes to a 15-9 come-from-behind win over Monahans on Friday.

The Coahoma freshman came in as relief in the middle of the third inning after the Monahans batting lineup got on a hot streak scoring four runs to take the lead. The Lady Lobos scored one more run before second baseman Alex Bailey caught a fly ball to retire the inning.

After the third, no more Lady Lobos runs got through, and the Bulldogettes big bats, led by Caitly Corley, Madison Rogers and Jocelyn Olivarez, took over to score nine runs over the next four innings.

Corley went 2-for-3 at bat with three runs scored, three RBIs, two walks, and a triple. Olivarez was 4-for-5 with two runs scored. Rodgers had two hits out of five at-bats with two runs scored and two RBIs.

Munoz was excellent in the circle. She had zero runs over two hits, walked two and struck out two over four and half innings. She threw 75 pitches and got 46 strikes.

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against Clyde on Tuesday.

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W — Alexcia Munoz. L — Taryn Griner. 2B: Monahans — T. Samuels. 3B: Monahans — Cheyenne Marquez; Coahoma — Caitlyn Corley. SB: Monahans — Marquez; Coahoma — Kenzi Canales 2, Cailtyn Corley 2, Sydney Rinard, Madison Rodgers. Pitches-Strikes: Monahans -Griner 140-72; Coahoma — Christian Everett 75-35, Munoz

At Bat: Coahoma — Madison Rodgers 2-for-5, 2 runs, 2 RBIs; Ashley Romero 0-for-3, 1 run, 1 walk; Alex Bailey 1-for-3, 1 run, 1 walk; Jocelyn Olivarez 4-for-5, 2 runs; Sydney Rinard 0-for-1, 1 run, 2 walks; Caitlyn Corley 2-for-3, 3 runs, 3 RBIs, 2 walks; Macee Grant 1-for-5, 1 run, 2 RBIs; Kenzi Canales 1-for-2, 3 runs, 2 RBIs, 2 walks; Shae Lang 0-for-2, 1 RBI.

The Bulldogettes will have at least the next couple weeks off from any games. The schedule will be moved around Alexcia Munoz throws across and once things are settled, we will know more about the home plate during the JV game upcoming schedule for Coahoma. They are off to a great start and the community would love to see how far this team can go.

Out of an Abundance of Caution Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center, Sea Center Texas Closed Temporarily

Special to the Herald

AUSTIN— With the uncertain and evolving health situation in the U.S., the Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center in Athens, Sea Center Texas in Lake Jackson are closed temporarily to public visitation in efforts to minimize the potential risks associated with large public gatherings and closequartered spaces to our visitors, volunteers and

"We feel this is an important step to take to protect the visitors who come to see us," said Robin Riechers, Director of Coastal Fisheries for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. "We are certainly sorry for any inconvenience this may cause to anyone wanting to see and learn about Texas' coastal environments and how TPWD raises and stocks fish to support the great coastal fishing we

have in the state."

"We regrettably believe that current conditions require us to take these proactive and cautionary steps to avoid placing visitors, volunteers, and staff in situations that could compromise their personal health," said Craig Bonds, Director of Inland Fisheries for TPWD. "We look forward to more favorable future conditions that will enable us to reopen these facilities for the education and enjoyment of our visitors."

All public visitation is suspended at these facilities including group tours, group meetings and events. At the TFFC, the Major League Fishing Student Angler Clinic event is cancelled, and the Merit Badge University event is postponed to an undetermined date.

Staff operations and fish production within the hatcheries will continue as normal. Visitor Center

staff will focus efforts on thoroughly disinfecting the facility and equipment to best ensure the safety

of our guests when normal operations resume. Further, public visitation and tours are temporarily suspended at other TPWD hatcheries, including the A.E. Wood Fish Hatchery in San Marcos, the Dundee Fish Hatchery in Electra, the Heart of the Hills Fisheries Science Center in Mountain Home, the John D. Parker East Texas Fish Hatchery in Brookeland, the Marine Development Center in Corpus Christi, the Perry R. Bass Research Center and Hatchery, and the Possum Kingdom Fish Hatchery in Graford.

At this time, a reopening date has not been determined, but TPWD will work with local and state health officials to determine the best timing for resuming normal visiting hours.

UTPB Football scrimmage in **Big Spring cancelled**

Special to the Herald

With UT Permian Basin extending Spring Break through March 20, per NCAA rules, football is not allowed to practice during a school holiday.

Therefore the Falcons will be unable to have its scrimmage in the city of Big Spring on March the 20th. This is a big blow to the community of Big Spring and the UT Permian Basin

football program. With the spread of COVID-19, there have been countless cancellations and postponements of athletic events around the state and country. With a lot of teams missing practice time and time with their teammates, it is

important for everyone to be as clean and healthy as possible so that everyone can get back to living their normal, everyday lives.

Another commitment for Howard softball

Special to the Herald

On Friday it was announced that Amanda Gonzalez, the 2019 NJCAA Softball Player of the Year, has committed to Louisiana Tech University. With two extremely productive seasons at the junior college level, Gonzalez will be taking her talents to Division I softball.

The sophomore shortstop from Los Angeles, CA has blasted 11 home runs so far this season (tied for second in the nation) and has a batting average of .485. The all-around star also has the fourth-highest slugging percentage in the nation (1.191).

She will join Lousiana Tech next year and will compete in C-USA against some of the top schools in the country at that level. With the addition of Gonzalez, the Bulldogs might even become one of those teams.

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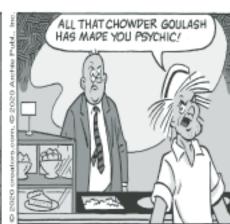






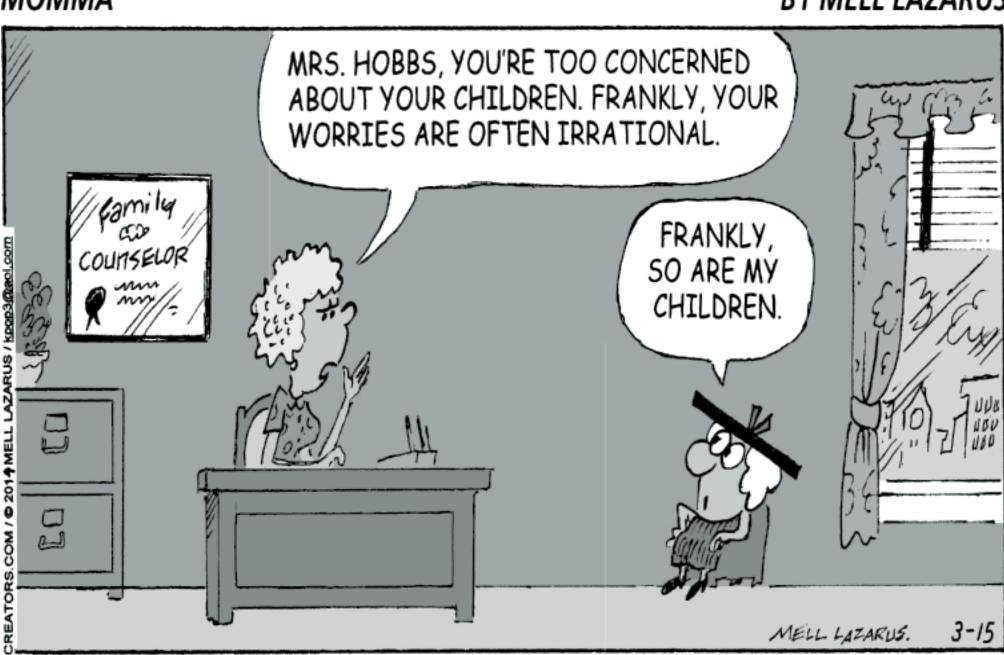






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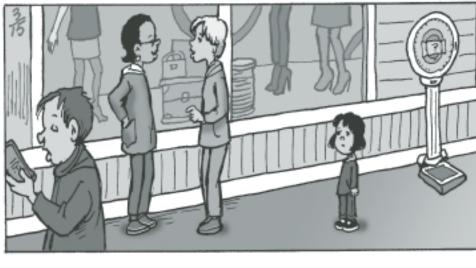














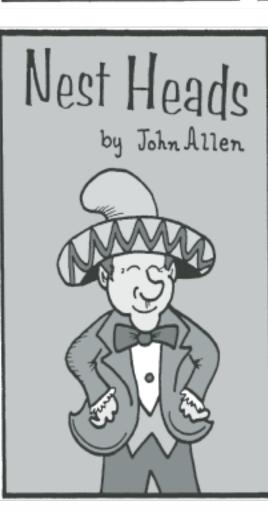
















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NCAA plans to extend eligibility of spring sports athletes

By DOUG FEINBERG

of the coronavirus.

NEW YORK (AP) — The NCAA is planning to extend the eligibility of athletes on spring sports teams by one year to make up for the season lost to the

The details of how the extra eligibility will work are still being ironed out. All three NCAA divisions would potentially allow another year for athletes in the 14 spring sports, which include baseball, softball, lacrosse and golf. The decision comes after the NCAA announced Thursday that its winter and spring championships would be canceled as a precaution against the spread

Some, but not all, conferences have announced that their spring sports teams would not continue their regular seasons.

"I think for the spring sports athletes, its a good idea. I like the idea of some kind of a make-good there and that's the way to do it," Big East Commissioner Val Ackerman said Friday.

The NCAA Division I Council Coordination Committee sent an email Friday notifying schools of its intention. The proposal is expected to pass.

"Details of eligibility relief will be finalized at a later time," the NCAA said in a statement. "Additional issues with NCAA rules must be addressed, and appropriate governance bodies will work through those in the coming days

The NCAA needs to figure out logistics including scholarship limits, roster size and a few other nuances.

The association also is trying to determine what — if anything — it could do for winter-sport athletes. In basketball, many of the top players will have headed to the pros already, so granting another year wouldn't do much for them.

"I am appreciative that the NCAA is now considering the impact on studentathletes not having a postseason in women's basketball," Baylor coach Kim Mulkey said in a statement. "It is still my hope that if the current situation improves, the NCAA will make every effort to revive the championship this

year. If not, I hope they give serious consideration for seniors to have an ad-

Florida athletic director Scott Stricklin said he plans to push for legislation that would allow seniors to return to school and for roster exemptions that would help make it happen.

"I think any senior who had a championship opportunity taken away because of this should get another year," he said Friday. "I don't know if the NCAA will take that up. But you have track athletes, you have gymnasts, you have swimmers and divers, and basketball, that what they worked for all year was taken away. I think we should give those kids another year. Whether that happens or not, I don't know.

"Yeah, we'll have that conversation," he said. "That makes a lot of sense and it's the humane, fair thing to do.'

North Carolina lacrosse attacker Katie Hoeg, who is a two-time All-Ameri can and the school's all-time leading scorer, has a teaching and coaching job lined up after she graduates this spring. She said she will make arrangements to return for some grad courses and play lacrosse next year if she's allowed. "I'm choosing my passion," Hoeg said. "I can't imagine ending my lacrosse

career the way this season is going. I was pretty hopeful this would be a possibility. I'm really excited this decision has been made. It's such a weird circumstance. This has never happened before. It would be pretty unfair to have our careers or have this year taken away from us. I do agree with their decision because of the circumstances.' The Ivy League, which hasn't allowed athletes to pursue a fifth year at their

schools in the past, said it is "working with our schools to identify and consider various issues, including those related to the ongoing eligibility of senior spring student-athletes.'

The NCAA also informed schools on Friday that a recruiting dead period is now in effect through April 15, banning all on-campus visits for recruits and off-campus recruiting travel for coaches.

MLB allows players to leave after canceling spring training

<u>By JAKE SEINER</u>

AP Sports Writer

MESA, Ariz. (AP) — Major League Baseball is allowing players to go home, making the decision a day after canceling the rest of the spring training schedule and postponing opening day by at least two weeks amid the novel coronavirus outbreak. After a meeting in Arizona on Friday that includ-

ed baseball Commissioner Rob Manfred, union head Tony Clark and their top aides, players were told they could remain at spring training, report to the team's home city or go to their own home. The league also announced it was suspending spring training camps.

New York Yankees players decided as a group to remain in Tampa, Florida.

"Everyone wants to stay here and get ready to go whenever the season starts back," reliever and team union rep Zack Britton said. "(Owner) Hal Steinbrenner spoke to us. He's going to give us access to the facility. They're going to supply us with breakfast in the morning.

MLB announced Thursday the season will be delayed at least two weeks from its scheduled start on March 26. Teams speculated the season might not start until sometime in May, necessitating a reduced schedule.

MLB and the union discussed the need for likely two-to-four weeks of workouts ahead of openers once the date for the season's start has been set. "Some of us have been around the game for a long

time, have lived through some work stoppages and saw when you had to return to play protocols, it would be in the format of an abbreviated spring training and then maybe an expansion of rosters Yankees general manager Brian Cashman Management and the union also talked about the

possible need to extend the regular season past its scheduled end on Sept. 27, tacking some or all postponed games onto the original end of the season.

Ballparks in Florida and Arizona were locked down as the sport considered how to proceed following an outbreak that has brought the U.S. sports schedule to a standstill.

"We don't have a playbook for this," Cleveland Indians president Chris Antonetti said in the morning. "We are learning on the fly. We are taking the approach that we will continue to prioritize the health and wellness of our players, our staff, their families, everyone at the complex, everyone throughout the organization. That is evolving day to day."

A union memo to players Friday obtained by The

Associated Press outlined the options for players and said teams will be expected to help "if a player needs to extend a lease (or) find hotel accommodations." The memo said teams "will make best efforts to provide ordinary staffing support, meals and other accommodations."

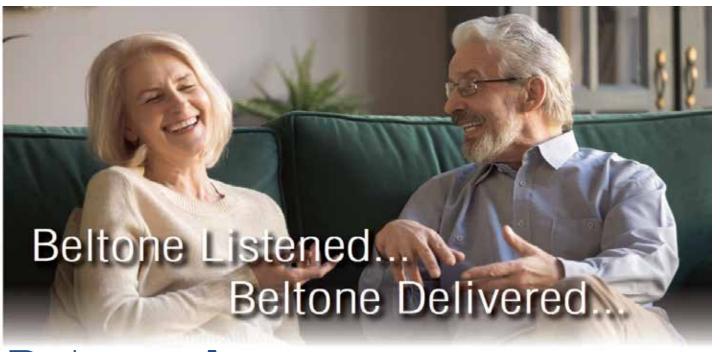
Many minor league players — especially from other countries — had been hoping to remain in camps, where they usually have access to housing food and training facilities. Many have already been told to go home, but some teams have said they would make efforts to let players stay.

"This may be the best option for them," Red Sox executive Chaim Bloom said. "And we want to make sure that is a good option, but also that they have the ability to go other places if they want to.

Arizona Diamondbacks general manager Mike Hazen said that one minor league player in the or ganization had been tested for coronavirus "out of an abundance of caution," but the team hasn't re ceived a result. He said the team's facility would undergo cleaning over the weekend before players could return for voluntary workouts on Monday.

Some agents are worried that foreign players might have difficulty returning to the U.S. if they go home.

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BRINGING BOOKS TO LIFE 2020 CHARACTER PARADE



Courtesy photos

Forsan Elementary students were able to dress up as their favorite book character as part of the annual Character Parade. Students brought the favorite stories to life as they dressed up as famous baseball players, Hollywood stars, Disney cartoon characters and even historical icons. First thing Friday morning students and teachers gathered together and marched through the halls to show off their costumes. After the parade concluded parents, teachers, community members and family members took part in reading the storybooks the students had brought along that day. A few of the older students were tasked with reading historical books and instead of writing a book report were tasked with bringing the book to life for the parade. Through these activities students were able to embrace their love of reading while sharing a few of their favorite characters, new pieces of information and their creative abilities with fellow students and teachers.

















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Howard County Lunch Menus

Big Spring ISD Kentwood Early Childhood

Monday: Breakfast: Strawberry Pop Tart, apple slices, 1% white milk Lunch: French toast bites with syrup and sausage patty, tater tots, mixed fruit cup, 1% white milk

Tuesday: Breakfast: Sausage Kolaches, fresh oranges, 1% white milk Lunch: Chicken nuggets,

steamed corn, diced pear cup, 1% white milk

Wednesday: Breakfast: Apple frudel, applesauce, 1% white milk Lunch: Walking taco, pork and beans, diced peach cup, 1% white milk

fast: Bosco apple sticks, fresh bananas, 1% white milk Lunch: Hot dog with Sun Chip Munchies,

Thursday: Break-

fresh baby carrots, applesauce cup, 1% white milk Friday: Breakfast: Blueberry waffles, apple slices, 1% white milk Lunch: Cheese pizza, fresh cucumber slices, Mandarin oranges, 1% white milk, Rice Krispie Treat

Big Spring Elementary Monday: Breakfast: Poptart with graham crack-

ers, apple slices, 100% juice box, assorted milk Lunch: Cheeseburger, sunbutter and jelly sandwich, strawberry cup, apple slices, potato wedges, grape tomatoes, romaine salad

Tuesday: Breakfast: Mini cinnamon rolls, whole orange, 100% juice box, assorted milk Lunch: Bagel pepperoni pizza lunchable, ham chef salad with roll, strawberry cup, diced pears, fresh broccoli, fresh baby carrots

Wednesday: Breakfast: Cereal with string cheese, flavored applesauce cup, 100% juice box, assorted milk Lunch: Corn dog on a stick, popcorn chicken salad with roll, strawberry cup, diced peaches, French fries, corn

Thursday: Breakfast: Grape PBJ sandwich, fresh bananas, 100% juice box, assorted milk Lunch: Chicken sandwich, turkey chef salad with roll, fresh apples, applesauce cup, baby carrots, baked beans, garden salad

Friday: Breakfast: Cherry frudel, apple slices, 100% juice box, assorted milk Lunch: Cheese pizza, fun on the run, mixed fruit cup, whole orange, fresh cucumber slices, garden salad

Big Spring Intermediate School

Monday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, Cinnamon Toast Curnch cereal, fresh apple slices, cherry star juice Lunch: Chicken 'n' waffles, cheese pizza, chicken patty sandwich, fresh oranges, mixed fruit cup, seasoned fries, fresh grape tomatoes, garden

Tuesday: Breakfast: Cinnamon sugar donut, Honey Nut Cheerios cereal, fresh oranges, fruit juice Lunch: Walking taco, pepperoni pizza, spicy chicken sandwich, French fries, strawberry cup, diced pears, fresh baby carrots, garden salad

Wednesday: Breakfast: Blueberry bagel, Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal, applesauce, orange juice Lunch: Carnival corn dog, cheese pizza, chicken patty sandwich, crisscross fries, fresh apples, diced peaches, corn, fresh celery sticks

Thursday: Breakfast: Grape PBJ sandwich, Honey Nut Cheerios cereal, fresh bananas, pineapple juice Lunch: Nacho pizza, cheeseburger, spicy chicken patty, fresh grapes, rosy applesauce, baked beans, fresh baby carrots, French fries

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon French toast biles, waffles, Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal, apple slices, grape juice Lunch: Bacon cheeseburger, cheese

pizza, spicy chicken sandwich, mixed fruit cup, orange smiles, fresh broccoli, fresh cucumber slices, tater tots

Big Spring Junior High

Monday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal, fresh apple slices, cherry star juice Lunch: Chicken 'n' waffles, cheese pizza, chicken patty sandwich, fresh oranges, mixed fruit cup, seasoned fries, fresh grape tomatoes, garden

Tuesday: Breakfast: Cinnamon sugar donut, Honey Nut Cheerios cereal, fresh oranges, fruit juice Lunch: Walking taco, pepperoni pizza, spicy chicken sandwich, French fries, strawberry cup, diced pears, fresh baby carrots, garden salad

Wednesday: Breakfast: Banana benefit bar, Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal, applesauce, orange juice Lunch: Carnival corn dog, cheese pizza, chicken patty sandwich, crisscross fries, fresh apples, diced peaches, corn, fresh celery sticks

Thursday: Breakfast: Grape PBJ sandwich, Honey Nut Cheerios cereal, fresh bananas, pineapple juice Lunch: Nacho pizza, cheeseburger, spicy chicken patty, fresh grapes, rosy applesauce, baked

beans, fresh baby carrots, French fries Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon French toast bites, waffles, Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal, apple slices, grape juice Lunch: Bacon cheeseburger, cheese pizza, spicy chicken sandwich, mixed fruit cup, orange smiles, fresh broccoli, fresh cucumber slices,

Anderson Accelerated

Monday: Breakfast: Apple frudel, cereal and string cheese, assorted fruits, assorted milk Lunch:

Chicken patty sandwich, chicken Caesar salad with flatbread, fresh orange, mixed fruit, 100% juice, steamed corn, romaine salad, assorted milk Tuesday: Break-

fast: Cinnamon sugar donut holes, cereal and string cheese, strawberry cup, mixed fruit cup, 100% juice box, assorted milk Lunch: Corn dog,

chef salad with flatbread, fresh pears, mixed fruit, 100% juice box, green beans, red pepper strips, assorted milk Wednesday: Breakfast: Apple cinnamon muf-

fin, cereal with string cheese, fresh orange, diced peaches, assorted milk Lunch: Chicken nuggets with roll, pizza salad with flatbread, fresh apples, diced peaches, 100% juice box, baby carrots, baked beans, assorted milk Thursday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, cereal with

string cheese, fresh bananas, pineapple tidbit cup. assorted milk Lunch: Chicken fried steak with roll, spicy popcorn chicken salad with flatbread, fresh banana, applesauce cup, 100% juice box, mashed potatoes, celery sticks, assorted milk

Friday: Breakfast: Kolaches with sausage, cereal with string cheese, apple slices, strawberry cup, assorted milk Lunch: Walking taco, cobb salad with flatbread, fresh grapes, pineapple tidbits, 100% juice box, spinach salad, baby carrots, assorted milk

Big Spring High School

Monday: Breakfast: Grape PBJ sandwich, waffles with blueberries, sausage patty, vanilla glazed donuts, Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal, egg sausage and cheese burrito, refried beans, fresh cantaloupe, applesauce Lunch: Line 2 Daily Special: All white meat chicken nuggets

Tuesday: Breakfast: Grape crescent roll, pancakes with strawberries, sausage patty, egg sausage and cheese burrito, refried beans, Honey Nut Cheerios cereal, fresh oranges, mixed fruit cup Lunch: Line 2 Daily Special: Turkey pot pie

Wednesday: Breakfast: Fun on the Run, waffles with strawberries, sausage patty, egg sausage and cheese burrito, refried beans, Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal, fresh cantaloupe, applesauce Lunch: Line 2 Daily Special: Beef chili mac casse-

Thursday: Breakfast: Grape PBJ sandwich, pancakes with strawberries, sausage patty, egg sausage and cheese burrito, refried beans, Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal, fresh banana, pineapple tidbits Lunch: Line 2 Daily Special: Chicken fried steak with mashed potatoes and country gravey

Friday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, waffles with strawberries, sausage patty, egg sausage and cheese burrito, refried beans, Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal, fresh grapes, diced peaches Lunch: Line 2 Daily Special: Walking taco with Doritos

Line 1 Made to Order: Hamburgers, sub-style sandwiches, chicken sandwiches, assorted fruits, assorted vegetables, assorted snacks, assorted drinks, assorted milk

Line 3 Made to Order: Ramen Noodle bar with toppies, Nachos, assorted fruits, assorted vegetables, assorted snacks, assorted drinks, assorted milk

Coahoma ISD

Sunrise sandwich or

cheesy toast, 100% fruit

juice, fruit, milk Lunch:

Chicken fajitas, beans,

carrots, salsa, hot cinna-

mon apples, sherbet cup,

Wednesday: Breakfast:

Chicken biscuit or break-

fast pizza, 100% fruit

juice, fruit, milk Lunch:

Pizza pocket, Tuscan

vegetables, garden salad,

marinara sauce, peach-

Thursday: Breakfast:

es, cookie, milk

Monday: NO SCHOOL Tuesday: Breakfast:

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Oatmeal with cinnamon toast or breakfast studel with yogurt, 100% fruit juice, fruit, milk Lunch: Ranchero wrap, corn, fresh veggie cup, snowball salad, milk

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Friday: Breakfast: Breakfast burrito, hash browns, 100% fruit juice, fruit, milk Lunch: Bulldog chicken bowl, green beans, roll, fresh apple

Forsan ISD

Monday: Breakfast: Waffles with sausage patty or cereal, Mandarin oranges, fruit juice, milk Lunch: Garlic French bread pizza, chicken boneless bites (JH/HS), chicken nuggets (elementary), sunbutter and jelly sandwich, roll, potatoes augratin, baby carrots, strawberries, fresh fruit, milk Tuesday: Breakfast: Egg and maple sausage tor-

nado or cereal, applesauce cup, fruit juice, milk Lunch: Popcorn chicken (elementary), Buffalo sub sandwich (elementary), Buffalo bowl (JH/HS), Buffalo ranch wrap (JH/HS), mac and cheese, fries, green beans, strawberries and bananas, fresh fruit, milk

Wednesday: Breakfast: French toast with sausage patty or cereal, Mandarin oranges, fruit juice, milk Lunch: Pizza or turkey chef salad, fresh veggie cup, garden salad, applesauce, fresh fruit, milk



Thursday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza or cereal, strawberry cup, fruit juice, milk Lunch: Steak fingers with roll, Asian bowl with egg roll, turkey and cheese sub sandwich, mashed potatoes, baby carrots, fruity gelatin, fresh fruit, milk

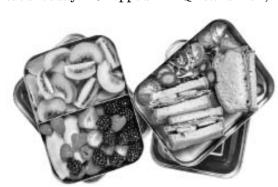
Friday: Breakfast: Mini powdered donuts with sausage or cereal, applesauce cup, fruit juice, milk Lunch: Wild Mike's cheesy bread, nachos, sunbutter and jelly sandwich, ranch style beans, corn, salsa, strawberries, fresh fruit, milk

Sands CISD SPRING BREAK



Senior Center

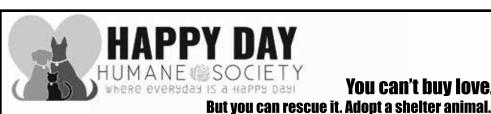
Monday: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes gravy, green beans, banana pudding, biscuit, milk Tuesday: Potato soup, turkey sandwich, lettuce and tomato, carrot raisin salad, apple slices, milk Wednesday: Chopped BBQ sandwich, baked



beans, potato salad, onion, pickle, muffin, milk

Thursday: Butter beans with ham, turnip greens, cake, cornbread, milk

Friday: Fish nuggets, tarter sauce, corn, stewed tomatoes, pears, milk



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Channeling your pain, sharing energy

ou can channel your pain into helping others, and sharing energy that heals

Pain is a fact of being and one that permeates all of our lives to some degree. Since the hurt we feel may be a part of the experiences that have touched us most deeply, we are

often reluctant to let it go. It is frequently easier to keep our pain at our sides, where it acts as a shield that shelters us from others and gives us an identity--that of victim--from which we can draw bitter strength. However, pain can also empower us to use our hurt to help others heal. Since no pain is any greater or

more profound than any other, what you feel can give you the ability to help bring about the recovery of individuals

whose hurts are both similar to "and" different from your own. You can channel your pain into healing love that aids you in helping individuals on a one-to-one basis or small groups and spreading a tide of healing energy throughout the world.

The capacity to heal others evolves naturally within those who are ready to disassociate themselves from their identity as victims. In fact, the simple decision to put aside the pain we have carried is what grants us the strength to redeem that pain through service. There are many ways to use the hurt you feel to help others. Your pain gives you a unique insight into the minds of people who have experienced trauma and heartache. You can draw from the well of strength that allowed you to emerge on the other side of a painful experience and pass that strength to individuals still suffering from their wounds. You may be able to council individuals in need

by showing them the coping methods that have helped you survive or simply by offering sympathy. A kinship can develop that allows you to relate more closely with those you are trying to aid and comfort. Helping others can be a restorative experience

that makes your own heart grow stronger. In channeling your pain into compassionate service and watching others successfully recover, you may feel a sense of euphoria that leads to increased feelings of self-worth and optimism. Your courageous decision to reach out to others can be the best way to declare to yourself and the world that your pain didn't defeat you, and in fact it helped you heal From time to time our feet inevitably get knocked out from under us and we had better be prepared to

- A musical tune came to me soon after my pre cious son took his life. The tune had words to re member.
- Do not rush your healing or you will miss the lessons along the way.
- When something big hits you, you tend to adjust your prospective on life and some of them can be shared and passed along the way. In AA it is taught to heal yourself by helping others. Let's bring ourselves from victim to victor with Gods help.

For more information, contact me at AnneLucero@ymail.com

Check this out, at the library this week turn to her homeland. Instead, Chika Friends of the Library will be post-

poning their Spring Book Sale Friday, that was happening March 20 & 21. Also postponed for the time being is Brown Bag History also known as History Nerds.

Sandra

On Tuesday we will have Babytime at 10:30 a.m. and on Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. and Code Club is on Thursday, session 1 at 10:30 a.m. and session 2 at 5:30 p.m. Any changes to the schedule are posted on our Facebook page which is linked from our li-

This week's reviews are all biogra-

brary webpage.

"Finding Chika" (B JEU C) by Mitch Albom is a portrait of what it means to be a family, regardless of how it is made. Chika Jeune was born three days before the earthquake that decimated Haiti in 2010. She spent her infancy in a landscape in extreme poverty. When her mother dies, Chika is admitted into the Have Faith Haiti Orphanage which Albom operates in Port-au-Prince. The nearly fifty children who live and play, and go to school there have become family to Mitch and his wife, Janine who have no children of their own. Chika's arrival makes a quick impression. Brave and self-assured even as a toddler, she delights the other kids and teachers. Then, at age five, Chika is diagnosed with a life threatening illness, and a doctor tells Albom, "There is no one in Haiti that can help her." Mitch and Janine bring Chika to Detroit, hopeful that American medical care will soon grant her a healthy rebecomes a permanent part of the Alboms' lives, as they embark on a two year, around-the-world to find a cure. As Chika's boundless optimism and humor teach Mitch and Janine the jovs of caring for a child they learn that a relationship built on love no matter what blow it takes can never

For decades, Demi Moore has been synonymous with celebrity in "Inside Out" (B MOO D) by Demi Moore, Demi shares her story about adversity and tremendous resilience. From iconic film roles to high-profile relationships, Moore has never been far from the spotlight or the headlines. Even as Demi was becoming the highest paid actress in Hollywood, however, she was always outrunning her past, just one step ahead of the doubts and insecurities that defined her childhood. Throughout her rise to fame and during some of the most pivotal moments of her life, Demi battled addiction, body image issues, and childhood trauma that would follow her for years all while juggling a skyrocketing career and at times negative public perception. As her success grew, Demi found herself questioning if she belonged in Hollywood, if she was a good mother, a good actress and, always, if she was simply good enough. In this deeply candid and reflective memoir. Demi pulls back the curtain and opens up about her career and personal life, laying bare her tumultuous relationship with her mother, her marriages, her struggles balancing stardom with raising a family, and her journey toward open heartedness.

Elton John is the most enduringly successful singer-song writer of all time. His life is extraordinary, his seven decades (so far) packed with incredible highs and lows. Now in "ME" (B JOH E) by Elton John in his own words and with his usual honesty, he shows his story- every hilarious, heartbreaking moment. He reveals the truth about his childhood growing up in the London suburb of Pinner and his difficult relationship with his parents. Christened Reginald Dwight was a shy boy with unlikely dreams of pop stardom. By the age of twenty three he was performing his first gig in the America, facing an astonished audience in high bright yellow dungarees, a star spangled T-shirt and boots with wings. Elton John had arrived and the music world would never be the same again. "Me" is full of drama, from the early rejection of Elton's work with songwriting partner Bernie Taupin to spinning out of control as a chart topping superstar; from friendships with John Lennon, Freddie Mercury, and George Michael to disco dancing with the Queen; from suicide attempts to a secret drug addiction that would grip him for more than a decade. Elton also writes about getting clean and setting up his AIDS foundation. He describes finding true love with David Furnish, holidaying with Versace, and singing at Princess Diana's funeral. And he pinpoints the moment he realizes he wants to be a father and his life changes once again. Joyously funny, and entertaining, "Me" will take you on an intimate journey with a living legend.

Whitney Houston is as big a superstar as the music business has ever known. In "A Song For You: My Life with Whitney Houston" (B HOU W) by Robyn Crawford her best friend, Robyn Crawford recalls her life alongside Whitney Houston. Whitney Houston exploded on the scene in 1985 with her debut album and spent the next two decades dominating the charts and capturing the hearts of fans around the world. One person was there by her side through it all, her best friend, Robyn Crawford. Since Whitney's death in 2012, Robyn has stayed out of the limelight and held the great joys, wild adventures, and hard truths of her life with Whitney close to her heart. Now, for the first time ever, Crawford opens up in her new memoir, "A Song for You" With warmth, candor, and an impressive recall of detail, Robyn describes the two meeting as teenagers in the 1980s, and how their lives and friendship evolved as Whitney recorded her first album and Robyn pursued her promising Division I basketball career. Together during countless soldout world tours, behind the scenes as hit after hit was recorded, through Whitney's marriage and the birth of her daughter, the two navigated often challenging families, great loves, and painful losses, always supporting each other with laughter and friendship. Deeply personal and heartfelt, "A Song for You" is the vital, honest, and previously untold story that provides an understanding of the complex life of Whitney Houston, and the person who knew her best sets the record straight.

"Literature is my Utopia" – Hellen Keller

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We Salute!

There are those in the community - local business, individuals, or civic organizations - who have gone above and beyond. There have been those moments that have made a positive impact on the community and we want to recognize those moments, contributions and people:

· Nursing staff, medical providers and all first responders who are on the front lines daily ensuring our community stays safe and healthy.

• Permain Basin Events for donating to CASA of West Texas and helping them serve the children of Howard County.

• West Texas VA for the hard work, committment and dedication to our local veterans and the recent grand opening of the first small house which will be used for hospice veterans.

 DELEK for partnering with Keep Big Spring Beautiful and ensuring the beautification of Howard County, especially at the Howard College Campus, Comanche Trail Park and the

Vietnam Veterans Monument.

 Keep Big Spring Beautiful and Big Spring Vet for partnering together to keep Big Spring clean; to all those who joined in the first Toasty Tuesday of the year and helped clean up on FM 700.

Recognizing thegreat things happening Big inSpring is important. Send in your recognitions to editor@ bigspringherald.com. We Salute will run Thursdays and Sundays.

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DPS Takes Preventative Measures Against COVID-19, Encourages Texans to do the Same

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is taking preventative measures against coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) by implementing additional sanitation practices at driver license (DL) offices and issuing guidance to members of the department on best practices, as we know that common sense hygiene and cleaning practices can aid in preventing the spread of many diseases, including COVID-19.

The best way to prevent infection is to take precautions to avoid exposure to COVID-19, which are similar to those you take to avoid the flu. That's why the department has posted signage throughout DPS offices related to best practices for hygiene and prevention efforts. DPS is following recommended guidelines set

forth by the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) and the Center for Disease Control (CDC). DSHS has a number of resources on their website related to COVID-19 and the ways we can all do our part to stop the spread.

Specifically, at DL offices across the state, DPS ID card, visit the DPS website.

has issued guidance to custodial and DL staff to increase sanitation practices throughout the day, including cleaning office equipment with alcoholbased products after customer transactions. Additionally, the department has increased janitorial services provided in offices, and public spaces within DL offices, i.e. kiosks, public restrooms, door handles, etc., are being cleaned more frequently throughout the day. Hand sanitizer is also available for customers throughout DL offices.

Additionally, DPS wants to remind Texans of the many ways to conduct their DL transactions online without the need to come into an office. Some individuals may be eligible to skip the trip and quickly renew their Texas DL or identification (ID) card online (or by phone). Address changes can also be taken care of online (or by mail) in many instances. Find out if you are eligible to renew online by visiting Texas.gov. The fee is the same for online, in-person and telephone renewals. For additional information about renewing your driver license or

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Do you have an interesting item for the Business and Agriculture pages? Call the Herald at 263-7331.

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Chamber of Commerce happenings

Scenic Mountain celebrates 45th anniversary



Scenic Mountain Medical Center celebrated the 45th anniversary on March 6. The community gathered together with staff, Chamber members and medical providers to look back on the history that began healthcare in Howard County. Tours and information were availble for those who attended.

State Sales Tax Revenue totaled \$2.9 billion in the month of February

AUSTIN —Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar today said state sales tax revenue totaled \$2.89 billion in February, 3.5 percent more than in February 2019.

"Growth in state sales tax revenue was led by receipts from the retail trade and information services sectors, while receipts from the construction sector were down from a year ago," Hegar said. "Growth in tax receipts from retail trade was slightly boosted by collections from online marketplace providers and remote sellers."

The majority of February sales

tax revenue is based on sales made in January and remitted to the agency in February. Total sales tax revenue for the three months ending in February 2020 was up 5.7 percent compared to the same period a year ago. Sales tax is the largest source of state funding for the state budget, accounting for 57 percent of all tax collections.

In February 2020, Texas collected the following revenue from other major taxes:

 motor vehicle sales and rental taxes — \$428.9 million, up 2.1 percent from February 2019;

• motor fuel taxes — \$301.2 million, up 0.6 percent from February 2019;

• natural gas production taxes -\$136.4 million, down 16.7 percent from February 2019; and

• oil production taxes — \$371.8 million, up 38.5 percent from February 2019.

For details on all monthly collections, visit the <u>Comptroller's</u> Monthly State Revenue Watch. For an extensive history of tax policy developments and fees since 1972, visit our updated Sources of Revenue publication.

GasBuddy gas prices for the past week

Special to the Herald

Texas gas prices have fallen 2.4 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$2.09/g today, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 13,114 stations. Gas prices in Texas are 0.6 cents per gallon lower than a month ago and stand 12.5 cents per gallon lower than a year ago.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas is priced at \$1.81/g today while the most expensive is \$3.59/g, a difference of \$1.78/g. The lowest price in the state today is \$1.81/g while the highest is \$3.59/g, a difference of \$1.78/g. The cheapest price in the entire country today stands at \$0.61/g while the most expensive is \$4.87/g, a difference of \$4.26/g.

The national average price of gasoline has fallen 6.3 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$2.36/g today. The national average is down 5.9 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 12.5

cents per gallon lower than a year ago.

Historical gasoline prices in Texas and the national average going back ten years: March 9, 2019: \$2.22/g (U.S. Average: \$2.48/g) March 9, 2018: \$2.28/g (U.S. Average: \$2.53/g) March 9, 2017: \$2.09/g (U.S. Average: \$2.30/g) \$1.60/g (U.S. Average: \$1.82/g) March 9, \$2.24/g (U.S. Average: \$2.45/g) 2014: \$3.24/g (U.S. Average: \$3.49/g) March 9, 2013: \$3.55/g (U.S. Average: \$3.70/g) March 9, March 9, 2012: \$3.59/g (U.S. Average: \$3.76/g) March 9, 2011: \$3.41/g (U.S. Average: \$3.53/g) March 9, 2010: \$2.63/g (U.S. Average: \$2.74/g)

Neighboring areas and their current gas prices:

 Midland Odessa- \$2.24/g, unchanged from last week's \$2.24/g.

• San Antonio- \$1.95/g, down 4.9 cents per gallon from last week's \$2.00/g.

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New Public Safety Degree Addresses **Changing Landscape of Law Enforcement**

Special to the Herald

An innovative new online master's degree program developed jointly by the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law in Baltimore and the University of Maryland College of Behavioral and Social Sciences (BSOS) in College Park will prepare public safety officials for careers in a rapidly changing landscape.

Set to launch in fall 2020, the Master's of Professional Studies in Public Safety Leadership and Administration (PLA) is designed to meet the needs of professionals in a broad array of careers, including law enforcement, corrections, public safety education, juvenile justice, social services, disaster preparedness and more.

The curriculum is a response to a growing need for advanced training in leadership, policy, and law for police, public safety officials and other public servants. Courses including Ethics in Criminal Justice, Building Partnerships with Criminal Justice Agencies and Public Image Management and Policy Solutions will be taught by sociologists, criminologists and law professors from both institu-

The program is funded by The University of Maryland Strategic Partnership: MPowering the State (MPower) which leverages the sizable strengths and complementary missions of both campuses to strengthen Maryland's innovation economy, advance interdisciplinary research, create opportunities for students, and solve important problems for the people of Maryland and the

"Law enforcement faces challenges in the twenty-first century that we couldn't have anticipated just a few decades ago. Advances in AI technology and predictive policing, the emergence of social media and increased public scrutiny, and increased coordination between local, state, and federal agencies—these all have an impact on public safety," said

Associate Professor Rashawn

Ray, PhD, of the Department of

Sociology at the University of

Maryland College Park. designed this program alongside law enforcement professionals and criminal justice practitio ners who are dealing with new phenomena and working with members of their communities every day to keep people safe."

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Public Records

Howard County Justice of the Peace Outstanding IBC Warrants:

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Michael Ray Watson, 1503 Tucson Rd., Big Spring Tamara Ruth Whitt, 1909 Morrison, 2526 Fairchild, Big Jamie Wiggins, 1905 Wasson Rd., Apt. #28, Big Spring

Marriage Licenses

Wesley Eugene Liggins Jr., 49, and Kalynn Homfeld, 45, both of Coahoma, Texas Gaeron Miles Cooley, 23, and Mackenzie Kade Ken-

nedy, 22, both of Lubbock, Texas Giorge Madrid Lujan, 57, and Denita Mendez Rodri-

guez, 48, both of Big Spring, Texas Glenn William Massey, 64, and Karen Noble Thurman,

58, both of Big Spring, Texas Tristian James Turner, 23, and Cassidi Lange Redlin,

22, both of Big Spring, Texas

District Court Filings Plaintiff: Howard County, Et Al

Defendant: Carlos Hernandez Type of Case: Tax Cases Date: March 10, 2020

Plaintiff: Howard County, Et Al

Defendant: Thomas Weaver, deceased, the unknown

heights of, Faye Weaver, Jackie Piper Type of Case: Tax Cases

Date: March 10, 2020

Plaintiff: Howard County Et Al Defendant: Mary Hamlin Trust Type of Case: Tax Cases Date: March 11, 2020

Plaintiff: Howard County Et Al Defendant: Jackie Hill, Latish Hill Type of Case: Tax Cases Date: March 11, 2020

Plaintiff: Michael Baeza Defendant: Kimberly Baeza Type of Case: Divorce-children Date: March 5, 2020

Plaintiff: Second Round Sub. Lic Assignee of Comenity

Bank (Bealls)

Defendant: Brandi Sanchez

Type of Case: Contract-consumer/commercial/debt Date: March 6, 2020

Plaintiff: Second Round Sub. Lic Assignee of Comenity Bank (Lane Bryant Retail)

Defendant: Nancy Sink

Type of Case: Contract-consumer/commercial/debt Date: March 6, 2020

Plaintiff: Stephanie Breckenridge

Defendant: John Breckenridge Type of Case: Divorce-no children Date: March 6, 2020

Plaintiff: Monica Miramontes Defendant: Joe Miramontes

Type of Case: Divorce-children

Date: March 6, 2020

Plaintiff: Kimberly Johnson Defendant: Charles Ortiz Type of Case: Divorce-children Date: March 9, 2020

Plaintiff: Crown Asset Management LLC Assignee of Santander Consumer USA Inc. Defendant: Ismael Solis

Type of Case: Contract-consumer/commercial/debt Date: March 10, 2020

Plaintiff: Kevon Williams Defendant: State of Texas Type of Case: Write of Habeas Corpus

Date: March 10, 2020

Plaintiff: Calvary SPV I, LLC, Assignee of Citibank,

Defendant: Edwardo A. Pallanes

Type of Case: Contract-consumer/commercial/debt Date: March 10, 2020

Plaintiff: P4 Operating, LLC

Defendant: Penn Trucking, LLC Type of Case: Contract-consumer/commercial/debt

Date: March 11, 2020

Plaintiff: Victoria Golleher Defendant: Jason Golleher Type of Case: Divorce-children Date: March 11, 2020

County Court Rulings

(Note: The State of Texas is listed as the prosecutor in all County Court Rulings.)

Defendant: Stephen Hector

Offense: Resisting arrest, search or transport Sentence: \$100 fine, \$270 court costs, \$60 reimburse-

ment fee, time served Date: Feb. 14, 2020

Defendant: Stephen Hector Offense: Violation of protective order

Sentence: \$100 fine, \$270 court costs, \$50 reimbursement fee, time served

Date: Feb. 14, 2020 Defendant: Stephen Hector

Offense: Violation of protective order

Sentence: \$100 fine, \$270 court costs, \$50 reimbursement fee, time served

Date: Feb. 14, 2020

Defendant: Matthew Almazan

Offense: Theft of property (\$100 to \$750 - shoplifting) Sentence: \$100 fine, \$270 court costs, \$ 100 reim-

bursement fee, 120 days in jail, Date: Feb. 7, 2020

Defendant: Willie Dixon Jr.

Offense: Driving while intoxicated-second offense Sentence: \$750 fine, \$270 court costs, 90 days license suspension, 80 hours community service, 365 days in jail, probated 24 months

Date: Feb. 20, 2020

Defendant: Ignacio Samuel Camacho Offense: Failure to identify-fugitive intentionally giving false information

Sentence: \$100 fine, \$270 court costs, \$100 reimbursement fee, time served

Date: Feb. 27, 2020

Defendant: David Garza Jr.

Offense: Driving while intoxicated-second offense

Sentence: \$750 fine, \$270 court costs, 90 day license suspension, 80 hours community service, 365 days in jail, probated 24 months Date: Feb. 20, 2020

Defendant: Krystal Buchanan Offense: Theft of property (\$100 to \$750)

Sentence: \$500 fine, \$270 court costs, 24 hours community service 180 days in jail, probated 12 months Date: Feb. 18, 2020

Defendant: Mark Torres

Offense: Driving while intoxicated (BAC less than 0.15) Sentence: \$750 fine, \$270 court costs, 90 day license suspension, 80 hours community service, 365 days in jail, probated 24 months Date: Feb. 20, 2020

Defendant: Rene Rodriguez Offense: Driving while intoxicated Sentence: \$2,000 fine, \$270 court costs, 90 day license suspension, 24 hours community service, 180 days in jail, probated 12 months

Defendant: Raymond Overton Offense: Criminal mischief (\$100 to \$750) Sentence: \$100 fine, \$270 court costs, \$170 reimbursement fee, 60 days in jail,

Date: Feb. 14, 2020

Warranty Deeds Grantor: Guadalupe Bejarano Urias Grantee: Cassandra Garcia

Property: Lot 13, Blk. 4, Original Town of Coahoma

Date: March 10, 2020 Grantor: Juan Zavala, aka Juan Savala

Grantee: Leida Veronica Garcia-Chavira Property: Lot 10, Blk. E, Moore Heights Addition Date: March 10, 2020

Grantor: Ref-Chem, LP, aka Ref-Chem LLP Grantee: Alliance Field Services, LLC Property: 7.71 acre tract out of W/2 of Section 46, Blk. 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey

Date: Feb. 24, 2020

Grantor: Dalton Lewis

Date: March 9, 2020

Grantee: Tim Rangel and Ione Crane-Rangel Property: tract out of NE/4 of Section 4, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey

Grantor: Brenda Parker Grantee: Payton Parker

Property: Lot 7, Blk. 4, Avion Village

Date: March 4, 2020

Grantor: Parker's Brandin Iron Inn, Inc., aka Brandin Iron Inn, Inc.

Grantee: Robert Michael Parker

Property: Tract 1: 0.15 acre tract out of Section 7, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey; Tract 2: 0.063 acre tract out of 288.44 acre tract in Section 7, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey

Date: March 4, 2020

Grantor: Charles Kuykendall Grantee: Daniel Perez and Yolanda Perez

Property: Tract out of NW/4 of Section 28, Blk. 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey

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Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

To All Interested Parties:

Notice is hereby given that the Region F Regional Water Planning Group (RFRWPG) is taking comment on the adopted Region F Initially Prepared Plan (IPP) Water Plan. The comments will be used in developing an approved regional water plan by RFRWPG. The RFRWPG area, also known as Region F, includes the following counties: Andrews, Borden, Brown, Coke, Coleman, Concho, Crane, Crockett, Ector, Glasscock, Howard, Irion. Kimble, Loving, Martin, Mason, McCulloch, Menard, Midland, Mitchell, Pecos, Reagan, Reeves, Runnels, Schleicher, Scurry, Sterling, Sutton, Tom Green, Upton, Ward and Winkler. The RFRWPG will accept written comments from the date of this notice through June 15, 2020, and will accept written and oral comments on the IPP at the public hearing.

Prior to taking action on the regional water plan based on the IPP, a public hearing will be held and there will be a public comment period. The deadline for submission of public written comments is June 15, 2020.

The date, time, and location of the public hearing is as fol-

Notice is given that a public hearing on the IPP will be held on April 16, 2020, at 10:30 a.m. at the Administrative Offices of the Colorado River Municipal Water District in Howard County, located at 400 E. 24th Street, Big Spring, Texas.

A summary of the proposed action to be taken is as fol-

The proposed action is taking public comment on the adopted IPP and development of a regional water plan by the Region F Regional Water Planning Group (RFRWPG).

A copy of the IPP is available for viewing at the Region F Regional Water Planning Group (RFRWPG) Administrative Office, Colorado River Municipal Water District, 400 E. 24th Street, Big Spring, Texas. Beginning on March 16, 2020, a copy of the IPP will also be accessible at the website address of www.regionfwater.org.

A copy of the IPP will be available for viewing at the office of the County Clerk and Public Libraries (if one exists) for each county located within Region F by March 16,

The name, telephone num-

ber, and address of the person to whom questions or requests for additional information may be submitted as fol-

John W. Grant, telephone number (432) 267-6341, Colorado River Municipal Water District, P.O. Box 869, Big Spring, TX 79721. The CRM-WD is the Administrator for the RFRWPG.

How the public may submit comments is as follows: The RFRWPG will accept

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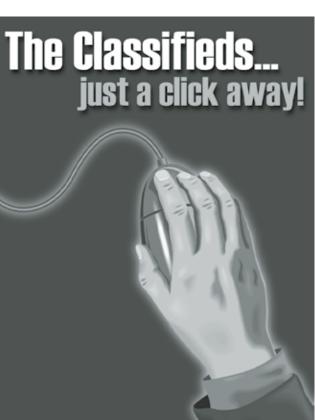
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Annie's Mailbox ® Taking It One Day at a

Dear Annie: I am

an alcoholic, in recovery for five months now. Recently, I asked my parents to help me because I have limited desire to do anything. I do not know why. I know that I should have more motivation. This blew up into a heated argument (AGAIN), and I now despise my parents. I have put them through a lot, I am the first to admit it, but when is it enough already? I never wanted to be this way, but I don't feel that I need to be reminded of my shortcomings every day. Maybe it would be easier if I just died. They have other sons to make them proud. -- Misunderstood Son

Dear Misunderstood: You are enough -- full stop. Keep reaching out to your parents seeking approval and you'll come up empty-hearted. Take some space from them, especially as you're still in the early stages of recovery. If you've been struggling with this disease for years, it may take a while before your family is able to trust you again. That doesn't mean they don't love you. It's phenomenal that

you have five months of sobriety under your belt. That is a huge achievement. Consider incorporating therapy into your recovery. (There are even some counselors who specialize in sobriety.) Keep taking it one day at a time, and trust

that the rest will fall into

place as it should.

If you think you may harm yourself, I implore you to call 911 or the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-8255.

in response to "Kathy

Dear Annie: This is

with a K," who wrote to you about not being able to find anyone quite her type to date. You told her it was one thing to have a type and another to have tunnel vision. When I was in graduate school and too busy to be looking for a relationship, I met a guy

one day, talked with him

for a while, and thought,

"He's OK, I guess, but he's definitely not my type." This year we will celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary, and he is the love of my life. We share many interests, but each of us also enjoys activities in which the other is not involved. Is he perfect? No. But

neither am I, and it takes a lot of tolerance and forgiveness and laughter from each of us to maintain a healthy marriage. By the way, he is younger than I -- some-

thing I never consid-

ered a possibility for

my "ideal" mate. I am

glad I didn't let preconceived ideas rob me of a wonderful husband. --Grateful Georgia Girl

Dear Grateful: Happy anniversary! Here's to going against type and winning.

Dear Annie: I have

only one quarrel with the writer about National Heart Month. The general public -- including medical doctors -- is woefully uneducated about the benefits plant-based foods can have on heart health and general well-being. As Dr. Kim Williams, former president of the American College of Cardiology, points out, "There are two kinds of cardiologists: vegans, and ones who haven't read the data." I highly recommend your readers watch "Forks Over Knives" (featuring Dr. Caldwell Esselstyn) and James Cameron's "The Game Changers" to get the real scoop on a healthy lifestyle. -- Heart-Healthy 30-Plus

diets' positive impacts on health, especially heart health.

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By Steve Becker

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East dealer. Both sides vulnerable. NORTH

♦ K 10 9 **♥** J 5 2 ♦ AQ632

SOUTH

♥AQ109863 **♦** K J 10 The bidding:

South East West North Opening lead — three of spades. In this deal from a team contest, the final contract at both tables was

four hearts, although East-West can make four spades as the cards lie. Both Wests led a spade after having raised East's weak two-spade opening to three. At the first table, East won dum-

ing to the ace, and West returned a club to East's jack. East then exited with a trump.

my's nine of spades with the queen and shifted to the queen of clubs. Declarer covered with the king, los-

It did not take South long to find the winning play. He promptly put up the ace of hearts, caught West's singleton king, drew the missing trump and claimed the remainder, making

South had good reason to go against the percentages by playing the hearts as he did. East's weak twobid promised a strong six-card suit but not enough high-card strength to open with a one-bid.

After the first three tricks, East could be credited with the A-Q of spades and Q-J of clubs. If he also held the king of hearts, he would have opened with one spade. Therefore, declarer's only chance was that West held the singleton king. At the second table, the play to the

first trick was the same, but there the similarity ended. Here, East was not inclined to reveal the entire high-card content of his hand by shifting to the queen of clubs at trick two. Instead he returned the club three! Declarer put up the king, losing

to the ace. West did his part to add to the obfuscation by returning the ten of clubs, which held the trick. West then exited with a diamond.

This time, South had much less to go on. He won the diamond in dummy, led the jack of hearts and let it ride. West's king scored the setting trick, and when East ruffed the diamond return for down two, it merely added to the satisfaction of a welldefended hand. Tomorrow: Famous Hand.

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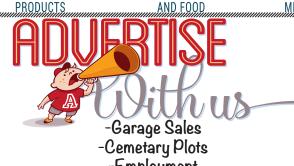
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time when the luck of

the Irish is celebrated.

that be? Perhaps it's the wise kind, which

recognizes that often

the difference between

good luck and bad luck

is indistinguishable. For

instance, in the remark-

able life of Saint Pat-

rick, the patron saint of Ireland was kidnapped,

enslaved and starved

reunited with his family

before finally being

and ultimately help-

ing hundreds of Irish

stances. The role of

survive horrific circum-

luck is debatable here,

and perhaps what we

really celebrate is the

tendency for fortune to

eventually favor faithful

Thursday marks the

spring equinox, when

the sun is reborn in the first sign of the zodiac.

two gods rode away on

a ram (Aries) to escape

an evil stepmother. In

the end, the ram was sacrificed and became

immortal as a constel-

lation. Every endeavor has an inherent risk.

The beauty of Aries is

that it hasn't learned

what that risk is, and therefore is able to

act wholeheartedly,

tions to harness the

energy of the spring

equinox. 1). Choose

a goal. 2). Dive into it

with your whole heart.

watch how everything

3). Stick with it and

changes.

ultimately willing to risk

it all. Here are instruc-

In the Greek legend,

perseverance.

What sort of luck would

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GEMINI (May 21-June 21). What occurs to one person as a reasonable sense of justice occurs to another to be an arbitrary and nonsensical code. Each defines what's fair by their own standard.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You could use help from a mentor. You'll be in the lucky position to choose the best one for you based on the accurate evidence presented today.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Competitive, territorial urges burble in your being. Maybe you don't love the way this feels, but on the bright side, it's a sign that you have something to protect and preserve.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll be sensitive to the subtleties of bonding. You know what emotional and spiritual connection feels like and can tell

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

when it's strong and when it's broken.

LI-**BRA** (Sept. 23-Oct 23). It's time to add a few new heroes to your pantheon. It

will benefit you to study people who are just one or two rungs above you on the ladder you would like to climb.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You dare to move forward with a good plan, but you're just not sure the plans on the table meet your standards. That's OK. It will be fun to go back to the drawing board.

SAGITTARIUS

(Nov. 22-Dec. 21). This is no time for philosophy. This is a time for logistics. Talk through details with discerning people who know the territory and can help you in a practical way.

22-Jan. 19). Relationships start in a state of fantasy. You imagine and they imagine who the middle, you settle and reality.

AQUARIUS (Jan.

By Holiday Mathis $^{\text{buzz-}}_{\text{words}}$

you need not worry about is "authenticity," as you cannot help but be anvone other than who you are.

Showing up "authentically" is basically impossible not to do.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There's a bubble of specialness around new situations, and it always pops eventually. So, before that, enjoy the heavenly way it floats and bounces about.

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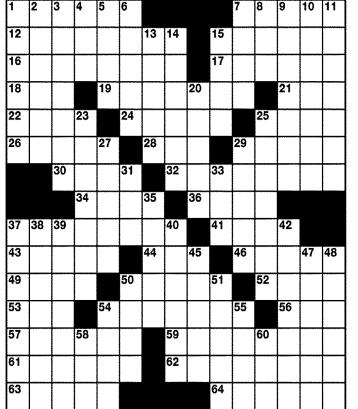
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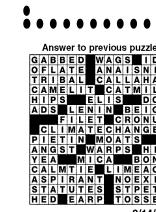
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Texas Health Care Association provides update on protections of long term health care facilities against COVID-19 spread in Texas

AUSTIN, TEXAS - Today, March 12th, 2020, the Texas Health Care Association (THCA) gave an update on their response efforts to COVID-19 and the threat it poses to long-term health care facilities. THCA released the following statement: "THCA's top priority right now is preventing CO-

VID-19 from getting into long-term care facilities and stopping it from spreading if it does. THCA is coordinating efforts across the state to protect the most vulnerable to the impact of this virus - our elderly residents," said Kevin Warren, President and CEO of THCA. "We are all still learning about COVID-19, but we do know that the frail and elderly are especially susceptible. Our long-term care providers on the national and state level are very concerned about this escalating issue and are taking it seriously. THCA is working closely with its national association, which proactively met with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), and the White House last week to ensure coordination moving forward.' THCA has strongly recommended that their long-

term care providers prepare their facilities and staff by reviewing, updating, and implementing infection prevention and control plans, as well as emergency communication plans in accordance with CDC and local health departments. Additionally, we have recommended the following actions to help prevent the entry of COVID-19 into longterm care facilities regardless of whether or not it has been found in the surrounding community:

Restricting entry into facilities to only individuals who absolutely need it Actively screening individuals entering the

building and restricting entry to those with respiratory symptoms or with possible COVID-19 expo-Requiring mandatory hand washing for all indi-

viduals entering the building Restricting group activities and outings to public

Setting up processes to allow remote communica-

tion for residents and families to maintain connections during this time Prepare staff and reinforce that anyone that is

THCA has heard from many providers about supply shortages of hand sanitizer, masks, and gowns, which could impact providers' ability to handle a potential COVID-19 outbreak. THCA has been communicating with providers and suppliers about the availability of additional supplies; however, concern remains as resources are being used. Providers are being urged to communicate with their local health department if they are unable to acquire these needed supplies. "It is more critical now than ever that Texas

have a robust and healthy work force in our longterm healthcare facilities. Texas providers already have immense struggles with maintaining an adequate workforce and an outbreak amongst staff could be devastating to our ability to care for our residents," continued Warren. "With this in mind, THCA is communicating with agency officials towards priority testing for our employees and our residents to quickly identify any potential

Finally, THCA strongly encourages facilities to review and update infection control plans and emergency communication plans. Follow CDC and local health department updates to be better prepared and equipped to prevent the spread and contain the spread of the virus.

Founded in 1950, the Texas Health Care Association (THCA) is the largest long term care association in Texas. THCA's membership is comprised of several hundred licensed nonprofit and for-profit skilled nursing facilities (SNFs), specialized rehabilitation facilities and assisted living facilities in Texas. These facilities provide comprehensive, around-the-clock nursing care for chronically ill or short-term residents of all ages, along with rehabilitative and specialized medical programs. THCA also represents more than 190 long term care businesses that provide products and services to the more than 3,200 nursing homes and assisted living facilities in the state. To learn more, visit http:// txhca.org/ or connect with THCA on Facebook or

Coronavirus vs. Influenza: The Differences and What We Need to know

Special to the Herald

As physicians, other medical experts, and the public learn more about the 2019 Novel Coronavirus, or COVID-19, scientists are learning more about the similarities - and differences - between COVID-19 and influenza. Both viruses cause respiratory disease, yet the World Health Organization (WHO) reports there are important differences spread. First, COVID-19 and influenza

viruses have similar disease symptoms and a wide range of illness from mild to severe disease, and even death. Second, both viruses are transmitted by contact, droplets (from sneezes and coughs, for example), and contact with surfaces that can carry the infection, such as clothes, utensils, and furniture. As a result, common public health measures, such as cleaning high-contact surfaces such as door handles and handrails, washing hands, and coughing into your elbow or a tissue (and immediately disposactions to prevent transmitting the disease to others. Doctors also recommend staying home if While the symptoms appear the

ing of the tissue), are important

same, there is a big difference between patients suffering a severe case of COVID-19 and influenza. The flu has a shorter incubation period from infection to diagnosable symptoms and can take 3 days to spread from person to person. The flu spreads faster than COVID-19, which can take 5 to 6 days to spread person to person. Also, flu can be transmitted before someone has symptoms, a major factor in the spread of influenza. As a result, children, pregnant women, elderly people, patients with chronic medical conditions, and those with compromised immune systems are most at risk to catch the flu. The WHO reports a COVID-19

carrier can shed the virus 24 to 48 hours prior to symptom onset, reducing the threat of transmission to other people. Pre-symptomatic transmission of the flu is 3 to 5 days. However, when COVID-19 symptoms appear, the range of illness severity is proportionately different than the flu. WHO data suggests that 80% of COVID-19 infections are mild or asymptomatic, but 15% are severe infections requiring oxygen and 5% are critical infections requiring intensive care. So, who is most at risk? Medi-

cal experts say people who are elderly, especially those with preexisting conditions, have an increased risk of getting sick from COVID-19. So far, the WHO says children, from newborn to age 19, are less likely to catch COVID-19. Additional studies in China also suggest that children who do catch COVID-19 are more likely to catch it from adults, rather than vice-versa. However, children play a major role in the spread of the flu. Scientists are currently devel-

oping more than 20 COVID-19 vaccines, but there are currently no licensed vaccines or

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Social Security Matters

Ask Rusty - About the Dreaded "IRMAA" Provision Dear Rusty: About a month or two ago I was notified that my

Social Security was being reduced from \$1,583 a month to about \$1,283 a month - a \$300 deduction! They said it was because my income was over the limit on my last return. I filed my taxes "married filing separately" because my wife has her own income. If we had filed jointly, I would not have had the reduction. My question is why wasn't this told to us when we filed our Income Tax last year instead of a last-minute thing? I am a 77-year old and a 100% disabled veteran, which probably has no effect on this, but wanted to add that information. Any light you can shed on the matter will be very much appreciated. Signed: Irritated Senior

Dear Irritated Senior: First, I want to thank you for your service to our country. Allow me to explain what I believe happened. Your net (not gross) Social Security benefit payment was probably reduced as a result of a rule known as "IRMAA" - the "Income Related Medicare Adjustment Amount." This is a supplement added to your Medicare Part B premium as a result of higher income, and a higher Medicare premium would mean a lower net Social Security payment.

Although filing your taxes separate from your wife does mean a lower income reported to the IRS for you, it also reduces the clip levels at which the IRMAA rule kicks in. For those who file income tax as an individual, IRMAA applies if your "provisional" income from all sources, including IRA or 401(K) withdrawals and half of your SS benefits for the tax year, exceeds \$87,000. For those who file taxes jointly as a married couple, IRMAA applies if your combined income is more than \$174,000. Incomes above those clip levels result in corresponding higher IRMAA premiums, up to a maximum of \$491.60 (for 2020). So apparently your income for your filing status exceeded one of the higher IR-MAA clip levels, which resulted in your monthly Medicare Part B premium going from the standard \$144.60 to an IRMAA premium about \$300 higher. Note that if your income in a subsequent year falls below the IRMAA clip levels, your Medicare premium will also go down to the level appropriate for your more recent income level.

As far as why you weren't told this in advance, neither Medicare nor the IRS (nor any other Government agency) will advise you in advance on such matters; the onus is upon you (and your tax preparer or financial advisor) to understand the implications of your income on your Medicare premium as well as your income tax obligation. You may want to speak to your tax advisor to see if there is a tax-filing option for eliminating the IRMAA. Once again, thank you for your service to our country, and I hope the above clarifies what happened to your Social Security benefit.

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The Texas Democratic Party Applauds House Democrats for Introducing the Families First Coronavirus Response Act Austin, TX -- Thursday, the United States House and secure amid the outbreak. The Texas Demo-Senate Republicans to pass this bill into law. We don't have time to wait. They need to vote now to

of Representatives introduced the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, including: Free coronavirus testing for everyone who needs

a test, including the uninsured; Paid emergency leave with both 14 days of paid sick leave and up to three months of paid family

and medical leave; Enhanced Unemployment Insurance, a first step

that will extend protections to furloughed workers; Strengthened food security initiatives, including SNAP, student meals, seniors nutrition and food Clear protections for frontline workers, includ-

ing health care workers and other workers who are in contact with those who have been exposed or are responsible for cleaning at-risk places; Increased federal funds for Medicaid, as states

face increased costs. Texas Democratic Party Chair Gilberto Hinojosa

issued the following statement:

"The American people need a well-coordinated, whole-of-government, fully-funded response to keep them safe from the coronavirus threat. Today,

our House Democrats provided the first necessary

steps towards achieving that goal. leave, and enhancing unemployment insurance,

House Democrats are ensuring Americans are safe

"By providing free testing, expanding paid sick

cratic Party stands with our Texas House Democratic members and applauds them for their immediate response and leadership. "The onus is now on John Cornyn, Ted Cruz, and Monday-Friday

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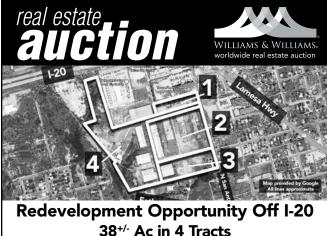
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Property: Tract 1: 5.0 acre tract out of SE/4 of Section

41, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey; Tract 2: tract

out of SE/4 of Section 41, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co.

Grantee: Jose Israel G. Aguirre and Griselda Edith V.

Property: Lot 4, Blk. B, Earles 50 x 130, City of Big

Grantor: Manuel Valdez and Guadalupe Valdez

Property: Lot 6, Blk. 39, College Heights Addition

Grantee: Jose Israel G. Aguirre and Griselda Edith V.

Property: S/50' of Lot 2, Blk. 94, Original Township of

Grantor: Yolanda Perez, fka Yolanda Galan and Daniel

Grantor: Chance E. Nichols, aka Chance Elliott Nich-

Property: 9.74 acre tract out of 10.19 acres out of SE/4

of Section 32, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey

Property: Lot 19, Blk. 7, Suburban Heights Addition

like a rock," said Patrick DeHaan, head of petro-

Grantor: Manuel Valdez and Guadalupe Valdez

Section 33, Blk. 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey

Warranty Deeds with Vendors' Liens

Date: Jan. 21, 2020

Date: March 4, 2020

Grantor: Sonia Lusk

Date: Feb. 27, 2020

Date: March 5, 2020

Date: March 5, 2020

Date: March 4, 2020

Date: March 6, 2020

Date: March 6, 2020

Date: March 6, 2020

Date: March 3, 2020

Grantor: Wilma Heckler

Grantee: Jeremy Laselute

Grantee: Dillon Phernetton

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Grantor: Rick Washburn

Grantee: Juan Anthony Gonzales

Grantee: Vanessa Ann Armendarez

Grantor: Silver Leaf Communities, LLC

Property: Lot 12, Blk. 17, College Park #2

Grantee: Wesley Hart and Olivia Hart

Property: Lot 1, Blk. 1, Stanford Park Addition

Survey

Spring

Grantee: Jonathan Joe Lusk

RECORDS

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Grantor: Stephen Hector Grantee: Cinthia Handova, fka Cinthia Hector Property: tract out of Section 33, Blk. 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey, known as 2110 N. Birdwell Date: Feb. 25, 2020

Grantor: Stephen Hector Grantee: Cinthia Handova, fka Cinthia Hector Property: 1.0 acre tract out of Section 33, Blk. 32, T-

1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey Date: Feb. 25, 2020

Grantor: Louis Morelion and Korina Morelion, fka Korina Kerby

Grantee: Autumn Leaf Property, LLC Property: S/50' of the S/100' of the NW/4 of Blk. 21, College Heights Addition

Date: Dec. 31, 2019

Grantor: Louis Morelion and Korina Morelion, fka Korina Kerby Grantee: Autumn Leaf Property, LLC

Property: Lot 3, Blk. 3, North McEwen Addition Date: Dec. 31, 2019

Grantor: Louis Morelion and Korina Morelion, fka Korina Kerby

Grantee: Autumn Leaf Property, LLC Property: Lot 2, Blk. 3, North McEwen Addition Date: Dec. 31, 2019

Grantor: Louis Morelion and Korina Morelion, fka Korina Kerby

Grantee: Autumn Leaf Property, LLC Property: Lot 11, Blk. 4, Muir Heights Addition Date: Dec. 31, 2019

Grantor: Godwin Dah and Charity Ayers Grantee: Godwin dah

Property: Lot 8, Blk. 24, College Park Estates Date: March 2, 2020

Grantor: Joe Louis Miramontes and Monica Miramon-Grantee: Jesse Dario Vargas

Property: E/41' of W/47' of Blk. 2, Manning Addition

Date: March 4, 2020

Grantor: Michael T. Ramirez

Grantee: Jose A. Lanfranco

Property: Lot 3, Blk. 15, McDowell Heights Addition Date: March 6, 2020

Grantor: Reina Cisneros, Trustee of the Brown Family Trust

Grantee: John Tonner and Rebecca Tonner

Property: Lot 12, Blk. 14, Cole and Strayhorn Addition

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"It's been an unprecedented week, one in which oil majors Russia and Saudi Arabia saw anything but eye-to-eye on lowering oil production, leading crude oil prices to plummet 20% in Sunday evening trade, combined with COVID-19 fears escalating, and gas prices have no where to go but down and leum analysis for GasBuddy. "Oil has now seen its value cut nearly in half after Iran tensions inflamed prices months ago and it doesn't immediately look like it will get any better. For motorists, I urge them to be in absolutely no hurry to fill up as gas prices will drop in nearly every nook and cranny of the country, from the smallest cities to the largest metros, at a time of year that prices are usually rising, we'll see anything but that. The national average came into March like a lamb and will likely be leaving as a lion, with prices roaring

Work on West Loop 338 at I-20 to affect traffic

ODESSA – Two projects on West Loop 338 near Interstate 20 in Ector County will affect traffic for the next six months.

The first project will start Monday, March 16, and take about two weeks to complete. FNH Construction will resurface West Loop 338 between Interstate 20 and Business Interstate 20. Daily lane closures will be necessary as work progresses. The

therapeutics available. In contrast, antivirals

and vaccines are widely available for influenza.

plan calls for all lanes to be open again at night for this project. The work is part of a larger \$2 million routine maintenance contract that will make repairs in various locations around Ector County.

A longer-term project is scheduled to start on Monday, March 23. SCR Civil Construction will make repairs to the West Loop 338 overpass that spans Interstate 20.

COVID-19, TMA has established - and continuously updates – an online Coronavirus Resource Center. Visit texmed.org/Coronavirus.

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BBB Column

BBB 2019 risk report shows trends in Cryptocurrency scams

By Heather Massey, Senior Regional

Director, Permian Basin Better Business Bureau Every year, Better Business Bureau compiles data from its Scam Tracker to discover which scams pose the greatest risk to consum-

Using exposure, susceptibility and median dollar loss as factors,

the risk index determines the top 10 scams facing consumers. In 2019, employment scams remained in the number one spot; however, a newcomer ap peared on this year's list: cryptocurrency scams.

Just two years ago, cryptocurrency scams became a category on BBB Scam Tracker for the first time. Now, they rank as the second-riskiest scam to consumers, with a median dollar loss of \$3,000 These scams occur when cryptocurrency is pur chased from, traded by or stored with a fraudulent

person or exchange site. Other times, digital assets are purchased as part of a fraudulent Initial Coin Offering (ICO), where investors are scammed into paying money or trading assets for a company or product that never existed. Nearly 10% of the cryptocurrency scams report ed to Scam Tracker in 2019 came from Texas, and while the median dollar loss is \$3,000, some Texas

consumers reported being scammed out of more

than \$10,000 trying to buy and trade cryptocur

rency. This year's Risk Report data shows us that scammers are always on the lookout to take advan tage of new technologies consumers are incorporat ing into their lives. Use these tips from your Better Business Bureau to use your digital dollars safely: •Avoid buying from cold calls. Do not agree to purchase cryptocurrency stock from an aggres

sive cold caller, even if they are making claims that sound reasonable, and especially if the stocks are very low-priced. Hanging up, or not even answering, the phone for

cold callers is the best way to avoid these untrust worthy sales pitches. •Be suspicious of guarantees. Nobody can predict how your investment will perform, so be cautious

of anyone who promises it will do well. You should also be wary of anyone using pushy tactics encouraging you to "act now," pressuring you to purchase cryptocurrency without giving

you time to think. •Check registration status. You can go online and use FINRA BrokerCheck® to check the registration status of people or firms that offer investment op

•Know what to look for. Before purchasing cryp tocurrency stock, know where it trades and look for any cautions associated with it. Also stay away from stocks with huge spikes in price, as this car be indicative of potential manipulation or fraud.

To learn more about cryptocurrency, visit us at bbb.org/crvpto.

To read the Risk Report in full, go to bbb.org riskreport.

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