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Weather



Saturday Night: Clear, with a low around 69. South wind 15 to 20 mph.
Sunday: Sunny and hot, with a high near 102. West wind 15 to 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.
Sunday Night: Clear, with a low around 68.
Monday: Sunny and hot, with a high near 100.
Source: NWS, via weather.gov

Today in History
On May 7-8

May 8, 1835: First edition of Hans Christian Andersen's *Fairy Tales*, including "The Princess and the Pea," "Thumbelina," and "The Tinder-Box," is published in Copenhagen, Denmark.
May 7, 1867: Swedish chemist Alfred Nobel patents dynamite, the first of three patents he would receive for the explosive.
May 8, 1945: V-E Day: European theater of World War II ends after Germany signs unconditional surrender.

Daily Quotes

"All that I am, or hope to be, I owe to my angel mother."
— **Abraham Lincoln**
"Mama was my greatest teacher, a teacher of compassion, love and fearlessness. If love is sweet as a flower, then my mother is that sweet flower of love."
— **Stevie Wonder**
"My mother had a great deal of trouble with me, but I think she enjoyed it."
— **Mark Twain**
"Life began with waking up and loving my mother's face."
— **George Eliot**

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National Day of Prayer at SMMC



Scenic Mountain Medical Center hosted Big Spring and Howard County's annual observance of the National Day of Prayer Thursday evening. Pictured are Pastor Michael Willard of Cornerstone Covenant Church, left, and Pastor Sam Segundo of Family Faith Center, right.

By AMANDA DUFORAT
Contributing Writer
Where two or three are gathered ...
Howard County residents joined together Thursday evening in front of Scenic Mountain Medical Center for the National Day of Prayer.
The local hospital hosted, as it has for the past several years, a chance for local pastors to join with the community in prayer.
"This is an opportunity for us, as a community, to stand united in prayer. An opportunity to display hope and unity even in trying times," April Arms, SMMC Executive Assistant, said.

The National Day of Prayer is observed each year on the first Thursday of May.
"Today, local pastors and officials from city, county, hospital, and school districts came together to pray for the well-being of Howard County," Arms said. "We are thankful to the local pastors, the Big Spring High School Band, H-E-B who donated cookies, and the community for supporting us in this annual event."
The evening gathering was opened by a performance from the Big Spring High School Steer Band and a short introduction by Chief Nursing Officer Melonye Huber. Prayers were started by Pastor Lloyd Wells from Spring Creek

Fellowship, followed by Pastor Michael Willard from Cornerstone Covenant Church, Pastor Bobby Roeber from Alive in Christ Lutheran Church, and Pastor Sam Segundo from Family Faith Center. Each of the pastors offered up prayers for protection, guidance and healing throughout Howard County.
"It was an evening filled with prayer for all in our community. We are grateful and thankful to those who came out and joined in that prayer. We appreciate the fellowship and support," Arms said.
The Big Spring Band provided music in between prayers providing a melody and tone for event.

6th annual Special Ed prom held at Silver Hills



By ROGER CLINE
Herald Staff Writer
About 90 area special education students got together for a prom at Big Spring's Club at Silver Hills Thursday.
The event was organized by the 87-20 Shared Service Arrangement organization, and this marks the sixth year the prom has brought local special needs kids from Coahoma, Forsan, Glasscock County, Grady, Stanton and Greenwood together.
"We do events throughout the year, but our last one is our prom," said event organizer Brinnan Wright. "We have ju-

nior high and high school self-contained special education students, and we do it during the day, so we can make sure everybody gets to participate.
Wright said the staff of the Silver Hills country club has worked hard to make the day a memorable one for the students involved.
"We teamed up with Silver Hills last year. Ginny Ellis and Kristen Partee out at Silver Hills, and all their staff have assisted us with this event," she said. "Basically they just took it and ran with it. They reached out to the community this year

Howard County Commissioners to meet Monday

By ROGER CLINE
Herald Staff Writer
Howard County commissioners will meet at 3:30 p.m. Monday. The meeting will take place in the third floor courtroom of the Howard County Courthouse, 300 S. Main St.

Prior to the regular meeting, the commissioners will hold a workshop session at 2:30 p.m. in the courthouse's second-floor conference room. Members of the public are welcome to attend both the workshop and the meeting.
At the start of the meeting, Judge Kathryn Wiseman will present several items.

She will introduce Big Spring Economic Development Corporation Director Mark Willis, who will discuss business prospects and tax abatement guidelines. She will also initiate a public hearing on a reinvestment zone, and present a

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Obituaries

Oralia Gomez Granados



Oralia Gomez Granados, 64, of Ponca City passed away May 2, 2022, in Oklahoma City.

She was born on September 29, 1957, to Manuel and Theodora (Hernandez) Gomez in Hillsboro, Texas.

She was preceded in death by Father, Mother, and three brothers.

Oralia, or to people who know her as "Riley," was told at an early age to watch over her siblings, which she took to heart, a responsibility that led her, I believe, to love challenges. Riley eventually got married and had three children, Mariano Granados, Michelle

Granados, and Johnnie Granados.

Riley started working retail, where she quickly rose in ranks and moved all over Texas with different stores, making them better and making new friends along the way. As a single mom it wasn't easy, but she made it work, like she did with all things. Failure was a term that she despised and yes, she had a few, but it always made her stronger. Eventually Riley retired, moving to Oklahoma with her long-time love, Russell Huse. At this time, she started enjoying grandchildren, new cultures, new places, and an occasional casino. Riley was a compassionate, loving, giving, and caring person. The best person I have ever known. You will be missed every day. Rest well and in peace, my lady.

There will be a graveside service at a later date.

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Daryl Baker



Daryl was born in Big Spring, Texas on January 12, 1953, to Bill Baker and Evelyn Hagen. He attended Big Spring schools and graduated from Forsan High School in 1972. Daryl received his Associates Degree in Dallas, Texas in 1974.

Daryl retired from GE Power Systems in 2016. He enjoyed several hobbies including ping pong, darts, dirt bikes, diving and golf.

However, his greatest joy was his grandchildren.

Daryl passed away on March 29, 2022, leaving behind his wife, Stephanie; two children, Nicholas Baker, married to Myra, and Miranda Martin, married to John; and four grandchildren, John Hagen, Lehetta, Aubrielle and Coleson; his brother, Mike Baker (Hagen); sister, Pam Duncan; and stepmom, Dean Baker.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Bill Baker and Evelyn Hagen; and step-dad, Frank Hagen.

A Celebration of Life was held April 23, 2022, at St. James Episcopal Church in Dallas, Texas.

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Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 87 inmates at the time of this report.

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

• **SANDRA KAY BOADLE**, 69, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of criminal trespass.

• **NICHOLAS MATHERS**, 35, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of harassment of public servant, public intoxication x2.

• **MARIE IRVIN MATILDA**, 24, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of possession of controlled substance less than 1g x3.

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

• **SAMUEL MATTHEW MUNIZ**, 22, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

• **RUDY ORTEGA III**, 23, was arrested by BSPD in a charge of theft of property more than \$100 less than \$750.

• **BOBBY PAIGE**, 23, was arrested DPS on a charge of abandon endanger child imminent danger, speeding, violate promise to appear x2, open container in motor vehicle.

• **SHANNA MARIE PIERCEFIELD**, 42, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of possession of controlled substance less than 1g.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2200 block of Runnels. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1100 block of S Birdwell. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 400 block of NW 9th St. No transport was required.

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

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1800 block

of Hearn. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the area pf FM 700 and Goliad St. Two people were transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block of Veterans Blvd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 500 block of Scott Dr. No transport was required.

Support Groups

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1

p.m.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

• A six-week course in Wellness and Quality of Life with Chronic Pain will be held at Spring Creek Fellowship at the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-517-4840 for more information.

• Caregivers Support Group, sponsored by the Area Agency on Aging, meets the second Tuesday of every month at 10:30 a.m. The meetings are held at the Senior Citizens Center located at 100 Whipkey Drive.

These meetings are open for any caregiver, whether medical professional or family member. For more information, please call Becky Letz at 267-1628.

Fay Marie Kilgore Hughes



Fay Marie Kilgore Hughes passed away peacefully May 4, 2022. Born February 4, 1923, she was 99 years old.

Marie was born in Cleburne, Texas to Grady Webster Kilgore and Myrtle Horton Kilgore.

On May 2, 1942, Marie married the love of her life, John William Hughes. They eloped while she was a senior at Big Spring High School. After she graduated they moved to Lubbock, Texas, where John served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. While John was stationed on Biak Island, Marie moved back to Big Spring, where she gave birth to her son, John Carol, in November 1944. When her husband returned at the end of the war, they welcomed their two daughters, Sandra and Evelyn.

The family lived in Big Spring until 1957, then moved to Andrews, Texas. Returning to Big Spring in 1963, they opened Hughes Optical.

Marie was an excellent gardener and loved working in her yard. She was a wonderful cook and loved her family. She was an active member of Airport Baptist Church, then First Baptist Church after Airport closed.

Marie was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; and her grandson, Kelley Woods; six of her seven siblings; her daughter-in-law, Marsha Hughes; and her son-in-law, Marvie Wheeler.

She is survived by her brother, Dr. J. Gale Kilgore; her son, John (Marsha); her daughters, Sandra Woods and Evelyn Wheeler; seven grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandson.

The family will receive friends from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. Sunday, May 8, 2022, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Funeral Services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, May 9, 2022, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family wishes to thank Hospice Health Care of Big Spring for their excellent care and Parkview Nursing Home for their care and help.

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

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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 pre-paid reservations are required. Deadline to order a meal is May 25.

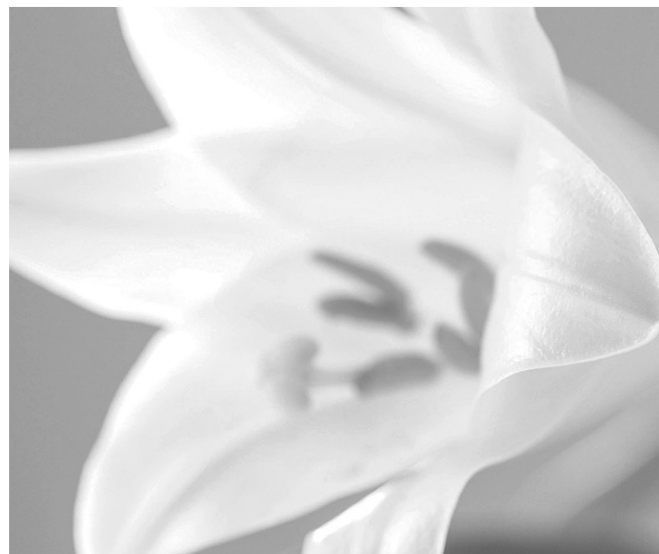
An adult meal ticket is \$18 and \$10 for children 8 years and older. Contact Lisa Dennis Mahler at bordenexes@gmail.com for additional information and a reservation form.

• 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.

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asking for volunteers that wanted to volunteer their services or their time to help make this event very special for our students.”

The local community responded in a big way. “The community just stepped up,” she said. “They came, and we had everything pretty much

donated, from the D.J., the photo booth, decorations, the food and a bounce house, all donated. Those people who donated those things, they came and they stayed and they served and assisted our students. It was just a huge community effort. Mostly from Big Spring, but we also had some from Midland.”

Wright said the event was a great time for both students and parents.

“They all came together, our kids, and enjoyed a time with their peers, and they're able to kind of network and see friends they've made from other districts through the year at things we've done,” she said. “Also, parents are welcome to come and it gives them time to kind of network and meet other parents who are going through the kinds of things they're going through. We're trying to create community, is what we're trying to do.”

COUNTY

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resolution on the proposed reinvestment zone for approval by the commissioners.

Wiseman will also present an proposed agreement between Howard County and the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service.

Commissioners may meet in executive session to discuss contract negotiations, after which Wiseman will present an item regarding the Howard County Appraisal District's taxing value.

Wiseman will also hear presentations and take the commissioners' votes on acceptance of county officials' monthly reports.

Next, County Treasurer Sharon Adams will present personnel considerations, her monthly payroll report and a proposal regarding TDRS Rates and

the county retirement assessment for 2023.

County Auditor Jackie Olson will present invoices, purchase requests and budget amendments.

Commissioner Eddilisa Ray (Precinct 1) will present a grant request letter, while Commissioner Jimmie Long (Precinct 3) will present bids for landscaping at the 118th District Court building and the Howard County Library building.

County Clerk Brent Zitterkopf will present his monthly report.

County Road Engineer Brian Klinksiek will present a request for permission to purchase replacement pipes for an emergency repair of a collapsed culvert on 11th Place. Klinksiek will also present his regular Roadway Maintenance Report.

Commissioners will have the opportunity to suggest items for future agendas before the meeting is adjourned.

Take Note (cont.)

• Everyone welcome! Western swing by Michael Leonard. New Life mature adult dance at the Dora Roberts Community Center, 100 Whipkey Drive, every month on the third Friday from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Entry fee is \$5. Bring snacks to share. Refreshments are provided. The next dance is May 20, sponsored by Park place retirement center. For more information call 432 517-9097

• 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>.

• 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.

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

• DivorceCare is a biblical support group for those facing divorce or separation. Each DVD session features nationally respected experts, such as Christian Counselors and Pastors. Small group discussions and workbook exercises help participants apply the information to their own situations.

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Visit the DivorceCare Ministry of TBC Facebook page for information.

You can also call Donna Burcham at 267-6344 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

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

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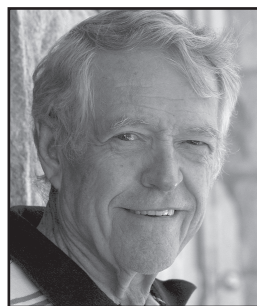
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DAILY PRAYER

Grant that everywhere we may have hope and joy in the redemption you will bring in every situation.
Amen.

The Largest 6-Shooter In Texas

When Gary Humphreys of Del Rio was in high school, he and a friend were hitchhiking back from San Antonio to save the \$6 bus fare and they got a ride with a rising star. “Marty Robbins picked up in a 1956 Chrysler pulling a horse trailer with THE MARTY ROBBINS BAND painted on the side of it.”



TUMBLEWEED SMITH

Gary has an open mind and open face and people are just naturally attracted to him. He has a gun shop in Del Rio that is a popular destination for gun lovers as well as movie stars who are making movies in the area. “They just seem to want to come in and hang around,” says Gary. On some of the westerns, he helps with the firearms. “I helped James Arness when they filmed the last episode of Gunsmoke in Del Rio.”

It has been said that if Gary fell into a lake he would come out with a pocketful of fish. He sold Wrangler jeans for a while in his gun shop and a man from Brazil came in and for the next few years Gary sold him 50,000 pairs of Wranglers. Gary made trips to Brazil and was treated like a star.

When he was a child, his mother, a nurse, helped the famous female bullfighter Pat McCormick heal after she was severely gored by a bull in Villa Acuna. Gary and the Texas Torera got to spend some time together and formed a strong friendship.

While a soldier stationed in Louisiana he went to the Louisiana Hayride Show to hear his favorite

country singer Norma Jean. He was walking along and he heard a woman’s voice say, “Hey, soldier, would you buy me a coke?” He looked over to find Norma Jean sitting in a Cadillac. When he brought her the coke she asked him sit with her before she went on stage. “I spent an amazing 15 minutes just talking with her.”

Gary has some Model A’s and loves to travel in his Casita camping trailer. He was working for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms when he decided to open his gun shop. He borrowed \$600 and started repairing and selling guns in his garage. That was in 1972. He has been in his current location in downtown Del Rio 42 years.

Gary’s shop is next door to an old fire station that is now home to the Del Rio Arts Council. Once Bol Wade, a famous outdoor sculptor, was conducting a class there. He apparently got the class excited and the students asked if they could build something. They went next door to Gary’s and asked him if they could create artwork on a concrete slab next to his building. “They said what would you like for us to build and I told them a pistol. So they worked two weeks and built Texas’s largest six-shooter. It’s 2 stories high and the cylinder is a 55-gallon barrel. The barrel of the pistol is made of stovepipe and the sides of the handle are concrete made to look like ivory. People drive thousand of miles to see this thing because its been written up in the New York Times, Washington Post, Time Magazine, Texas Monthly and other publications. It’s been on national TV a bunch of times.” Gary is planning a big 50th anniversary celebration for his gun shop on May 12. It’s the only fulltime gun shop in Del Rio.



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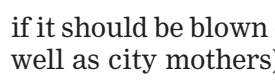
The Idle American

A Kingdom for a Horse?...

In all the years I’ve known my aged Uncle Mort, he has made few observations about horses, if any at all. For the past few days, he has spoken of little else, what with the news that the City of Dallas hardly knows what to do with one of its storied landmarks.

Yep, trouble isn’t limited to River City. Dallas leaders are moaning about what to do with The Pegasus, proudly perched atop the city’s first skyscraper, a 29-story structure built in 1922 by the Magnolia Oil Company. The company’s horse logo--adorned by blazing neon to outline the steed’s features--was a welcoming rotation of greeting to Big D. Some have claimed sightings of the 15-ton sign from 75 miles away.

No doubt squirming, the Dallas City Council has appropriated some \$360,000 to stabilize the base, address corrosion and replace missing neon lighting. “Phoenix 1,” a construction firm, has been engaged to take on a project that could take weeks or months. The city manager has indicated that high winds have made Pegasus “unsafe,” adding that if it should be blown off the rooftop, city fathers (as well as city mothers) might one day be faced with multimillion dollar lawsuits. This is where Uncle Mort comes in....



DON NEWBURY

“I wish Dallas no ill,” Mort tells visitors in the thicket. “But I wouldn’t mind owning Pegasus.”

His mind racing and oiled with the smoothest of creative juices, he is fueled by “what ifs.” He’s wondering if the City of Dallas might entertain a bid for the horse’s, uh, remains, should Pegasus fall from the structure which now houses the Magnolia Hotel.

A recent Dallas Morning News headline caught my eye: “City to pony up for repairs.” I was immediately intrigued that the City Council had deliberated for 90 minutes before deciding to foot the bill. Much was said, including some sentiments that Newcrest Image--now owner of the hotel--should help with the cost....

No hands went up offering help, and now the City of Dallas wishes it hadn’t maintained an easement to continue ownership of the sign, located atop the building once owned by the City of Dallas.

There are additional complications since the Dallas landmark is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

It appears that this fabled horse cannot legally be put out to pasture, destroyed or given away....

I asked Mort why he’d want a fallen horse, reduced to twisted steel and neon shards if winds sent the structure downward.

“I figure if such should happen, I’d rent an 18-wheeler from U-Haul, pick up the major pieces, sweep the small stuff into the storm drain and return to the thicket, burying the various remnants on my farm.”

My head wobbled in disbelief. He wasn’t through. “I’ve been hearing about banks, cities and individuals making big investments in mining for bitcoins,” he said. “I don’t pretend to understand what this means, and I’m wondering how enticing such mining could be if they come across gold or silver along the way.”...

In short, Mort claims he’d put up signs inviting “bitcoin miners” to bring their picks and shovels to mine for bitcoins, with prizes awarded to participants finding both bitcoins and parts of Pegasus.

“I can’t imagine why everybody is so intrigued by bitcoins,” Mort asserted. “We knew about them in junior high, mostly from yells at football games. “When we had the ball, fans would scream, “Two bits, four bits, six bits, a dollar. All for our team, stand up and holler’.” Mort continued his yapping about the dismal future he predicts for bitcoins. “They threaten our monetary system. We won’t know what anything is worth, and if they catch on, there’ll be no understandable way to know the street value of drugs.”

Huh? Those who know Mort best think that before God made Mort, He broke the mold. Whatever, he’s clearly beating a dead horse....

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Forsan Buffaloes Golf are statebound



By AMANDA DUFORAT

Contributing Writer

The Forsan High School Golf Team has been bringing home the awards this year.

The team - composed of five members - will be heading out early Sunday morning to compete at the State Golf Tournament in Austin. On Friday morning, the student body recognized the achievements and held a short celebration for the team. According to Coach Dave Park, in his 20 years of coaching golf this is his first time taking a Golf Team to state.

"People might have thought I was crazy when I told them, at the end of last year, that the Boy's team could make it to state," Park said.

The team won three championships this year, including District, and placed third at Regionals for a chance to go to State. Senior Rylee Yanez placed third at District and Junior Kade Nichols earned a silver medal at District. In addition to competing in golf tournaments, several of the boys juggled more than one sport.

"These guys have done an amazing job this year. We are super proud of them," Coach Jason Phillips said.

Courtesy photo

The Forsan High School Golf Team is going to compete at the State Golf Tournament. Pictured (not in order) are: Coach Dave Park, Rylee Yanez, Kade Nichols, Nolan Park, Trevor Cole, Jake Myers.

Forsan falls to Clarendon 9-2



HERALD photo/
Amanda Duforat

Forsan Lady Buffaloes fell to Clarendon on Thursday evening, 9-2, in the Area Playoff Game. A send off was held, at 1 p.m. Thursday, as the team headed out. Parents, friends and students lined the way as the bus pulled out. The Forsan Buffaloes will take the field on Friday, at 6 p.m. for Game 1 in Forsan, against Wink. Game 2 is scheduled to be held in Pecos on Saturday at 3 p.m. If needed, Game 3 will take place 30 minutes after Game 2.

Second Time Around

By STEVE BELVIN

Contributing Sports Writer

Something about regional track meet that exhilarates me. The step that could lead an athlete to the ultimate level - the state track meet in Austin.

The state meet is a showcase of the best players in athletically driven Texas. You get the best of Texas all under one roof - excuse the pun.

Last weekend in Lubbock, I got an eyeful of great competition. The joy going to state by setting a record, the heartbreak by missing a berth by one-tenth of a second. It was great.

I got to see athletes like Christine Mallard of Mansfield Lagacy. Last year Mallard wasn't quite good enough to get it done in the sprints. This year her coach had her run the 400 meters. Good move. She was never challenged. She literally walked in the last 10 meters and still ran a 55.0.

There was Stephenville junior sprinter Victoria Cameron, the defending Class 4A champ in the 100 meters. I'm betting she'll repeat at state. She easily dominated the 100. The thing about Cameron, track

is her secondary sport. Soccer is number one for her.

District 3-4A had its bright moments. Sweetwater sophomore shot putter Torenna Saddler won gold in the shot put as well as teammate Harrison Foster who doubled in the 110 and 300 hurdles.

Snyder sophomore Jay Castillo shocked the field by winning the 400 meters in a solid time...48.65.

Big Spring Steers represented well. Lost all my professional in the stands. Couldn't help myself. Everyone around me knew about Big Spring when the meet ended. Steers 400 and 800 relay teams stepped it up, with a group of basketballers leading the way.

Gavin Greathouse, Sa'Quan Fizer and Chris Martinez were very good basketball players, but it turns out they are even better tracksters.

Adrian Solis became a member of a Big Spring's long line of good 800 runners. He follows others like Dax McCracken, Ben Gonzales, Ian Gonzales, Chris Minter, Nick Roberson. So many I can't remember. Welcome to the club Adrian.

"Impressive" is the best word that describes Big

Spring Naomi Wines. Going to state in two events, and she's only a freshman. Her regional winning high jump of 5-5, would have won state last year.

Just out of the blue, Forsan junior shot putter Alenna Nelson has a chance to medal at state. She won the Region 1-2A meet with a throw of 36-1. However, she has a best of 38-feet. If she throws that, she'll be right there in the running.

The Klondike boys and Garden City in the 1600 relay has a chance to medal, as well as Klondike's Sabastin Balcazar in the 400 and Klondike shot putter Neihmaya Howard.

It will be hard for the Sands Lady Mustangs to bring home another state title. Last year coach Ben Connell's crew won Class 1A meet thanks to its relays. It was the only meet Sands won all year.

This year, Sands has two relays entered at state - 800 (fourth best time) and 1600 (best time.) It also has Landry Morrow who has the third fastest time in the 100 hurdles. Judging from what I've seen from Sands, I'm not betting against those young ladies.

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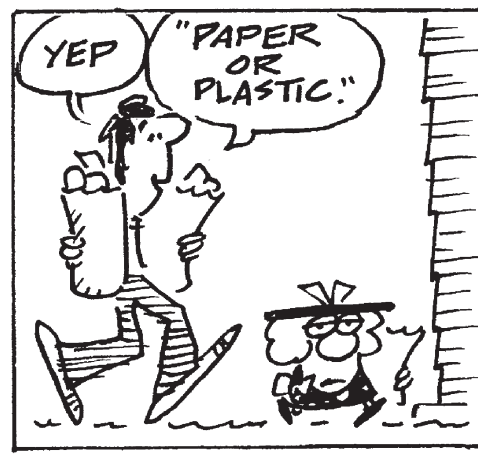
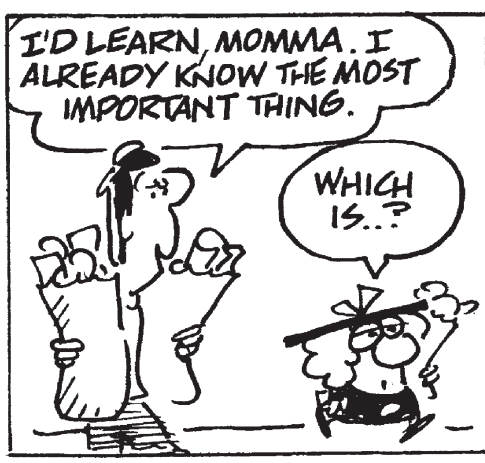
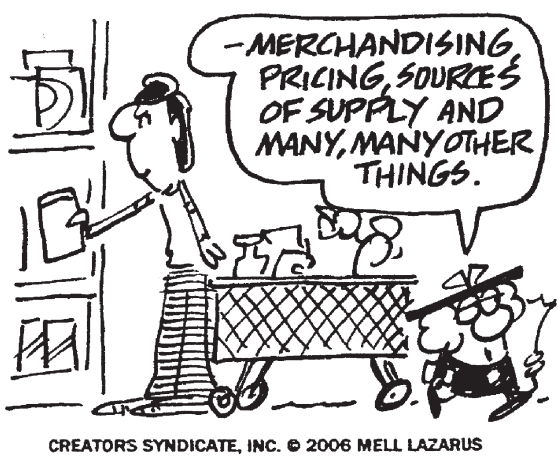
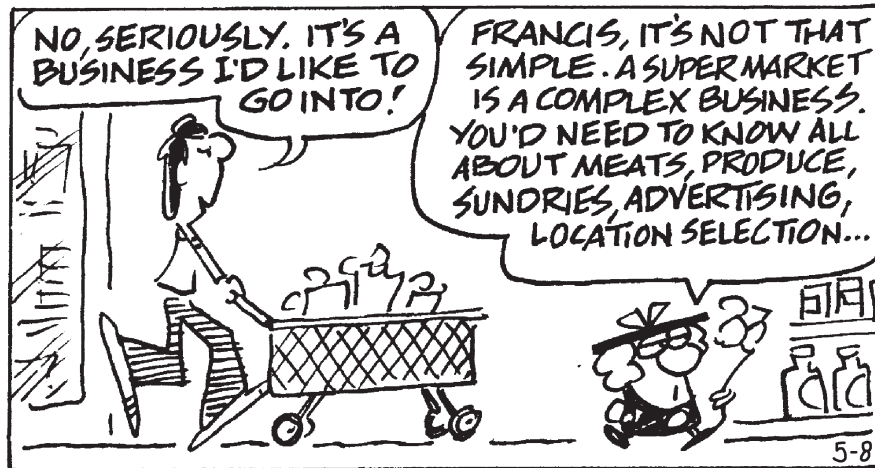
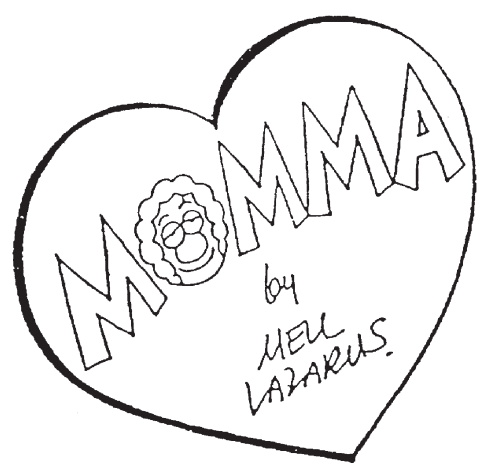
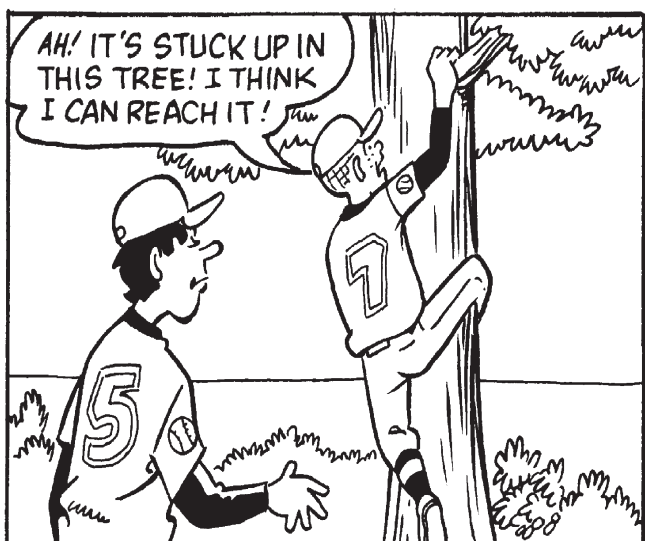
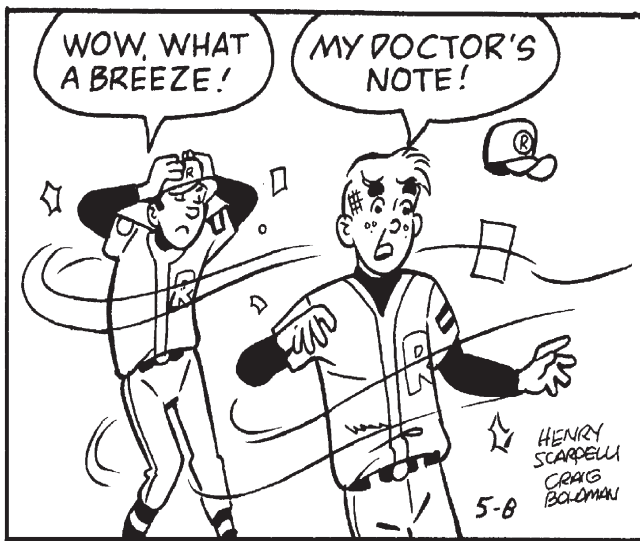
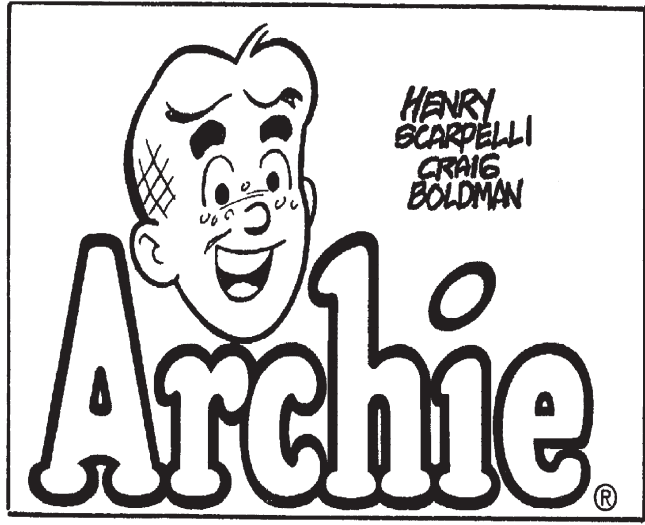
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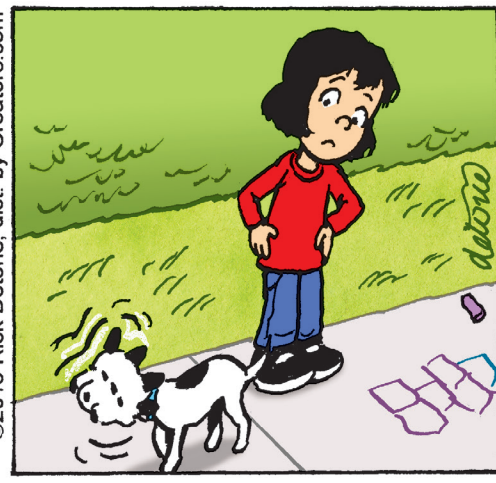
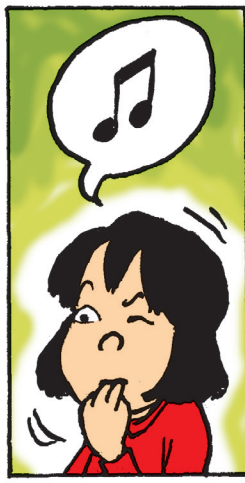
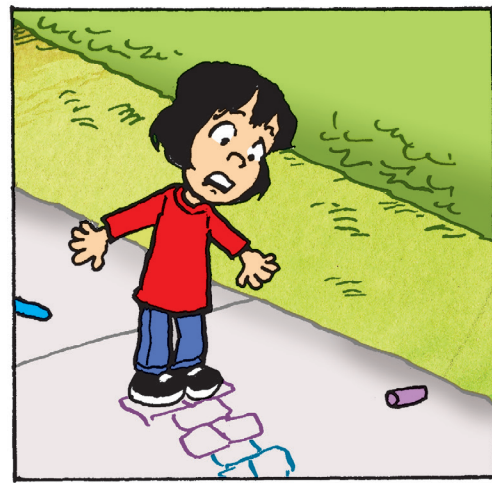
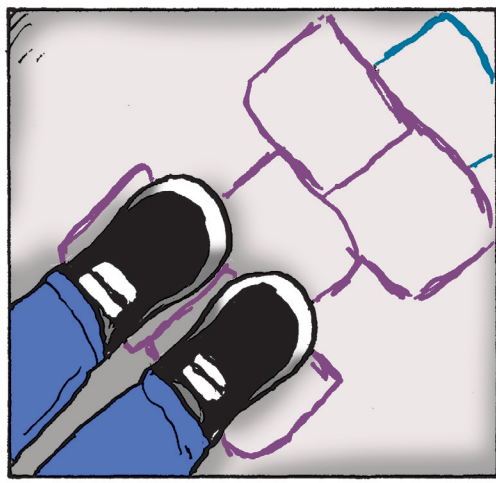
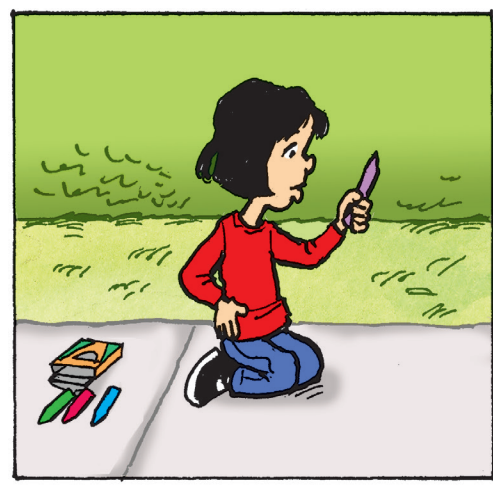
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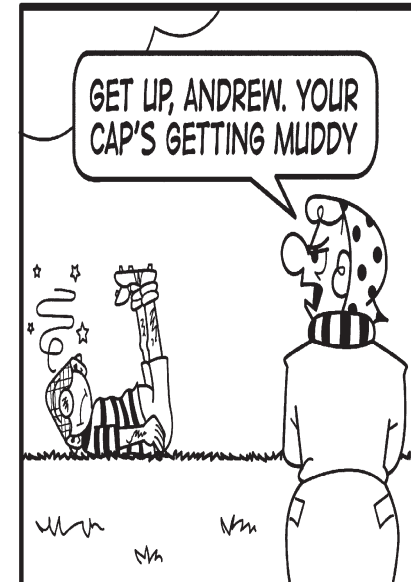
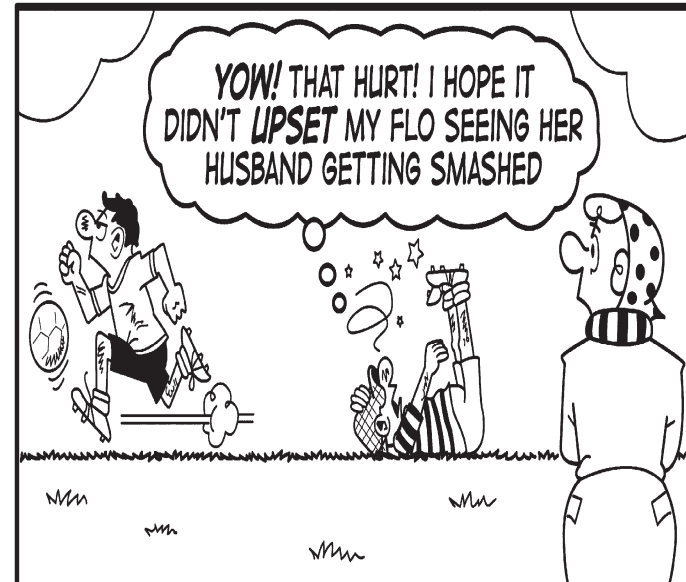
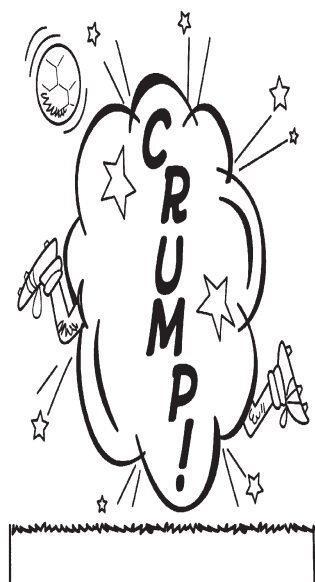
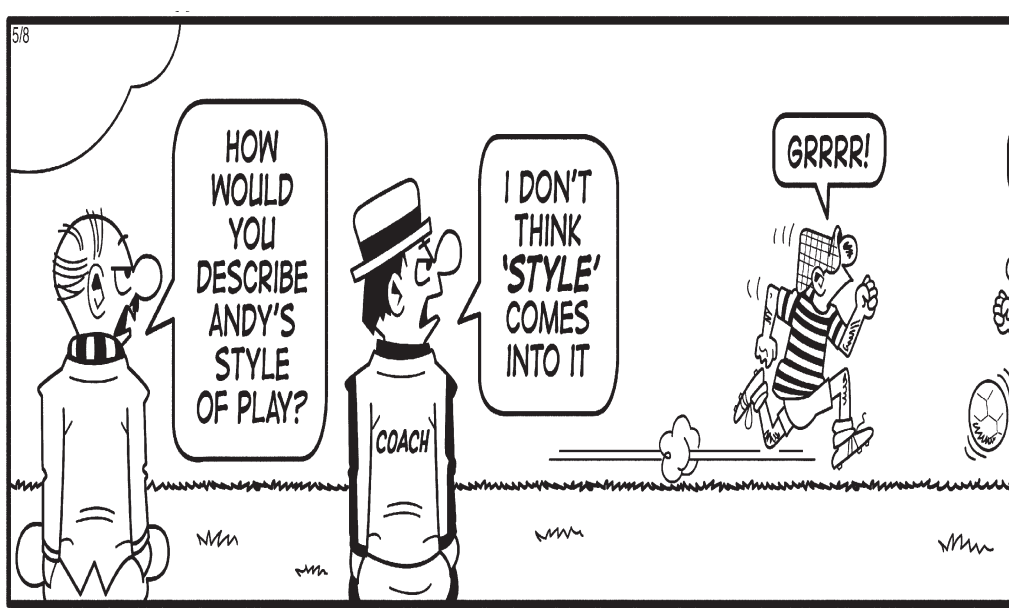
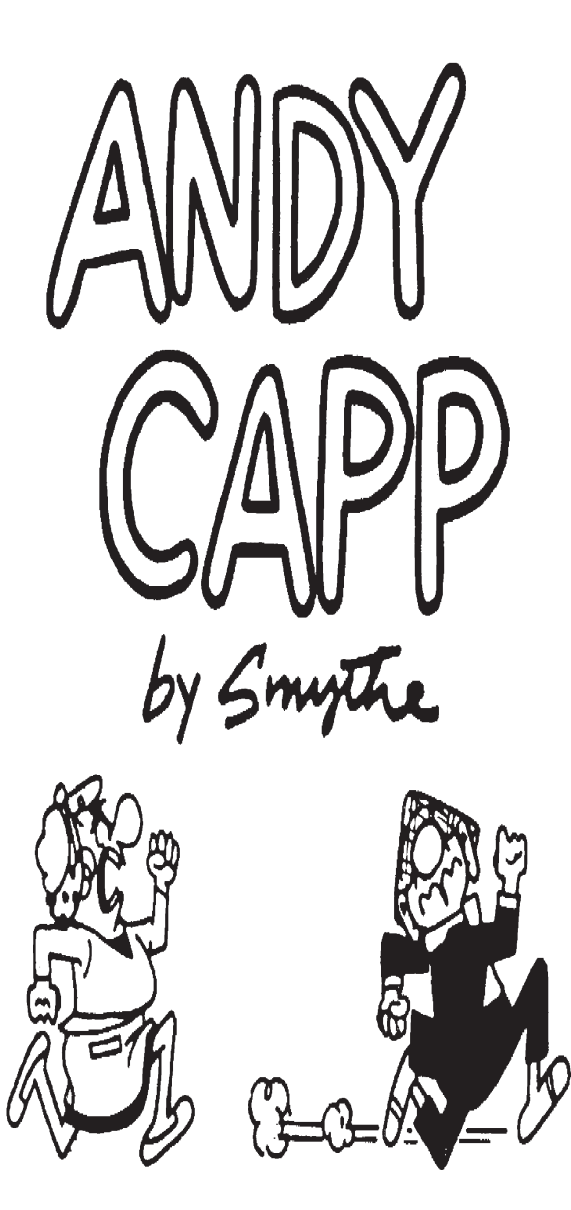
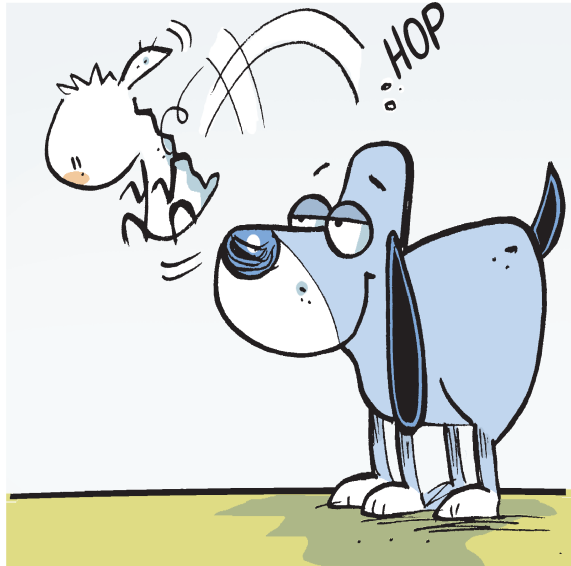
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United Nations races to rescue civilians from Mariupol plant

By ELENA BECATOROS and JON GAMBRELL

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ZAPORIZHZHIA, Ukraine (AP) — The United Nations raced Friday to rescue more civilians from the tunnels under a besieged steel plant in Mariupol and the city at large, even as fighters holed up at the sprawling complex made their last stand to prevent Moscow's complete takeover of the strategic port.

The fight for the last Ukrainian stronghold in a city reduced to ruins by the Russian onslaught appeared increasingly desperate amid growing speculation that President Vladimir Putin wants to finish the battle for Mariupol so he can present a triumph to the Russian people in time for Monday's Victory Day, the biggest patriotic holiday on the Russian calendar.

Some 2,000 Ukrainian fighters, by Russia's most recent estimate, are holed up in the vast maze of tunnels and bunkers beneath the Azovstal steelworks, and they have repeatedly refused to surrender. Ukraine has said a few hundred civilians were also trapped there, and fears for their safety has grown as the battle has grown fiercer in recent days.

Officials said Thursday that the U.N. was launching a third effort to evacuate citizens from the plant and the city. But on Friday, the organization did not divulge any new details of the operation; it has been similarly quiet about previous ones while they were ongoing.

Kateryna Prokopenko, whose husband Denys Prokopenko commands the Azov Regiment troops inside the plant, issued a desperate plea to save the regiment, saying they'd be willing to go to a third country to wait out the war but would never surrender to Russia because that would mean "filtration camps, prison, torture, and death."

If nothing is done to save them, her husband and his men will "stand to the end without surrender," she told The Associated Press by phone Friday as she and relatives of some of the other members of the regiment drove from Italy to Poland.

"We just need to save everyone's life," she said.

It could take days to know whether the latest U.N. effort succeeded, since people escaping Mariupol typically have to pass through contested areas and many checkpoints before reaching relative safety in the Ukrainian-controlled city of Zaporizhzhia, about 140 miles (230 kilometers) to the northwest, where many have gathered.

Andriy Yermak, head of Ukraine's presidential office, said Friday on the Telegram messaging app that another "complex operation to evacuate people from Mariupol and Azovstal" was conducted and that nearly 500 civilians were rescued. Two previous evacuations negotiated by the U.N. and the Red Cross brought roughly 500 people from the steel plant and elsewhere in Mariupol. It was not clear if Yermak was saying more people had since been rescued.

Some of the plant's evacuees spoke to the AP about the horrors of being surrounded by death in the moldy, underground bunker with little food and water and diminishing hope. Some said they felt guilty for leaving others behind.

"People literally rot like our jackets did," said 31-year-old Serhii Kuzmenko, who fled along with his wife, 8-year-old daughter and four others from their bunker, where 30 others were left behind. "They need our help badly. We need to get them out."

Fighters defending the plant said Friday on Telegram that Russian troops fired on an evacuation vehicle on the plant's grounds. They said the car was moving toward civilians when it was hit by shelling, and that one soldier was killed and six were wounded.

Moscow didn't immediately acknowledge renewed fighting there Friday.

Ahead of Victory Day — which marks the Soviet Union's triumph over Nazi Germany — municipal workers and volunteers cleaned up what remains of Mariupol, a city that is now under Russia's control apart from the steel plant. Bulldozers scooped up debris and and people swept streets — with a backdrop of buildings hollowed out by shelling. Workers repaired a model of a warship, and Russian flags were hoisted on utility poles.

The fall of Mariupol would deprive Ukraine of a vital port, allow Russia to establish a land corridor to the Crimean Peninsula, which it seized from Ukraine in 2014, and free up troops to fight elsewhere in the Donbas, the eastern industrial region

that the Kremlin says is now its chief objective. Its capture also holds symbolic value since the city has been the scene of some of the worst suffering of the war and a surprisingly fierce resistance.

While they pounded away at the plant, Russian forces struggled to make significant gains elsewhere, 10 weeks into a devastating war that has killed thousands of people, forced millions to flee the country and flattened large swaths of cities.

The Ukrainian military's general staff said Friday that its forces repelled 11 attacks in the Donbas and destroyed tanks and armored vehicles, further frustrating Putin's ambitions after his abortive attempt to seize Kyiv. Russia gave no immediate acknowledgement of those losses.

Ukraine's chief of defense Gen. Valerii Zaluzhnyi, meanwhile, said Thursday that a counteroffensive could begin to push Russian forces away from Kharkiv and Izyum — two cities key to the Russian campaign in the Donbas, where Moscow-backed separatists have been fighting Ukrainian troops for eight years. Already, Ukrainian fighters have driven Russian troops some 40 kilometers (25 miles) east of Kharkiv in recent days.

The goal could be to push Russian forces out of artillery range of the city, which has been pummeled by strikes, as well as forcing Moscow to divert troops from other areas of the front line, according to an assessment from the Washington-based Institute for the Study of War on Thursday.

Pentagon spokesman John Kirby said Russian forces are making only "plodding" progress in the Donbas.

The British Defense Ministry said Russia may be struggling to execute its plan in the Donbas partly because it's bogged down at the plant in Mariupol. The fighting at the plant "has come at personnel, equipment and munitions cost to Russia," it said. "Whilst Ukrainian resistance continues in Avozstal, Russian losses will continue to build and frustrate their operational plans in southern Donbas."

The Russians have pulverized much of Mariupol, which had a pre-war population of over 400,000, and a two-month siege that has trapped perhaps 100,000 civilians with little food, water, electricity or heat. Civilians sheltering inside the plant have perhaps suffered even more — hunkering underground without seeing daylight in months.

Asked whether Russia would soon take full control of Mariupol, Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy said: "Mariupol will never fall. I'm not talking about heroism or anything."

"It is already devastated," he told a meeting at London's Chatham House think tank. He also said he remains open to negotiations with Russia, but repeated that Moscow must withdraw its forces.

The Russians managed to get inside the plant Wednesday with the help of an electrician who knew the plant's layout and showed them the underground tunnels, said Anton Gerashchenko, an adviser to Ukraine's Internal Affairs Ministry.

The Kremlin has denied its troops were storming the plant, and Russia has also accused the fighters of preventing the civilians from leaving.



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Swiss find cocaine stash amid coffee bean bags

GENEVA (AP) — Swiss police say an investigation is underway after workers at a Nespresso warehouse in western Switzerland found 500 kilograms (over 1,100 pounds) of cocaine, with a street value of \$50 million, as they unloaded coffee beans that had arrived by train.

Regional police in Fribourg said late Thursday they were alerted Monday by the company to the discovery at the facility in the town of Romont and immediately set up a "broad security perimeter" around it with a large deployment of officers. Customs and border control agents were called in.

Early indications were that the shipment turned up in five containers that had arrived by sea from Brazil before being transferred onto a train, authorities said.

"The cocaine seized has an 80% degree of purity and its market value is estimated at more than 50 million francs," the police said, adding that the stash appeared "destined for the European market."

On Friday, the European Union's law enforcement agency Europol and the European Monitoring Center for Drugs and Drug Addiction reported that cocaine availability in Europe "is probably at an all-time high."

Switzerland is not an EU member but is part of the Schengen zone that allows for visa-free travel among many European countries.

The monitoring center said it estimates the EU cocaine retail market was worth at least 10.5 billion euros (\$11.1 billion) in 2020.

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Coahoma High School NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY



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Coahoma High School's chapter of the National Honor Society inducted 22 new members in a recent ceremony. Clockwise from top left: NHS President Karissa Beeman speaks to the crowd during the ceremony; NHS Secretary Ethan Yager lights a candle as a symbolic part of the annual event; Brysen Kerby lights the candle held by new NHS inductee Isaiah Elda; members of the Coahoma High School's NHS pose for a photo following ceremony. Congratulations, CHS National Honor Society members!

Special to the Herald

COAHOMA — The Coahoma High School chapter of the National Honor Society inducted 22 new members in a ceremony held at the high school auditorium recently.

Inducted were: juniors, Madison Bryant, Isaiah Elda, John Reagan, and Rylee Lodgson.

Also inducted were sophomores: Kyla Laceyfield, Sophia Biddison, Olivia Davidson, Leah Grantom, Makenzie Murray, Tucker Brasher-Wegner, Cayhill Lewis, Brynn Rodgers, Reagan Chapman, Keiston Harrison, Nyssa Tran, Natalie Rodriguez, Nicholas Tuttle, Lexus Lozano, Isabella Cox, Kenna Best, and Karleigh Burt.

After the new members were officially inducted, senior members received their NHS graduation stoles.

They were: Kobe Cervantes, Emajin Damgaard, Vada Cortez, Billy Starr, Madison Rodgers, Brysen Kerby, Katelyn Johnson, Presley Archer, Joe Mashburn, Karissa Beeman, Anissa Arguello, Ethan Yager, Hartlie Smithie, and Jonah Rayford.

The CHS Honors Hapet Onus Chapter also has nine juniors who are members. They are Makayla Chavez, Gabriela Olivas, Marianna Glover, Kenan Kimberly, Serena Dobbs, Katy Harris, Christian Everett, Zoie Joslin, and Jocelyn Young.

Membership to the National Honor Society is based on the organization's four pillars — character, service, leadership, and scholarship.

For members of the CHS National Honor Society, serving the community is an essential part of the experience.

"This year we served the community by hosting a trunk or treat event for Coahoma, collecting books for elementary-age students, and collecting items for the Happy Day Humane Society," said Melissa Watson, Coahoma NHS advisor. "If anyone has any area they would like us to serve, please contact me."

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Wednesday: Chocolate chip muffin, peach cup 1% milk
Thursday: Pancake wrap, banana, 1% milk
Friday: Breakfast sausage pizza, red delicious apple, 1% milk

Lunch
Monday: Pizza sticks w/sauce, smile fries, orange smiles, 1% milk
Tuesday: Mini pancakes w/syrup, hash brown, 100% juice box, 1% white milk
Wednesday: Cheese quesadilla, celery sticks w/ranch, red delicious apple, 1% white milk
Thursday: Hot dog w/chips, baked beans, 100% juice box, 1% white milk
Friday: Cheese pizza, cucumber slices, clementine, 1% white milk

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Breakfast
Monday: Yogurt crush cup w/giant cinnamon goldfish, PBJ uncrustable, red delicious apple, 100% juice box, 1% white or non-fat chocolate milk
Tuesday: Goopy coco puff pastry or PBJ uncrustable, clementine, 100% Juice box, 1% white or non-fat chocolate milk
Wednesday: Lucky charms cereal w/string cheese or PBJ uncrustable w/crackers, apple slices, 100% juice box, 1% white or non-fat chocolate milk
Thursday: Strawberry crush cup w/cinnamon goldfish or PBJ uncrustable, banana, 100% juice box, 1% white or non-fat chocolate milk
Friday: Cinnamon waffle bites or PBJ uncrustable, red delicious apple, 100% white or non-fat chocolate milk

Lunch
Monday: Chicken nuggets w/roll, egg chef salad w/roll, turkey and cheese sandwich, steamed broccoli and gala apple, mixed fruit cup, 100% juice, low fat or 1% assorted milk
Tuesday: Cheeseburger, Popcorn chicken salad w/roll, PBJ uncrustable sandwich, fresh grapes, baby carrot bites, 100% Juice box, white or chocolate milk
Wednesday: Cheese quesadilla, taco salad, PBJ uncrustable sandwich, diced peaches, baked beans, 100% juice box, white and chocolate milk
Thursday: Walking taco w/doritos, chef salad, turkey and cheese sandwich, smile fries, banana, 100% juice box, low fat or 1% assorted milk
Friday: Homemade cheese pizza, yogurt, string cheese and muffin, PBJ uncrustable sandwich, apple slices, cucumber slices, 100% juice, dirt cup dessert

Intermediate

Breakfast
Monday: Pancake wrap, lucky charms cereal w/ string cheese, PBJ uncrustable sandwich, fresh oranges, juice box, assorted milk
Tuesday: Cherry frudel, lucky charms cereal w/string cheese, PBJ uncrustable, clementine, juice box, assorted milk
Wednesday: Blueberry muffin w/cheese stick, frosted flakes cereal w/string cheese, PBJ uncrustable sandwich, red apple, juice box, assorted milk
Thursday: Chocolate crescent roll, fruit loops cereal w/string cheese, PBJ uncrustable, orange, juice box, assorted milk
Friday: Strawberry poptart w/string cheese, cinnamon toast crunch cereal w/string cheese, PBJ uncrustable, peach cup, juice box, assorted milk

Lunch
Monday: Meatball sub sandwich, assorted burgers and chicken sandwiches, assorted pizza, salads and sandwiches, baby carrots, mixed fruit, 100% juice box
Tuesday: Chicken bacon melt assorted burgers and chicken nuggets, assorted pizza salads and sandwiches, spiral fries, diced peaches, assorted milk, 100% juice
Wednesday: Taco mac and cheese, assorted burgers & chicken sandwiches, assorted pizza, salads and sandwiches, cucumber slices, cinnamon applesauce, 100% juice box, assorted milk
Thursday: Chicken fried steak w/roll, assorted burgers & chicken

sandwiches, assorted pizza, salads and sandwiches, cucumber slices, cinnamon applesauce, 100% juice box, assorted milk
Friday: Walking taco, assorted burgers & chicken sandwiches, assorted pizza, salads and sandwiches, baby carrots, peach cup, 100% juice box, assorted milk

Junior High

Breakfast
Monday: Pancake wrap, lucky charms cereal w/ string cheese, PBJ uncrustable sandwich, fresh oranges, juice box, assorted milk
Tuesday: Cherry frudel, lucky charms cereal w/string cheese, PBJ uncrustable, clementine, juice box, assorted milk
Wednesday: Blueberry muffin w/cheese stick, frosted flakes cereal w/string cheese, PBJ uncrustable sandwich, red apple, juice box, assorted milk
Thursday: Chocolate crescent roll, fruit loops cereal w/string cheese, PBJ uncrustable, orange, juice box, assorted milk
Friday: Strawberry poptart w/string cheese, cinnamon toast crunch cereal w/string cheese, PBJ uncrustable, peach cup, juice box, assorted milk

Lunch
Monday: Meatball sub sandwich, assorted burgers and chicken sandwiches, assorted pizza, salads and sandwiches, baby carrots, mixed fruit, 100% juice box
Tuesday: Chicken bacon melt assorted burgers and chicken nuggets, assorted pizza salads and sandwiches, spiral fries, diced peaches, assorted milk, 100% juice
Wednesday: Taco mac and cheese, assorted burgers & chicken sandwiches, assorted pizza, salads and sandwiches, cucumber slices, cinnamon applesauce, 100% juice box, assorted milk
Thursday: Chicken fried steak w/roll, assorted burgers & chicken sandwiches, assorted pizza, salads and sandwiches, cucumber slices, cinnamon applesauce, 100% juice box, assorted milk
Friday: Walking taco, assorted burgers & chicken sandwiches, assorted pizza, salads and sandwiches, baby carrots, peach cup, 100% juice box, assorted milk

High School
Breakfast
Monday: Apple frudel, waffles w/fruit topping, egg/sausage/cheese burrito, refried beans, apple jacks cereal pouch, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk
Tuesday- Vanilla glazed donut, pancakes w/fruit, egg/sausage/cheese burrito, refried beans, frosted flakes cereal bowl, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk
Wednesday- Homemade cinnamon roll, waffle bites, w/fruit, egg/sausage/cheese burrito, refried beans, trix cereal bowl, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk
Thursday- Banana muffin, pancake bites, w/fruit, egg/sausage/cheese burrito, refried beans, cinnamon toast crunch cereal bowl, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk
Friday: Cherry frudel, waffle bites, w/fruit, egg/sausage/cheese burrito, refried beans, lucky charms cereal bowl, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk

Lunch
Monday: Turkey and bacon melt, hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken sandwich or nuggets, cheese/pepperoni pizza, assorted vegetables, assorted fruits and juice, as-

sorted milk
Tuesday: Wings-N-Things, hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken sandwich or nuggets, cheese/pepperoni pizza, assorted vegetables, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk
Wednesday: Bahn Mi sandwich, hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken sandwich or nuggets, cheese/pepperoni pizza, assorted vegetables, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk
Thursday: Chicken fried steak, hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken sandwich or nuggets, cheese/pepperoni pizza, assorted vegetables, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk
Friday: Pepperoni pizza pocket/walking taco, hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken/spicy chicken sandwich or nuggets, cheese/pepperoni pizza, assorted vegetables, assorted fruits and juice, assorted milk

Anderson Accelerated

Breakfast
Monday: Apple cinnamon muffin, cereal w/string cheese, assorted fruits, assorted milk
Tuesday: Coco puff pastry, cereal w/string cheese, assorted fruits, assorted milk
Wednesday: Egg, sausage and cheese burrito, cereal w/string cheese, assorted fruits, assorted milk
Thursday: Chocolate muffin, cereal w/string cheese, assorted fruits, assorted milk
Friday, PBJ uncrustable, cereal w/string cheese, assorted fruits, assorted milk

Lunch
Monday: Bacon cheeseburger, spicy chicken sandwich, assorted vegetables, juice, assorted fruits, assorted milk
Tuesday- BBQ pork ribette sandwich, chicken patty sandwich, assorted vegetables, juice, assorted fruits, assorted milk
Wednesday: Meat lovers pizza, bean and cheese burrito, Assorted Vegetables, Juice, Assorted Fruits, Assorted Milk
Thursday: Chicken fried steak sandwich, chicken nuggets, Assorted Vegetables, Juice, Assorted Fruits, Assorted Milk
Friday: Pepperoni pizza, yogurt, cheese and muffin assorted vegetables, juice, assorted fruits, assorted milk

Coahoma ISD

Lunch
Monday: Hot dog w/chips, carrots, applesauce, milk
Tuesday: Chicken sandwich w/fries, tomato cup, apples, milk
Wednesday: Hamburger w/chips, garden salad, grapes, milk
Thursday: Fiesta bowl or boneless chicken wings w/chips, celery, carrots, mixed fruit, sherbet, milk
Friday: Chicken parmesan or steak fingers, green beans, corn, roll, peaches, milk

Sands CISD
Breakfast ** Lunch
Monday: Breakfast bread, yogurt, fruit, fruit juice, milk ** Grilled cheese or chicken sandwich, fritos, bean dip, green bell peppers, fruit cup, milk variety
Tuesday: French toast, yogurt, fruit, fruit juice, milk ** country pot pie, fresh broccoli, steamed corn, mandarin oranges, milk variety
Wednesday: Chicken-n-biscuit, fruit, fruit juice, milk ** Pizza, fresh broccoli, baby carrots, fruit, milk va-

riety
Thursday: Breakfast pizza, fruit, fruit juice, milk ** Ham and cheese sandwich, chips, garden salad, cherry tomatoes, fruit, milk variety
Friday: Waffles, yogurt, fruit, fruit juice, milk ** Burrito, potatoes, sliced cucumbers, applesauce, milk variety

Forsan ISD

Elementary
Breakfast
Monday- Sausage and biscuit w/cheese stick or cereal, strawberry cup, fruit juice and milk
Tuesday-Mini powdered donuts w/bacon or cereal, apple slices, fruit juice and milk
Wednesday- Breakfast bar w/yogurt cup or cereal, mandarin oranges, fruit juice and milk
Thursday- Cinnamon roll w/cheese stick or cereal, strawberry cup, fruit juice and milk

Junior High/High School

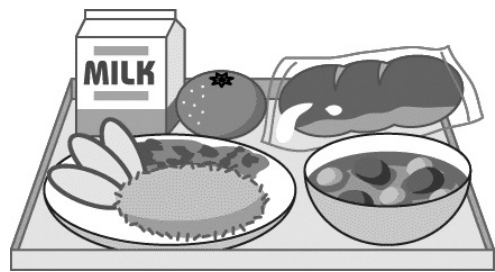
Breakfast
Monday: French toast sticks w/sausage or cereal, strawberry cup, fruit juice and milk
Tuesday- Sausage kolache w/cheese stick or cereal, apple slices, fruit juice and milk
Wednesday- Chicken and waffles or cereal, mandarin oranges, fruit juice and milk
Thursday- Breakfast pizza or cereal, strawberry cup, fruit juice and milk

All schools

Lunch
Monday: Steak and cheese tornados or chicken and waffles (elem), chicken parmesan (JH/HS) or PBJ sandwich, tots baby carrots, strawberry cup, fresh fruit and milk
Tuesday: Chicken fajitas or pulled pork sandwich or ham and cheese sub, fries, savory green beans, snowball salad, fresh fruit and milk
Wednesday- Pizza or turkey chef salad or PBJ sandwich, fresh veggie cup, garden salad, applesauce cup, fresh fruit and milk
Thursday- Hamburger or mini corn dogs (elem), crispy chicken bacon ranch jalapeno wrap (JH/HS) or ham and cheese sub, corn, tots, strawberry cup, fresh fruit and milk

Big Spring Senior Center

Monday: Chicken pot pie w/mixed vegetables, sliced beets, diced pears, milk
Tuesday: Breaded pork chop, red potatoes w/onions, spinach, peaches, bread, milk
Wednesday: Dorito casserole, fiesta corn, stewed tomatoes, muffin, milk
Thursday: Chopped steak w/ brown gravy and grilled onions, steamed rice, peas and carrots, oatmeal raisin cookie, roll, milk
Friday: Chicken salad, pasta salad, peaches w/cottage cheese, pistachio salad, crackers, milk



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Chamber happenings...

• YMCA Thank You presentation



Courtesy photo

The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce presented a Thank You banner to Chamber Member YMCA of Big Spring, on Tuesday, in recognition of their contributions to the community.

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**

Contributing Writer

The Big Spring Chamber of Commerce showed their appreciation at the YMCA of Big Spring this past week, with a Thank You Presentation. The local YMCA offers an array of services for all ages. As the local YMCA Director Dathan Jones says, "We are one of the places in the community that the whole family can come to and enjoy." The YMCA offers child care services, after school programs,

youth sports throughout the year, different fitness programs, classes, 24-hour workout opportunities and more.

The YMCA also offers several different community outreach events during the year including a Fall Festival. They also contribute school supplies to help prepare students heading back to school and often times conduct other donation opportunities.

To find out more about the local YMCA, stop by 801 Owens or call 432-267-8234.

• Secured Document Shredding Ribbon Cutting



Courtesy photo

The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors and members joined together on Wednesday, to welcome a new member - Secured Document Shredding.

The company, based out of Midland, is servicing Howard County businesses. The company is looking to expand service coverage in the Big Spring community. To find out more information, visit their Facebook page or call 877-682-3617.

Texas had the 6th fewest job openings in the U.S. in Q4 2021

Special to the Herald

As the U.S. continues to navigate the lasting ripple effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, key economic indicators are sending mixed messages about where the economy stands today.

On the positive side, GDP increased by 6.9% in the last three months of 2021, and consumer spending started off strong in 2022. Simultaneously, year-over-year inflation is at record levels according to the Consumer Price Index, and the U.S. Federal Reserve is raising interest rates to slow the economy. Many supply chain issues from 2021 have extended into 2022, with new COVID outbreaks in China, the war in Ukraine, and high energy prices creating additional challenges.

The labor market provides another set of unclear signals. The Bureau of Labor Statistics reported in April 2022 that the unemployment rate had fallen to 3.6%, around where it was in February 2020 before the pandemic hit the U.S. The "Great Resignation" has record numbers of workers leaving jobs to seek out positions that pay more or provide better working conditions. But workers have more power in the economy in large part because the labor force participation rate remains below pre-pandemic levels, which means fewer people are available for all the jobs that are currently open.

Additional BLS data confirms the gap between open positions and hires. After falling to 3.5% amid COVID shutdowns in April 2020, the rate of job openings has doubled to 7% over the last two years. While the rate of hiring has been above 4%—higher than typical levels historically—every month since May 2020, this figure has not been sufficient to keep up with the explosion of open positions. And employers face even more challenges with the quit

rate at around 3%, meaning that they are struggling to retain employees in addition to hiring new ones.

But as with many aspects of the current economy, the overall statistics do not tell the full story, and the hiring outlook depends heavily on industry. Many of the sectors with the highest job openings rates have been the most challenging to work in during the pandemic. Leisure and hospitality businesses, whose workers face low wages and greater volatility in their working conditions due to the effects of COVID, have a job openings rate of 10.57%. The health care and social assistance industry, whose workers have been on the front lines of the pandemic, has a job openings rate of 8.73%. In comparison, the total nonfarm rate is 6.97%, and in fields like construction and real estate, the rate is below 5.00%.

The rate of openings is also dependent on geography. At the high end, Alaska (9.00%) and Hawaii (8.60%) have the highest job openings rates, which may in part be due to the difficulty of recruiting labor to their more remote locations. In contrast, states with rapid economic growth like Washington (6.13%) and Texas (6.47%) or with denser populations like New York (6.17%) and Connecticut (6.20%) have lower rates of openings.

The data used in this analysis is from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Job Openings and Labor Turnover Survey (JOLTS). To determine the states with the most job openings, researchers at Commodity.com calculated the average job openings rate for the fourth quarter of 2021, the most recent quarter available.

In the event of a tie, the state with the greater

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Public Records

Howard County Justice of the Peace Outstanding IBC Warrants:

Jasmine Ahrnkeil, 1301 Princeton, Big Spring
Sherri Monique Aldridge, 1507 E. Sixth St., Big Spring
Anthony Anderson, 3401 Camellia Dr. #707, Temple
Steve Antoine, 1425 E. 6th St., Big Spring
Katie Cole L. Baker, P.O. Box 3372, Big Spring
Letitia Baucham, 1202 Stanford, Big Spring
Linda Beck, 1713 Worley Rd., Banner Elk, N.C.
Joshua Bell, 1962 Tuscola, Snyder
John Bochnicka, 538 Westover Rd. #260
Chad Wayne Brown, 3901 Ave. O, P.O. Box 391, Snyder

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

James Bullard, 202 Fourth St., Palestine
Melinda Burns, 2218 Carlton Way, San Angelo
Gloria Cerna, P.O. Box 55, Lamesa
Matilda Cortez, 302 N St. Teresa
Roy E. DeBlanc, 1066 Cutrer Rd., Osyka, Miss.
Laura W. Dennis, 1511 Scurry, Big Spring
Humberto Diaz Jr., 3417 N. Midland Dr, Midland
Nelba DeLosRios Diaz, 10600 McMillian Dr., Austin
Krista A. Dickson, 6917 Todd, Sachse
Jimmy Dodson, 405 31st St., Snyder
Ben Doherty, 5019 McKinney St. No. 105, Dallas
Angela Doty, 1401 E. Rundberg, Austin
Clayton W. Durbin, 6508 Centerpoint, Big Spring
Tina Marie Ellis, 4002 Austin Ave., Snyder
Selena Bethani Enriquez-King, 100 E Parker, Midland
Joanna Esparza, 501 S. Tackitt Seymour, Texas
Carol W. Evans, 809 E 33rd, Plainview, Texas
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Kristen Falcon, 2606 Fairchild Dr., Big Spring
Leza Faulkner, 1102 South Water, Burnet
Mumduh Felemban, 9338 Perrin Beitel Apt. 701, San Antonio

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Juana Fierro, 406 N. W. 5th St., Big Spring
Tracy D. Flores, 2401 Russell Ave., Abilene
Ellen French, P.O. Box 942, Poteau, Okla.
Sharlamarr Frink, 3723 Monclair, Odessa
Johnnie Fuller, 3801 23rd St., Snyder
Juan E. Garcia, 3355 River Road North Keizer, Ok
Mary Jo Garner, 11802 Silver Barring Cove, San Antonio

William Gene Garner, 704 Rosemont, Big Spring
Rosa M. George, 509 W. Second St., Stanton, Texas
Perry Gholar, 1510 Nolan, Big Spring
Elizabeth Gomez, 509 Raleigh St., Plainview
Guillermo Gomez, 2107 Morrison, Big Spring
James E. Gonzalez, 604 Neff St., Sweetwater
Jeremy Goodman, 3471 Green Meadow #24, San Angelo

Kay Grant, 4405 N. Garfield #1005, Midland
Isaiah Green, 4801 State St., Abilene
John Grima, 914 E. Sixth St., Big Spring
Thomas E. Gross, 4100 S. Highway 87 #37, Big Spring

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Melissa Gutierrez, 3310 SF Austin, No. 58, Brownwood

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Mike Haddix, 401 Humble St. Apt. E, Midland
Dylan Hammons, 4401 E. 11th Place, Big Spring
William J. Harman, HC 76, Box 147K-1, Big Spring
Nicholas D. Hasenbalg, 207 W. Williams St. #9, Breckenridge

Ann Hashem, 120 Airbase Rd. 15-5, Big Spring
Christine Henderson, 420 N. El Paso
Juanita Hernandez, 1502 Bluebird, Big Spring
Scott Herrera, 4608 Ash St, Big Spring
Billy Dean Hill, 7117 Alissa, Rowlett, Texas
Johnny R. Hill, 704 San Antonio, Big Spring
Kaleb Hill, 910 Baylor, Big Spring
Shatiya Lasha Jenkins, 4590 N Texas #198 Odessa
David Kelley, P.O. Box 724, Salado
Joni D. Kelly, 3050 Co. Rd 139, Colorado
Renola S. Kelly, 4503 LA Salle Circle, Colorado City
Cynthia Lee Kent, Moved to Newport News, Virginia
Kayle R. Lane, P.O. Box 83965, Waco
Rafael Lemus, 1804 Mittel, Big Spring
Jesse Paul Lopez, 101 Scurry St., Big Spring
Ruben Lopez Jr., 107 Milburn St., Snyder, Texas
Clifford G. Lowe, 501 Circle, Big Spring
Patricia D. Lyons, 7502 Interstate 27 number A, Lubbock

Aaron Christopher Mack, 2134 Bonham Ave., Odessa
Bruce Edward Mallard, P.O. Box 3265 504 Westover, Big Spring

Barbara A. Marshall, P.O. Box 1065, Deming, New Mexico

James Martinez, P.O. Box 269, Ft. Davis
Rene N. Martinez, 8618 Serene Ridge, Big Spring, Texas

Victoria Josephine Martinez, 323 S. Main St., Loraine
Karen McCalister, 5925 Raton Ln. number 154, Ft. Worth

O'Neal McClain, 911 17th St., Snyder
Diana McCool, 504 Donley, Big Spring
Ethel Laverne McVae, 4202 Parkway Rd., Big Spring, Texas

Heriberto Palafox Mora, 1311 Mobile St., Big Spring
Felicia Ornelas, 538 Westover Rd.

Dana Kay Peach, 1806 N 11th, Lamesa
Nicole Preston, 1605 E 11th place, Big Spring
Byron Roberts, 2206 Alabama St Big Spring
Michael Robinson, 801 Anna St., Big Spring
Veronica Romero, 103 Becker Rd., Big Spring
Elizabeth Salazar, 1808 Hearn, Big Spring, Texas
Shane Skaggs, 1 Courtney Place, Apt. 301, Big Spring
Derrick Dewayne Smith, 703 West 16th, San Angelo,

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Business Briefs

Postmaster general: Get used to 'uncomfortable' rate hikes

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans should get used to “uncomfortable” postage rate increases in coming years as the U.S. Postal Service seeks to become self-sufficient, Postmaster General Louis DeJoy said Thursday.

The Postal Service Board of Governors sets postage rates, but DeJoy said he'll advocate for raising prices until “we have accomplished our objective of projecting a trajectory that shows us being self-sustaining.”

“I believe we have been severely damaged by at least 10 years of a defective pricing model which cannot be satisfied by one or two annual price increases, especially in this inflationary environment,” he added.

DeJoy made the remarks at a Board of Governors meeting in which the Postal Service reported a loss of about \$1.7 billion for the latest quarter.

A sweeping overhaul meant to shore up the Postal Service's financial future will be reflected in the

next quarter's results. The long-delayed law also ensures six-day-a-week mail delivery.

The bill was signed by President Joe Biden on the same day the Postal Service announced plans for the latest rate increase.

If it wins final approval, then the cost of a first-class “forever” stamp by 2 cents to 60 cents, effective July 10.

US mortgage rates rise; 30-year at 5.27%, highest since 2009

WASHINGTON (AP) — Average long-term U.S. mortgage rates resumed their ascent this week, as the key 30-year loan reached its highest point since 2009.

The increases came in the week preceding the widely anticipated action by the Federal Reserve, announced Wednesday, to intensify its fight against the worst inflation in 40 years by raising its benchmark interest rate by a half-percentage point and signaling further large rate hikes to come. The Fed's move, its most ag-

gressive since 2000, will bring higher costs for mortgages as well as credit cards, auto loans and other borrowing for individuals and businesses.

Mortgage buyer Freddie Mac reported Thursday that the 30-year rate rose to 5.27% from 5.1% last week, when it edged down after seven weeks of increases. By contrast, the average rate stood at 2.96% a year ago.

The average rate on 15-year, fixed-rate mortgages, popular among those refinancing their homes, jumped to 4.52% from 4.4% last week.

Wayfair, Etsy fall; Albemarle, Booking Holdings rise

NEW YORK (AP) — Stocks that traded heavily or had substantial price changes Thursday:

Intercontinental Exchange Inc., down \$8.23 to \$101.63.

The owner of the New York Stock Exchange is buying mortgage software co. Black Knight for \$13.1B.

Booking Holdings Inc., up \$68.58 to \$2,171.91.

The online booking service beat

Wall Street's first-quarter earnings and revenue forecasts.

Albemarle Corp., up \$21.03 to \$236.50.

The specialty chemicals company significantly raised its revenue forecast for the year.

TripAdvisor Inc., up \$1.25 to \$25.80.

The travel website named a new CEO and reported strong first-quarter revenue.

Kellogg Co., up \$2.38 to \$70.23.

The maker of Frosted Flakes and Pop Tarts beat Wall Street's first-quarter profit and revenue forecasts.

Wayfair Inc., down \$23.31 to \$67.45.

The online home goods retailer reported a bigger first-quarter loss than Wall Street expected.

Etsy Inc., down \$18.40 to \$90.93.

The online crafts marketplace gave investors a weak revenue forecast for the current quarter.

Centene Corp., up \$1.91 to \$84.82.

The healthcare company is selling two of its pharmacy businesses and expects proceeds of about \$2.8 billion.

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total number of job openings was ranked higher. Researchers also included statistics on hiring rates, total hires, and total employment.

The analysis found that the average job openings rate in Texas in the fourth quarter of 2021 was 6.47%, with an average of 900,667 openings per

month. Out of all states, Texas had the 6th lowest average job openings rate. Here is a summary of the data for Texas:

Average job openings rate: 6.47%

Average hire rate: 4.80%

Average monthly job openings: 900,667

Average monthly hires: 626,000

Average monthly employment: 13,041,667

For reference, here are the statistics for the en-

tire United States:

Average job openings rate: 6.97%

Average hire rate: 4.40%

Average monthly job openings: 11,154,667

Average monthly hires: 6,538,333

Average monthly employment: 148,598,485

For more information, a detailed methodology, and complete results, you can find the original report on Commodity.com's website: <https://commodity.com/blog/job-openings/>

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

Marriage Licenses

Robert C. Sizemore, 45, and Jennifer Marie Aarback, 44, both of Big Spring.
Abraham Gonzalez Gonzalez, 48, and Agustina Cruz Gutierrez, 34, both of Big Spring.

District Court Filings

Plaintiff: Howard County et al
Defendant: Caren Clinkscales, Georgina Clinkscales, Citibank NA
Type of Case: Tax Cases
Date: April 28, 2022

Plaintiff: Howard County et al
Defendant: Owners of Various Properties located within the City Limits of Big Spring, Texas
Type of Case: Tax Cases
Date: May 3, 2022

Plaintiff: Roberta Bacon
Defendant: Philip Bacon
Type of Case: Divorce - Children
Date: May 3, 2022

Plaintiff: William Cox et al
Defendant: Surge Operating LLC, Grenadier Energy Partners II LLC
Type of Case: Civil Case - Other
Date: May 2, 2022

Plaintiff: Harley-Davidson Credit Corporation
Defendant: Carl Black
Type of Case: Civil Case - Other
Date: April 29, 2022

Plaintiff: Clinton Bitner
Defendant: Jamie Bitner
Type of Case: Divorce - Children
Date: May 2, 2022

Plaintiff: Consolidated Installation Support LLC
Defendant: J3E Concrete LLC et al
Type of Case: Contract - Consumer/Commercial/Debt
Date: May 3, 2022

Plaintiff: Dijuan Ausbie
Defendant: State of Texas
Type of Case: Writ of Habeas Corpus
Date: May 4, 2022

Plaintiff: Aaron Josey
Defendant: State of Texas
Type of Case: Writ of Habeas Corpus
Date: May 4, 2022

Plaintiff: Kenneth Hart
Defendant: State of Texas
Type of Case: Writ of Habeas Corpus
Date: May 4, 2022

Deeds

Type: General Warranty Deed

Grantor: Paul Douglas Lauterbach
Grantee: Robert Mark Mitchell
Property: Lot 10, Blk. 13, College Park Estates
Date: April 25, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: Chuck Rosenbaum
Grantee: Mason H. Parker and Ashley C. Parker
Property: Lot 16, Blk. 4, Replat of Blk. 4, Clanton Subdivision
Date: April 25, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: Stephen L. Loftin and Marissa Loftin
Grantee: Paul Copeland and Angela Copeland
Property: Lot 4, Blk. B, Sec. 1, Stone Creek Subdivision
Date: April 25, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: Victor Mata Villarreal
Grantee: Baily Jewel Curry and Richard Rawlins Curry
Property: A 2.31-acre tract in a 19.18-acre tract in N/2 Sec. 44, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: April 25, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: Silver Leaf Communities LLC
Grantee: Susan Maddox
Property: All of Lot 7, Blk. 32, College Park Estates No. 7, Phase 2.
Date: April 25, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: Daniel Mondier
Grantee: Gabriel Martinez
Property: Lot 8, Blk. 23, Cole and Strayhorn Addition
Date: April 26, 2022

Type: General Warranty Deed
Grantor: Laicy Madrid
Grantee: Aaron Shaffer
Property: A 2.09-acre tract in SW/4 of Sec. 19, Blk. 37, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey, except a 1.0-acre tract in the west part of the tract; for a total of 1.09 acres.
Date: April 26, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: Silver Leaf Communities LLC
Grantee: Jennifer Antoniette A. Gato and Ulyseus Gato
Property: Lot 6, Blk. 32, College Park Estates No. 7, Phase 2
Date: April 26, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: Francisco O. Chapa Jr.
Grantee: Michael Gilmore and Tonya Gilmore
Property: A 3.21-acre tract in a 24.35-acre tract in the NE/4 Sec. 46, Blk. 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey.
Date: April 27, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's

Lien
Grantor: Tristin Riddle
Grantee: Claw Solutions TX LLC
Property: Lot 18, Blk. A, Merrick Green Addition
Date: April 27, 2022

Type: Gift Deed
Grantor: Dick Earhart
Grantee: Taylor Ray Earhart
Property: N/2.02 acres of a 5.06-acre tract in NW/4 S Section 29, BLk. 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: April 27, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: Elvira Gomez aka Elvira Hernandez Gomez
Grantee: Kevin James Belcher and Maegan Renee Lee
Property: Lot 15, Blk. 1, Roy Chapman Subdivision in Sec. 46, Blk. 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: April 27, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: Daniel Alvarado
Grantee: Rebecca Cantu
Property: All of Lot 3, BLk. 8, Stanford Park Addition
Date: April 27, 2022

Type: General Warranty Deed
Grantor: Weylin C. Wolf and Lacey R. Wolf
Grantee: Highpeak Energy Assets LLC
Property: A 5.06-acre trct in SE part of Sec. 13, Blk. 25, H&TC RR Co. Survey
Date: April 28, 2022

Type: General Warranty Deed
Grantor: Tranquilino Mendoza
Grantee: Hector Mendoza
Property: Lot 8, Blk. 6, Lakeview Addition
Date: April 28, 2022

Type: General Warranty Deed
Grantor: Beverly Smithie, individually and as heir of R.E. Smithie
Grantee: Kaegan Baucum and Dylan Smithie
Property: A 0.5-acre tract in SW/4 Sec. 48, Blk. 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: April 28, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed
Grantor: Josue Lugo and Cindy Lugo
Grantee: Micaelina Resendiz
Property: A 2.03-acre tract in NW part of Sec. 24, Blk. 33, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: April 28, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: HDN Rentals LLC aka HDM Rentals LLC
Grantee: David Franks and April Franks
Property: Lot 4, Blk. 1, Amended Piner Heights Addition
Date: April 29, 2022

Type: 1/2 Interest General Warranty Deed
Grantor: Crystal Marie Ramirez
Grantee: Austin Bishop
Property: 1/2 interest in Lot 11, Blk. 34, Original Town of Big Spring
Date: April 29, 2022

Type: General Warranty Deed
Grantor: Austin Bishop
Grantee: Jairo Holguin
Property: Lot 11, Blk. 34, Original Town of Big Spring
Date: April 29, 2022

Type: General Warranty Deed
Grantor: ESPI Realty LLC
Grantee: Pamela Wright and Randy Wright
Property: Lot 6, BLk. 7, Stanford Park Addition
Date: April 29, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: Chuck Rosenbaum
Grantee: Katrina Petrowski
Property: Lot 14, BLk. 4, Replat of Block 4, Clanton Subdivision
Date: April 29, 2022

Type: General Warranty Deed
Grantor: Lucas Lopez, administrator of the estate of Habacue D. Lopez, aka H.D. Lopez, deceased
Grantee: Holguin and Associates Law Firm PLLC
Property: S/90 feet of Lot 11, and S/90 feet of Lot 12, Blk. 22, Cole and Strayhorn Addition
Date: April 29, 2022

Type: Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien
Grantor: Gloria Mercedes Reese
Grantee: Ronald Newstrom
Property: N/5 feet of Lot 27, all of Lot 28 and 29, and S/5 feet of Lot 30, Blk. 14, Washington Place Addition
Date: April 29, 2022

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**Notice of Virtual Public Meeting
Texas Department of Transportation
2023 – 2026 Rural Transportation Improvement Program
Abilene District**

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) – Abilene District will conduct an online virtual public meeting for the 2023 – 2026 Rural Transportation Improvement Program (Rural TIP). The purpose of this meeting is to provide information and receive comments on which transportation projects may be coming to your area. The Abilene District includes Borden, Callahan, Fisher, Haskell, Howard, Jones, Kent, Mitchell, Nolan, Scurry, Shackelford, Stonewall, Taylor counties. The Rural TIP includes all added capacity and regionally significant projects to be funded within a TxDOT District during the next four years, including those eligible for federal funding. As such, this meeting offers the public an opportunity to review and comment on the proposed priorities. The Rural TIP is the first step on the road to producing a Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

To participate in the virtual public meeting and learn more about projects in the counties listed above, please join us on the time and date indicated below:

Virtual Public Meeting

Available on May 19, 2022 at Noon

Borden, Callahan, Fisher, Haskell, Howard, Jones, Kent, Mitchell, Nolan, Scurry, Shackelford, Stonewall, Taylor counties
Visit www.TxDOT.gov and Keyword Search: 2023-2026 Abilene Rural TIP



This Rural TIP meeting is being held pursuant to Title 43, Texas Administrative Code, Section 16.102, which calls for an opportunity for public comment concerning the Rural TIP. A short presentation, exhibits explaining how the Rural TIP operates, and projects that are included in it will be available to view during the virtual public meeting.

All community members are encouraged to attend the virtual public meeting and provide written comments on the proposed program. Comments must be postmarked or otherwise received by Monday, May 30, 2022 to: TxDOT Abilene District, Attn: Billy Dezern Rural TIP, 4250 N. Clack St., Abilene, TX 79601; or by email to Billy.Dezern@txdot.gov, Attention: Rural TIP.

Special Accommodations: The virtual public meeting will be conducted in English. If you need an interpreter or document translator because English is not your primary language or you have difficulty communicating effectively in English, one will be provided to you. If you have a disability and need assistance, special arrangements can be made to accommodate most needs. If you need interpretation or translation services or you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation to attend and participate in the virtual public meeting or in-person option, please contact Tanya Brown, Abilene District, at (325) 676-6817 no later than 4 p.m. CT, Monday, May 16, 2022. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for the TxDOT to arrange.



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Newsday Crossword SATURDAY STUMPER by Matthew Sewell
Edited by Stanley Newman
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- ACROSS**
1 Was stopped
11 Flying fruit-eaters
15 "Preposterous!"
16 Contracts studier, for short
17 Where posers are often presented
18 More, for less?
19 "Miss" metaphor
20 Thrift shop staples
21 Time and place
23 Deeply respectful
25 Predators of the lizards of Oz
26 Where to see columns on the house
30 Feels discontented
31 Scraped (out) with great effort
32 What Indy Jones got from the Sorbonne
34 Single out
35 Call unexpectedly
37 ___ stick (paint store freebie)
38 One may be touring
39 A buck of a sort
40 Hardly fair
41 Where you meet we?
45 Artie ___ (Disney Gummi Bears toucan)
46 Update alerts
47 Mull over
50 Owner of three Southern nuclear power plants
51 Document placeholder
54 Keep occupied for a while
- DOWN**
1 Forensic evidence collector
2 ___-hike (end-to-end trek)
3 Milk source
4 What ibuprofen went in the '80s
5 Is in no hurry to decide
6 Attach, as a motorcycle visor
7 Paper from the Latin for "woven"
8 State issuances
9 Viticultural refuse
10 Bright highlighter
11 Lone Ranger ring request enclosure
12 Coldly impersonal
13 Seasonal Arctic visitor
14 Welding byproduct
22 Object of aversion
23 Cabinet nickname
24 Enthused about, with "in"
26 Ecclesiastic sounding like an appliance
27 Many a railroad relic, today
28 Go on a run
29 Key crossing of WWII
30 Producer of a "Don't Hang On, Hang Up!" video
33 Drained
35 Stumblebums
36 Zoologist's mouths
37 Free from
39 "Life" lesson
40 Best alternative
42 Dirt spreaders
43 Be of two minds
44 Coin
47 Steel ___
48 Patron of the Argonauts
49 Address an empty feeling
51 Word on a birth *anuncio*
52 Whaler-turned-retailer
53 ___ Crozet (Indian Ocean archipelago)
56 Lab work, briefly
57 Get snarled

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2			7		4		3	

Level: Intermediate

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3	8	4	7	5	1	7	9	6	9	2	6	8	3	7
9	2	2	6	8	6	8	3	9	7	7	8	5	2	2
6	9	5	9	2	2	4	7	8	6	7	9	1	3	8
8	2	2	6	8	1	7	1	7	4	5	9	4	7	4
4	9	7	6	8	5	9	5	1	2	1	3	8	1	3
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ANSWER:

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Date/Time: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at 2:00 p.m., for the following:

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Legals

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To: The Known and Unknown heirs, executors administrators, devisees, trustees, successors, and assigns, immediate and remote, of KINGSLEY ALEXANDER GILLESPIE; AND THEIR KNOW AND UNKNOWN HEIRS and the heirs, executors administrators, devisees, trustees, successors and assigns, immediate and remote, known and unknown, of KINGSLEY ALEXANDER GILLESPIE, DECEASED.

Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before 10:00 o'clock A/M. on the Monday next after the expiration of 42 days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday 05/23/2022, before the Honorable 118th District Court of Howard County, at 312 Scurry Street in the said County in Big Spring, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 28th day of March, 2022, cause number 55411 in the entitled cause styled

CROWNROCL, L.P.
 vs
 GAIL BAIRD, Et Al

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: Civil Case-Other as is more fully shown by the Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

Issued and given under my hand seal of said court at office on this the 4th day of April, 2022.

(seal)
 JOANNA GONZALES
 District Clerk of Howard County, Texas

By: /s/, Deputy

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
 TO: ADRIAN BLAIR BROWN

You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 A.M. on the Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you.

A petition was filed on the ___#_ day of _Month_, _Year_, in the indicated court of HOWARD County, Texas. You are directed to file a written answer to the petition on or before 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you were served with this citation and petition.

The suit is an action to establish paternity of and to enter appropriate orders for the conservatorship and support of the following child subject of the suit:

Name
 AUTUMN DAI BENNETT

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the child's interest, which will be binding on you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship, the determination of paternity and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption. No property is involved in the suit.

The suit is entitled:

CAUSE NUMBER 54969

IN THE INTEREST OF
 AUTUMN DAI BENNETT
 A CHILD

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

Other parties to the action:
 THE STATE OF TEXAS
 ADRIAN BLAIR BROWN
 LORI ANN BENNETT

JoAnna Gonzales, District Clerk
 312 Scurry Street
 Big Spring, Texas 79720

JARED M MOORE
 COTTON BLEDSOE TIGHE & DAWSON, PC
 P.O BOX 2776
 MIDLAND, TEXAS 79702

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THE STATE OF TEXAS NOTICE OF DEFENDANT: "You have been sued, you may employ an attorney. If you or your attorneys do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00a.m on Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you. In addition to filing a written answer with the clerk, you may be required to make initial disclosures to the other parties of this suit. These disclosures generally must be made no later than 30 days after you file your answer with the clerk. Find out more at TexasLawHelp.org..

To: The Known and Unknown heirs, executors administrators, devisees, trustees, successors, and assigns, immediate and remote, of DAVID GRAHAM BAIRD SR; AND THEIR KNOW AND UNKNOWN HEIRS and the heirs, executors administrators, devisees, trustees, successors and assigns, immediate and remote, known and unknown, of DAVID GRAHAM BAIRD SR, DECEASED.

Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before 10:00 o'clock A/M. on the Monday next after the expiration of 42 days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday 05/23/2022, before the Honorable 118th District Court of Howard County, at 312 Scurry Street in the said County in Big Spring, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 28th day of March, 2022, cause number 55411 in the entitled cause styled

CROWNROCL, L.P.
 vs
 GAIL BAIRD, Et Al

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: Civil Case-Other as is more fully shown by the Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

Issued and given under my hand seal of said court at office on this the 4th day of April, 2022.

(seal)
 JOANNA GONZALES
 District Clerk of Howard County, Texas

By: /s/, Deputy

JoAnna Gonzales, District Clerk
 312 Scurry Street
 Big Spring, Texas 79720

JARED M MOORE
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To: The Known and Unknown heirs, executors administrators, devisees, trustees, successors, and assigns, immediate and remote, of GEROME JAMES LEONE; AND THEIR KNOW AND UNKNOWN HEIRS and the heirs, executors administrators, devisees, trustees, successors and assigns, immediate and remote, known and unknown, of GEROME JAMES LEONE, DECEASED.

Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before 10:00 o'clock A/M. on the Monday next after the expiration of 42 days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday 05/23/2022, before the Honorable 118th District Court of Howard County, at

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312 Scurry Street in the said County in Big Spring, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 28th day of March, 2022, cause number 55411 in the entitled cause styled

CROWNROCL, L.P.
 vs
 GAIL BAIRD, Et Al

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: Civil Case-Other as is more fully shown by the Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

Issued and given under my hand seal of said court at office on this the 4th day of April, 2022.

(seal)
 JOANNA GONZALES
 District Clerk of Howard County, Texas

By: /s/, Deputy

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 312 Scurry Street
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 MIDLAND, TEXAS 79702

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To: The Known and Unknown heirs, executors administrators, devisees, trustees, successors, and assigns, immediate and remote, of DAVID THOMAS O'SHEA; AND THEIR KNOW AND UNKNOWN HEIRS and the heirs, executors administrators, devisees, trustees, successors and assigns, immediate and remote, known and unknown, of DAVID THOMAS O'SHEA, DECEASED.

Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before 10:00 o'clock A/M. on the Monday next after the expiration of 42 days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday 05/23/2022, before the Honorable 118th District Court of Howard County, at 312 Scurry Street in the said County in Big Spring, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 28th day of March, 2022, cause number 55411 in the entitled cause styled

CROWNROCL, L.P.
 vs
 GAIL BAIRD, Et Al

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: Civil Case-Other as is more fully shown by the Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

Issued and given under my hand seal of said court at office on this the 4th day of April, 2022.

(seal)
 JOANNA GONZALES
 District Clerk of Howard County, Texas

By: /s/, Deputy

CAUSE NO. 55354

CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS,
 Plaintiff,

vs.

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

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THIS PROCEEDING, Defendants.

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

NOTICE OF HEARING BEFORE SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS FOR PUBLICATION

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

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

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

You are hereby notified that on the **29th day of June, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. in the Grand Jury Room of the Howard County Courthouse, located at 312 Scurry Street Big Spring, Texas, 79720** the undersigned Special Commissioners appointed by the Judge of the 118th District Court of Howard County, Texas, will convene a hearing to assess the damages occasioned by the condemnation by the City of Big Spring, as 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-1-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 et ux to G.W. Neill, dated January 28, 1924, and recorded in Volume 54, Page 215, Deed Records of Howard County, Texas, said tract having a municipal address of 1505 East 2nd Street Big Spring, Texas 79720.

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

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

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

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37
 Case No. 0334610
 DATE OF ISSUANCE: May 5, 2022
 Status/Permit No. 875363
 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

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the HIGHPEAK ENERGY HOLDINGS, LLC,

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[RRC Operator No. 385826] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the lease line distance requirement because the Applicant is less than the required Rule 37 lease line distance to an unleased or non-pooled interest within the subject unit for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 24, Bk. 25, H&TC RR CO / SAWYER, M B Survey, A-1088, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 13 miles N direction from COAHOMA, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If 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 REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY 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 REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

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

Lease/Unit Name : WHITE 24-36 B UNIT
 Lease/Unit Well No. : A 6H
 Lease/Unit Acres : 970.02
 Nearest Lease Line (ft) : null
 Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 25.0
 Lease Lines : 299.0 F SOUTH L, 1323.0 F EAST L
 Survey Lines : 299.0 F SOUTH L, 1323.0 F EAST L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
 Penetration Point Location
 Lease Lines: 200.0 F NORTH L
 1210.0 F EAST 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 L
 1210.0 F EAST L
 Survey Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L
 1210.0 F EAST L

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

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

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

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

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37
Case No. 0334614
DATE OF ISSUANCE:
May 5, 2022
Status/Permit No. 878961
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

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the HIGHPEAK ENERGY HOLDINGS, LLC, [RRC Operator No. 385826] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the lease line distance requirement because the Applicant is less than the required Rule 37 lease line distance to an unleased or non-pooled interest within the subject unit for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 24, Bk. 25, H&TC RR CO / SAW-YER, M B Survey, A-1088, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 13 miles N direction from COAHOMA, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If 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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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

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. : A 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, 1150.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines : 300.0 F SOUTH L, 1150.0 F WEST L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 200.0 F NORTH L
1465.0 F WEST L

Terminus Location
BH County: BORDEN
Section: 36 Block: 25 Ab-

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tract: 642
Survey: H&TC RR CO / SPEIRS, N E
Lease Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L
1465.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L
1465.0 F WEST L

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

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

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 6400 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. 0334612
DATE OF ISSUANCE:
May 5, 2022
Status/Permit No. 875366
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

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

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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 Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848.

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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

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

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(TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : WHITE 24-36 B UNIT
Lease/Unit Well No. : A 7H
Lease/Unit Acres : 970.02
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : null
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 430.0

Lease Lines : 299.0 F SOUTH L, 1273.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines : 299.0 F SOUTH L, 1273.0 F EAST L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 200.0 F NORTH L
330.0 F EAST L

Terminus Location
BH County: BORDEN
Section: 36 Block: 25 Ab-
tract: 642
Survey: H&TC RR CO / SPEIRS, N E
Lease Lines: 100.0 F NORH L

330.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L
330.0 F EAST L

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

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

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

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37
Case No. 0334615
DATE OF ISSUANCE:
May 5, 2022
Status/Permit No. 878964
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

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

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FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : WHITE 24-36 A UNIT
Lease/Unit Well No. : L 3H
Lease/Unit Acres : 969.24
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : null
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 380.0

Lease Lines : 300.0 F SOUTH L, 1075.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines : 300.0 F SOUTH L, 1175.0 F WEST L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 200.0 F NORTH L
1845.0 F WEST L

Terminus Location
BH County: BORDEN
Section: 36 Block: 25 Ab-
tract: 642
Survey: H&TC RR CO / SPEIRS, N E
Lease Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L
1845.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L
1845.0 F WEST L

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

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37
Case No. 0334611
DATE OF ISSUANCE:
May 5, 2022
Status/Permit No. 875361
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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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

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FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : WHITE 24-36 B UNIT
Lease/Unit Well No. : L 6H
Lease/Unit Acres : 970.02
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : null
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 450.0
Lease Lines : 299.0 F SOUTH L, 1348.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines : 299.0 F SOUTH L, 1348.0 F EAST L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 200.0 F NORTH L
1640.0 F EAST L

Terminus Location
BH County: BORDEN
Section: 36 Block: 25 Ab-
tract: 642
Survey: H&TC RR CO / SPEIRS, N E
Lease Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L
1640.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L
1640.0 F EAST L

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

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

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 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. 0334613
DATE OF ISSUANCE:
May 5, 2022
Status/Permit No. 875364
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:
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the HIGHPEAK ENERGY HOLDINGS, LLC, [RRC Operator No. 385826] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the lease line distance requirement because the Applicant is less than the required Rule 37 lease line distance to an un-

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leased or non-pooled interest within the subject unit for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 24, Bk. 25, H&TC RR CO / SAW-YER, M B Survey, A-1088, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 13 miles N direction from COAHOMA, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If 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 REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY 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 REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

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

Lease/Unit Name : WHITE 24-36 B UNIT
Lease/Unit Well No. : L 7H
Lease/Unit Acres : 970.02
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : null
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 25.0

Lease Lines : 299.0 F SOUTH L, 1298.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines : 299.0 F SOUTH L, 1298.0 F EAST L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 200.0 F NORTH L
760.0 F EAST L

Terminus Location
BH County: BORDEN
Section: 36 Block: 25 Ab-
tract: 642
Survey: H&TC RR CO / SPEIRS, N E
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760.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L
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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.



Tornadoes strike Texas, Oklahoma, cause widespread damage

SEMINOLE, Okla. (AP) — A storm 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 caused flooding in parts of Oklahoma and Arkansas, and more stormy weather took place Thursday.

Significant damage was reported in the Oklahoma city of Seminole, about 60 miles (97 kilometers) southeast of Oklahoma City, where Gov. Kevin Stitt said damage assessments were underway after he toured the area Thursday.

“(We’re) getting all the resources and supplies that the city wants and needs,” including generators, Stitt said. “Thank the Lord that nobody was hurt” and no deaths have been reported.

The National Weather Service said it found damage in Seminole from an EF2 tornado, which has winds speeds of up to 135 mph (217 kph).

More than 2,900 customers remained without power in Seminole late Thursday afternoon, according to Oklahoma Gas & Electric, more than 63% of the utility customers in the city.

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 Bixby, Oklahoma, located south of Tulsa, officials opened a temporary shelter at a church after thunderstorms flooded some homes and streets in one neighborhood.

In East Texas, a tornado on Thursday damaged

several campers and buildings at an RV park in Rusk County, Sheriff Johnwayne Valdez told KTRE-TV. The Rusk County Office of Emergency Management reported one person was injured after being hit by a tree.

On Wednesday, a “large and dangerous tornado” was spotted in the rural community of Lockett, about 170 miles (275 kilometers) northwest of Dallas, said the National Weather Service office in Norman, Oklahoma.

The weather service said it found damage near Lockett from an EF3 tornado, which has winds speeds of up to 165 mph (265 kph).

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

In Washington County in northwest Arkansas, officials performed more than 30 water rescues as heavy rainfall flooded homes and streets in the cities of Fayetteville and Johnson, KHBS/KHOG-TV reported.

The storms on Wednesday and Thursday 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.

The storms, which were moving east into other southern U.S. states, 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.

Austin approves guaranteed income program, first in Texas

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Austin has become the first Texas city to approve a pilot program that will provide a guaranteed income to qualified residents.

The program will give 85 families \$1,000 per month for a year. City Council on Thursday voted to approve a contract for a non-profit to manage funding.

The families who are approved for the \$1.18 million program will be able to decide how to spend the money, including spending it on rent or mortgage payments, food, transportation and utilities.

Austin Mayor Steve Adler said the goal of the program was to prevent homelessness and that it is not a “giveaway. It is investing in ourselves”

“We can find people moments before they end up on our streets and prevent them, divert them from being there. That would be not only wonderful for them, it would be wise and smart for the taxpayers in the city of Austin because it will be a lot less expensive to divert someone from homelessness than to help them find a home once they’re on our streets,” Adler said.

Like other fast-growing cities in the U.S., Austin has struggled for years with homelessness as housing costs skyrocket. City leaders and Gov. Greg Abbott have feuded over how to address the issue.

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As US poised to restrict abortion, other nations ease access

By **ASTRID SUÁREZ** and **CHRISTOPHER SHERMAN**

Associated Press

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — As women in the United States find themselves on the verge of possibly losing the constitutional right to abortion, courts in many other parts of the world have been moving in the opposite direction.

That includes in a number of traditionally conservative societies — such as recently in Colombia, where the Constitutional Court in February legalized the procedure until the 24th week of pregnancy, part of a broader trend seen in parts of heavily Catholic Latin America.

It's not yet clear what impact there will be outside the United States from the leaked draft opinion suggesting the U.S. Supreme Court could overturn the landmark 1973 Roe v. Wade decision.

But for women's activists who for years have led grinding campaigns demanding open access to abortion, often looking to the United States as a model, it's a discouraging sign and a reminder that hard-won gains can be impermanent.

"It is an awful precedent for the coming years for the region and the world," said Colombian Catalina Martínez Coral, Latin America and Caribbean director for the New York-based Center for Reproductive Rights, which was among the groups that litigated the abortion case in Colombia's high court.

The February ruling there established a broad right for women to have abortions within the 24-week period, whereas previously they could do so only in specific cases such as if a fetus presented malformations or a pregnancy resulted from rape. Abortion is still allowed after that period under those special circumstances.

The decision fell short of advocates' hopes for a complete decriminalization, but Martínez Coral said it still left Colombia with the "most progressive legal framework in Latin America."

Similarly, Mexico's Supreme Court held last year that it was unconstitutional to punish abortion. As the country's highest court, its ruling bars all jurisdictions from charging a woman with a crime for terminating a pregnancy.

Statutes outlawing abortion are still on the books in most of Mexico's 32 states, however, and nongovernmental organizations that have long pushed for decriminalization are pressing state legislatures to reform them. Abortion was already readily available in Mexico City and some states.

To the south in Argentina, lawmakers in late 2020 passed a bill legalizing abortion until the 14th week and after that for circumstances similar to those described in the Colombia ruling.

It's also widely available in Cuba and Uruguay.

But expansion of abortion access has not extended to all of Latin America, with many countries restricting it to certain circumstances — such as Brazil, the region's most populous nation, where it's permissible only in cases of rape, risk to the woman's life and certified cases of the birth defect anencephaly. Former President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva, who is seeking a new term in October, recently said he sees legalizing abortion as a public health issue, eliciting criticism in a country where few approve of the procedure.

Other places have total bans with no exceptions, such as Honduras, Nicaragua and El Salvador. Courts in the latter have given women long prison sentences for aggravated homicide even in cases where prosecutors suspect a miscarriage was actually an abortion.

Many African nations also maintain complete bans, but in October 2021, Benin legalized abortion in most circumstances up to 12 weeks.

That significantly increased safe access to the procedure after the health minister reported that nearly 200 women were dying each year of complications from clandestine abortions.

Previously abortion was permitted in cases of rape or incest; risk to the woman's life; or severe fetal malformation.

Most European countries have legalized abortion, including predominantly Catholic ones. Ireland did so in 2018, followed by tiny San Marino in a voter referendum last fall. It remains illegal in Andorra, Malta and Vatican City, while Poland last year tightened its abortion laws.

It's also been widely available in Israel since 1978 and relatively uncontroversial, allowed by law before the 24th week with the approval of hospital "termination committees" that consist of medical professionals including at least one woman.

Laws and interpretations vary across the Muslim world.

Abortion has been legal up to 12 weeks in Tunisia for decades, but in Iran it's been forbidden since the 1979 Islamic Revolution.

Last year the leader of Cairo's top institution of Islamic clerics, Al-Azhar, said abortion is not the solution even in cases where a child is likely to be seriously ill or disabled.

In Japan, abortion is allowed only for economic and health reasons, and requires partners' consent, making Japan one of a handful of countries in the world to do so. Victims of sexual violence are excluded from the requirement.

While there is a growing call for women to have the right to make their own decision, Japan's government, led by the ultra-conservative Liberal Democratic Party, has long focused on traditional gender roles of women to give birth and raise children.

Japan has not approved abortion pills, though an application for one by a British company is pending at the health ministry.

Abortion has been legal in India since 1971. Women can terminate pregnancy up to 20 weeks, but only on a doctor's advice. Under changes in 2021, a woman can also seek an abortion up to 24 weeks under certain circumstances such as rape or incest, though it requires approval from two doctors.

China is moving to limit abortions, but that's because it has one of the highest rates of abortions in the world.

Last September, the Chinese cabinet, known as the State Council, published new national guidelines that require hospitals to "reduce non-medically necessary abortions." In February, China's family planning association announced it would launch a campaign to reduce teenage abortions.

When the U.S. Supreme Court's final decision is handed down, expected in late June or early July, the world will be watching.

"While moves to decriminalize and legalize abortion in places like Argentina, Ireland, Mexico and Colombia in the last few years have been a huge win for the global community," Agnes Callamard, secretary-general of the human rights group Amnesty International, said in a statement, "there are grim signs that the United States is out of step with the progress that the rest of the world is making in protecting sexual and reproductive rights."



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