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Weather

Friday Night: Clear, with

a low around 63. Southwest

Saturday: Sunny and hot,

Sunday: Sunny and hot,

Source: NWS, via weather.gov

Clear,

with a high near 103. South-

west wind 15 to 20 mph.

Saturday Night:

with a low around 69.

with a high near 102.

wind 10 to 15 mph.

First case of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza detected in a wild bird in Texas Special to the Herald

AUSTIN - The National Veterinary Services Laboratories (NVSL) confirmed this week the presence of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) in a great horned owl at a rehabilitation facility in Wichita County -- the first such confirmed case in a wild bird in Texas. The facility quickly notified the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) after the owl began to show clinical signs consistent with HPAI. This case of HPAI follows an early April detection of the disease in a commercial pheasant flock located in Erath County.

HPAI is a highly contagious virus that transmits easily among wild and domestic bird species. It has been de-

By ROGER CLINE

The annual Area-Wide Art Show,

sponsored by the Big Spring Art Asso-

ciation and hosted at the Heritage Mu-

Herald Staff Writer

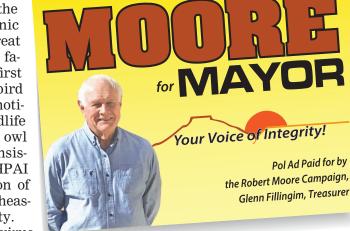
in 38 states across the country. Symptoms include diarrhea, incoordination, lethargy, coughing and sneezing and sudden death, though birds infected with HPAI may not always have outward signs of infection. The virus may spread in a variety of ways, including through contact with infected wild and domestic birds as well as by contaminated equipment, clothing and shoes of caretakers.

Because of the ease of transmission, TPWD recommends facilities with wild or domestic birds enhance their biosecurity measures to reduce the risk of introduction. Furthermore, the public can assist in interrupting HPAI transmission by limiting all unnecessary contact with wild birds. Wildlife rehabilitators should also remain cautious when intaking wild birds with clinical signs consistent with HPAI and consider quarantining birds to limit the potential

for HPAI exposures within the facility. Currently, the transmission risk of avian influenza from

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Today in History On May 6

1626: Dutch colonist Peter Minuit organizes the purchase of Manhattan Island from Native Americans for 60 guilders worth of goods.

1889: The World's Fair in Paris opens with the recently completed Eiffel Tower serving as the entrance arch.

1937: German airship Hindenburg explodes in flames at Lakehurst, N.J., killing 35 of the 97 on board and one on the ground.

Daily Quotes

"I cannot think of any need in childhood as strong as the need for a father's protection.'

- Sigmund Freud

"They throw the ball, I hit it. They hit the ball, I catch it.

BSAA Area-Wide Art Show up at Heritage Museum





— Willie Mays

"Have you heard Alanis Morisette trying to play the harmonica? She doesn't know how to play the harmonica. Well guess what, Alanis, I INVENTED the 'don't-knowhow-to-play-harmonica-harmonica-solo."

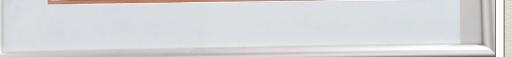
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At left, Big Spring Art Association Area-Wide Art Show's "Best In Show" for 2022: Kay Smith's watercolor "Fractured Poppies". At right, Heritage Museum Archivist and local artist Michelle Worthan poses with her second-place acrylic painting "Blooms in the Mist" (smaller painting). The art show is up at the Heritage Museum now through May 28.

> seum of Big Spring, opened this week. Which annual?

"We've been doing it for years and years and years," said Museum Archivist Michelle Worthan, who is also a regular participant in the show, this year included. "I'm not even sure how many we've done it now. It's every year in the month of May here at the museum, and it will be open to the public until the 28th

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Oualifiers honored at Forsan State



Courtesy photo

From left, Forsan High School students Patty Yabes, Caylor Averette, Enjolina Hawkes, James Pasqual, and Joanna Gato were recognized as UIL State Qualifiers Wednesday.

By AMANDA DUFORAT Contributing Writer

Forsan High School recognized State UIL qualifiers during a short ceremony on Wednesday afternoon, before they leave for State UIL Competition.

The Spelling Team, under the direction of Coach Robert Hillger, placed First Place overall at the Regional Meet in Canyon on April 22. The team consisted of: Caylor Averette, who placed 3rd; Joanna Gato, who placed 5th; Patty

Yabes, who placed 8th; and James Pascual. The team is set to compete on May 7.

In Headline Writing, Enjolina Hawkes placed 2nd at Regionals and advanced to State. She will compete on May 6.

On May 23-25 in Austin, Austin Magness will be competing in Persuasive Speaking. He placed 3rd at Regionals.

Overall Forsan High School had 16 students compete at Regionals in April and of those, six advanced to the next level.



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Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 90 inmates at the time of this report. • **KIMBERLY KAY AVANT**, 40, was arrested by

BSPD on a charge of abandon endanger child. • SONYA BARLOW, 42, was arrested by BSPD

on a charge of display fictitious motor vehicle registration.

• ELDA MELINA BERNAL, 51, was arrested on a charge of criminal mischief more than \$100 less than \$750.

• NICHOLAS MATHERS, 35, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

• NICHOLAS MATHERS, 35, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of criminal mischief more than \$750 less than \$2,500.

• ROY ALRON MCGEE, 50, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• DETRIA MCINTOSH, 44, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of criminal trespass.

• BERONICA CALDERON NUNEZ, 43, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of bail jumping and fail to appear.

• KESSANDRA LOUISE URBINA, 30, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.

• ARNALDO CORONADO VELASCO, 53, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of expired drivers license, operate unregistered motor vehicle, fail to maintain financial responsibility, driving while license invalid failure to appear x2.

Support Groups

FRIDAY

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

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

SATURDAY

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

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.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

 MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 100 block of Airbase Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

 MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 100 block of W 2nd St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 9000 block of Longshore Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 2400 block of Alabama. No transport was required.

• MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 2300 block of Wasson Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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

• OUTSIDE RUBBISH/TRASH FIRE was reported in the 1600 block of Stadium. Fire was contained.

Take Note

• The Borden County All-School Reunion will be held Saturday, June 11, in Gail, Texas. All former students, faculty, and friends are invited to attend. No fee is charged for attending and visiting.

A meal will be served at the Event Center but prepaid reservations are required. Deadline to order a meal is May 25. An adult meal ticket is \$18 and \$10 for children 8 years and older. Contact Lisa Dennis Mahler at bordenexes@gmail.com for additional information and a reservation form.

 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.

• Drive-through COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics are held from 3-6 p.m. each Thursday afternoon at Whatley Plaza, located on the northwest part of the Scenic Mountain Medical Center campus, 1601 W. Martin Luther King Boulevard, also known as 1601 W. 11th Place. The vaccination is free. For more information, visit www.scenicmountainmedical. org/vaccine.

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.

Submit your Support Group information to be included or updated. Email information to editor@Bigspringherald.com or call 432-263-7331.

Tornadoes strike Texas, Oklahoma; more storms in forecast

SEMINOLE, Okla. (AP) — A springtime storm in Norman, Oklahoma. system spawned several tornadoes that whipped through areas of Texas and Oklahoma, causing damage to a school, a marijuana farm and other structures.

There were no reports of serious injuries following the Wednesday night tornadoes, but the system was causing flooding in parts of Oklahoma and Arkansas and more stormy weather was expected Thursday.

Significant damage was reported in the Oklahoma city of Seminole, about 60 miles (97 kilometers) southeast of Oklahoma City, the Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management said. The Academy of Seminole took a direct hit but no one was injured, the school said on Facebook.

Video footage from Oklahoma TV station KOCO showed a tornado hit a marijuana farm in the nearby town of Maud.

Several roads and highways were closed Thursday morning in parts of Oklahoma and Arkansas because of flash flooding.

In Texas, a "large and dangerous tornado" was spotted Wednesday in the rural community of Lockett, about 170 miles (275 kilometers) northwest of Dallas, said the National Weather Service office

There were no significant injuries or deaths to residents in Wilbarger County, Sheriff Brian Fritze told KAUZ-TV. He said several homes and barns appeared to sustain extensive damage.

The Wednesday storms were the latest in several rounds of severe weather in the central United States.

Last week, a tornado damaged more than 1,000 buildings in the Wichita suburb of Andover, Kansas. Three University of Oklahoma meteorology students died in a car crash while returning from storm chasing.

More stormy weather was expected Thursday from Texas into parts of

the South.

The storms could bring more tornadoes, large hail and damaging winds, and the threat of severe weather will continue Friday in parts of the South and over the weekend in the central Plains and Midwest, the weather service said.

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LOCAL

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infected birds to people remains low, but the public should take basic protective measures (i.e., wearing gloves, face masks and handwashing) if contact

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of May. We're going to have a reception and an awards ceremony on the 28th from 2 to 4 (p.m.).

Members of the public will have the chance to vote for the People's Choice Award during the show.

"We need the community to come vote for their favorite piece for the People's Choice Award," Worthan said, noting that the award winner will also be announced May 28.

Worthan said entries in the show are down a bit this year.

"We have 50 entries," Worthan said. "They're actually amazing. They've got some really amazing work here this year. We had almost twice as many entries last year. I wish we had a couple more this year. But it makes a good show even with the 50. It fits the room well."

Worthan said the decrease in entries is surprising.

"I'm not really sure. I really thought that this year we would have more entries because we've actually raised our cash awards that we give out for our prizes this year, and we've included third place for a cash award as well. Last year third place didn't get a cash award, it was just first and second."

Best in show in the event was local artist Kay Smith with her watercolor

with wild birds cannot be avoided. TPWD recommends contacting the Texas Department of State Health Services for more information on the potential of HPAI to spread to humans and how to reduce your risk of exposure.

Those who locate birds with signs consistent with HPAI should immediately contact their local TPWD wildlife biologist or their Texas Animal Health Commission Region Office. For more information on HPAI and biosecurity enhancement, please visit the United States Department of Agriculture and Texas Animal Health Commission websites.

"Fractured Poppies." Other prize winners included:

Oil: First place, Roseanna Enns "Facing the Storm"; Second place, Ikie Rupard "West Texas Straw Band"; Third place, Roseanna Enns "Remember the Cost America 2020."

Acrylic: First place, Renee Thomas "The Perfect Narcissist"; Second place, Michelle Worthan "Blooms in the Mist"; Third place, Abbie Gomez "Journey to Liberation"; Honorable Mention, Doug Mays "Am I Blue?"

Pastel/Pencil/Ink: First place, Jeffrey Pierson "Cobain"; Second place, Beth Henry "Southern Cussin;"; Third place, Beth Henry "Man in Pencil."

Photography: First place, Michelle Worthan "Water Lily"; Second place, Emilia Thompson "Left to Nature"; Third place, Emilia Thompson "Standing Tall."

Watercolor: First place, Leada Wood "Sunshine in My Soul"; Second place, Kay Smith "Blooming Blooms"; Third place, Kay Smith "Four Chickens."

Mixed Media: First place, Kay Smith "Early Spring Abstract"; Second place, Beth Henry "Santa Fe Café"; Third place, Leada Wood "All A Bloom."

3D: First place, Tex Irvin "Damascus Fillet Knife"; Second place, Kandis Wilkinson "Hydrangea"; Third place, Michelle Worthan "Sacred."

Miniature: First place, Kandis Wilkinson "Woven"; Second place, Kandis Wilkinson "Inkspot"; Third place, Linda Rupard "Hacienda."

There were no entries in the Digital Art category.

Take Note (cont.)

• The Big Spring Art Association meets the third Saturday of the month, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, in the basement of the Howard County Library. Come join us, we would love to have you. For more information, call 432-263-4155; Michelle Worthan at 325-227-3911; Kay Smith at 432-213-1153; or Ruby Bruns at 432-664-1943.

• The Great Courses history video lecture series is taking place each Wednesday in the Theater Room in the First Presbyterian Church, located at 701 Runnels Street. No charge for the lectures.

• 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

Children's Protective Services office at 432-263-9669.

 Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to, assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies, as needed. If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process and a background check, we need you. For more information, call Lynn Creswell or Chavonna Parker at 432-263-3312.

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

 The 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 howardcountytxdems@gmail.com.

 The Emergency Services Chaplains Corps is seeking volunteer chaplains. The corps provides spiritual services to Howard County residents and visitors in crisis situations. Prospective chaplains don't require any specific experience or education to qualify for the position, just a calling from God and a willingness to devote time to the program, which requires a 24- to 30-week training program and dedication of one day per week for emergency call-outs. Those interested should contact Senior Chaplain Jacqueline Roland at 432-213-1221.

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

• The Christensen-Tucker Post-2013 Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. at 500 Driver Road. For more information, contact David Leonard, Post Command-

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are encouraged to attend a meeting to find out more information.

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• 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 er, at 432-816-6004. All combat veterans of foreign wars are invited to come.

• The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors meets every first Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the symphony office, 808 Scurry Street.

 Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Tuesday of each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m.

Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

For more information, contact 432-271-2138.

• Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598 meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. (dinner is at 6 p.m.) at 219 1/2 Main St.

All Masons are welcome.

• Mobile Meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers.

If you would like to donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Maria at 816-6474.



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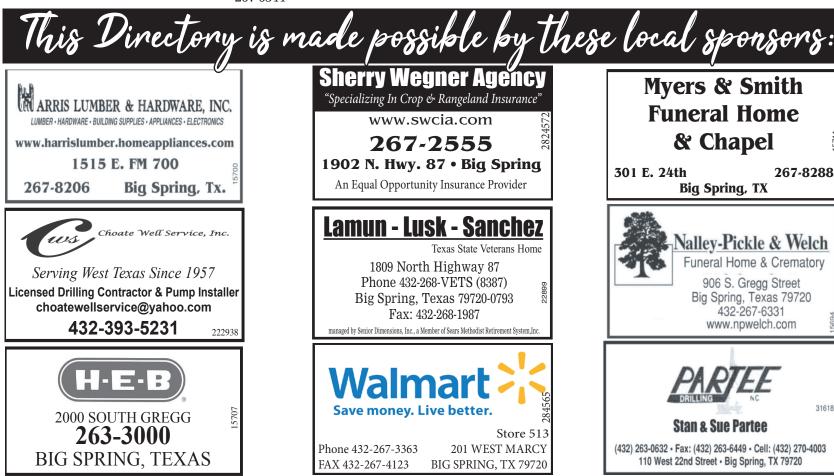
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Bible Study and Sunday School begin at 9:30 am and we are having class each Sunday morning. Our Sunday Service begins at 10:30 a.m. You can catch us on Facebook Live on our Facebook page. If you are new to the area or haven't been to church before or in a while, please accept this as an invitation to join us this Sunday. Please come and join us.

The readings for this Sunday are Acts 20: 17-35, Revelation 7:9-17, and John 10:22-30.

The psalm is Psalm 23. Phillip Reid will present the scripture readings this week.

Our Wednesday Evening Bible Study is continuing. A meal is served at 5:30 and our bible study begins at 6:00. Please come and join us.

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Please call: 432-267-7429, for more information concerning Men's, Ladies' and youth meetings at this great and friendly church. Pray that lives are changed by the power of our Saviour, Jesus Christ our Cornerstone!

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Please join us this veek at one of the following events:

- 11 p.m. in the Youth Sanctuary! Our Theme: Level Up! Come hungry, bring a friend and enjoy fun, laughter, games & the Word together.

Sunday, May 15 - If you have taken CCC Growth Track 101, your next "Covenant Step" is Growth Track 201. This program is designed to give you and your family a roadmap for your spiritual growth here at Cornerstone Covenant Church. Meet us @ 12:30 p.m. in the ARC (Lunch & Childcare are Provided) Think of our CCC Growth Track 201 as the official Spiritual Growth track at our church. Here is where we jump into our basic introduction to THE ESSENTIALS for your Growth" "Spiritual with the family of God.

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To get signed up contact us:

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2). CCC Text 432-218-2610 (Sign me up G.T.201)

3). www.cccbigspring. org

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First Church

and some special gifts to give out as well!

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We will be joining half a million Nazarenes throughout the Nation in a concerted call to pray from May 1st - June 5th (Pentecost Sunday). We are seeking a fresh outpouring of the Spirit, renewal in the church, and revival across the land. Special daily devotional prayer journals will be available at the coffee bar. "Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful." ~ Colossians 4:2 You can download resources online at: www.usacanadaregion.org/pray

MidWeek Gathering Join us for our Mid-Week Connection each Wednesday at NazFamily Church. We have a family meal @ 6:00pm and groups for all ages @ 6:30pm.

Men's Spiritual Survival Weekend

Calling all men! Join us for a Spiritual Survival Weekend on May 13th @ 6pm - May 14th @ 4pm. We will be camping out. Come ready to learn Outdoor Skills, Fellowship, and Relevant Spiritual Applications.

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Join us for a campfire breakfast on Saturday, May 14th @ 8am for our monthly Men's Prayer Breakfast. Even if you're not camping, all are invited to breakfast for a time of fellowship, encouragement, and faith building.

Graduation Sunday

On Sunday, May 22nd, we will be celebrating our High School Graduates. The graduates will have a table setup in the foyer and you can bring congratulation cards and gifts to bless them. We will be recognizing our Kindergarten Graduates that day as well.

by the beauty of nature on the Brazos river. For more information go to: www.westexnaz.org/ family-camp

First Presbyterian Church

Worship services May 8 will begin at 10:50 a.m. in the Sanctuary at 8th and Runnels. Organist/ music director Gabe Martinez provides music for the service. Reverend Bernie Coffee will be preaching from our pulpit this Sunday.

The church's monthly Prayer Breakfast takes place this Saturday morning at 8 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Sunday School begins at 9:45. Rev. Cross teaches the Children's Class. Tom Koger leads the Youth Class. The Discovery Class has is doing a 5 week DVD study by Max Lucado on the story of Esther. The study is titled: You Were Made For This Moment.

Sunday morning Take Ten fellowship is in the parlor between Sunday School and worship.

Two Wednesday events are on summer hiatus. The Women's Bible Study and the Greatest Places video series will resume August 3rd. The video series that will begin then will be about the history of the American West.

Members and nonmembers alike are invited to take advantage of the spiritual resources available on our website and Facebook page. They include a six day each week prayer podcast, a weekly scripture reading and commentary, a weekly video devotional, and a video release of each Sunday's sermon. All these tools and resources prepare us for the coming Sunday worship

Wednesday

The Women's Bible Study meets at 10 a.m. on hiatus until August $3^{\rm rd}$

The World Heritage Sites Lectures meets at noon – on hiatus until August 3rd.

The Lectionary Bible Study, meets at 5:00 p.m. Thursday

Everyone is invited to join the Lunch Bunch at 11:30 a.m.

All our worship services can be heard live on KBST 1490 AM and 95.7 FM at 11 a.m. as usual or seen recorded online at www.fpcbigspring.com by selecting the Sermons tab and the correct date.

Please call the church office at 263-4211 for other information. We would be pleased for you to Like us on Facebook. Although the physical address of First Presbyterian Church is 701 Runnels, the mailing address is P. O. Box 2222, Big Spring, Texas 79721.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

St. Mary's Episcopal Church welcomes all to participate in our services. We are located North of the High School on Goliad Street (1001 S. Goliad), and would love to have you visit.

Sunday services begin at 10:30 a.m. followed by brunch in the Parish Hall.

On Wednesday's we have Bible study and coffee in the morning at 10:30 a.m. and evening we have Evening prayer and book study starting at 5:30 p.m.

What a great opportunity to have meaningful fellowship and develop relationships with people who have a common interest, following the steps of Christ.

Please come and join us for a time of worship and fellowship in a place that welcomes all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Church

Sonday, praising God for His showers of blessing. Victory over His enemy, our sin, our death, our grave!!! Come see what God is doing on SONday at the corner of 11th and Birdwell Lane. Join us as we study about Jesus and His plan for the family at College Baptist Church--

WE ARE OPEN:

*Sunday morning --9:15 for Bible Study for all ages.

Worship time is at 10:45 a.m.

Girl's Missions meet on Sunday at 5 p.m.

Sunday Evening Service is at 6 p.m.

* Wednesday with Youth our praying groups starts at 6 p.m.Fellowship meal between 6 and 6:45 Bible Study and Prayer Meeting at 7 p.m. Children meet for King's Kids and Krafts.

Nursery and extended care is as needed for all services.

Come join in the fun as we celebrate during this season, serving our Lord.

Services for Mother's Day, May 8, 2022, are a great time for families to gather and celebrate our God together. Our services are in the building, livestreaming, and on our Facebook page as well. Visitors, it was a such a joy to welcome you on Sunday. Come join us again as we gather in lively and worshipful services. Come and find out about our great

• Sunday, May 8 -Mark your calendars for Mother's Day 2022! She matters. Join us as we celebrate and honor Mothers at our 9:30 and 11 a.m. services. Children's Church is available at both services, Come early and enjoy coffee & donuts together. Mothers. we want to let you know you matter. #shematters

Tuesday, May 10 -Marriage Enrichment will meet 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the ARC. Marriage Enrichment is a 10-week course that will encourage, inform, challenge, enrich and strengthen your marriage. If you are married or looking to get married this course is for you. Here is how you can sign up: (1). Call CCC 432-264-0015 (2). CCC Text 432-218-2610 then text Marriage Enrichment (3). www. cccbigspring.org (4). Sign up onsite @ kiosk. Childcare is Provided.

Friday, May 13 - Complete Singles- Will meet from 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. in the ARC for an 8-week course studying "Living In The Light" Here is how you can sign up: (1). Call CCC 432-264-0015 (2). CCC Text 432-218-2610 then text Complete Singles (3). www. cccbigspring.org (4). Sign up onsite @ kiosk. Childcare is Provided.

Friday, May 13 - Youth Fire Night- All Youth! Chosen Generation's Youth Fire Night is next Friday from 6 p.m.

of the Nazarene Mother's Day

"Honor your father and mother"—which is the first commandment with a promise—"so that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth." \sim Ephesians 6:2-3 I know that the opposite of this verse is also true, if you dishonor your mother you may not live into adulthood. Join us at NazFamily Church this Sunday as we celebrate and honor the mothers in our midst. We will have a gift for all our moms,

Graduations & Celebrations

Nazarene Christian Academy will have their kindergarten graduation and awards night on Tuesday, May 24th @ 6:30pm. New Hope will have their preschool graduation on Wednesday, May 25th @ 6:30pm. Both will be at NazFamilv Church. Everyone is invited to join us as we celebrate together.

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Religion

Reflections

As Luck Will Have It

One church called a new pastor who was nor familiar with the traditions of the community. After



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the first "pot luck" dinner where the members pooled together their favorite casseroles, puddings and pies, he took his stand staunchly opposed all forms of gambling. He began to rail from the pulpit against the very idea of a pot "luck" anything. The deacons and the women of the church got together and came up with an idea. "How about pot providence dinners?" This seemed to calm the theological storm so that everyone could

once again enjoy the cooking. I know it sounds a little odd. But

strange things happen in churches and it does raise a question. How much of life is providence and how much is just plain good and back luck? For some, of course, there is no such thing as chance. Everything, down to the smallest detail of every day is providential. And for others, there is no such thing as providence. Life is just the luck of the draw. But is it?

Forest Gump, in the classic movie, contemplated the question that faces us all. Is life the result of random chance, like a feather balanced on the breeze, or does destiny direct our path?

Mathematics contains an entire field of probability. Any single flip of a coin cannot be predicted. But if that coin is flipped enough times, it will eventually sustain the laws of probability. It will turn up tails just as often as it lands on heads. This is called the "law of large numbers."

At the same time, some of the greatest men in American history have recognized the power of a providential presence. Benjamin Franklin opened his famous autobiography by saying, "I desire with all humility to acknowledge that I owe the mentioned happiness of my past life to His kind providence." George Washington repeatedly referred to "providence" as a guiding force throughout his life.

In 1862, during the Civil War, Lincoln stated, "If after endeavoring to do my best in the light which He affords me, I find my efforts fail, I must believe

that for some purpose unknown to me, He wills it otherwise. ... and though with our limited understandings we may not be able to comprehend it, yet we cannot but believe, that He who made the world still governs it."

Reflecting on his life, King David wrote, "Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.Psalm 139:16).

Isaiah declares, "And the Lord will continually guide you, and satisfy your desire in scorched places, and give strength to your bones; and you will be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water whose waters do not fail." (Isaiah 58:11)

While God has established laws of probability in the universe as real as the physical law of gravity, He has also established His providence. He has a plan and purpose for our life.

Bill Tinsley reflects on current events and life experience from a faith perspective. Go to www.tinsleycenter.com to download his FREE devotional book on Mark May 3-7. Email bill@tinsleycenter.com.



Then What? When I was a child and spoke as a child, I often asked my

still ask the question, "Then what?" There is coming a great and glorious day called the Day of the

so amuck that men will be asking every day, "Now what?" LILLIAN

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mother, "When I get this done, then what?" My curious inquisitive mind definitely wanted to know. Mainly I wanted to know if I was done with all she wanted me to do so I could run out and play. Many times I would have a list of chores to do, but would

Lord, when the world will ask the same question, "Then what?or now what?" The world will in the following seven years run

The Bride of Christ, the saved of the ages, will be bowing before the King of the Universe, casting their crowns won here on earth at His feet, and praising Jesus for allowing us to be in

Heaven during this time of great tribulation on earth. We will have escaped by the blood of the Lamb of God which took away our sin.

But the lost of the earth will be going through the tribulation. The end of those horrors will not be over until seven years of ruling by the cruel beast called the antichrist. He will be all that Christ is not.

Personally I want my "Then what?" to be answered by Jesus at His throne, instead of going through seven years of earthly turmoil with Satan in charge. If you don't know Jesus as Saviour now, the "Now what?" question is only answered by asking Jesus to be that Saviour and only way to Heaven for you. It makes a whole lot more sense to me for you to swallow your stubborn pride and asking now and not wait until it's too late. The "Then what?" is coming sooner than we imagine.

Something to think about.



RICHARD Schneberger

Paper or plastic, regular or decafe, tasty or healthy, exercise or entertainment, now or later. Choices, Choices, Choices - life is full of choices. One of my favorite Dr. Seuss poems talks about the difficulty of making decisions:

"Did I ever tell you about the young Zoad? Who came to a sign at the fork of the road? He looked one way and the other way too-the Zoad had to make up his mind what to do. Well, the Zoad scratched his head, and his chin, and his pants. And he said to himself, 'I'll be taking a chance.

If I go to Place One, that place may be hot so how

will I know if I like it or not. On the other hand, though, I'll feel such a fool If I go to Place Two and find it's too cool. In that case I may catch a chill and turn blue. So Place One may be best and not Place Two. Play safe,' cried the Zoad, 'I'll play safe, I'm no dunce. I'll simply start off to both places at once.' And that's how the Zoad who would not take a chance Went no place at all with a split in his pants." ~ Dr. Seuss

We all come to crossroads in life. It is not always easy to see with clarity which way we should go. A wise person once told me, "When you come to a fork in this life's journey and you are not sure which path to take, always choose the road marked by the shadow of the cross."

Every decision we make big or small flows out of

one primary decision - will we live according to the flesh or according to the Spirit? Will we follow the world or will we follow the Word? Will we live for ourselves or will we live for the Lord?

The good news is that Jesus has sent us a Guide to lead us through this life. Seek Him, follow His voice, and you will never have to worry where the journey may end because He will lead you in the Way, the Truth, and the Life! He knows the way home.

"I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live and that you may love the Lord your God, listen to His voice, and hold fast to Him. For the Lord is your life..." (Deuteronomy 29:19-20)

What will you choose today?

Must Increase e

"He must increase, but I must decrease." John 3:30

says: "behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the

Law and the prophets are not the final destination, Jesus is, because He is the In John 1:29, we see that John the Baptist points to Jesus and truth. The Law and the prophets are not the life, Jesus is. John the Baptist confessed, and denied not, but confessed that he was not the Christ. John confessed this because he knew that there was no life in him. When asked who he was, John said: "I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, make straight the way of the Lord, as said the prophet Esaias". You see folks, it's all about Jesus. It's about our access to Him, and how quickly and easily we can get to Him. Isaiah 40:4 says: "every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain". God has decreased every obstacle that would hinder us from coming to Jesus. John the Baptist's ministry had to come to an end, that Jesus might be fully exalted. And then, Jesus Himself, who is the testator of the new testament, died to become the end of the Law for righteousness to all who believe. And upon His death, the temple veil was torn in two, making straight the way of the Lord, thus giving us full access to God's throne of grace.



world". So, it was urgent that John say: "He (Jesus) must increase, but I must decrease". You see, John the Baptist was the last old testament prophet, and as such, he did what every old testament prophet did before him - they prophesied of the coming Messiah, the Lamb of God. In John 5:46, Jesus says that even Moses wrote of Him. John 1:45 says: "Philip findeth Nathanael, and saith unto him, we have found Him, of whom Moses in the Law, and the prophets, did write, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph". When John said that he must decrease that Jesus might increase, not only was he talking about himself, but more importantly, he was referring to the Law and the prophets. The Law and the prophets gave way to Jesus, they paved the way for Jesus, but they were not the Way; Jesus is the Way. The

Repentence and Restoration

By JOELLE LUDINGTON

Religion Columnist

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There are moments in my life I can recapture. There are things in my life I can't undo and I find myself run run running after you.

And you restore my soul when I run after you amazing Grace, Amazing Grace.

You restore my soul and I shall not want. said in the beginning. You don't have to live with regret or shame or defeat; you too can run after him

tonight and he can restore your soul. PRAY THIS TONIGHT. Romans 10:9

9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Maybe tonight you too can identify with what I Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hat raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

> If you have sinned against God, just say to Him you're sorry and repent in Jesus name. He makes all things new.

What makes religious relics – like pieces of the 'true cross' and hair of saints – sacred to Christians

By JOANNE M. PIERCE

College of the Holy Cross

(THE CONVERSATION) A Russian missile cruiser Moskva, the flagship of its Black Sea fleet, sunk after it was heavily damaged in April 2022. Kremlin officials said that a fire on board caused munitions to explode, while Ukrainian officials claimed they had attacked the Moskva. Several media reports noted that the ship might have been carrying a relic of the "true cross," a piece of the actual wooden cross on which Christians believe that Jesus suffered and died.

The possibility of the relic being on the sunken ship cannot be ruled out. A collector is said to have donated the relic in 2020 to the Russian navy, which planned to place it in the Moskva's onboard chapel. It is unclear, however, whether the relic was on board the ship in its chapel when the vessel went into combat. But the widespread interest in the possibility of this relic being on board points to its importance for many Christians. As an expert in medieval Christian liturgy and worship, I know that veneration of relics has a long history in Christian devotional practice.

Venerating martyrs

In the first three centuries of Christianity, Christians, whose religion was outlawed, prayed at the entombed bodies of martyrs, those executed for refusing to renounce their new faith.

After the Roman Empire legalized Christianity in the early fourth century, smaller buildings called shrine churches were sometimes built around the tomb of a martyr. At times, bodies of martyrs were exhumed by local bishops and reburied in the city itself, in special tombs under the floor of larger churches.

Prior to this practice, bodies of the dead were kept in tombs and catacombs built outside of the city's walls so as to separate them from the "city" of the living. But Christians believed in the power of the martyrs and, later, other saintly persons to intercede on their behalf with God. Saints were respected and their relics and images venerated, but they were not adored or worshipped as God might be.

Jesus' cross

After Emperor Constantine legalized Christianity, Jerusalem became an important center for Christians who wanted to make religious trips to visit places where Jesus and his apostles lived and preached. The term 'pilgrimage', originated at the time.

During this time, what was believed to be a piece of the "True Cross" was brought back to Europe – supposedly by St. Helena, the emperor's mother and broken up into smaller pieces.

Another section remained in Jerusalem and was venerated there, until in the early 7th century, a Persian emperor, a Zoroastrian, conquered the city and removed the relic among the spoils of war. Several years later, the Persians were themselves conquered by the Christian emperor Heraclius, who returned the relic to Jerusalem. It remained after the Muslim conquest of Jerusalem later that century. **Pilgrimage to see relics**

As Christianity spread throughout Europe, beyond the boundaries of the Roman Empire, so did the practice of venerating the saints.

The demands for a saintly "body" increased, and so the remains of famous or local saints were divided into pieces, which included clippings of hair, or sometimes whole body parts. These "relics" – from a Latin word meaning "something left behind" - were frequently placed in special containers or display cases, called reliquaries.

These were usually especially elaborate, made of precious metals and adorned with jewels as a reflection of the special reverence for these elements that had touched the body of Jesus Christ.

The more famous the relic, the more pilgrims would make their way to the church or monastery where it was kept, and the more the clergy could earn through the offerings visitors made at the shrine

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BIG HERALD

Miller's 2-run single in 10th leads Rangers **past Phillies**

By AARON BRACY

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Brad Miller hit a tworun single in the 10th inning to give the Texas Rangers a 2-1 win over the Philadelphia Phillies on Wednesday night.

Sports

Marcus Semien doubled and had two hits for the Rangers, who have won a season-high four in a row after sweeping the two-game series with the Phil-

Nick Castellanos doubled and had three hits for Philadelphia. The Phillies have lost four of five since a four-game winning streak.

Philadelphia's Zack Wheeler and the Rangers' Martin Perez each were stellar in starting roles. Matt Bush (1-1) was given the win after getting the inal out of the ninth.

Texas' Adolis Garcia started the extra frame on second base and went to third on Kole Calhoun's lyout to deep right. After Mitch Garver walked, pinch-runner Eli White stole second. Pinch-hitter Nick Solak struck out before Miller lined a 1-0 slider from Brad Hand (1-1) to right to score Garcia and White.

"He's so gritty and gutty you know you were going to get something out of him there," Rangers nanager Chris Woodward said of Miller.

Joe Barlow gave up a run in the bottom of the 10th on Odubel Herrera's pinch-hit RBI groundout, but got his third save in as many chances.

It looked like the Phillies had gotten on the board

in the sixth when Castellanos lined Perez's first pitch to right. First-base umpire Erich Bacchus signaled that it was a home run, but the call was overturned after a video review showed a fan reached over the railing and touched the ball while it still was in play.

Castellanos went to second base instead after the double, but the inning ended when Bryce Harper followed with a flyout to left field.

The Phillies finished with just six hits.

"We just have some guys that aren't really clicking the way I think they're going to through the course of the season," Philadelphia manager Joe Girardi said. "We have some guys struggling right now and we have to find a way out of it."

STELLAR STARTERS

Wheeler went 7 2/3 innings, giving up six hits and getting seven strikeouts, lowering his ERA to 4.10. Girardi was loudly booed when he lifted last year's NL Cy Young runner-up with two outs in the eighth and just 78 pitches.

"He was really good today," Girardi said.

Wheeler understood the hook, saying Girardi was just looking out for him.

Meanwhile, Perez went seven innings with four hits, four walks and four strikeouts. The 31-yearold left-hander's ERA is at 2.25.

"(Perez) was an absolute warrior," Woodward said.

DAD DUTY

Castellanos was back in the lineup after missing Tuesday's game due to the birth of his son.

DOUBLE TROUBLE

Each team hit into three double plays.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Rangers: Perez was drilled in the calf on J.T. Realmuto's liner in the second inning. The lefty made a play to get Realmuto out and limped back to the mound, but stayed in the contest following a visit from the trainer.

Phillies: Harper will continue to serve as the team's designated hitter for the foreseeable future. He hasn't played right field since April 16 due to a strained right elbow and last tested it out by throwing on April 26 and 27. He does not have a date when he is scheduled to throw again. ... SS Gregorius and LF Kyle Schwarber collided on Garver's single to short left in the seventh. It appeared that Gregorius' leg hit Schwarber in the face. Both stayed in the game.

UP NEXT

Rangers: After an off day, Texas begins a threegame series at New York Yankees on Friday night. Texas RHP Glenn Otto (1-0, 2.89) is scheduled to face Yankees RHP Gerrit Cole (2-0, 3.00).

Phillies: Host the first-place New York Mets for a four-game series beginning on Thursday night when Philadelphia RHP Aaron Nola (1-3, 3.90) opposes Mets RHP Taijuan Walker (0-0, 0.00).

Verlander solid again as Astros complete sweep of Mariners

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — Sure, it's early. But Justin Verlander's work this season in his return from Tommy John surgery is an encouraging sign that the twotime Cy Young Award winner can return to elite form after almost two years away from the game.

Verlander turned in another solid start and Alex Bregman had three hits and three RBIs and the Houston Astros completed a three-game sweep of the Seattle Mariners with a 7-2 win Wednesday.

Verlander allowed five hits and two runs in 6 2/3 innings for the win. He is 3-1 with a 1.93 ERA in five starts this season in his return after pitching just one game in the previous two seasons.

"It's just one start at a time," Verlander said. "This game will bring you down in a hurry so you can't be complacent. But I would say it's better to get off to a good start than a bad one, but I've just got to keep working.'

Michael Brantley added two RBIs as the Astros continued to roll with their first sweep this season, a day after helping Dusty Baker become the 12th manager in major league history and the first Black man to reach 2,000 wins.

Houston star Jose Altuve fouled a ball off his groin area on an at-bat in the fourth inning and stayed in the game to single, but was replaced at second base to start the fifth. The team said he left the game with right groin soreness. Baker said Altuve was still being evaluated after the game.

Aledmys Díaz got things going for the Astros with a single in the second inning. Brash then issued consecutive one-out walks to Chas McCormick and Altuve to load the bases.

Brantley then lined a single into center field to score two and push the lead to 3-0. Bregman followed with a single to send another run home and make it 4-0.

Wyatt Mills replaced Brash to start the fourth and he was greeted with a single by Altuve. Brantley then doubled before Altuve scored on a sacrifice fly by Bregman.

Bregman had a run-scoring double in the sixth and Yordan Alvarez had an RBI single to push the lead to 7-0.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Astros: The Astros are deciding the next step for closer Ryan Pressly (right knee inflammation) after he threw six pitches in a perfect inning for Triple-A Sugar Land Tuesday night in his first rehabilitation game.

Mariners: RHP Sergio Romo (shoulder inflammation) threw a bullpen session Tuesday and will throw live batting practice in the next couple of days.

CONGRATS

Eugenio Suarez hit a two-run homer with one out in the seventh to snap a scoreless drought of 24 1/3 innings for the Mariners after they were shut out in the first two games of this series. They couldn't get much else going at the plate Wednesday as they lost for the seventh time in eight games.

"We got beat," Mariners manager Scott Servais said. "Not a good series for us. No way to sugarcoat it. It's just where we're at. We've got a good team, but we're not playing particularly great right now. Rough road trip.'

The Astros got to rookie starter Matt Brash (1-3) early and led 4-0 after two innings. The Astros tagged Brash for six hits and four runs with four walks in three innings.

The Mariners hit consecutive singles with two outs in the fourth, but Verlander struck out Suarez to end the threat. Verlander sailed through the next two innings, retiring six straight before J.P. Crawford singled to start the seventh.

He struck out Jesse Winker before Suarez sent a slider into left-center for his fourth homer this season to cut the lead to 7-2. Verlander retired Abraham Toro before being replaced by Ryne Stanek.

"He did pretty good," Baker said. "He didn't have the velocity that he normally has, but he had a real good breaking ball. He had excellent location. So we'll just see how he responds."

The Astros led 1-0 after a two-out RBI double by Yuli Gurriel in the first in-

Baker said he'd received scores of congratulatory messages since his landmark victory Tuesday night. Among those who sent well-wishes to Baker were MLB commissioner Rob Manfred, former Blue Jays manager Cito Gaston, Joey Votto, who played for him in Cincinnati, and former players Phil Nevin and Gary Matthews.

His son Darren couldn't be in Houston for the moment because he was on the field for Class A Wilmington Tuesday night, but the two talked afterward. Darren had a big night, too, hitting a walk-off sacrifice fly in the 10th to lift his team to a 3-2 win.

Before Wednesday's game, Houston mayor Sylvester Turner presented Baker with a proclamation marking Wednesday as "Dusty Baker Day" in the city. A video was also played on the stadium's big screen with numerous people, including fellow members of the 2,000-win club Tony La Russa, Joe Torre and Bruce Bochy, Barry Bonds, who played for him in San Francisco, and Phillies right fielder Bryce Harper, who played for him in Washington, also congratulated Baker.

UP NEXT

Mariners: Seattle returns home Thursday night to open a four-game series against the Rays with left-hander Robbie Ray (2-2, 4.15 ERA) opposing Tampa Bay's Shane McClanahan (1-2, 3.00).

Astros: Houston opens a four-game series Thursday against former manager A.J. Hinch and the Detroit Tigers. Astros RHP Jose Urquidy (2-1, 5.95) opposes LHP Tarik Skubal (1-2, 3.05) in the opener.

Paul has another stellar 4th, Suns blow past Mavs 129-109 **By DAVID BRANDT**

AP Sports Writer

PHOENIX (AP) — The top-seeded Phoenix Suns were braced for another fourth-quarter playoff fight on Wednesday night.

Chris Paul turned it into an early knockout.

The 12-time All-Star scored 28 points, including 14 in another spectacular final period, to lead the Suns over the Dallas Mavericks 129-109 for a 2-0 lead in the Western Conference semifinals.

Paul, who turns 37 on Friday, almost single-handedly turned a tight game into a comfortable victorv — the Suns' 11th win in a row against the Mavericks counting regular-season games.

"You've just got to lean on the work," Paul said. "It all goes back to the work. You can't cheat the game. You've got to do the strength and conditioning, you've got to lift, you've got to get your rest, you got to get your shots up.

"When you do that, you live with the results."

Suns guard Devin Booker said he's run out of ways to describe Paul's fourth-quarter heroics.

"You guys tell me, you're watching the same thing," Booker said. "It impresses us every time we see it, but it doesn't surprise us. It's just the will to win."

The Mays led 60-58 at halftime but the Suns quickly recaptured the lead after Booker hit back-to-back 3-pointers early in the third. The Suns took an 89-83 advantage going into the final quarter and it looked like a tough fight was coming.

But that's about the time Paul decided the game was his to control, hitting six shots in a row on everything from 3-pointers to mid-range jumpers to layups. The feisty Mavericks finally didn't have an answer. Booker hit a pair of 3-pointers midway through the fourth to give the Suns a 114-95 lead.

Booker led the Suns with 30 points on 11-of-19 shooting, including 5 of 8 from 3-point range. The Suns shot 64.5% overall — which was a franchise record in the playoffs — and made 52% of their 3-pointers. They shot 84% from the field (16 of 19) in the fourth quarter.

"We have good players," Suns coach Monty Williams said. "I'd love to sit here and tell you I'm moving the chess pieces around, but we have good players who can knock down shots."

Game 3 is on Friday in Dallas.

The Mavericks will go home in a 2-0 hole, desperately needing contributions from someone other than Luka Doncic, who scored 35 points on 13-of-22 shooting two nights after a 45-point performance in Game 1.

"He had a great game, but no one else showed," Mavs coach Jason Kidd said. "We've got to get other guys shooting the ball better. We can't win with just him out there scoring 30 a night. Not this time of the year and playing the best team in the league."

Reggie Bullock added 16 points for the Mavs.

"The mood is fine," Doncic said. "I think a lot of players, it's the first time in this situation. They've got to win four, so it's not over yet. We are going to go back home, our crowd is amazing."

The Suns jumped out to a 9-0 lead for a second straight game, but the Mavericks had a better response than in Game 1.

Dallas slowly fought back and Spencer Dinwiddie hit a pair of free throws to tie the game at 38. Davis Bertans followed with a 3-pointer with 7:56 left in the second quarter to give the Mays a 41-38 advantage and their first lead of the series.

The Mays took a two-point lead after a foul-filled first half. Doncic scored 24 before the break on 9-of-14 shooting, including 4 of 7 from 3-point range. Jae Crowder led the Suns with 15.

TIP-INS

Mavericks: Bertans gave the Mavs good minutes in the first half, scoring nine points and going 3 of 6 from beyond the arc.

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JR., THEDA JOANNE NEILL,

WILLIAM REID WHEELER,

BRYAN ALLEN WHEELER,

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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

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0334737 DATE OF ISSUANCE: May 4, 2022 Status/Permit No. 879423 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, May 25, 2022 Address: Railroad Commission of Texas ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit P. O. Box 12967 Austin, Texas 78711-2967 Fax: (512) 463-6780 Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

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FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : PUCKETT 2-14 A UNIT Lease/Unit Well No. : L 3H Lease/Unit Acres: 978.03 Nearest Lease Line (ft) : null

Lease Lines : 292.0 F NORTH L, 2250.0 F WEST L Survey Lines : 292.0 F NORTH L, 2250.0 F WEST L

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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 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

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

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0334738 DATE OF ISSUANCE: May 4, 2022 S tatus/Permit No. 879444 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, May 25, 2022 Address: Railroad Commission of Texas ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit P. O. Box 12967 Austin, Texas 78711-2967 Fax: (512) 463-6780 Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0334608 DATE OF ISSUANCE: May 5, 2022 Status/Permit No. 878960 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, May 26, 2022 Address: Railroad Commission of Texas ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit P. O. Box 12967 Austin, Texas 78711-2967 Fax: (512) 463-6780 Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

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Lease/Unit Name : WHITE 24-36 A UNIT Lease/Unit Well No. : A 1H Lease/Unit Acres : 969.24 Nearest Lease Line (ft) : null Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 385.0

Lease Lines : 300.0 F SOUTH L, 1100.0 F WEST L Survey Lines : 300.0 F SOUTH L, 1100.0 F WEST L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal Lateral: TH1

Penetration Point Location Lease Lines: 200.0 F NORTH 700.0 F WEST L

Terminus Location BH County: BORDEN Section: 36 Block: 25 Abstract: 642 Survey: H&TC RR CO / SPEIRS, N E Lease Lines: 100.0 F NORTH 700.0 F WEST L Survey Lines: 100.0 F NORTH I 700.0 F WEST L

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DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0334609 DATE OF ISSUANCE: May 5, 2022 Status/Permit No. 878963 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, May 26, 2022 Address: Railroad Commission of Texas ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit P. O. Box 12967 Austin, Texas 78711-2967 Fax: (512) 463-6780 Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

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

Lease/Unit Name : WHITE 24-36 A UNIT Lease/Unit Well No. : L 2H Lease/Unit Acres : 969.24 Nearest Lease Line (ft) : null Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 380.0

Lease Lines : 300.0 F SOUTH L, 1125.0 F WEST L Survey Lines : 300.0 F SOUTH L, 1125.0 F WEST L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

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Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 6400 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Mary Crosswell, at (817)3128504.





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Lease/Unit Name PUCKETT 2-14 B UNIT Lease/Unit Well No. : A 5H Lease/Unit Acres : 974.6 Nearest Lease Line (ft) : null

Lease Lines : 292.0 F NORTH L, 2325.0 F WEST L Survey Lines : 292.0 F NORTH L, 2325.0 F WEST L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

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Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 6200 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Mary Crosswell, at (817)3128504.

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0334749 DATE OF ISSUANCE: Mav 4. 2022 Status/Permit No. 879473 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, May 25, 2022 Address: Railroad Commission of Texas ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit, P. O. Box 12967

May 25, 2022

IMPORTANT: THE MAIL-BOX RULE DOES NOT AP-PLY. IF NO PROTEST IS **RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH** TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO FILE A **PROTEST AND THE RE-**QUESTED PERMIT MAY BE **GRANTED ADMINISTRAT-IVELY, TO BE EFFECTIVE** THE DAY FOLLOWING THE **TERMINATION OF SUCH 21** DAY PERIOD.

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

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : PUCKETT 2-14 B UNIT Lease/Unit Well No. : L 5H Lease/Unit Acres : 974.6 Nearest Lease Line (ft) : null Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 420.0

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Terminus Location BH County: HOWARD

application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at (512)463-6751. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848.

IF YOU WISH TO RE-QUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN IN-**TENT TO APPEAR IN** PROTEST MUST BE RE CEIVED IN THE RAILROAD **COMMISSION'S AUSTIN** OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY May 26, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO **PROTEST AND THE RE-**QUESTED PERMIT MAY BE **GRANTED ADMINISTRAT-**IVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICA-**TION REQUIRES PUBLICA-**<u>TION</u>

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

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



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1. Three clubs. Partner has shown a powerful hand, since he doubled first and then bid his suit, indicating that his hand was too strong for an overcall at his first turn. Typically, partner should have 17 or more points and a strong suit for this sequence.

Partner is, of course, unaware that you have seven points in high cards rather than the two or three (or even zero) you might have had for your one-spade response, so you must apprise him of that fact. Raising two clubs to three gets the message across.

2. Two notrump. The same obligation to disclose your unrevealed values exists here also, but it is far better to suggest the possibility of raise two clubs to three, which partner might pass on the assumption that an 11-trick game in clubs is out of reach.

True, this is not an overly impressive hand in its own right, but in light of the bidding, game in notrump is probably right around the corner.

3. Four clubs. Actually, your values are sufficient for a five-club bid, counting the attractive distribution and excellent trump support, but it might turn out that partner has three-card spade support, which he can show at his next turn. This would enable you to play in game at a lower level.

It would be wrong to bid only three clubs, which would not come close to representing the true value of your hand in view of partner's strong bidding to this point.

4. Pass. This is consistent with the theory that when you have a hot potato in your hand, it is best to let go of it as soon as possible. It is true that, if you now bid two spades and partner passes, you might reach a better contract than two clubs, but there is too much danger that partner might bid again and get your side in even more trouble. In misfit hands, you should try to playing in game at notrump than to stop bidding at the earliest possible opportunity.

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Horoscopes By Holiday

Friday May 6 2022

Hospitality Moon

The Cancer moon would like to point out that it's a fine weekend for hosting. And while a main joy will be the company of others, a side perk is the way you see yourself and your home through the eyes of your guests. Other people are better mirrors than actual mirrors. We are all too familiar with our own visage to properly see ourselves.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). The mind gets stronger in the same way musčles do -- through lifting. In today's case the work includes words and concepts, feelings, puzzles and a few logistical problems too.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). People are drawn to the comfort of your warmth. You don't need to fix anyone or provide structure or direction. To offer your acceptance and love will do more than you know.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). It's not that the other people don't do a good job, it's just that when it comes to impressing you, you're the expert. So what's it going to take? And if you knew you had to impress yourself and only you, what would you do next?

CANCER (June 22-July 22). What you're doing is inherently important. That means whether you make sure everyone knows this. <u>or hide out and act in se</u>

cret, it's just as essential. Right now, the work is what matters, not how popular it is.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll be in a teaching role. Wait before pointing out mistakes. The ideal way is for people to come to it on their own. Criticism can interfere with the learning process. A light touch is best.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You are generous and you'll give to those who genuinely need it. But you'll be turned off by those who ask for what they don't need or for what they could easily do for themselves.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). When you are with people you adore, the most mundane happenings can seem like epic events. It's why you make it a point to keep meeting new people. It makes way for new adorableness to land in your world.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). If necessity is the mother of invention, desire is the father. You didn't get what you wanted, and now you want it all the more. You will apply great creativity to the pursuit.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). People con-cerned with proving their superiority are typically overcompensating for a deep sense of inadequacy. Align with the successful and laid-back types who live like we are all in this together.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-

Jan. 19). There are get tures, and then the moves people make the moment to get the a tention or deal they war Know the difference. See genuine support and tru hearts.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Fel 18). When we are good ourselves, we are good the ones who love us to And if we cause ourselve harm, we also harm thos we love. Do you nee more reasons to delig yourself?

PISCES (Feb. 19-Marc 20). Someone from th old days is in the pictur again. You might fe strange about the fact the they haven't been in th picture all along. Consis tency matters to you. A tually, you're right to b somewhat guarded.

TODAY'S BIRTHDA (May 6). You'll find you self in a position of powe no longer having to hand certain tasks, and yet, or of respect and exempla character, you do wha ever work you need to d for the good of the group You prize learning over ambition and love over th trappings and definition people impose on rela tionships. Capricorn ar Aquarius adore you. You lucky numbers are: 19, 34 22, 8 and 10.

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS **HEARINGS DIVISION**

| Oil and Gas Docket No. OG-22-00009049 | APPLICATION OF SINCLAIR OIL & GAS COMPANY (784548) PURSUANT TO THE MINERAL INTEREST POOLING ACT FOR THE MARCY UNIT, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC FIELD AND SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) FIELD, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS |
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| April 8, 2022 | (TREND AREA) FIELD, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS |

JOINT NOTICE OF HEARING

Date, Location, and Place of Hearing - Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 19, 2022, at the offices of the Railroad Commission of Texas (Commission) located in the William B. Travis State Office Building, at 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas, in a room number to be posted on the bulletin board in the first-floor lobby. If the hearing is not concluded on the day it commences, it will be continued from day to day until concluded. This setting may be converted to a prehearing conference, with continuation for a hearing on the merits to a date certain, which will be announced at the hearing.

If you are planning to attend the hearing in person, please be aware of changes to traffic patterns and the availability of metered parking in the area due to the Capitol Complex Construction project. There is limited metered parking in the capitol complex area. You may find paid parking at the Bob Bullock Museum across the street from the William B. Travis State Office Building or there is also a Capitol Visitors Parking Garage at 1201 San Jacinto Blvd. For access to the building, you can enter through the ground level from Brazos St. You may want to consider the additional time for parking and entering the building. Map and additional information is available on the RRC website at https://www.rrc.texas.gov/about-us/organization-and-activities/ visiting-the-railroad-commission/

Attendance - Parties to this matter must submit the enclosed Notice of Intent to Appear not later than five days prior to the hearing date. Persons who do not intend to appear as a party but wish to observe are encouraged to complete and return the enclosed Notice of Intent to Appear prior to the date of the hearing. All persons intending to appear are further encouraged to submit the enclosed Consent to Electronic Service form.

Purpose of Hearing - The purpose of the hearing is to allow the parties to present evidence and consider all issues of fact and law raised in or relevant to the Application. The issues that may be addressed at the hearing include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1. A statement of the matters asserted and the nature of the Applicants' hearing request is in the attached Appendix A.
- 2. Any other issues raised in the pleadings, evidence, or argument that are necessary for the Commission to render a final decision on the merits of this case.

case will need to obtain a court reporter no later than 21 days before the hearing. Typically, this would include the applicant, complainant, and similarly situated parties in other types of cases. See 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 1.111. If an examiner or party requests a written transcript, the Commission may assess the cost to one or more parties. This includes paying the court reporter's fees for the preparation of the original transcript for the Commission's official records and one copy for use by the examiners in preparing their written recommendation. To obtain a court reporter, contact Dave Howard & Associates Court Reporters at 512-282-0313 or dave@howardreporters.com.

Hearing Exhibits - All exhibits must be clearly marked and submitted in duplicate. If a party wants to offer an exhibit admitted in a prior proceeding, the party must provide a properly identified copy as an exhibit for the record in this proceeding. Additionally, if a court reporter is used, a copy of all exhibits must be given to the court reporter at the time of the hearing.

Auxiliary Aids or Services for Persons with a Disability - Any individual with a disability who needs auxiliary aids and services to have an equal opportunity to effectively communicate and participate in the hearing must request such aids or services at least two weeks prior to the hearing by notifying the Commission's Human Resources Department by mail at P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711-2967 or by telephone at (512) 463-6981 or TDD No. (800) 735-2989.

Audio/Visual Computer Presentations - All requests for setting up a presentation need to be made in writing no less than three business days prior to the hearing date. Please contact Docket Services to complete a Presentation Setup Help Desk Questionnaire Form.

Service List - The Applicant shall review this Notice of Hearing and the attached Certificate of Service for accuracy and completeness and shall immediately notify Docket Services of any discrepancy or omission. Notice of this hearing is being sent to about 750 parties, and a complete copy of the service list may be reviewed at the offices of Docket Services. Notice of this hearing will also be published in the Big Spring Herald, for four consecutive weeks. Further, a copy of this notice will be posted on a website which the applicants have established with additional information regarding the applications. The website address is www.bigspringwells.com. Finally, the Applicant has submitted various letters and maps to the Commission, which may be reviewed at the offices of Docket Services if an inquiring party does not have access to the internet or the ability to use the applicant's website due to barriers of language or disability. Parties desiring to speak to the applicants' representative in Spanish are invited to telephone 432-606-5038 (para Espanol). Copies of the offer letters supporting these applications have been translated to Spanish and posted on the Applicant's project website.

THIS HEARING WILL ALSO BE NOTICED BY PUBLICATION. **APPENDIX A**

These hearings are called on the applications of Sinclair Oil & Gas Company to consider its applications for Commission approval of the formation of two pooled units pursuant to the Texas Mineral Interest Pooling Act (Chapter 102 of the Texas Natural Resources Code). These units are proposed for completion in the Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC Field (Field ID 85280301) or the Spraberry (Trend Area) Field (Field ID 85280300), Howard County, Texas, for oil or gas completions, and the Applicant asks the Commission to enter orders creating the following units:

Failure to Appear - All parties, protestants or persons intending to participate at the hearing must attend the hearing. Failure to appear at any prehearing conference or the hearing in this case may result in dismissal of that party's claim or protest, or default against that party/protestant and claims. See, e.g., Tex. Gov't Code § 2001.056, 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 1.107.

Appearance at Hearing - All persons or parties supporting, opposing or protesting this Application and intending to participate in the hearing must complete and file with Docket Services the enclosed Notice of Intent to Appear at Hearing Protest form at least five business days prior to the hearing date in this Notice of Hearing. This form is required even if a prior written response was submitted to the previously issued "Notice of Application." A copy of the form should be served on the Applicants' representative and any other parties of record.

Legal Authority and Jurisdiction - The Commission has jurisdiction over Applicant and over the matters at issue in this proceeding pursuant to Tex. Nat. Res. Code title 3, subtitles A, B and C, Tex. Water Code chapters 26, 27 and 29, and Tex. Gov't Code chapter 2001.

Particular Statutes and Rules Involved - The statutes and rules applicable to this proceeding include but are not limited to the following:

- Tex. Nat. Res. Code, title 3, subtitles A, B and C;
- Commission rules in 16 Tex. Admin. Code chapters 1 and 3;
- Tex. Water Code chapters 26, 27 and 29; and

• Statutes and rules referenced in Appendix A, if any, of this Notice of Hearing.

Continuance of Hearing - Any request for continuance of this hearing must be filed in Docket Services no later than five business days prior to the hearing date. Copies of such request must be served to all parties shown on the service list. 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 1.45(a)(1).

Ex parte Communications Prohibited - Ex parte communications (e.g. phone calls and emails) with the Administrative Law Judges, Technical Examiners, and Commissioners are prohibited. Tex. Gov't Code § 2001.061, 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 1.7.

Written Transcript of the Hearing - If a case is protested or becomes protested, the party requesting commission action in this

| Docket No. OG-22-00009049 – Marcy Unit | | | | | | |
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| 631.6 acres, more or less | | | | | | |
| Docket No. 0G-22-00000300 – Comanche Trail Unit | | | | | | |
| 644.8 acres, more or less | | | | | | |

Interested parties are advised that the ultimate size of the proposed units may vary by up to two acres if a post-hearing survey indicates that the City tax maps are inaccurate, or to ensure that there are no gaps between the proposed units and adjoining units. Parties are also advised that the proposed units may in the future require off-site drilling locations which might not be directly adjacent to and touching the units. Further, it is possible that unit wells will not be drilled to the exact length proposed, for various reasons, but in such event the requested Final Order of the Commission in these dockets would provide that unit sizes will not be affected by a wellbore length shortfall.

The units proposed above have already been formed by declarations of pooling in the county deed records, and their unit wells have been drilled. At least 90 percent of the acreage in each proposed unit has been leased and voluntarily pooled, but there remain small tracts of stranded unpooled acreage because their mineral owners have not responded to earlier leasing offers. The purpose of this hearing is to place those tracts in the units so that their mineral owners may nonetheless have the benefit of royalty revenue from unit production, in proportion to the size of their acreage. There will be no surface use of these currently stranded tracts, and home ownership thereon will not be impacted or affected. The relief sought by Applicant in this hearing may include a reclassification of the field of completion for the existing unit wells from the Spraberry (Trend Area) field to the Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field.

The proposed units to be pooled are illustrated by maps enclosed with voluntary pooling offer letters dated March 10, 2022, copies of which are on file with Docket Services and available for review on the Applicant's project website. Reference is hereby made to such maps, pending offers and the individual applications for a detailed description of each proposed unit. If you are receiving this notice by mail or publication, but you did not receive by mail a voluntary pooling offer letter dated March 10, 2022, please contact the Applicant's representative to verify which unit your acreage is located in, and a copy of the pertinent offer letter and map showing the proposed unit outline will be sent to you by such representative. However, if you have already signed a lease, and are receiving royalty payments or have received a division order for the Sinclair Marcy or Comanche Trail wells, you need take no action because your acreage is already included in the unit. You are being sent a copy of this notice for informational purposes only.

Please note that as discussed in the offer letters, the ultimate unit sizes approved by the Commission may vary, because the Commission has the authority to adopt Orders which authorize units with perimeters and acreage that may differ from Applicant's initial request. In particular, the Commission may decline to approve the large unit sizes requested, and approve instead four smaller units of about 160 acres each, within the boundaries of the two proposed larger units, for a total of eight drilling units. The results in either event have been discussed at some detail in the offer letters, and you are referred to them for additional information. As discussed in the offer letters, in the event smaller units are approved by the Commission, the Applicant intends ultimately to pool their acreage to form the proposed larger units, such that no city lot owner will be harmed by underperformance or technical problems with a single new well. In addition, the Applicant may ultimately combine units approved in this application with other units using a production sharing agreement or allocation well permitting process in order to drill horizontal wells considerably longer than are now proposed, using a surface acre allocation formula so as not to dilute the ownership interests created by these applications, if they are approved.

The Applicant proposes that Sinclair Oil & Gas Company be the operator of the unit wells. In the event the Commission will not approve units larger than 160 acres plus ten percent tolerance, production from each such unit well may be allocated by the Applicant between the pooled unit formed by the Commission pursuant to the Mineral Interest Pooling Act, and the leased mineral acreage outside such unit, but within the larger boundaries requested by the Applicant in the list above, and as mapped in its March 10th 2022 voluntary pooling offer letter.

The Applicant will request that the Commission's Final Order in these dockets contain a provision that any unleased mineral interest pooled by the order shall be treated for accounting purposes as if 25% of such interest is a cost-free royalty interest and 75% of such interest is a cost-bearing working interest. The owners of such unleased interest accordingly will be paid a cost-free 25% from the unleased interest's acreage-proportionate share of pooled unit revenue from the date of first production for new wells. Applicant will also request the Order provides that the terms of the Model Form Joint Operating Agreement referenced in the offer letter apply to the accounting for the 75% unleased interest treated as a cost-bearing working interest, except for such terms related to personal liability. Applicant will ask the Commission to provide in its Order that such 75% interest, while cost bearing, shall be free of personal recourse against the pooled mineral owners for any liability in excess of their cost-bearing share of production revenue for any reason, including but not limited to costs or damages arising from any loss-of-control incident related to any unit wellbore, production facility, or gathering pipeline. In effect, the proposed 75% participation will be in the nature of a synthetic working interest, not a fully risk-bearing interest, because there will be no personal recourse against pooled unleased mineral owners for such risk beyond their cost-bearing share of production revenue. Conversely, although the reservoir risk may be low, Applicant nevertheless bears operational risks of drilling the proposed wells and the risk factors associated with private operating agreements in the field, along with the expense of capital and carrying the costs for the unleased owners, extending to them what is in effect an interest free loan. Applicant proposes that the Commission provide for reimbursement of the drilling and completion costs incurred after the effective date of the Orders solely out of production revenue with a charge for risk of 100 percent of the drilling and completion costs. This will match the risk penalty assessed in 2018 against unleased owners in adjoining Sinclair units to the east and thus all unleased mineral owners within the Big Spring city limits will be treated on the same yardstick basis. The Applicant will also request that the Orders allow it to escrow on behalf of such owners their estimated share of the ultimate plugging cost of the unit well(s).

THIS HEARING WILL ALSO BE NOTICED BY PUBLICATION.



RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS **HEARINGS DIVISION**

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPEAR AT HEARING

A Copy of this Notice of Intent to Appear at Hearing must be mailed to the Applicant and to Docket Services, P.O. Drawer 12967, Austin, TX 78711-2967. It must be received by Docket Services at least five business days in advance of the hearing date.

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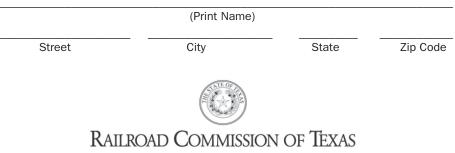
hereby enters this Notice of Intent to Appear at Hearing as (Check one of the referenced party status): _ Applicant_ Protestant _ In Support of Application and states he/she or his/ **Observer** or her representative will appear and participate at the hearing.

(Print Name)

I further certify that, as of today's date, I have mailed or delivered a copy of this Notice of Intent to Appear at Hearing form to the Applicant at the address shown in the Certificate of Service.

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Effective September 1, 2015, Section 2001.142 (Notification of Decisions and Orders) of the Texas Government Code was amended to allow a state agency to notify each party to a contested case of any decision or order of the agency, if agreed to by the party to be notified, by electronic means sent to the current e-mail address of the party's attorney of record or of the party if the party is not represented by counsel. Tex. Gov't Code § 2001.142(a)(2).

Current rules of the Railroad Commission of Texas ("Commission")

The Applicant will request exceptions to Statewide Rule 86 and to the field rules for the subject fields to the extent necessary to implement any pooling authority granted by the Commission.

Documents filed in a case are viewable in the RRC Cases online portal. To access the portal, go to https://www.rrc.texas.gov/ hearings/rrc-cases/, click on "Find a Case" and enter the last four digits of the docket number in the search box in the upper right-hand corner of the screen that appears.

If you have questions regarding this Application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Chad Loudermilk or Cody Hix, at (682) 708-8196 or by email at cloudermilk@foursevens.net or cody@ foursevens.net. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact Docket Services at (512) 463-6848 or at Room 12-123. Additional information about the hearing process can be found at <u>www.rrc.texas.gov/hearings.</u>

To access the Commission's Statewide Rules, start from the Commission's Home Page, click on "General Counsel" (upper right side of page) and follow the path: Rules, Current Rules, T.A.C. Chapter 3, Rule Number.

It is required that the enclosed Notice of Intent to Appear (or a copy thereof) be filed by each party for this case not later than five business days prior to the hearing. Failure to do so by the applicant or complainant may lead to the hearing being canceled. In protested matters, failure by a protestant to timely file a Notice of Intent to Appear may result in dismissal of the protest. All Persons intending to observe or participate in this matter are strongly encouraged to file the enclosed Consent to Electronic Service and Notification together with the Notice of Intent to Appear.

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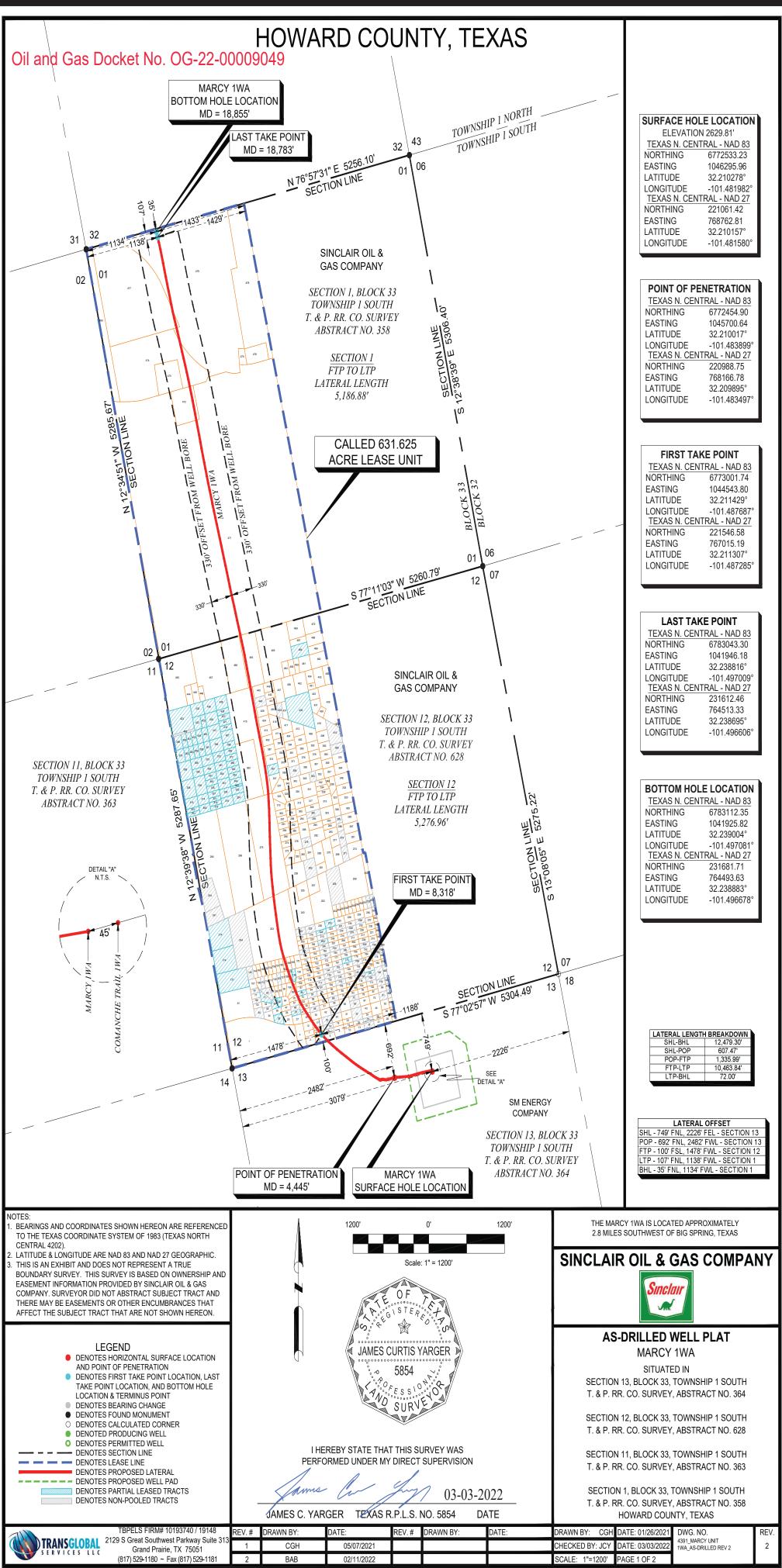
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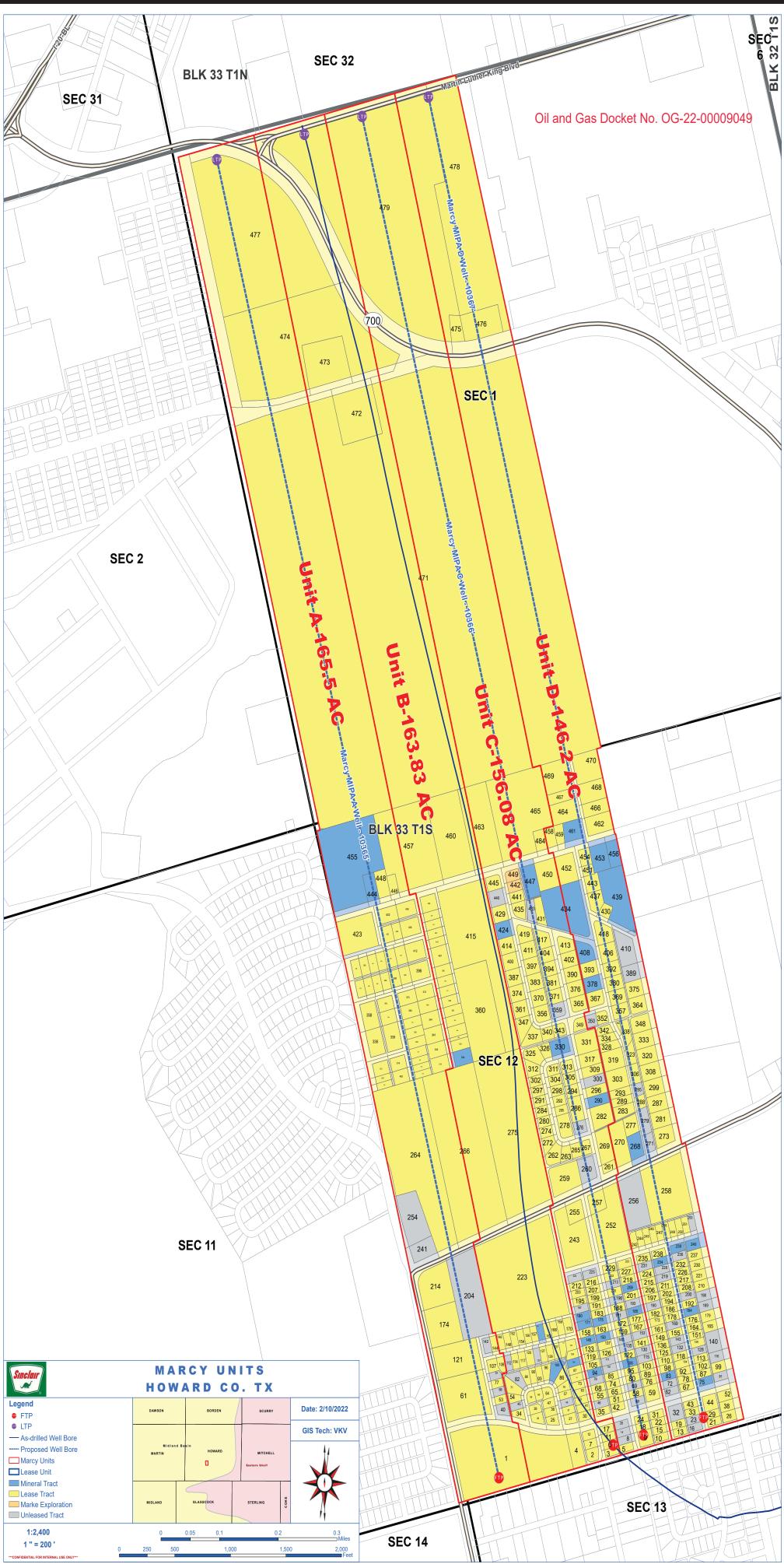
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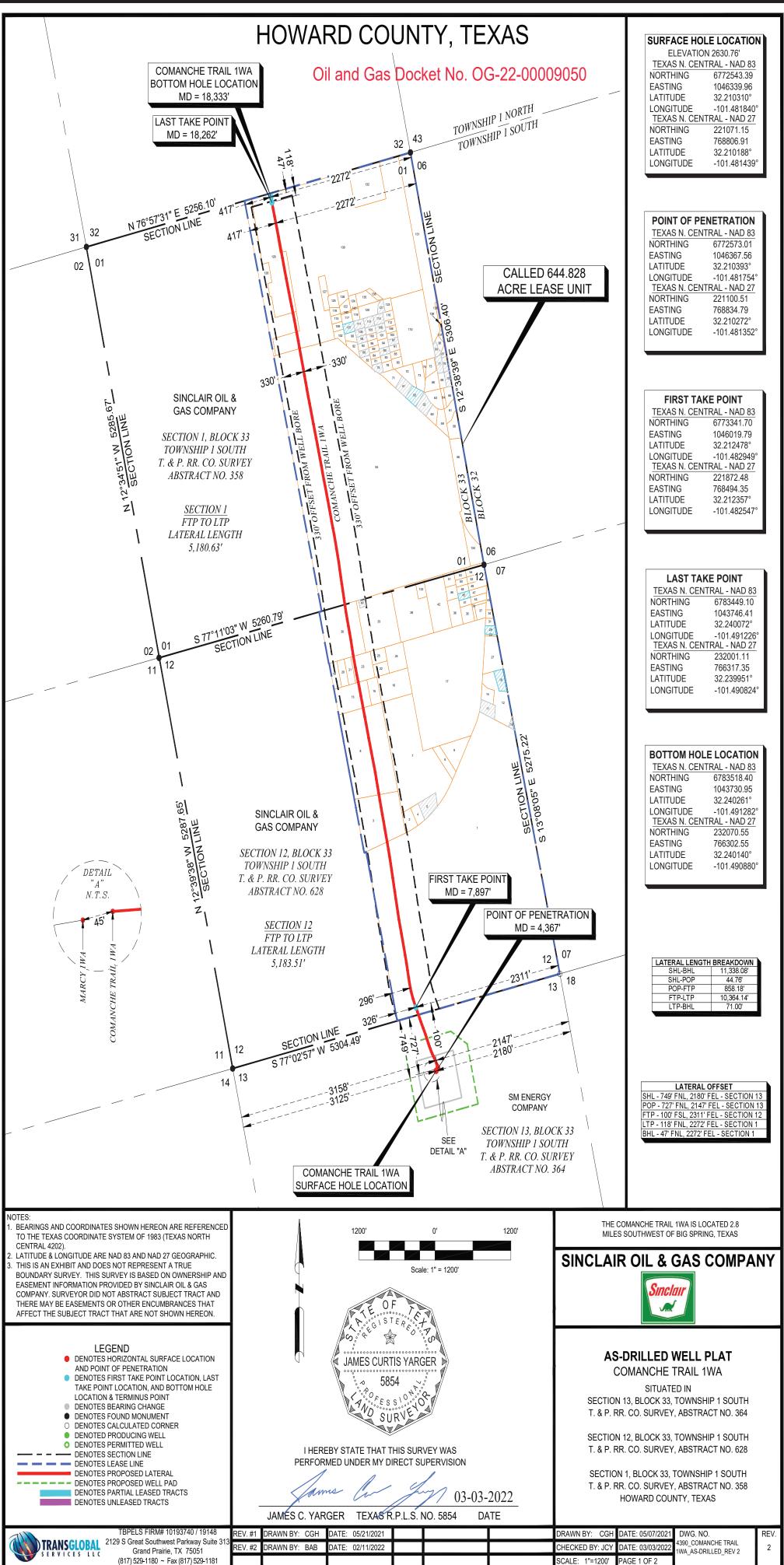


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