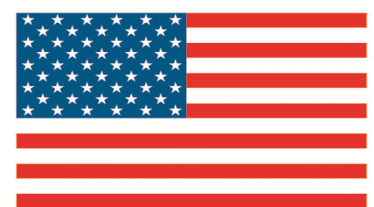


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Weather



Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 61. East wind 10 to 15 mph.
Sunday: Scattered showers and thunderstorms after 1pm. Some storms could be severe, with large hail and damaging winds. Partly sunny, with a high near 88. Southeast wind 15 to 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph. Chance of precipitation is 40%.
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Monday: Sunny, with a high near 93.
Source: NWS, via weather.gov

Today in History
On April 30-May 1

April 30, 311: Roman Emperor Galerius issues Edict of Toleration, ending persecution of Christians in the Roman Empire.
April 30, 1789: George Washington is inaugurated as the first President of the United States of America.
May 1, 1931: Rmpire State Building opens in New York City.

Daily Quotes

“Love, whose month is ever May, / Spied a blossom passing fair / Playing in the wanton air. / Through the velvet leaves the wind, / All unseen, can passage find; / That the lover, sick to death, / Wish himself the heaven’s breath.”
— *William Shakespeare*

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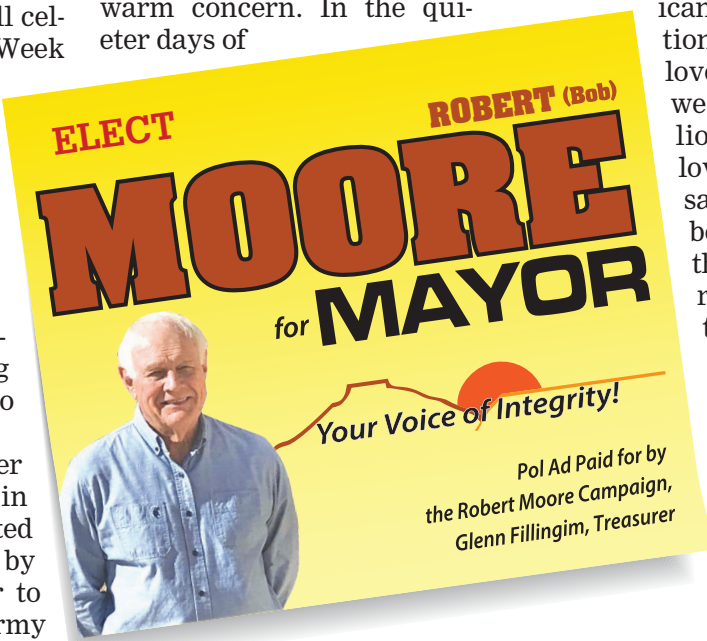


National Salvation Army Week May 9-15

Special to the Herald

Big Spring's Salvation Army will celebrate National Salvation Army Week May 9-15.
Since 1936, The Salvation Army has faithfully and consistently worked to help those in need from our community 365 days a year, providing assistance to individuals and families who may find themselves in crisis. They provide overnight, emergency shelter to those experiencing homelessness, food and meals to the hungry, and much more.
In 1954, the week of November 28-December 4 (now recognized in May) was declared by the United States Congress and proclaimed by President Dwight D. Eisenhower to be the first National Salvation Army Week, as a reminder to Americans to give freely of themselves.
In his speech, President Eisenhower said “Among Americans, The Salvation Army has long been a symbol of wholehearted dedication to the cause of human brotherhood. In time of war, the men and women of this organiza-

tion have brought to those serving their country far from home, friendliness and warm concern. In the quieter days of



peace, their work has been a constant reminder to us all that each of us is neighbor and kin to all Americans. Giving freely of themselves, the men and women of The Salvation Army have won the respect of us all.”
Today, The Salvation Army is at work in more than 130 countries around the

world. Here in the USA, The Salvation Army is issuing a rallying cry for Americans to “Love Beyond.” The organization's message is simply that when we love beyond the circumstances of life, we can provide hope and help for millions who need it; love beyond shelter, love beyond hunger, love beyond disasters. Love Beyond is also a symbol of the resources and programs that so many people rely on year-round when they turn to The Salvation Army for assistance.
“National Salvation Army Week presents a wonderful opportunity for us to let the community know more about the work of The Salvation Army in Howard County” said Major Dean Moretz, Commanding Officer of The Salvation Army locally. “We want to recognize and celebrate the partners, supporters, and volunteers who make the ministry of the Army possible and invite everyone to join us as we celebrate National Salvation Army Week.”
With more than 7,500 centers of operation in the U.S., The Salvation Army is uniquely positioned to love beyond and

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Local Trash Off picks up more than two tons of trash



Shown at left, the Big Spring National Honor Society helped during the Don't Mess with Texas Trash Off. Other volunteers included City of Big Spring, Howard College, civic organizations, families and more. There were more than 160 volunteers and more than 4,000 pounds of trash picked up.

By AMANDA DUFORAT

Contributing Writer

Big Spring beautification is in full swing. Toasty Tuesdays have been taking place for the past several weeks and most recently, the community came together for the Don't Mess with Texas annual Trash Off. Civic organizations competed

against each other, local youth groups stepped up, local businesses and families came together and spent a few hours picking up trash across Howard County. According to Keep Big Spring Beautiful representatives, there were a total of 164 volunteers and their efforts resulted in 4,090 pounds of trash

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Recent storms cause damage to longtime Big Spring business



Bob's Custom Woodwork, in operation in Big Spring for nearly 30 years, received major damage after last weekend's storms caused a dam to collapse, sending a wall of water through the shop's front plate-glass window.

By ROGER CLINE

Herald Staff Writer

Bob Noyes' carpentry shop, Bob's Custom Woodwork at 409 E. Third St, is a Big Spring institution. Last week, that institution was dealt a watery blow. “Across the street is an alley between Shroyer Motors and the city's Water Department,” Noyes said.
Ray Valencia Jr., an employee at the shop, said he was the first to discover the damage.
“Right east of the bus station,” Valencia said. “Sunday morning about 9, 8:30, I went to go get me some breakfast, and the whole front of it, the glass window, was washed out. I guess the dam up the street behind the YMCA gave way, so all that water went right to his building and washed it out.”
The flood was quite significant, Valencia said.
“The whole building was submerged in water about (two feet) deep. You can see a water line all through the building,” he said. “We had to frame it up so we could secure the building with plywood, so he got Ace

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Sheriff

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

- Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 85 inmates at the time of this report.
- **VICTOR MANUAL ALVEAR**, 19, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of no driver's license, fail to drive in single lane, fail to maintain financial responsibility, violate promise to appear.
 - **ISAAC XAVIER CERDA**, 19, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana less

than 2oz.

- **PRISCILLA ANN GARCIA**, 41, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of bail jumping and fail to appear.
- **MELISSA SUE MIZE**, 45, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of expired registration, driving while license invalid, failure to appear.
- **BALDOMERO RODRIGUEZ**, 20, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of no driver's license, fail to report non-injury accident.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 600 block of W 18th St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 800 block of Howard. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 6500 block of E Midway Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1100 block of Marijo Ave. One person was transported to Sce-

nic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 200 block of Terry Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 230 block of Kentucky Way. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1800 block of Hearn. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **DUMPSTER FIRE** was reported in the 700 block of Abrams. 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

- 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.
- DivorceCare is a biblical support group for those facing divorce or separation. Each DVD session features nationally respected experts, such as Christian Counselors and Pastors. Small group discussions and workbook exercises help participants apply the information to their own situations. We cover pertinent issues like: • Will I survive? • How to get out of debt. • How do you know when you are ready for a new relationship? • How to lessen the impact of divorce on your children. • Is reconciliation possible? There is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held two times per year on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Visit the DivorceCare Ministry of TBC Facebook page for information. You can also call Donna Burcham at 267-6344 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

WEDNESDAY

- Celebrate Recovery meets at First United Methodist Church Youth Hall, 400 Scurry, from 6-8 p.m. Hurts, habits and hang-ups. Leave message for Joyce Webb at 325-212-8600.

THURSDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Newcomers' meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.
- Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.
- Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder support group meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the VA Medical Center Veteran's Healing Center.
- Bring Everyone Into The Zone, or BEITZ Support Group, is a veteran-based peer group. The purpose of the group is to provide peer-to-peer support to service members, veterans and families, especially those suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injury (TBI), military sexual trauma (MST) and other traumatic events in their lives. BEITZ meets every Thursday at 6 p.m. at 501 Birdwell Lane. For more information, email francisco.garza@wtcmhmr.org, or call 432-268-3003.
- GriefShare is a biblical support group that focuses on helping people who are dealing with a loved one's death. Each DVD session features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories, followed by small group discussion about the topics presented (with workbook support); there is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held three times per year on Thursday evenings, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Visit the GriefShare Ministry of TBC Facebook page. You can also call Vivian Gordon at 432-466-3583 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

Obituaries

Emma Schafer



Emma Schafer, 91, died peacefully, Thursday, April 28, 2022, at her home in Garden City, Texas.

She will lie in state from 1 p.m. until 9 p.m., Sunday, May 1, 2022, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Graveside Services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, May 2, 2022, at the Garden City Cemetery. She was born September 3, 1930, in Ballinger, Texas, to Ed and Fannie Mae Cline. She married R.C. Schafer on January 29, 1950, in Clovis, New Mexico. She worked as an aide and librarian for the Glasscock County ISD for 20 years. She enjoyed her plants, flowers, birds, and cats. She especially enjoyed sitting on her front porch watching the deer, turkeys, and other wild animals graze in her yard and on the feed she provided.

She is survived by her two sons, Johnny and Richard Schafer of Big Spring, Texas; one granddaughter, Jennifer Holt, and one great-grandson, Corey Holt of Forsan, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her three brothers, Frank Cline, Johnny Cline, and Troy Cline; and one sister, Ruby Pattillo.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the First Baptist Church of Garden City.

A special "Thank you" goes to all the people who looked after and cared for Emma. She was a very special person.

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

Paid obituary

Take Note

- Food distribution at Three Angels Food Pantry is held every third Tuesday of the month at the Big Spring Seventh-Day Adventist Church, located at 4319 Parkway Rd. Food is provided by the West Texas Food Bank.

People will need to bring ID and plastic bags or a box, and answer a few questions - such as how many people live in the household - to pick up food. This month's distribution is scheduled April 19 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The food pantry also has a Facebook page where they will post any updates. <https://www.facebook.com/healthynuggetsofgold44>.

- New Life senior/mature adult dances are held the third Friday of every month from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Dora Roberts Community Center, 100 Whipkey Drive.

Music is Western swing style. Entry fee is \$5 and refreshments are provided. For more information call 517-9097.

- The Big Spring Art Association is looking for community businesses to display pieces of their artwork.

In an effort to build awareness for the importance of the arts and highlight local talent, the Big Spring Art Association displays different art pieces across the community.

If you would like a piece of art work displayed in your business lobby contact any member of the Big Spring Art Association.

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TRASH OFF

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being picked up. "We are excited and so appreciative for the help we received during this year's trash off. The number of volunteers continues to grow and that is a benefit that impacts the entire community," Liz Hafley, KBSB representative, said.

In addition to KBSB, Howard College students and faculty, SWID, Big Spring High School and Howard College had students and staff helping out. Members of the Big Spring National Honor Society and softball team were also out doing their part, along with the Howard College rodeo team. Delek employees helped out, along with City of Big Spring employees and Mayor Shannon Thomason. Civic organizations such as Big Spring Rotary and the Greater Big Spring Rotary Club turned the clean up efforts into a friendly competition and competed for the golden grabbers. In the end, the Big Spring Rotary Club came out ahead with more bags of trash collected.

"Cleaning up Big Spring is our job as a community, and sometimes you add a friendly competition with it and it makes it that much more intriguing," she said. "The real winner in the competition is the community and those who travel through Big Spring see the impact that we make when we work together."

There was one group who focused on FM 700 and the area most traveled in

Big Spring; there were 47 bags picked up with a clear difference made in just a couple of hours. The West Texas wind has been helping spread trash across the community. According to Keep Big Spring Beautiful representatives, residents and local businesses can help contain trash by making sure bags are tied before throwing them into the dumpsters and making sure the lids are closed after trash is thrown out.

"There are little things that can be done to help limit the amount of trash that gets blown around town. If you see trash pick it up. If you have trash make sure you dispose of it properly. The city has implemented the large item pick up which is another helpful service," she said.

In addition to the trash off, the City of Big Spring held the e-waste collection at the landfill. While there are not final numbers that were able to be collected for the e-waste collection, there were several items disposed of through this process.

"We are barely ramping up our clean up efforts for this year and we encourage the community to get out and join us. We post our next location on our social media pages, but even if someone can't join us on Tuesday, we encourage them to pick up around their own neighborhood. We encourage families to get out and do their part, even if it's just for 30 minutes or so each week. Every little bit helps and before we know it those little efforts make a big difference," she said.

This coming week, KBSB will be focusing on the area around the Pilot. Follow the KBSB Facebook page for more information and updates.

DAMAGE

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Hardware to open up for him. They were able to help out with material, so we got it sealed it off. But then the next few days, we were digging out mud and water."

One aspect of the devastation that is heartbreaking for a small business is damage to clients' furniture.

"We've got some customers' furniture that we had refinished, and now the furniture is ruined," Valencia said.

According to Valencia, water traveled from the dam located in Birdwell Park, through alleys, forming a wall of water.

Noyes estimated the damage at about \$200,000. "He lost everything," Valencia said. "Everything's gone."

"Everything inside," Noyes added. "The window was pushed in, that pushed a counter, that pushed in another counter. Through the office – two feet of water through the office – out into the bathroom."

"When it blew out the front window, everything went to the office and jammed up in the office," Valencia said. "It looked like the Titanic when it sunk. You know how you see all that water."

Valencia said Noyes had spoken with representatives from the City.

"They said that there's other people that have the same problem, so they're getting together to have a meeting to decide what to do," he said. "They had already contacted their insurance, and he filled out a claim, but we don't know what's going to happen from there."

Bob's Custom Woodwork has been on Third Street for about 20 years; before that, Noyes worked on Warehouse Road for many years.

Take Note

• Howard County Community Health Center is offering the Moderna – a two dose and Janseen – a single dose, Covid-19 vaccine to those over the age of 18. Businesses, churches, groups or organizations of 10 members or more who would like the vaccine can schedule a time to have a mobile vaccine clinic. The staff will to the business, church, or organization to administer the vaccine. For ore information, call 806-894-7842 ext 178 or 124 or e-mail Covid19@sprhs.org

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

Duties include working in the gift shop, delivering newspapers to inpatients, hospitality services, popcorn and more. To find out more about opportunities available with the SMMC Auxiliary, contact Amy Miramontes at 268-4809 or April Arms at 268-4907.

• St. Vincent de Paul food distribution will take place the second Thursday of each month from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and other assistance will take place the third Thursday of each month from 9:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Both distributions will take place at 1009 Hearn at SVDP Building.

• Interim HealthCare is looking for volunteers. Those who would like to find out more about becoming a volunteer can call 432-263-5999.

• VFW Post 2013 meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. New members are being sought. The Post is located at 500 Driver Rd. Qualified veterans, those who have served in a foreign war, who are interested in joining the VFW are encouraged to attend a meeting to find out more information.

• DivorceCare is a biblical support group for those facing divorce or separation. Each DVD session features nationally respected experts, such as Christian Counselors and Pastors. Small group discussions and workbook exercises help participants apply the information to their own situations. We cover pertinent issues like: • Will I survive? • How to get out of debt. • How do you know when you are ready for a new relationship? • How to lessen the impact of divorce on your children. • Is reconciliation possible? There is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held two times per year on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Visit the DivorceCare Ministry of TBC Facebook page for information. You can also call Donna Burcham at 267-6344 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

• O'Neal-Kunkle, Chapter #47 of the Disabled American Vets (D.A.V.), meets the third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at 2204 Runnels Street. For more information, please contact Mike Tarpley at 432-556-2227.

• Home Hospice is looking for volunteers (18+) and junior volunteers (9-16 years old). Applications can be picked up at the Home Hospice office, located at 111 E. Seventh Street, Suite A between 8 a.m and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Adult volunteers will need to complete a training and must be able to pass a background check. Volunteer duties will include home visits; junior volunteers will be helping with office work, community events and holiday activities. More information can be obtained by calling 264-7599 or 432-967-0901.

• Keep Big Spring Beautiful meets at noon the first Monday of every month at Howard College in the Cactus Room. Our vision is that every Big Spring citizen will take individual responsibility for making Big Spring the most beautiful city in Texas. Visitors are always welcome. For more information call Tammy at 432-935-0057.

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

• The Howard County Democrats meet every Monday at 5:30 p.m.at the Cactus Room at Howard College in the Student Union Building. For more information, e-mail howard-countytxdems@gmail.com.

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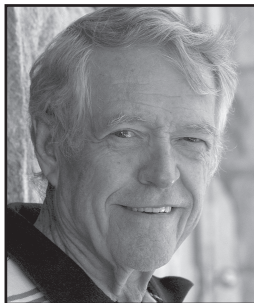
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The Traveling Aggies

Jennifer Bohac took Aggies all over the world during the twenty years she was the travel director of Texas A & M's Alumni Association. She always packed two special items: patience and flexibility. When she finished her three degrees at A & M she took a job at the University of Minnesota. Although she grew up in the Houston area and didn't see much snow or ice, she decided to take up ice-skating in the cold northern state.



TUMBLEWEED SMITH

“They were shocked to find out that someone my age didn't know how to skate. Up there they start skating about the time they start walking,” says Jennifer.

One February she got a call from A & M and was offered a job.

“The Traveling Aggies were looking for a director because the previous director was retiring. At the time it was below freezing in Minnesota and it was 82 degrees in College Station. I said I would come down and interview for the job.”

She got the job in 2001, not a good travel year. “Here I was brand new starting the program and had to deal with the effects of the September 11th attack on New York's World Trade Center buildings. It took about a year to recover.”

When she took over, the Traveling Aggies were going on about ten trips a year. When she left that position a couple of years ago there were ninety

trips a year.

“I was on the road probably 240 days a year and traveled to nearly 100 countries. My house is filled with all kinds of things from my trips. You get on a plane and end up on a river cruise or on a safari in Africa and by the end of that trip people are new lifelong friends. They end up going to each other's houses, then going on another trip together. Many members of the TAs have been on several overseas jaunts.”

When she took Aggies through the Panama Canal, one of the favorite tours, she and her group got special treatment because an A & M grad was in charge of getting ships through the canal. After all those countries and all that travel including 26 safaris, Jennifer has some favorite places.

“I think the place that probably stole my heart is East Africa.”

She always carried an Aggie flag on her trips. It's been on every continent. Jennifer says the travelers sang the Aggie War Hymn all over the world.

“I think the most memorable Aggie War Hymn story I have is when we were on a golf trip to Scotland and there was an Aggie couple that owned the pub there at Saint Andrews where we were having a big Aggie celebration. The owner of the pub Jack Willolby decided for our party he would have a bagpiper learn the Aggie War Hymn, something that's very hard to do on bagpipes. It took him a few weeks, we understand. So we were having this great party and in comes this bagpiper and literally played the Aggie War Hymn on a set of bagpipes much to the delight of the happy Aggies.”

Dr. Jennifer Bohac now works with the A & M Foundation.



TV Viewers Can't Win....

The next thing we know is that three out of five New York doctors agree that watching television may be hazardous to our health.

This isn't exactly “breaking news” until one stares reality in the face, convinced that it isn't easy these days to find 60% of persons in any group-professional or otherwise—who agree on anything.

We have entered the age of bombardment, when media messages are volleyed with such frequency, we, the bombarded, are the ones paying the price....



DON NEWBURY

In this piece I am addressing overkill, limiting observations to products being pushed on TV ads, and a growing disdain for political advertising.

As may be the case for retirees or those near unto this stage, I freely admit that crushes of ads on the telly make me squirm in my chair, sit straight up or change channels.

In the Metroplex, many of us are growing weary of constant ads promoting bathroom renovation. I have reached the point that

I can accompany the pitches, word for word, wondering all the while why the emphasis is on bathrooms.

Have they been overused or built with inferior products? Or, is it more likely that in warehouses across the land, showers, tubs, sinks and such have stacked up? Why is it so important that projects-start to finish—will be completed between sunrise and sunset on the same day? Why is financing so tempting, with zero interest due until 2030, or canceled if the rapture occurs sooner?...

I'm looking for a silver lining in such ads and have discovered one. (Such searches can induce fatigue, and might even cause one to think that a quick shower or bath might be in order.)

Rarely ever truly thirsty, I am ever alert for reminders to drink plenty of water.

When I see the bathroom remodel ads, I hasten to the kitchen to down eight-ounce glasses of water. I can't wait to hear my doctor's congratulations upon successfully complying with an elementary suggestion that everyone drink plenty of water....

We tend to remember clever ads, even if we don't remember the products being featured.

Who can forget the little old lady hurling a tire through the plate glass window at a Discount Tire store? It is still running, now in its 42nd year.

Also stuck in our minds are Clara Peller's insistence that Wendy's make meats in their hamburgers easy to find, and Motel 6 reminders that lights would be left on for us.

These are classics, warming our hearts instead of tightening our shackles....

Close runners-up in offensive communications are phone calls, many of which come from callers labeled “unavailable” or “wireless.”

I don't know anyone named “unavailable” or “wireless,” so such calls are unanswered.

Spam callers grow ever more “sneaky,” sometimes coming from phone numbers in local area codes....

Most laughable are calls from governors, presidential candidates and others of such ilk. They are almost always “canned,” then flooded to millions of phone numbers.

On the rare occasions when “real people” call to campaign for candidates seeking state and national offices, I sometimes thank them, indicating that I have a list of such calls on which I place the names of persons for whom I never intend to vote.

This typically is a conversation-ender....

There's an old story of a small-town newspaper editor who ran an editorial critical of a senatorial candidate. He ended his editorial with a biting statement: “I wouldn't vote for him if he ran for dog catcher.”

The candidate was livid, demanding that the editor run an apology. Finally, the editor agreed to do so.

He wrote: “In last week's newspaper, I stated that I would not vote for (blank) if he were running for dog catcher. I was in error, and hereby apologize. I might indeed vote for him if he were running for dog catcher, but he's running for the Senate of the United States!”...

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DAILY PRAYER

*In difficult times faith and hope will take hold in our hearts all the more firmly, to your glory, Lord Jesus.
Amen.*

Lady Steers defeat Demonettes 7-4 Thursday

LITTLEFIELD - The Dumas Demonettes put the pressure on the Big Spring Lady Steers Thursday afternoon by virtue of winning the opening game of the playoffs series with a 7-4 victory.

Dumas, the fourth seed from District 4-4A, now has the upper hand in the series against the 3-4A champion Lady Steers. The two teams meet again Friday. Dumas scored three runs in the top of the seventh inning to win the game. Facing Big Spring reliever Ellianna Perez, Dumas responded with three runs via four hits.

Two infield hits, a single to left field and a two-run scoring single by Jessa Fry was the big blow. Perez came in relief of starter Brinly Watkins, who was

credited with the loss.

Watkins went an impressive five innings, allowing three earned runs. In fact it was Dumas pitcher Brina Vargas who was the main player in this game. Not only did she held down a hot hitting Big Spring team, she drove in the go-ahead run in the seventh with a base hit.

Big Spring did get eight hits, but no hits when it needed with runners in scoring position. Designated hitter Keeley did come through for Big Spring, driving in two runs on two hits. Big Spring is 19-7-1 for the season. Dumas is 23-12.

Lady Buffs Bi-District Champions after New Deal win



Courtesy photo

The Forsan Lady Buffs claimed a 13-3 victory over New Deal to receive the Bi-District Champions title. The Lady Buffs traveled to New Deal on Thursday afternoon looking for a victory and in the end, brought home the W.

By AMANDA DUFORAT

Contributing Writer

... and the ball keeps going.

The Forsan Lady Buffs have claimed the Bi-District Championship winner circle. The Lady Buffs defeated New Deal with a 13-3 victory on Thursday evening.

The Lady Buffs have been blazing a victory trail this season and have no plan of losing steam now. As they stepped out on the field, the ladies brought the power in their swing and the determination echoed in the field. The first inning set the tone for the game as Lady Buff Reagan Phillips drove in two and K'Leigh Wiliams also doubled.

The Lady Buffs knew they couldn't let their guard down. In the fourth inning, New Deal saw a glimmer of hope as they put three runs on the board,

with two RBIS in the frame. That moment of hope was taken away as the Lady Buffs answered back and continued to bring in the runs. The fourth inning ended with five runs from the Lady Buffs, led by

Lindsey Morin, Mercedes Rodriquez, Lybertee Rodriquez, and Emma Buske, who all drove in runs.

Phillips lasted four innings in the circle allowing two hits and three runs while striking out four.

During the District Championship game, the Lady Buffs had five home runs on the books and this game added to that total as Aubrie Smith claimed another in the third inning.

In the end, the Lady Buffs tallied up 15 hits for the Bi-District Win, with several of the ladies racking up multiple hits: Buske, Phillips, Smith, Williams and Rodriguez.

The victory came from a unified effort on the field, with each score making a difference. However, there was one Lady Buff that brought a little extra power to the field Thursday evening. Williams made every at bat - four to be exact - count. Before she left the field for the evening, she left a mark. In the first Williams scored a double, pulled a single in the third and in the fourth and one last double in the fifth.

Luka Doncic, Mavericks beat Jazz to advance to second round

By MATTHEW COLES

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Luke Doncic believes he can score on anyone. To advance to the second round of the playoffs for the first time, he had to trust his teammates.

After previous postseasons filled with individual highlights, Doncic shared the ball and the Dallas Mavericks slipped past the Utah Jazz.

"I like sharing the ball. If they're going to hit or blitz me, someone is going to be open," Doncic said.

Doncic and Jalen Brunson each scored 24 points and the Mavericks beat the Jazz 98-96 on Thursday night in Game 6 to wrap up the first-round series.

"It was all about trust," Dallas coach Jason Kidd said. "Luka did an incredible job knowing they were going to try and take the ball out of his hands."

After Brunson hit a 3-pointer from the corner, Mike Conley was called for traveling with five seconds remaining, and Brunson made one of two free throws with 4.3 seconds to play.

"Playing with Luka the past couple years, I should expect the ball when I'm not expecting it. The ball found me," Brunson said of his clutch 3-pointer.

The Jazz got an open look for Bojan Bogdanovic on the left wing on the final play, but he came up short and the Mavericks moved on to face top-seeded Phoenix in the second round.

"Bogey don't miss a lot of those. My heart stopped. It felt like that shot was 15 seconds in the air," said Doncic, who had nine rebounds, eight assists, two blocks and two steals.

Spencer Dinwiddie added 19 points, and Dorian Finney-Smith had a playoff career high of 18 points as the Mavericks finally got the "monkey off their back," as Kidd put it.

The Mavericks won in the first round for the first time since winning the 2011 NBA championship.

"We have played a lot of games in the playoffs and still haven't got to the second round. But we feel like we can do something great this year, so we all expected to get this win," Finney-Smith said.

Donovan Mitchell had 23 points, nine assists and eight rebounds for Utah.

"I'm speechless," Mitchell said about failing to advance. "It's on me. I put a lot pressure on myself, but I just wasn't who I needed to be. I need to be better."

Bogdanovic finished with 19 points, but couldn't make the shot that would have won it.

"Obviously, Bojan is as clutch a player there is. You see him hit big shot after big shot," Utah coach Quin Snyder said. "I think everybody in the locker room would want him to have that shot."

Bogdanovic was crestfallen.

"There's no excuse. I needed to hit that shot to force Game 7," he said.

Earlier in the fourth quarter, Finney-Smith's 3-pointer gave the Mavericks their largest lead at 88-80 before the Jazz scored eight straight — many coming off hustle plays as Utah played with desperation — culminating with a Mitchell-to-Rudy Gobert dunk.

The Mavericks found their range in the third quarter as the Jazz tried multiple defenses but somehow seemed to consistently leave someone alone behind the arc. Doncic had 10 points and Dallas made 8 of 12 from 3-point range to outscore Utah 36-19 in the third quarter.

"For guys like me, that's when I start smiling," Finney-Smith said about the ball movement to start the second half. "That's when we get our spot-up shots. Luka causes so much pressure and then he finds guys."

The Mavericks shot 56% (14 of 25) from 3-point range after halftime, but several Dallas players credited their defense for the win.

Despite a height disadvantage and the fact that Utah had the NBA's most-efficient offense in the regular season, Dallas held the Jazz to just 99 points per game in the series.

DÉJÀ VU FOR DALLAS?

Eleven years ago on the same date, Kidd was on the Dallas team that beat the Portland Trail Blazers and moved to the second round.

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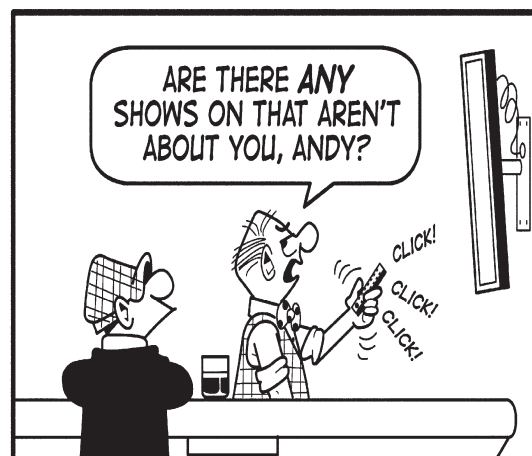
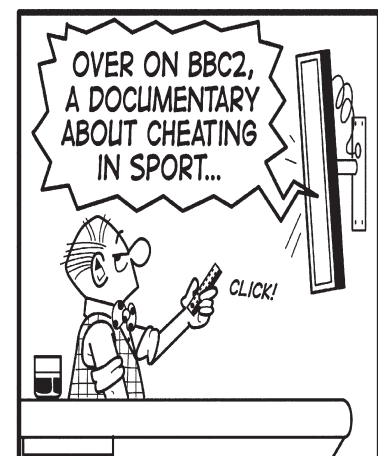
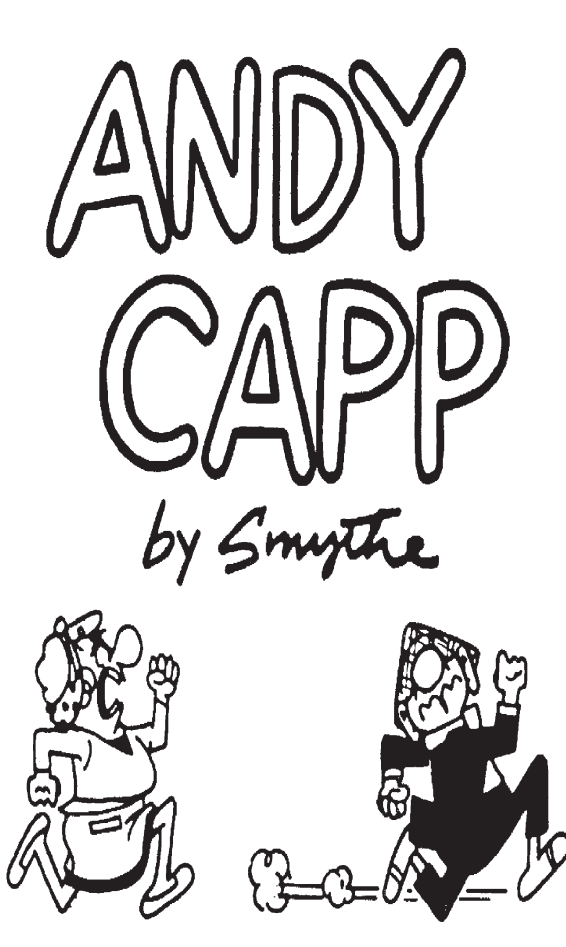
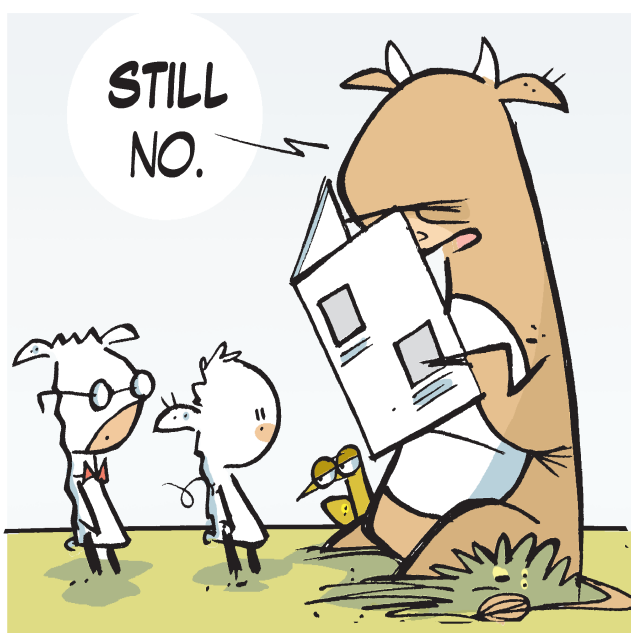
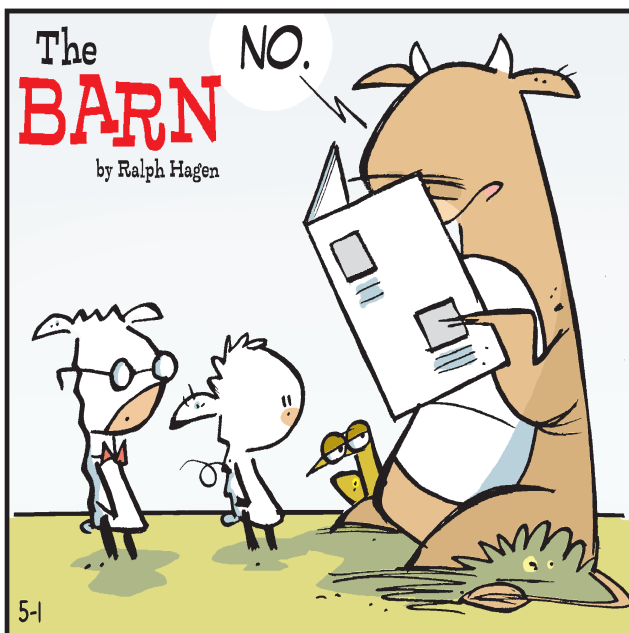
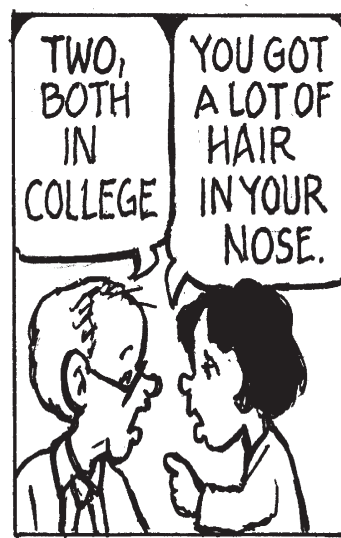
by TONY COCHRAN

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An evening with the Osmonds



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Last weekend, internationally loved performer Marie Osmond, her nephew David Osmond, and the Big Spring Symphony Orchestra put on a show at our fair city's Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, and brought their audience on a musical journey, from Marie's first hit - 1973's "Paper Roses," through "The Prayer" from her current album "Unexpected," the younger sister of the Osmond Brothers wowed the appreciative audience

David Osmond joined his aunt onstage for several duets, and sang several solos. The performer touched - but did not dwell - on his personal struggle with Multiple Sclerosis, and celebrated his recent 15-year anniversary with a song for his bride, Valerie.

Maestro Dr. Keith Graumann led the Big Spring Symphony Orchestra, who played a backup role for the Osmonds. Following the performance, Graumann said of Ms. Osmond "She's a magnificent entertainer," and noted of David, "He's a rock star, too!"

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Echoes of 2006: Jazz Fest returns to New Orleans for 2022

By KEVIN MCGILL

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Once silenced by the COVID-19 pandemic, the New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival opened Friday for the first time in three years — a long awaited 2022 revival that holds echoes of 2006 when the annual celebration of music and culture went on even after Hurricane Katrina.

The two-weekend production draws tens of thousands to the city's Fair Grounds Race Course, where as many as 80 musical acts perform daily on more than a dozen stages, complemented by art and craft exhibits and an array of booths featuring foods from Louisiana and beyond.

"This lovely community, here in New Orleans, needs this festival," visitor Garey Rosen said as he and a buddy snapped a selfie while "Jesus on the Main Line" blared from the festival's Gospel tent. It was his seventh Jazz Fest for Rosen, who said he's from New Jersey.

"Everybody here relies on this festival. And it is the best festival in the world," Rosen said.

Lionel Richie and Death Cab for Cutie are among Friday's draws at the festival that sprinkles numerous big-name entertainers throughout its run. The Who headlines Saturday; the Red Hot Chili Peppers, Sunday. But the festival may be best known for showcasing a dizzying array of Louisiana musical talent, styles and genres — jazz, blues, Cajun, Zydeco and more.

Organizers pulled off the April 2006 show eight months after levees failed and the city flooded during Hurricane Katrina, and as debris and water-damaged houses still marred the landscape. Longtime festival producer Quint Davis recounts

two strong emotional memories from that festival: Bruce Springsteen bringing the local crowd to tears singing "My City of Ruins" to close the first weekend, and the joy at having crowds line up at the gates on opening day.

"It was just incredible energy, like a pilgrimage," Davis recalled Tuesday.

2020 marked the first time the festival had been canceled in its 50-year history, owing to COVID-19. "It was like a sword through the heart," Davis said, adding that the comeback has been more difficult in some ways than the post-Katrina festival because the pandemic has led to changes in vendors, higher costs and complications in rounding up equipment after a three-year lull.

The 2020 cancellation, plus cancellations of planned returns in spring and fall of 2021, were emotionally devastating for festival organizers and fans, said Davis. And they brought recurring economic shocks for the bars, restaurants and music venues that count on an influx of Jazz Fest visitors.

"It's our biggest two weekends of the year," said James Gonzci, a co-owner of Liuzza's by the Track, recalling the disappointment. The neighborhood bar and restaurant draws overflow crowds after each day of the festival.

Robert Mercurio can assess the comeback from two perspectives. As the bassist for the funk band Galactic, he credits the fest with helping the band build international renown after a 1996 performance. As part owner of the historic Tipitina's music club, he appreciates the business that Jazz Fest brings to live music venues as they regain their footing after pandemic shutdowns.

"I think that people who haven't been to New Orleans for a long time are looking forward to coming to Tipitina's to have that real New Orleans experi-

ence after the fest," Mercurio said Thursday.

Jazz Fest returns as COVID-19 cases are at a lower point than they've been in months and two-thirds of the U.S. population is vaccinated. Mask mandates, public gathering limits and proof-of-vaccine requirements have been lifted in New Orleans. Hospitalizations remain low in Louisiana after reaching dangerous peaks in 2020 and 2021.

Jazz Fest hotel occupancy rates have not rebounded to the 2019 levels yet. Kelly Schulz of the tourism association New Orleans & Co., said downtown and French Quarter hotels so far project occupancy to be about 80%. It was around 90% three years ago.

But Schulz points to several signs of recovery, among them this year's return of the Mardi Gras season's parades and parties, the NCAA Final Four basketball tournament, a recent pro golf tournament, NBA playoff games and two major conventions.

Jazz Fest, she said, has an estimated \$400 million impact on the local economy, akin to when the city hosts the Super Bowl.

"What we're seeing is the best period of time as an industry since the beginning of the pandemic," Schulz said.

"Comparing it to 2006 is meaningful," Schulz said of Jazz Fest's return. "Because I think that's how people feel about it, in terms of the return and what it means and how much people have waited for this day -- especially because people thought we were going to have it last year and it was canceled again."

Mercurio, too, says the return of Jazz Fest is reminiscent of 2006 after Katrina. "It feels like an awakening after a really dark time," he said. "Finally coming to a light at the end of the tunnel that we've all been looking for so long."

Jury begins deliberating in Blac Chyna v. Kardashians trial

By ANDREW DALTON

AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jurors began deliberations Thursday in a trial over former reality television star Blac Chyna's lawsuit against Kim Kardashian, Kris Jenner, Khloé Kardashian and Kylie Jenner, whom she alleges spread false stories of abuse to ruin her television career.

In her closing argument, Chyna's attorney Lynne Ciani argued that it was unreasonable for the four women to have believed that her client violently attacked her former fiancé Rob Kardashian.

"Forget who they are; forget about how famous they are," Ciani told the jury. "Was it reasonable for the defendants to believe that their son or brother's version of the events that he had been brutally attacked?"

In emotional and often angry testimony, Rob Kardashian said during the trial that he feared for his life on the night of Dec. 14 and morning of Dec. 15, 2016, when Chyna twice pointed a gun at his head, pulled a phone-charging cable around his neck and repeatedly hit him with a metal rod while under the influence of alcohol and cocaine.

He testified that the violence left no visible injuries, nor did he report the attack to anyone, and his mother and sisters said the same when each took the stand.

"He didn't have a mark on him," Ciani said. "There was no call to the police, no trip to the hospital, not even a Band-Aid."

Chyna is suing the four women for defamation and interference with contract, alleging they sought to get the couple's "Keeping Up With the Kardashians" spinoff "Rob & Chyna," canceled before its second season.

Kardashian attorney David G. Rhodes argued during his closing that the women had every reason to believe the accounts of the attack from Rob Kardashian and from Kris Jenner's longtime boyfriend Corey Gamble, who arrived at the scene, broke up the dispute and was a key defense witness.

"Do you remember how Rob looked on the stand yesterday? His pain was real," Rhodes said. "This is a real family. Yeah, they're famous, but they're real people. He got really badly hurt here."

All four of the defendants were in the front row of the courtroom for closing arguments, as they were for most of the nine-day trial.

Kim Kardashian's boyfriend, "Saturday Night Live" star Pete Davidson, sat in the back of the courtroom during closings and greeted her with a hug and a kiss in the hallway outside before they and the rest of the family were ushered by deputies into a private waiting area they've used throughout the trial.

In her testimony, Chyna said that an all-night celebration of the announce-

ment their show was getting a second season turned into a bitter fight when Rob Kardashian took her phone looking for evidence of communications with other men, but it never got violent.

She testified that she had wrapped the phone-charging cord around his neck playfully, and picked up his always unloaded gun off the nightstand, as a joke. She admitted that in her anger she broke some things.

"There was damage to a gingerbread house; there was a damaged TV," Ciani said. "And that's where it stopped."

Rhodes zeroed in on the gingerbread house in his argument, in which he cast Chyna as a publicity-seeker desperate for a piece of what the Kardashians have.

"Why would you attack a gingerbread house in your rage? What does it represent?" Rhodes said. "It represents everything about the Kardashian brand — it's over the top, it's big, it's beautiful, it's almost silly, and when she saw that gingerbread house she was venting her anger on everything she was not going to be."

Rhodes argued that regardless of what happened between the couple, the show ended because their relationship ended, as all the executives overseeing the show testified during the trial.

"It wasn't her show," Rhodes said. "It's not the 'Chyna and Rob' show, it's not 'Chyna' show, it's the 'Rob KARDASHIAN and Chyna' show. It was a show about a relationship. That's at the center of the whole case."

Ciani and Rhodes both focused in their closing arguments on Kris Jenner, whom the lawsuit alleges was the "ringleader" of the attempt to shun Chyna.

The jury will need to decide whether her text message to the lead producer of "Rob & Chyna" saying "Chyna beat the s(asterisk)(asterisk)(asterisk) out of Rob's face" was defamation.

"She's not talking to the police. She's not talking to someone to try to get medical help for her son. She's talking to the showrunner," Ciani said. "She knew it was false."

Rhodes asked jurors to consider why Jenner would believe the attack happened.

"Because the man she was in bed with at 7 a.m. goes over there, comes back and says 'Rob just had the s(asterisk)(asterisk)(asterisk) beat out of him,'" Rhodes said. "She sees her son and he says the same thing."

In the civil case, nine out of 12 jurors will need to agree on whether each of the Kardashian defendants either knowingly lied about Chyna abusing Rob Kardashian, or spread the word about it with reckless disregard for the truth. The same number will need to decide whether each illegally interfered with Chyna's contract with the E! network, which aired both "Rob & Chyna" and "Keeping Up With the Kardashians."

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I-27 Committee tours Port of Entry bridge

Special to the Herald

On Tuesday, April 19, members of the Interstate 27 Advisory Committee participated in a tour of the World Trade Bridge Port-of-Entry in Laredo. Laredo is the busiest land port in North America handling nearly \$250 billion in trade annually. An average of 8,000 trucks a day cross the border in Laredo.

The I-27 Advisory Committee was created by Texas Senate Bill 1474. The Committee, as required by the Senate Bill, includes 10 County Representatives, seven City Representatives, three Economic Development Representatives, one Agriculture representative, one Energy Representative, and one International Trade Representative.

The Committee will meet at least two times a year; however, the Committee was requesting additional meetings early in the process. S.B. 1474 states that the Committee was established to provide the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) with information on concerns and interests along the Ports-to Plains Corridor; and to advise the TxDOT on transportation improvements impacting the Ports-to-Plains Corridor.

On March 10, the Senate passed an omnibus FY22 funding bill that included in the section funding the US Department of Transportation language designating Texas and New Mexico portions of the Ports-to-Plains Corridor as a future interstate. This step was possible due to the leadership of Rep. Cuellar (D-Laredo) and Rep. Arrington (R-Lubbock), with the support of Sen. Heinrich (D-NM) and Sen. Lujan (D-NM), as well as Senators Cornyn and Cruz from Texas.

The funding package was signed into law by the President on March 14. This was the culmination of

years of work by the Ports-to-Plains team and the Texas and New Mexico congressional delegations and is an enormous step towards our ultimate goal of a funded and constructed interstate.

Since then, the Ports-to-Plains governmental relations team has begun internal discussions with local and state elected and transportation department officials about potential congressionally directed spending requests for FY2023.

The Ports-to-Plains strategy for FY23 is to seek planning money for the Texas portion of the future interstate and specific project funding for projects in the state plan that will make improvements along the corridor necessary for it to eventually meet interstate standards. Additionally, Ports-to-Plains may seek FY23 funding for specific projects in other states along the corridor, including Colorado.

Because community project requests - formerly known as "earmarks" - are still somewhat controversial, as of today it is uncertain which member of the Texas delegation in the House will submit these requests for Ports-to-Plains, and both Texas Senators have unfortunately already announced they will not be submitting or supporting community funding projects for Texas. This puts Texas at a significant disadvantage in seeking federal funding, and will present an obstacle to legislators working on the project as they work to secure federal planning and project funding for the new future interstate.

Additionally, the committee will begin outreach to the other states in the corridor to develop support for their inclusion as part of the future interstate, although that will in all likelihood be something for the 118th Congress beginning next year.



Amazon reports rare quarterly loss as online shopping slows

By HALELUYA HADERO

AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Amazon reported its first quarterly loss since 2015 on Thursday, its money-making juggernaut stalled by a slowdown in pandemic-induced online shopping and a huge write-down of its investment in an electric-vehicle startup.

The Seattle-based e-commerce giant's stock fell 9% in after-hours trading.

Amazon reported a loss of \$3.84 billion, or \$7.56 a share, for the first three months of the year. A year ago, it reported a profit of \$8.1 billion, or \$15.79 a share, for the first quarter. Wall Street analysts expected a profit of \$8.35 a share in the latest quarter, according to FactSet.

The ocean of red ink in Amazon's report came mostly from the company's accounting for a \$7.6 billion loss in value of its stock investment in Rivian Automotive. Rivian went public in late 2021 and its stock traded at close \$180 at one point. It closed Thursday at \$32.18. Ford Motor Co. reported a similar write-down of the value of its Rivian investment Wednesday.

Amazon's e-commerce business also reported an operating loss of \$1.57 billion in North America and \$1.28 billion internationally.

Meanwhile, sales at Amazon's cloud-computing business, which helps power the online operations of Netflix, McDonald's and other companies, grew 37% in the quarter. And sales in its advertising business, where brands pay to get their products to show up first when shoppers search on Amazon's site, rose 25%.

Still, the slowdown in online spending is real and broad-based. While in-store sales rose, March is the first month to show decline in online sales since the pandemic began, according to Mastercard SpendingPulse, which tracks spending made over the Mastercard payments network and survey estimates for other

payments made with cash and checks.

Amazon prospered during the COVID-19 pandemic as home-bound people eager to limit human contact turned online to purchase what they need. But growth has slowed as vaccinated Americans feel more comfortable going out.

According to the e-commerce research firm MarketPlace Pulse, the value of goods sold on Amazon last year grew by half the rate compared to 2020.

Like many others, Amazon is dealing with pressure from inflation and supply-chain issues. In the past two years, Amazon's Chief Financial Officer Brian Olsavsky said the company has doubled the size of its operations and nearly doubled its workforce. He said labor shortages and a lack of physical space are no longer major issues, but the company continues to face a variety of pressures such as increased shipping costs.

Inflation-related expenses added roughly \$2 billion of incremental costs when compared to last year, Olsavsky said, adding that the company also incurred another \$4 billion in costs related to productivity loss and other inefficiencies.

"The pandemic and subsequent war in Ukraine have brought unusual growth and challenges," said Amazon CEO Andy Jassy in a statement. "Our teams are squarely focused on improving productivity and cost efficiencies throughout our fulfillment network. We know how to do this and have done it before."

To offset rising fuel costs and inflation, the retail giant has added a 5% surcharge to fees it charges third-party sellers who use its fulfillment services. Last quarter, Amazon also hiked its annual Prime membership fee by \$20, a first since 2018. Despite the fee hike, Olsavsky said millions of new Prime members have enrolled during the quarter.

Revenue rose 7% to \$116.44 billion, compared with \$108.52 billion in first quarter 2021, representing the company's sixth consecutive quarter of revenue topping \$100 billion. Amazon had projected sales between \$112 billion and \$117 billion. Analysts surveyed by FactSet were expecting \$116.5 billion.

"Given the pace at which the business grew over the past few years this shift is hardly surprising," said Neil Saunders, managing director of GlobalData Retail. "It represents more of a post pandemic reset than catastrophic failure. Nevertheless, the slowdown raises important questions over how Amazon can restore momentum and regain its leadership position as one of the primary drivers of online growth."

Amazon said it forecasts sales for the current quarter to range between \$116 billion and \$121 billion, below the \$125.33 billion that analysts are forecasting.

The results come as Amazon is closing all of its brick-and-mortar bookstores, as well as its 4-star shops and pop up locations, as the online retail behemoth reworks its physical footprint.

The company also faces a growing unionization push from inside its workforce.

A second union election is currently underway at a company warehouse on Staten Island, New York, the same borough where workers at a nearby facility voted to unionize earlier this month.

Amazon has filed objections over the election with the National Labor Relations Board and is seeking to re-do the vote.

The final outcome of a separate union election in Bessemer, Alabama, is still up in the air with 416 outstanding challenged ballots hanging in the balance. Hearings to review the ballots are expected to begin in the coming weeks.

Public Records

Howard County Justice of the Peace Outstanding IBC Warrants:

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Sherri Monique Aldridge, 1507 E. Sixth St., Big Spring
Anthony Anderson, 3401 Camellia Dr. #707, Temple
Steve Antoine, 1425 E. 6th St., Big Spring
Katie Cole L. Baker, P.O. Box 3372, Big Spring
Letitia Baucham, 1202 Stanford, Big Spring
Linda Beck, 1713 Worley Rd., Banner Elk, N.C.
Joshua Bell, 1962 Tuscola, Snyder
John Bochnicka, 538 Westover Rd. #260
Chad Wayne Brown, 3901 Ave. O, P.O. Box 391, Snyder

Douglas "Doug" Lee Brown, 205 W. 14th St. P.O. Box 275, Monahans

James Bullard, 202 Fourth St., Palestine
Melinda Burns, 2218 Carlton Way, San Angelo
Gloria Cerna, P.O. Box 55, Lamesa
Matilda Cortez, 302 N St. Teresa

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Laura W. Dennis, 1511 Scurry, Big Spring
Humberto Diaz Jr., 3417 N. Midland Dr, Midland
Nelba DeLosRios Diaz, 10600 McMillian Dr., Austin

Krista A. Dickson, 6917 Todd, Sachse
Jimmy Dodson, 405 31st St., Snyder
Ben Doherty, 5019 McKinney St. No. 105, Dallas
Angela Doty, 1401 E. Rundberg, Austin

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Tina Marie Ellis, 4002 Austin Ave., Snyder
Selena Bethani Enriquez-King, 100 E Parker, Midland
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Kristen Falcon, 2606 Fairchild Dr., Big Spring
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Juana Fierro, 406 N. W. 5th St., Big Spring
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Isaiah Green, 4801 State St., Abilene
John Grima, 914 E. Sixth St., Big Spring
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Renola S. Kelly, 4503 LA Salle Circle, Colorado City
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O'Neal McClain, 911 17th St., Snyder
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Ethel Laverne McVae, 4202 Parkway Rd., Big Spring, Texas

Heriberto Palafox Mora, 1311 Mobile St., Big Spring
Felicia Ornelas, 538 Westover Rd.
Dana Kay Peach, 1806 N 13th, Lamesa
Nicole Preston, 1605 E 11th place, Big Spring

Byron Roberts, 2206 Alabama St Big Spring
Michael Robinson, 801 Anna St., Big Spring
Veronica Romero, 103 Becker Rd., Big Spring
Elizabeth Salazar, 1808 Hearn, Big Spring, Texas

Shane Skaggs, 1 Courtney Place, Apt. 301, Big Spring
Derrick Dewayne Smith, 703 West 16th, San Angelo

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

Marriage Licenses

Jason Paul Mize, 48, and Yvette Cor-tez Preston, 48, both of Big Spring.
Ruben Alvarez, 34, and Victoria Ann Flores, 30, both of Big Spring.

District Court Filings

Plaintiff: Tiffany Haney
Defendant: Michael Ward and Cline Construction Inc.

Type of Case: Injury/Damage - Motor Vehicles
Date: April 21, 2022

Plaintiff: Gilbert Silva
Defendant: State of Texas
Type of Case: Writ of Habeas Corpus
Date: April 21, 2022

Plaintiff: Courtney Ausbie
Defendant: State of Texas
Type of Case: Writ of Habeas Corpus
Date: April 21, 2022

Plaintiff: Crista Darden
Defendant: Justin Darden
Type of Case: Divorce - Children
Date: April 22, 2022

Plaintiff: Rebecca Hodnett
Defendant: State of Texas
Type of Case: Writ of Habeas Corpus
Date: April 25, 2022

Plaintiff: Medallion Pipeline Company LLC
Defendant: Clifton Cook, Cynthia Cook, Peggy Cook
Type of Case: Eminent Domain
Date: April 26, 2022

Plaintiff: Medallion Pipeline Company LLC
Defendant: Kayla McDonnell
Type of Case: Eminent Domain
Date: April 26, 2022

Plaintiff: Medallion Pipeline Company LLC
Defendant: June Cook Brown
Type of Case: Eminent Domain
Date: April 26, 2022

Plaintiff: Medallion Pipeline Company LLC
Defendant: Joe Mac Gaskins Farms Inc.
Type of Case: Eminent Domain
Date: April 26, 2022

Plaintiff: Medallion Pipeline Company LLC
Defendant: J&J Partnership by and through its registered agent, Joe D. Barnes
Type of Case: Eminent Domain
Date: April 26, 2022

Deeds

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: Paul Leo Welch and Susan Mary Welch
Grantee: Wendan Foster
Property: Lot 7, Blk. 7, Wasson Place
Date: April 18, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: Landon Jared Stevens and Randi Rene Stevens

Grantee: Sandra Gail Fitzgerald
Property: Lots 1 and 2, Blk. 4, Park Hill Addition
Date: April 18, 2022

Type: General Warranty Deed
Grantor: Linda D. Schafer and Rose Ann Bokelman, by her agent Linda D. Schafer
Grantee: Michael Nairn
Property: Lot 23, Blk. 26, College Park Estates
Date: April 18, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendors Lien
Grantor: Christopher Hale and Amanda Jo Gerrard
Grantee: Gabriel Gonzalez-Rivera and Luz C. Gonzalez
Property: Lot 12, Blk. 4, Mittel Acres Addition
Date: April 18, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: Gregg A Bridges and Megan Bridges
Grantee: Tanya Elaine Sepeda-Martinez and Augustine P. Martinez Sr.
Property: Lots 5 and 6, Blk. 3, Clawson Subdivision, Coahoma
Date: April 18, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed
Grantor: Roger D. Brown and Anna M. Brown
Grantee: Catherine Mburu
Property: A 4.61-acre tract, Lot 6, Blk. B, Campestre Estates in Sec. 17, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey.
Date: April 18, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed
Grantor: Roger Dale Brown and Anna Mae Brown
Grantee: Kelvin Nyambuka
Property: A 4.934-acre tract in Lot 11, Blk. A, Campestre Estates, Sec. 17, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey.
Date: April 18, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed
Grantor: Roger Dale Brown and Anna Mae Brown
Grantee: Rachel Nyambuka
Property: Tract 1: A 5.086-acre tract in Lot 9, Blk. A, Campestre Estates, Sec. 17, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey.
Date: April 18, 2022

Type: General Warranty Deed
Grantor: Sherry Griffin
Grantee: Jesse F. Griffin
Property: 25 percent interest in Lot 2, Blk. 24, Saunders Edition, Coahoma
Date: April 19, 2022

Type: General Warranty Deed
Grantor: Janna Griffin
Grantee: Jesse F. Griffin
Property: 25 percent interest in Lot 2, Blk. 24, Saunders Edition, Coahoma
Date: April 19, 2022

Type: General Warranty Deed
Grantor: Rhonda R. Brisbin
Grantee: Jesse F. Griffin
Property: 25 percent interest in Lot 2, Blk. 24, Saunders Edition, Coahoma
Date: April 19, 2022

Type: General Warranty Deed
Grantor: Daryl Witt and Anita Witt
Grantee: Laura Thomas
Property: Lot 5, Blk. 6, Hillcrest Terrace Addition
Date: April 19, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: Jesse Lee Metcalf Jr. and Lori Metcalf
Grantee: Angela Judkins Pentz
Property: A 4.417-acre tract in NW part of Sec. 5, Blk. 31, T-1-S, T&P RR Co.

Survey
Date: April 19, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: Jimmy Bingham and Lisa Bingham
Grantee: Kyle Blair
Property: Tract 1: Lots 11 and 12, Country Livin' Subdivision, Sec. 44, Blk. 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey; Tract 2: Tract 13, Country Livin' Subdivision, Sec. 44, Blk. 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey; Tract 3: Tract 14, Country Livin' Subdivision, Sec. 44, Blk. 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: April 19, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: Steven Grigg and Toniya Grigg
Grantee: Jeremy D. Weldon and Amber D. Weldon
Property: Lot 1, Blk. 3, Canyon View Subdivision Sec. 4, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: April 19, 2022

Type: General Warranty Deed
Grantor: John Purcell and Stacie Purcell
Grantee: James Koerber
Property: S/27.8 feet of Lot 5, Blk. 20, Original Townsite of the City of Big Spring.
Date: April 20, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: Garland Myrick
Grantee: Tommy D. Ellis and Star L. Ellis
Property: A 1.053-acre tract in SE/4 Sec. 48, Blk. 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: April 20, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: Margarita C. Medrano and Marla D. Medrano
Grantee: Trent Hunter Enterprises LLC
Property: Lot 5, Blk. 17, McDowell Heights Addition
Date: April 20, 2022

Type: Gift Deed Without Warranty
Grantor: Jose Ornelas aka Joe Ornelas, E.C. Sanchez Jr., Mary Alice Brisenno, Betty Jo Hernandez, Fred O. Sanchez, David O. Sanchez, Larry Ornelas, Ricky Ornelas, Billy Ornelas, Shawn Gilbert, Johnathan Chapman, Matthew Ornelas, Andrew Gonzalez, Eduardo Ornelas, Frank Ornelas, Dolores Garcia, Adrian Ornelas, Marci Swan
Grantee: Rene Ornelas
Property: A part of Tract 19, Wm. B. Currie Subdivision, SE/4 Sec. 42, Blk. 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: April 20, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: K&R Enterprises LLC dba K&R Homes
Grantee: Collin Ray Baldwin and Kaylee Rae Pittenger
Property: Lot 5, Blk. 4, Saunders Addition, Coahoma
Date: April 20, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed
Grantor: WB Supply LLC
Grantee: Colbey Ford
Property: Lots 10 and 11, Blk. 44, Original Town of Forsan
Date: April 21, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: Gus and Nancy Phernetton
Grantee: Tylar Morgan Maree Hale and Steven Ray Johnson
Property: Lots 1 through 4, Blk. 15,

Subdivision A, Fairview Heights Addition
Date: April 21, 2022

Type: General Warranty Deed
Grantor: Mark James Barr and Maxwell Andrew Barr
Grantee: Kelly Cook
Property: A 7.08-acre tract out of a 181.00-acre tract in SW/4 Sec. 7, Blk. 25, H&TC RR Co. Survey
Date: April 21, 2022

Type: General Warranty Deed
Grantor: Tommy D. Churchwell and Laurie Churchwell
Grantee: Leland E. Harris and Rhonda L. Harris
Property: Lot 28, Blk. 6, Monticello Addition
Date: April 21, 2022

Type: General Warranty Deed
Grantor: JoAnn Baeza
Grantee: Lydia Baeza
Property: Lot 3, Blk. 11, Settles Heights Addition
Date: April 21, 2022

Type: General Warranty Deed
Grantor: Rhonda Leal, independent administratrix of the estate of Jimmy Ortega Leal
Grantee: Lisa Leal Tate and Jeff Leal
Property: Lot 7, Blk. 2, North McEwen Addition
Date: April 22, 2022

Type: General Warranty Deed
Grantor: Lisa Leal Tate and Jeff Leal
Grantee: Rhonda Leal
Property: Lot 4, Blk. 7, North Belvue Addition
Date: April 22, 2022

Type: Deed
Grantor: Betty Jean Poitevint, acting by Adrian Lee Brown, agent
Grantee: Patricia J. Sims
Property: Lot 1, Blk. 27, Monticello Addition No. 7
Date: April 22, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: Eric D. Andrews and Amy Leann Andrews
Grantee: Daron E. Moore and Karri Moore
Property: Lot 1, Blk. 4, Clawson Subdivision, Coahoma
Date: April 22, 2022

Type: General Warranty Deed
Grantor: RPCP1958 LLC
Grantee: Jackie Murphree
Property: Surface estate only of Lot 3, Blk. 9, Saunders Addition, Coahoma
Date: April 22, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: RPC1958 LLC
Grantee: Jackie Murphree
Property: Surface estate only of Lots 1 and 2, Blk. 4, Saunders Addition, Coahoma
Date: April 22, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: Sonia Lusk
Grantee: Anna Froese
Property: Tract 1: Lot 1, Blk. 25, Monticello Addition; Tract 2: Lot 2, Blk. 25, Monticello Addition.
Date: April 22, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed
Grantor: Tonya D. Holmes aka Tonya Denise Holmes, and Scott Griffin
Grantee: James Owen Davis and Lindsey Davis
Property: Lot 4, Blk. 8, Kentwood (Unit No. 1) Addition
Date: April 22, 2022

Apple delivers strong quarter, but warns of trouble ahead

By **MICHAEL LIEDTKE**

AP Technology Writer

SAN RAMON, Calif. (AP) — Apple on Thursday reported strong quarterly results despite supply shortages, but warned that its growth slowdown is likely to deepen. The company said it's still struggling to get enough chips to meet demand and contending with COVID-related shutdowns at factories in China that make iPhones and other products.

Although initial results for the January-March period topped analysts' projections, the good news was quickly eclipsed when management warned of trouble ahead during a conference call.

The main takeaway: Apple's sales will be squeezed by the supply problems much harder in the current April-June quarter than in its previous one. The company estimated it would take a hit to revenue of \$4 billion to \$8 billion as a result.

"It will affect most of the product categories," Apple CEO Tim Cook told analysts.

Apple's stock price fell 4% in extended trading, reversing a positive response after the Apple report initially came out. Before the sobering forecast

lowered the shares even further, Apple's stock had fallen 10% from its peak in early January.

"It was a solid quarter, but it looks like COVID has reared its ugly head," said Edward Jones analyst Logan Purk. "It looks like it's two steps forward, one step back."

Like a wide gamut of companies ranging from automakers to health care providers, Apple has been grappling with shortages of computer chips and other key technology components required in modern products.

Apple had expected the crunch to ease as this year progressed, but recent COVIDs outbreaks are starting to curtail production in Chinese factories that the company relies on.

Despite those headwinds, the results for the January-March period drew a picture of a still-expanding empire generating massive profits that have yielded the firm a \$2.7 trillion market value -- the largest among U.S. companies.

Apple announced a 5% increase in its quarterly dividend, which has been steadily rising since the company revived the payment a decade ago.

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CAUSE NO. 55354

CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS,
Plaintiff,

vs.

GEORGE WILMAS NEILL, III, RALPH JAMES NEILL, JR., THEDA JOANNE NEILL, TERRY DEAN NEILL, WILLIAM REID WHEELER, MARY LYNN CAYLOR, BRYAN ALLEN WHEELER, KRISTINA JOY NEILL SHUGART, AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WITH AN INTEREST OR CLAIM AGAINST THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IN THIS PROCEEDING, Defendants.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS 118TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

NOTICE OF HEARING BEFORE SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS FOR PUBLICATION

Pursuant to Rule 21.016(d)(3), Texas Property Code, the Special Commissioners hereby issue this Notice of Hearing in connection with their Order Setting Hearing entered this same day.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

TO: THEDA JOANNE NEILL, AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WITH AN INTEREST OR CLAIM AGAINST THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IN THIS PROCEEDING, to be served by publication pursuant to § 21.016(d)(3) of the Texas Property Code and

You are hereby notified that on the **29th day of June, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. in the Grand Jury Room of the Howard County Courthouse, located at 312 Scurry Street Big Spring, Texas, 79720** the undersigned Special Commissioners appointed by the Judge of the 118th District Court of Howard County, Texas, will convene a hearing to assess the damages occasioned by the condemnation by the City of Big Spring, as

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Condemnor, to acquire the subject property described below in fee simple for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a sewer lift station to be installed, operated, and maintained upon and across the property identified as a 1.417 acre tract of land, out of the Northeast Quarter of Section 44, Block 32, T-I-N, T. & P. Railroad Company Surveys, Abstract No. 631, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, and being out of a tract of land described in a deed from J.G. Amett etux to G.W. Neill dated January 28, 1924, and recorded in Volume 54, Page 215, Deed Records of Howard County, Texas, said tract having a municipal address of 1505 East 2nd Street Big Spring, Texas 79720.

These are proceedings in eminent domain in a case styled: *CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS v. GEORGE WILMASNEILL, III, RALPH JAMES NEILL, JR., THEDA JOANNE NEILL, TERRY DEAN NEILL, WILLIAM REID WHEELER, MARY LYNN CAYLOR, BRYAN ALLEN WHEELER, KRISTINA JOY NEILL SHUGART, AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WITH AN INTEREST OR CLAIM AGAINST THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IN THIS PROCEEDING*, Cause Number 55354, filed in the 118th District Court of Howard County, Texas. The undersigned, having heretofore duly selected such time and place for hearing as required by law, will proceed to hear said parties and receive evidence on damages and to act thereon in the manner directed by law.

The preceding Notice to be served via publication has been APPROVED and ISSUED the 22 day of April, 2022.

SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS:
/s/ Stefanie Wilkerson
/s/ Jim Lasater



stores and bakeries, baking it at home can provide a sense of accomplishment as well as a delicious finished product. Anyone interested in making homemade challah can try this recipe, courtesy of MyJewishLearning.com.

Challah
Makes 2 loaves

- 1 1/8 cups lukewarm water
- 1 tablespoon dry yeast
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 4 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 eggs, beaten, plus 1 whole egg for glazing
- 1/2 tablespoon salt
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1/4 cup vegetable oil
- Poppy or sesame seeds (optional)

Dissolve the yeast in the water with 1 teaspoon of the sugar. Beat well and leave 10 minutes, until it froths. In a very large bowl, lightly beat the eggs.

Then add the salt, sugar and oil and beat again. Add the frothy yeast mixture and beat well. Now add the flour gradually, and just enough to make a soft dough that holds together, mixing well,

first with a large spoon, then working it in with your hands.

Knead vigorously for about 15 minutes, until it is very smooth and elastic, adding flour if the dough is too sticky. Pour a little oil in the bowl and turn the dough, so that it is greased all over.

Cover the bowl with plastic wrap or a damp towel and put it in a warm place to rise for 2 to 3 hours, or until it has doubled in bulk.

Punch the dough down and knead again, then divide into 2 pieces to make 2 loaves.

Braid challah into desired shape and place on a baking sheet lined with parchment paper or a silicone baking mat, leaving plenty of room for them to expand. Allow them to rise for 1 hour, or until doubled in bulk.

Now brush gently with the beaten egg. If you want to sprinkle with poppy or sesame seeds, brush first with the whole beaten egg. (The seeds stick better if the white is there, too.)

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♦ J 10 3
♣ K 10 4
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♥ 5
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♣ 9 8 6 5 3 2
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♠ 8 2
♥ A Q J 10 6 2
♦ K 9 5
♣ A Q

The bidding:
West North East South
1 ♠ Pass Pass 3 ♥
Pass 4 ♥

Opening lead — king of spades.

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potential losers — a diamond and a club. Although the club loser might be avoided with a successful finesse, declarer decided that in view of the bidding and the play thus far, the likelihood of East having the king was virtually nil.

So, rather than stake his hopes on the club finesse, South adopted a far more promising line of play. He led a trump to the king and ruffed a spade, then cashed three more trumps to produce this position:

North
♠ 9
♦ A 6
♣ J 7
West
♠ J
♦ 10 3
♣ K 10
East
♦ Q 7
♣ 9 8 6
South
♥ 10
♦ 9 5
♣ A Q

When South now played his last trump, West, who could not afford to part with a spade or a club, let go a diamond as dummy discarded a club. Declarer thereupon led a diamond to the ace and returned the nine of spades, discarding his diamond loser. West won with the jack but had to return a club into South's A-Q, putting the final touch on a well-played hand.

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