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Weather



Wednesday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 34. East wind 10 to 15 mph.

Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 61. South wind 10 to 15 mph.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 48. Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 74.

Source: NWS, via weather.gov

Upcoming Local

Dec. 3: The Heritage Museum of Big Spring located at 510 Scurry St will have a Christmas at the Museum beginning at 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. The event will allow children to experience Christmas in a fun and historical way. Santa will also be present! The event is \$3 per child and must be paid in advance. Reservations can be made by calling 432-267-8255.

Dec. 10: The Coahoma Lions Club will sponsor Christmas at Coahoma in the Park from 3 to 6: 30 p.m. The event will feature hayrides and caroling, Christmas art projects, free coffee and hot cocoa, popcorn and cookies.

Daily Quotes "Laws are like cobwebs,

which may catch small flies, but let wasps and hornets break through.'

— Jonathan Swift "Whenever you find your-

self on the side of the majority, it is time to pause and

– Mark Twain

"All the great things are simple, and many can be expressed in a single word: freedom, justice, honor, duty, mercy, hope."

— Winston Churchill

"I don't care what stage or what reason, as long as we're playing."

— Billy Idol

Comics.



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Salvation Army offers multiple giving options at Red Kettles



HERALD photo/Andreia Medlin

Salvation Army Commander Dean Moretz and volunteer Connie Mitchell man the kettle at Wal-Mart Tuesday.

Special to the Herald

As America moves toward becoming a cashless society, with fewer people than ever carrying cash, The Salvation Army is making it easier than ever for donors to give back during the Christmas season.

In addition to the traditional red kettles and the familiar ringing bell, The Salvation Army has placed smart chips and QR codes on Red Kettle signs, allowing shoppers to simply "bump" or scan their phones to make digital donations.

"We're hoping that the ability to donate through Apple Pay and Google Pay at each red kettle will make it even easier for donors to help The

Salvation Army this year. We've also added PayPal and Venmo," said Major Dean Moretz of Big Spring's Salvation Army. "As fewer people carry cash, this is a simple and convenient way to give, especially for our younger donors who do everything from their phones these days."

Another touchless way to donate this year is through Text-to-Give.

"We're asking people to text KETTLE to 91999, enter the donation amount, and you're done. It's as easy as that!" said Moretz. "You can even give on Amazon Alexa this year by saying "Alexa, donate to The Salvation Army."

See KETTLE, Page 3

Commissioners approve sale of four tax properties Monday By PATRICK GONZALES

Herald Staff Reporter

On Monday, the Howard County Commissioners Court held its regular meeting in the third-floor courtroom of the Howard County Courthouse.

Howard County Judge Kathryn Wiseman began the meeting with an opening prayer, and then led the court in reciting the U.S. And Texas pledges.

Following the pledges, the court allowed for public comment. There was no public comment as no one chose to address the court. The meeting then began with Judge Wiseman presenting her items of business.

The first item presented by Judge Wiseman was the consideration to approve the sale of four properties that were recently sold at the Howard County Sheriff's auction. The item was passed unanimously by the court. The second item presented by Judge Wiseman was the possible consideration and approval of appointing Phillip Reid as Trustee to help close out the affairs of the Howard County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1.

Mr. Reid addressed the court stating that he is willing to work and help the county with closing out the Howard County Water Control and Improvement District No.1. However, Reid also stated that there are some gray areas regarding the process and legalities of appointing a trustee on the matter. Reid made it clear to the

court that he does not wish to rush the process and would like for this matter to run as smoothly as possible.

Pct. 3 Commissioner Jimmie Long concurred with Mr. Reid, stating that the matter should be looked into some more. The court voted unanimously to table the item for now, and will address the matter at a later date once more information is gathered on the subject.

Howard County Treasurer Sharon Adams was next to present her item of business to the court. Adams was not present for the meeting as she was out sick. Adams only item for the court was personnel considerations, which was approved by the court unanimously.

Howard County Auditor Jackie Olson

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> was next to present her items of business. The first item presented by Olson was the consideration and approval of the incarceration facility removal bid. The item was approved unanimously.

> Olson then presented her usual items of business, which included the acceptance and approval of invoices, purchase requests, budget amendments, and the monthly financial reports. All items were approved unanimously by

> the court. Howard County Sheriff Stan Parker was next to address the court asking for the approval of accepting a donation presented to the Howard County Sheriffs

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BBB warning: Beware of an increase in travel scams during the holidays

Special to the Herald

As the holidays approach, many Americans are beginning to look at their holiday traveling plans and deciding the best, and most affordable, way to visit family and friends. BBB historically receives a large influx of reports regarding

travel scams around the holidays and provides the following data from BBB Scam Tracker (https://www.bbb.org/scam-• In 2021, \$360,000 was reported lost to travel scams from Oc-

- tober-December, accounting for 35 percent of all money lost to travel scams for the entire year. BBB's 2021 Scam Tracker Risk Report ranked travel scams
- among the 10 riskiest consumer scams in 2021 with a median loss of \$700 per report. While median loss decreased between 2020 and 2021, expo-

sure, the likelihood of encountering a scam, and susceptibility, the likelihood to lose money to a scam, both increased. In addition to the threat of con artists posing as legitimate travel companies or rental agencies, prospective travelers also must contend with airline labor shortages, increased oil

As travelers solidify their plans and contact rental locations, travel agencies or hotels, BBB cautions Texas residents to be careful when interacting with anyone who uses aggressive sales tactics or promotes a deal that seems too good to be true. BBB recommends booking and scheduling travel plans as far in advance as possible to avoid allowing a sense of urgency to distract from thoroughly investigating a business's claim, advertisement or deal to determine its legitimacy.

To assist consumers in identifying and avoiding the most common travel scams, BBB provides the following brief descriptions of the top five most-reported travel scams:

- Vacation rental con. These con artists lure in vacationers with the promise of low fees and great amenities. The "owner" creates a false sense of urgency – such as telling potential clients that another vacationer is interested in the rental - to get payment up before doing sufficient research or questioning the legitimacy of the ad. • "Free" vacation scams. When a cruise or travel company
- advertises a vacation as "free," it does not necessarily mean



Obituaries

Vanessa Richardson



Vanessa Richardson, 58, died Monday, Nov. 21, 2022. Private family services will be held at a

Vanessa was born Dec. 18, 1963. in Big Spring to Don and Myrna Richardson. She spent her life in Big Spring except for 20 years in Wichita Falls.

Vanessa was a licensed cosmetologist and had her own shop for many years. She loved arts, crafts

and especially seasonal decorating.

Vanessa is survived by her mother: Myrna Richardson; 1 sister: Valerie Martin (Dale); 1 brother: David Richardson (Shelia); 1 niece and 3 nephews. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Stephen Oyler

Stephen Oyler, 75, died Thursday, Nov. 24, 2022. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral

Support Groups

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

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

FRIDAY

- Reformers Unanimous International is a faithbased addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Fridays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.
- AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

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



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Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- MIKAYLA RENE CASTILLO-TIMMS, 21, of 3705 Connally, was arrested on a charge of burglary of a habitation. • HUNTER LOGAN COX, 19, of 1411 Mt. Vernon,
- was arrested on a charge of criminal trespass.
- JAMES MARTIN GARZA, 29, of 2109 Johnson, was arrested on charges of evading arrest/detention, bail jumping and fail to appear; and driving while intoxicated.
- PENNY G. GILLION, 58, of 2001 Morrison, was arrested on a charge of assault class c.
- MALEEA ANN GRISHAM, 27, of 3900 Muriel Dr., Snyder/6985 Escallonia Dr. Citrus Heights, CA, was arrested on a charge of theft of property greater than or equal to \$750 but less than \$2,500.
- RACHEL MCSWAIN, 36, of 2303 Marshall, was arrested on charges of fail to appear and bail jump-
- RUBEN JAMES MORENO, 31, of 1703 State, was arrested on a charge of driving while license • MICHELLE PIERCE, 37, of P.O. Box 834, Co-
- ahoma, was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana less than 2 oz and possession of a controlled substance greater than or equal to 1 gram but less than 4 grams. RILEY EVAN PIERCE, 18, of 1507 Eubanks,
- was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana less than 2 oz. • JULIAN PARRAS RAMIREZ, 57, of 601 McE-
- wen, was arrested on a charge of public intoxica-• RHIANNON ELISABETH ROBINSON, 27, of
- 107 Canyon Terrace Lane, Folson, CA, was arrested on a charge of theft of property greater than or equal to \$750 but less than \$2.500. • DAVID RAY SMITH, 58, of 6107 N. Service Rd.
- lot 11, was arrested on a charge of assault family WELFARE CONCERN was reported at 1001 S.
- Birdwell Ln. **HARASSMENT** was reported at 3604 Bethel Dr.
- THEFT was reported at Hwy 689.
- SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY was reported at 1712 **THEFT** was reported at 3611 W. Hwy 80.
- DISTURBANCE was reported at 9309 Old Colo-
- rado City Hwy. • **THEFT** was reported at 3613 W. Hwy 80.
 - DISTURBANCE was reported at 1908 Morrison
- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported at
- 6107 N. Service Rd. No. 11.
 - THEFT was reported at 201 W. FM 700.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- MEDICAL CALL reported at the 1900 block of N. Hwy 87. One person transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- MEDICAL CALL reported at the 400 block of NW 9th St. One person transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL CALL reported at the 1600 block of Lancaster. No transport. • MEDICAL CALL reported at the 1000 block of
- E. 15th St. One person transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL CALL reported at the 1600 block of Lancaster. One person transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL CALL reported at the 1800 block of N. Hwy 87. One person transported to SMMC. • MEDICAL CALL reported at the 1300 block of
- Madison. One person transported to SMMC. • MEDICAL CALL reported at the 100 block of Airbase Rd. One person transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL CALL reported at the 1900 block of Martin Luther King Blvd. One person transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL CALL reported at the 1700 block of Lancaster. No transport.

Submit Birth and Wedding announcements at newsdesk@ bigspringherald.com

Potential strong storms in several states

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — Forecasters warned of the potential for strong tornadoes that could stay on the ground for long distances in parts of the South on Tuesday, as well as flooding rains and hail the size of tennis balls. More than 25 million people will be at risk as

Tuesday's potent storm system moves across a region stretching from east Texas to Indiana and Georgia. The national Storm Prediction Center said in its latest storm outlook that affected cities could include New Orleans; Memphis and Nashville in Tennessee; and Birmingham, Alabama. Parts of Louisiana and Mississippi will be at the

highest risk for strong storms Tuesday afternoon and evening, with the possibility of severe weather continuing into Wednesday and moving into Alabama. It's rare that federal forecasters warn of major tornadoes with the potential for carving damages across long distances, but they are doing so in Tuesday's forecasts. "Multiple rounds of severe thunderstorms -- some capable of long-tracked tornadoes with EF3+ damage potential -- will be possible this afternoon into tonight over parts of the lower Mississippi Valley region and Mid-South," the Norman, Oklahoma-based Storm Prediction Center said. Tornadoes with an EF3 rating on the Enhanced Fujita tornado scale can produce wind gusts of up to 165 mph (266 kph).

Flood watches were issued Tuesday for parts of southeast Mississippi and southwest Alabama, where 3 to 5 inches of rain (8 to 13 centimeters) could lead to flash flooding, the National Weather Service said. The Mississippi Emergency Management Agency urged residents to have multiple ways of receiving weather alerts and know in advance where to go to stay safe. The agency also urged people to take pictures of their homes before severe weather strikes. "These photos can be used for insurance purposes and/or possible assistance if your home is damaged in the storm," the agency said on Twitter.

Clarence Gilyard, 'Die Hard' and 'Matlock' actor, dead NEW YORK (AP) - Lake, Washington, na-

Clarence Gilyard Jr., a popular supporting actor whose credits include the blockbuster films "Die Hard" and "Top Gun" and the hit television series "Matlock" and "Walker, Texas Ranger," has died at

His death was announced this week by the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, where he taught stage and screen acting.

Additional details were not immediately available Tuesday.

"Professor Gilyard was a beacon of light and strength for everyone around him at UNLV," the school's film chair, Heather Addison, said in a statement. "Whenever we asked him how he was, he would cheerwere blessed to be his for so many years."

Gilyard was a Moses Hard batteries.

He had a prolific career as an actor, starting in the 1980s with appearances in "Diff'rent Strokes," "The Facts of Life" and other shows. He then appeared in two of the biggest movies of the decade: "Top Gun," in which he played Sundown, a radar intercept officer, and "Die Hard," when he was featured as a villainous computer maven whose one liners included "You didn't bring me along for my charming personality."

In the 1990s, he was on the side of law enforcement in "Matlock, playing opposite Andy Griffith, and "Walker, Texas Ranger," which starred Chuck Norris. His other credits include "The Karate Kid: fully declare that he Part II," a stage producwas 'Blessed!' But we tion of "Driving Miss are truly the ones who Daisy" and an appearance alongside "Die colleagues and students Hard" star Bruce Willis in a commercial for Die-





G&M Auto Care



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Now in its 132nd year, The Salvation Army's Red Kettle Campaign is one of the oldest and largest charitable campaigns in the world. Every year, the campaign raises millions of dollars nationwide to provide year-round shelter for the homeless, meals for the hungry, financial assistance to families struggling to pay their bills, after school and summer camp programs for kids, disaster relief, and many other services to America's most vulnerable populations.

"Lastly, we encourage everyone to consider setting up their very own online red kettle," said Moretz. "We're excited about this new opportunity for our supporters to set up their very own virtual Salvation Army red kettle, either as an individual or as part of a team. Spread the word on social media and challenge your friends, family members, or coworkers to donate and help reach your fundraising goal. Please go to www.SalvationArmyBig-Spring.org and select "Set Up Your Virtual Kettle"

For more information about the Christmas pro-

and begin ringing your virtual bell." grams of The Salvation Army please call (432) 267-8239 or visit www.SalvationArmyBigSpring.org.

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Office. However, the item had already been passed unanimously along with Olson's items of business.

Olson had called on Sheriff Parker to address the court before presenting the purchase requests to the court. Olson stated to the court that the funds from the donation presented to the Howard County Sheriffs Office would be used for

one of the purchase requests and requested that the item be approved in order for the purchase request to be approved.

Howard County Road Engineer Brian Klinksiek presented his items of business next to the court. Klinksiek advised that there were no updates to be presented regarding roadway maintenance. The next item presented by Klinksiek was the consideration and approval to seek out bids for seal coating. The item was approved unanimously.

Following after Klinksiek, the meeting was adjourned as they were not other items presented to the court.

the trip is without cost or restrictions. Watch out for add-on fees for air transportation, port charges, taxes, tips and other undisclosed fees. • Hotel scams. When staying in a hotel, beware

- of scammers who use various techniques to obtain credit card information, including fake front desk calls, "free" wi-fi connections and fake food deliv-Third-party booking site scams. If you book
- your airfare, hotel or other travel through a thirdparty website, be sure to use caution. BBB Scam Tracker continues to receive reports of scammers pretending to be online airline ticket brokers. In the most common version of the scam, travelers pay with a credit card and, shortly after making the payment, receive a call from the company asking to verify name, address, banking information or other personal details – something a legitimate company would never do.
- Timeshare reselling cons. A timeshare owner looking to sell gets a call from someone claiming to be a real estate broker or agent. These scammers

claim to specialize in timeshare resales and promise they have buyers ready to purchase. To secure this service, the scammer pressures the target into paying an upfront fee. The timeshare owner pays up, but the reselling agent never delivers. To avoid becoming a victim of a travel scam this

holiday season, Better Business Bureau recommends prospective travelers follow these guide-Get trip details in writing. Before making a final

payment, get all the details of the trip in writing.

Details should include the total cost, restrictions,

- cancellation penalties, and names of the airlines and hotels. Also, review and keep a copy of the airline's and hotel's cancellation and refund policies and the travel agency or booking site's cancellation • "Too good to be true" deals. As is common in various scams, if the deal or discount seems to be
- too good to be true, it probably is. Scammers often use this tactic to lure in potential victims and use aggressive "limited time" language to entice travelers to pay before researching the business.
- Avoid wiring money or using a prepaid debit card. These payments are the same as sending cash. Once the money is sent, there is no way to get

it back. Paying with a credit card can be disputed and dramatically limits liability from a fraudulent • Call the rental owner. If you are not using a

service that verifies properties and owners, do not

- negotiate a rental solely by email. Many scammers don't live locally. Speaking with the owner on the phone and asking detailed questions about the property and local attractions will clarify whether the listing is genuine. An owner with vague answers is a clear red flag. · Unsolicited offers. Be particularly cautious if
- you "win" a free trip without entering a contest or sweepstakes. This is especially true if the offer is time-sensitive and requires the consumer to accept and pay for the offer immediately or risk it going to another "winner." Check the official website of the company the offer is originating from to verify that it is legitimate.

For more tips on how to avoid travel scams, visit BBB.org/Travel.

If you or someone you know has been a victim of a travel scam, report it to BBB Scam Tracker. Information provided could prevent another person from falling victim.

Woman believed to be 1971 kidnap victim reunites with family wrote on Facebook. "I was overjoyed and I'm still walking around FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — A woman who family members

believe was the toddler who was kidnapped by a babysitter 51 years ago has been reunited with her family in Fort Worth, in a meeting filled with long-overdue hugs and joyful tears.

Melissa Highsmith was 22 months old when she was abducted by a purported babysitter in 1971. The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported that she lived in Fort Worth most of her life as Melanie Brown and didn't know she was kidnapped until her biological father, Jeffrie Highsmith, submitted DNA to 23andMe and learned that he was a match to Brown's children.

The family said in a news release that they worked with an amateur genealogist to help interpret the DNA results and mine public records to find Melissa, who reunited with her parents and two of her siblings this weekend. "It was just a mixture of joy and terrifying. Being terrified and

everything," Melissa Highsmith told KDFW-TV. In a statement Monday, the Fort Worth Police Department said it's "overjoyed" to hear that 23andMe led the Highsmiths to Melissa, and they will conduct official DNA testing to confirm her identity. The investigation into her kidnapping will continue.

excited and just trying to understand, you know, make sense of

"I couldn't stop crying," Melissa's sister, Victoria Garner,

in a fog trying to comprehend that my sister is right in front of me and that we found her."

According to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, Melissa Highsmith's biological mother, Alta Apantenco, had recently separated from the girl's father and moved to Fort Worth when she placed an ad for a babysitter in the newspaper. A woman who answered the ad said she wanted to watch the girl at her own house, and Apantenco agreed. The babysitter picked up the baby from Apantenco's roommate on Aug. 23, 1971 and never brought her back.

The family said they never forgot about Melissa.

"It's overwhelming and incredible to me," said Sharon Highsmith, Melissa's younger sister. "For 50 years, my mom has lived with the guilt of losing Melissa. She's also lived with community and nationwide accusations that she hurt or killed her own baby. I'm so glad we have Melissa back. I'm also grateful we have vindication for my mom."

"Right now, we just want to get to know Melissa, welcome her to the family and make up for 50 years of lost time," said Sharon Highsmith, who plans to meet her sister over Christmas.

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Gilbert Gonzales, Sr., 61, died Wednesday. Funeral service 11 AM Wednesday at My Redeemer Church with burial at Mount Olive Cemetery.

Richard-Vanessa son, 58, died Monday. Private family services will be held at a later date.

Stephen Oyler, 75, died Thursday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

2023 Calendars have arrived.

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- Christmas in Coahoma at the Park sponsored by the Coahoma Lions Club, will be Saturday, Dec. 10 from 3 to 6:30 p.m. The annual event will include hayrides, caroling, Christmas art projects for kids, free coffee and hot cocoa, popcorn and cookies. Enter your house for the Best Decorated House contest - houses must lie within the Coahoma city limits. Pick up an application at City Hall and return by Dec. 9. The winner will be announced at the event in the park, and will receive a yard sign and a stocking full of goodies.
- Everyone welcome! Western Swing by Michael Leonard. New Life mature adult dance at Dora Roberts Community Center 100 Whiskey Dr. Every third Friday 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Entry fee \$5. Bring snacks to share. Refreshments provided. For more information call 432-517-9097.
- Mystic Wonders Healing, located at 204 S. Main St., presents: Full Moon Markets. Every month on the 8th join us from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. and learn about the full moon, how to make moon water, take advantage of sales in the store and meet a variety of vendors.
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- Wednesday at 12 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 701 Runnels, in the Theater Room. Each 30-minute lecture is followed by an in-class

- Starting in October,

- we will be switching food distribution to the fourth Friday of every month. Oct. 28, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. We will not be distributing food in November or if there is inclement weather, i.e., snow or heavy rain. Distribution will take place at the Big Spring Seventh-Day Adventist Church, located at 4319 Parkway Rd. Our food is provided by the West Texas Food Bank. People will need to bring a plastic bag or box and let us know how many are in their household to pick up food. We will post any updates on our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/healthynuggetsofgold44
- The BSAA meets the third Saturday of the month, from 10 a.m. to 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.
- 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

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story idea? Call at 263-7331, Ext. 237. Email results to: sports@bigspringherald.com

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Howard Co. Area **Sports Schedule**

Nov. 30: Howard College Hawks Basketball at Ranger College. Game starts at 7 p.m.

Nov. 30: Howard College Lady Hawks Basketball at home vs Cisco College. Game starts at 5:45 p.m.

Dec. 1-3: Big Spring Steers Basketball (JV & Varsity) at Denver City Tournament in Denver City. Game times TBA at a later date. Dec. 1: Big Spring Junior High Lady Steers Bas-

ketball (7th A/B teams & 8th A/B teams) against Snyder at Big Spring. Games start at 5 p.m. ((7th A-team/8t B-team) & 6:15 p.m. (7th B-team & 8th A-

Dec. 2: Big Spring Lady Steers Basketball (Freshmen, JV, & Varsity) non-district matchup against Abilene Cooper at Big Spring. Games start at 4:30 p.m., 6 p.m., & 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 2: Coahoma Bulldogs Basketball (JV & Varsity) non-district matchup against Jayton at Jayton. Games start at 5:15 p.m. and 8 p.m.

Dec. 2: Coahoma Bulldogettes Basketball (JV & Varsity) non-district matchup against Jayton at Jayton. Games start at 4 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

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sity) at Tahoka Tournament in Tahoka. Game times TBA at a later date. Dec. 2: Howard College Hawks Basketball vs

Tribulation Prep. Game starts at 6 p.m. Dec. 2: Howard College Lady Hawks Basketball

vs Jacksonville College at Midland College Classic. Game starts at 5 p.m.

Dec. 3: Howard College Lady Hawks Basketball vs Lamar Community College at Midland College Classic. Game starts at 2 p.m.sdf

Dec. 5: Big Spring JH Steer Basketball (7th A/B & 8th A/B) district mathcup against Levelland atBig Spring. Games start at 5 p.m. & 6:15 p.m. Dec. 6: Big Spring Steers Basketball (JV & Var-

sity) non-district matchup against Eldorado at Eldorado. Games start at 5 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Dec. 6: Big Spring Lady Steers Basketball (Freshman, JV, & Varsity) non-district matchup against Ft. Stockton at Big Spring, Games start at 4:30 p.m., 6 p.m., & 7:30 p.m. Dec. 6: Coahoma Bulldogs & Bulldogettes JV Bas-

ketball non-district matchup against Forsan at Forsan. Games start at 4 p.m. (JV Girls) & 5:15 p.m. (JV

Dec. 6: Coahoma Bulldogs & Bulldogettes Varsity non-district matchup against Forsan at Howard College. Games start at 6:30 p.m. (Varsity Girls) & 8 p.m. (Varsity Boys)

Dec. 8-10: Big Spring Steers Basketball (Varsity) at Pinky Jones Hooptown Classic Tournament Stanton. First game starts at 3 p.m.

Dec. 8-10: Big Spring Lady Steers Basketball (Varisty) at Pinky Jones Hooptown Classic Tournament in Stanton. First game starts at 4:30 p.m.

Dec.8-10: Big Spring Lady Steers Basketball (Freshmen & JV) at Andrews Tournament in Andrews. Game times TBA.

Dec. 8-10: Coahoma Bulldogs & Bulldogettes (Varsity) at Borden County Tournament in Borden County. Game times TBA.

Dec. 9: Forsan Buffaloes Basketball (JV & Varsity) non-district matchup against Midland Classical

at Forsan. Games start at 4 p.m., 5 p.m., & 7:30 p.m. Dec. 9: Forsan Lady Buffaloes (JV & Varsity) nondistrict matchup against Midland Classical at Forsan. Games start at 4 p.m. & 6:15 p.m.

BSJH Steers seventh grade basketball teams open up season against Snyder

Special to the Herald



Big Spring Junior 7th Grade A

The Big Spring JH 7th grade A boys basketball

team played their first game on Monday in a hard fought battle with the Snyder Tigers. After battling back

and forth the young Steers got the victory in a nail biting win against the Tigers.

The Steers won the game by one point with a final score of 29-28.

It was a collective ef-

fort with multiple rebounds and assists being made. Offensive players of the game were Issac Perez (12 pts) and DJ Wrighter (8 pts).

Big Spring Junior High 7th Grade B

The 7th grade B Team also fought hard in another nail biting game but in the end came up just short as the B team would go on to lose by 3pts.

The final score of the game was 19-16. Players of the game where Christian Wisdom with 6 pts, 4 steals and 3 rebounds and Jason Rios with 4 pts, 4 steals, and 6 rebounds.

Both 7th grade teams played well and did an outstanding job representing Big Spring Junior High!

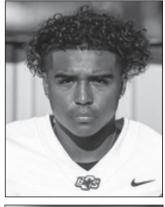
Several Big Spring Steers earn **All-District honors for District 2-4A**

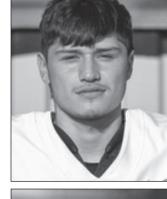


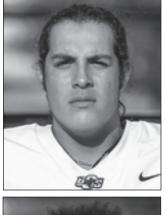








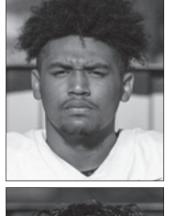


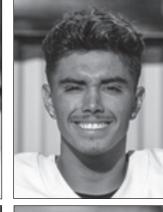


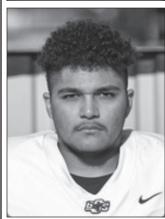






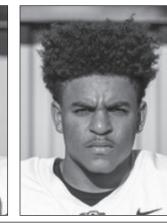


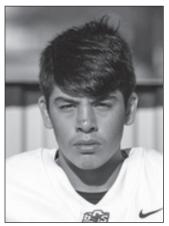


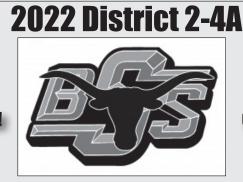












All-District Honors

Herald photos/Patrick Gonzales Several Big Spring Steer players recently received All-District Honors for District 2-4A. A total of 18 players from Big Spring earned the honors with five players receiving first team honors, seven players receiving second team honors, utility/special teams honors, and honorable mention. Top row (L-R) Gavin Padron (1st Team Offense), Zeyire Franklin (1st Team Offense/Defense), Jayden Overton (1st Team Offense), and Johnny Rios (1st team Defense). Second row (L-R) Kavien Ford (2nd Team Offense), Derrick Walleck (2nd Team Offense), Nick Garcia (2nd Team Offense) and Josh Gonzales (2nd Team Offense). Third row (L-R) Rahlei Eddington (2nd Team Defense), Ricky Escovedo (2nd Team Defense), Keyshaun Woodruff (2nd Team Defense), and Eli Cobos (Utility/ Special Teams). Fourth Row (L-R) Jimmy Johnson (Honorable Mention), Connor Crisp (Honorable Mention), David Rios (Honorable Mention), and Leroy Johnson (Honorable Mention). Bottom Zabian Urias (Honorable Mention).

By Patrick Gonzales

Herald Sports Writer

District 2-4A announced its All-District teams on Monday and the Big Spring Steers had several players that earned superlatives. A total of 18 Steers were named to the All-District team.

Big Spring landed a total of five players on the 1st All-District Team with three on offense and two on defense. Leading the Steers with first team offense honors are: junior quarterback Gavin Padron, junior wide receiver Zeyire Franklin, and junior right tackle Jayden Overton. Senior defensive lineman Johnny Rios and junior corner back Zeyire Franklin earned first team defense honors for Big Spring.

The Steers also had seven players named to the 2nd All-District Team with four players on offense and three on defense. Junior running back Kavien Ford, senior wide receiver Derick Walleck, and offensive linemen seniors Nick Garcia and Josh Gonzales earned 2nd team offensive honors. Senior defensive linemen Rahlei Eddington, senior linebacker Ricky Escovedo, and junior linebacker Key-

shaun Woodruff earned 2nd team offensive honors. Senior Eli Cobos earned Utility/Special Teams honors for District 2-4A. Cobos played wide receiver, defensive back, and was the Steers kicker. Rounding out the rest of the honors for Big Spring were: junior linebacker Jimmy Johnson, senior offensive/defensive linemen Connor Crisp, senior defensive back David Rios, senior running back Leroy Johnson, and senior linebacker Zabian Urias who all received honorable mention.

The Big Spring Steers finished the season with a 6-6 overall record and finished fourth in District 2-4A clinching the last playoff spot. The Steers advanced to the second round of the playoffs this year after rallying late in the fourth quarter to come away with the huge upset win over El Paso Riverside in the Bi-District round of the playoffs.

The Steers would go on to lose in the Area Round of the playoffs to Wichita Falls 31-7. Congratulations to the Big Spring Steers on a great season and to all the players who earned All-District honors.

Submit local sports stories, scores, and photos to sports@bigspringherald.com

As Americans Slash Christmas Spending, One Surprising Category Is Spared

(AP) Emily Herrig

Fifty-six percent of Americans plan to sharpen their pencils and slash their Christmas budgets this holiday season. Inflation and a pending economic recession have wreaked havoc on wallets across America. With the holidays coming up, Americans have to pull in their spending on gifts, decorations, and food, but there is one area where they will not compromise: the tree.

Anything but The Tree

Trees.com surveyed 1,250 people who celebrate Christmas in the U.S. to find out how inflation affects the purchase of Christmas trees this year.

According to the survey, there will be a 7 percent increase in the amount of Americans who plan to buy a real tree this year versus those who bought one last year. Sixty-two percent of respondents said that having a Christmas tree is "very important" to

One respondent said, "Having a Christmas tree is very important to our family, but the tradition of choosing a tree together is just as important. I have never not had a Christmas tree, but it would definitely negatively impact my ability to enjoy the holiday. The lights provide a sense of peace and joy that other decorations do not. It is the centerpiece of our Christmas display in our living room. We are willing and plan to pay an increased price for a Christmas tree. We also have a backup artificial tree that we store in our attic just in case we are unable to find a real tree."

Fifty-three percent of respondents said they would have an artificial tree, and 8 percent didn't plan on having a tree at all.

No Matter The Cost

With inflation and rising costs, shoppers can expect to pay around 15 percent more for their Christmas tree this year. However, Americans have reported that they do not plan to reduce the amount they will spend on a Christmas tree. "In some cases, it's worth it to pay the increased

prices for Christmas trees. However, it isn't always necessary. For those looking to get a real Christmas tree from a farm, I recommend asking if there's any discount for cutting or wrapping the tree yourself," explains Zack DeAngelis, the founder of Tree Jour-

"The farm will most likely have certain trees that haven't grown well and are less desirable. These can cost even less, which can help you save more if you're in a pinch."

The average Christmas tree cost in the last few years has been around \$100. But 18 percent of respondents said they would spend up to \$200 or more



HERALD photo/Andreia Medlin

According to a survey conducted by Trees. com, 56 percent of Americans will cut back on buying presents, but not on buying a tree. The percentage of people who plan on buying a real tree is up 7 percent as well. Homemade ornaments also saves money as demonstrated with this local tree.

to ensure they have a real Christmas tree this year. Trimming The Tree, and The Budget

Despite shoppers' willingness to shell out some

cash for a Christmas tree, over half of respondents said they would cut down on overall holiday spending due to inflation. One respondent admitted, "...inflation has defi-

nitely affected my Christmas plans. I used to buy a lot of presents for my kids and grandkids, but this year I am going to have to be more selective and purchase fewer gifts. I'm also going to have to be careful about how much I spend on food and decorations. Overall, it's go-

Christmas than in years past."

Asked how they would be reducing their spending this year, a variety of cost-cutting measures were mentioned. Seventy-two percent said they would be putting a budget on gifts, 13 percent would only be giving people handmade gifts this year, and 9 percent would not be giving any gifts.

Twenty-three percent said they would not be hosting a party this year, and 44 percent said they would not be spending as much on decorations.

Of those asked, 25 percent said they spent \$200

or less on Christmas last year, and 34 percent said they would keep their spending under \$200 this The largest group of respondents said they bought

gifts for 3-4 people last year, but are only planning on buying gifts for 2-3 people this year.

When asked about their plans for gift-giving this year, one person said, "Our family now buys presents based on a system that limits how much each of us can spend. We used to go crazy with the presents. We now have a four-gift rule (there are five of us who exchange gifts). We purchase ONE gift for each member of our family."

Limiting gifts can be an easy way to reduce the financial burden of the season, but there are other ways to cut back. Financial expert Colleen McCreary shared some savings tips with Tennessee news station WBBJ. "If people have a list and they know who they are shopping for, what they can do is be on the lookout," she said. "I always tell people to limit your spending and shopping time to a specific point in time during the day so you are not tempted all day long and overspending." She also advocates cash-back programs and coupon apps to help save money when shopping online.

Spend Money on The Things That Matter

If the survey revealed one thing, it's that Americans are consciously prioritizing spending on what brings the most joy during the holidays. "In many cases, the pile of gifts is not actually what the holidays are all about," noted McCreary. For many, having a real Christmas tree or hosting a party for family and friends takes precedence over gift-giving as shoppers tighten their budget this winter.

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Apple Music top of the charts

smash hit by The Kid Laroi and Justin Bieber topped Apple Music's global song chart in 2022 as the giant music streamer released its end-of-year lists and provided listeners with data on their own most listened-to tunes.

"Stay," which stayed atop the Billboard Hot 100 for seven weeks this summer, was No. 1 on Apple Music's top 100 global songs chart, staying on top for 51 days straight. Elton John and Dua Lipa's "Cold Heart (PNAU Remix)" was No. 1 on the streamer's Shazam chart and "We Don't Talk About Bruno" from the movie musical "Encanto" was the song with the mostread lyrics in 2022 on the platform.

Joining "Stay" at the very top of the global songs list were "As It Was" by Harry Styles, "Wait For U" by Future featuring Drake and Tems, "Super Gremlin" by Kodak Black, "Easy on Me" by Adele, and "Heat Wave" by Glass Animals. Hip-hop continued to lead the different genres on the global top 100 with 32 songs, followed by pop with 23 songs and R&B/soul in third place with 11 songs.

The data shows the growing presence of non-English-language tunes, with African songs on the rise on the

Shazam chart as well as the global daily 100, while Japanese-language songs made big gains on the mostread lyrics chart. "It's really the rise of what was once very niche genres creeping into the mainstream, which is an exciting new development on the platform," said Rachel Newman, global head of editorial. Twenty-one non-English songs were in the global Top 100, more than double the number of songs last year. Fifty-five Latin songs reached the Global Daily Top 100 in 2022 − up 22% from 2021. In

2022, six of the the 50 J-pop songs to

reach the chart placed in the top 10;

 $\overline{\text{NEW}}$ YORK (AP) — "Stay," the last year none were in the top 10.

ing to be a more frugal

The streamer began notifying users Tuesday that Apple Music Replay was ready. The feature lets users see and hear their favorite songs, albums, artists and playlists from the past year as well as total minutes on the service. One new feature is that superfans can discover whether they are in the top 100 listeners of their favorite artist or genre. Replay — Apple's alternative to Spotify's Wrapped playlist — has been redesigned with new, sleek functionality and optimized for sharing on social media like TikTok or Instagram. The charts are dynamic all year, so listeners can check any time to see how their music is charting. Eligibility is based on a threshold of plays and time spent listening. In November, Apple Music crowned the Puerto Rican reggaeton superstar Bad Bunny its Artist of the Year, thanks in large part to his latest album, "Un Verano Sin Ti," which became Apple Music's most streamed album of 2022 and its biggest Latin album of all time. Apple Music had a big 2022 itself, hitting a milestone in October when it recorded its 100 millionth song on the streaming service. That's more than You-Tube Music's 80 million songs, Spotify's 82 million tracks and podcasts, and Amazon Music's 90 million songs. "One hundred million songs for us is really significant because I think it is such a kind of great reflection of just how diverse and enormous the music world is these days," Newman said. "It's the largest and most diverse collection of music in any kind of format ever in the history of music, which is

just pretty astounding." Streaming service Pandora also revealed its top songs Tuesday: "Wait For U" was its top track of 2022 and Bad Bunny had the most songs on the

top 100 list with five



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Big Spring Herald-Santa Letters, PO Box 1431, Big Spring, TX 79721



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ESTATE SALE

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For sale \$3000 each, space one and two in lot number 263, section "Garden of Machpelah". This section of Trinity Memorial Park Is one of the original sections and has been sold out for years. In a beautiful location Just a few plots from the main road. Close to the sitting area and pond with fish. Call Mandy 575-686-0735

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REAL ESTATE **FOR RENT**

COMMERCIAL BUILDING for lease. 2000 Birdwell. 3200 saft. Multiple offices, two restrooms, kitchen/break room. \$2000 month rent and deposit Please call or text 432-213-

REAL ESTATE FOR RENT

FOR RENT: 406 E. Marcy Unit F (East upstairs Apt.), Big Spring- 1B/1 Bath, Central H/A, water paid, Single occupant, no pets. \$900/Mo, \$900 Deposit, Background check performed. Call 432/263-6514

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AKC Shih Tzu male puppies for rehoming. Ten weeks old with vet checks and vaccinations. (432) 741-5140

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF HOWARD

By virtue of Tax Warrant issued out of thc 118* District Court of Howard County, Texas In Cause No. 6996 and Cause No. 6530 on the 2 I it day of October. 2022 by the Clerk thereof, and to me as Sheriff. directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell at 10:00 a.tn. on the 6th da of December 2022 at the North entrance of the Howard County Courthouse lawn, in

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ыд Spring. I exas, tne properties described below:

CAUSE NO 6996 **STYLING** City of Big Spring. et al vs. Owners of Various Properties Located I. Vithtn the City Limits of Big Spring. Texas LEGAL DESCRIPTION Tract 1. Lot 10, in Block G, Moore Heights Addn.s R000007421 Tract 2. **PULLED** Tract 3. The East 15 Feet of

the South 85 Feet of Lot 7. in Block A. Moore Heights Addn,,. described in Vol. 1278 & Pg. 47, R000007364 Tract 4. Lot 2, in Block E, Moore Heights Addn., R000007393 Tract 5. Lots 11 & 12. in Block E, Moore Heights Addu., R000007402 Tract 6. The West 50 Feet of the South 67 Feet of Lot I i in Block F. Moore I-reights Addn,, described In vol. 1227 & Pg. 47, R000007403 Tract 7. The North of Lot I, in Block G, Moore Heights Addn.. R00000741 1 Tract 8. The South Half of Lot I, in Block G, Moore Heights Addn., R000007412 Tract 9. Lot 5, in Block G,

Moore Heights Addu., R000007416 Tract 10. Lot 6, in Block G, Moore Heights Addn., R000007417 Tract II. Lot 2, in Block H,

Moore Heights Addn.. R000007426 Tract 12. Lot 9, in Block H, Moore Heights Addn.,

R000007433 Tract 13. Lot 10, in Block H, Moore Heights Addn.,

R000007434 Tract 14. Lot 12, in Block 1, Moore Heights Addn..

R000007447 Tract 15. Lots I & 2, in Block J. Moore Heights Addn.,

R000007449 Tract 16. Lot 6, in Block J. Moore Heights Addn.,

R000007453 Tract 17. Lot 5. in Block J. Moore Heights Addn., R000007452 CAUSE NO

6530 **STYLING** Howard County. et al vs. Preston Johnson and Oletha

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Johnson LEGAL DESCRIPTION Tract I- Lot 7. in Block J. Moore Heights Addn., ROOOOOT454 Tract 2. Lot 4, in Block 10, Government Heights to Bauer Addn.. R000000374

ALL BIDDERS MUST NOW DISPLAY PROOF OF COM-PLIANCE WITH SECTION 34.015 or THE TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE.

LEVIED ON the 24 day of October, 2022, as the property of those persons listed above to satisfy taxes, penalties, and interest and all costs of seizure and sale against those persons listed in said warrant and any other unknown owners in favor of the Taxing Units listed in said Tax Warrants.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THIS THE 24 DAY OF October, 2022

/s/ STAN PARKER Sheriff, Howard County, Texas



Deputy

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Notice of Application for Oil and Gas Waste Disposal Well Permit

HighPeak Energy Holdings, LLC. Is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced saltwater or other oil and gas waste by well injection into a porous formation which is not productive of oil or gas. The Applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the Clearfork Formation in the Spraberry (Trend Area) Field of the Abyss #1 SWD well, surface location at 687' FSL & amp; 383' FWL of Section 26, Block 32, T-1-S, T & amp. RR Co. Survey, Abstract 1277, Howard County, Texas. The surface location of the proposed disposal well is located approximately 6 miles

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southwest of Big Spring, Texas. The wastewater will be injected into strata in the subsurface true vertical depth interval from 3075 feet TVD to 4600 feet TVD.

Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the

Railroad Commission of

LEGAL AUTHORITY:

Texas. Requests for a public hear-

ing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further

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information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services, Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P. O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512- 463-6792)



LEGALS RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS

OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0335995 DATE OF ISSUANCE: Nov 18, 2022

Status/Permit No. 881180 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Dec 9, 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 requirement for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 28, Bk. 31 T1S, T&P RR CO/ROBERTS, W T Survey, A-1331, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 5.7 miles SE direction from SAND SPRINGS, 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 AP-PLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUS-TIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Dec 9, 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 PUBLICA-

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

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name: MARCHBANKS 28-16 A UNIT D Lease/Unit Well No.: D 3H Lease/Unit Acres: 960.0 Nearest Lease Line (ft): null

Lease Lines: 218.0 F SOUTH L, 2343.0 F EAST L Survey Lines: 218.0 F SOUTH L, 2343.0 F EAST L

Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal

Lateral: TH1 Penetration Point Location

400.0 F NORTH I Lease Lines:

2308.0 F WEST L

Terminus Location

BH County: HOWARD Section: 16 Block: 31 T1S Abstract: 1268

Survey: T&P RR CO/ECHOLS, A L Lease Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L 333.0 F EAST L 100.0 F NORTH L Survey Lines: 2308.0 F WEST L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as fol-

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

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

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

BAYSWATER SOUR GAS PIPELINE SYSTEM HOWARD & MITCHELL COUNTY, TX DING GPS COORDINATES 62907, -101.173608

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Bayswater Operating Company LLC Notice of Application for Sour Pipeline Permit

Bayswater Operating Company LLC, 730 17th Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado 80202, (303) 893-2503, has applied to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to construct 3.63 miles of 10 inch buried pipeline in Howard and Mitchel County, Texas to gather produced sour gas. The proposed location of the sour gas pipelines is shown on the accompanying map. The pipelines will be constructed and operated in accordance with 16 Texas Administrative Code 3.36 and 3.106 of the Railroad Commission of Texas requiring contingency plan preparation and general public notification.

The pipeline facility will transport sour gas that contains 100 parts per million or more of hydrogen sulfide. A copy of the application forms and detailed map showing the location of the pipelines is available for public inspection at the Howard and Mitchel County Clerk Office located at the following addresses:

Howard County Clerk 300 Main Street, Room 104 Big Spring, Texas 79721

Mitchell County Clerk 349 Oak Street, Room 103 Colorado City, TX 79512

Any owner or occupant of land located within the area of influence of the proposed sour gas pipeline facility desiring to protest this application can do so by mailing or otherwise delivering a letter referring to the application and Docket No. OG-23-00011353 and stating their desire to protest to:

Docket Services, Office of General Counsel Railroad Commission of Texas PO BOX 12967, Austin, Texas 78711-2967

The letter shall include the name, address and telephone number of every person on whose behalf the protest is filed and shall state the reasons each such person believes he or she is the owner or occupant of property within the area of influence of the proposed pipeline facility. Protests shall be in writing and received by Docket services no later than December 30, 2022. It is recommended that a copy of this notice be included with the letter.





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Today In History...

Today is Wednesday, Nov. 30, the 334th day of 2022. There are 31 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 30, 1782, the United States and Britain signed preliminary peace articles in Paris for ending the Revolutionary War; the Treaty of Paris was signed in September 1783.

On this date:

In 1803, Spain completed the process of ceding Louisiana to France, which had sold it to the United States.

In 1874, British statesman Sir Winston Churchill was born at Blenheim Palace.

In 1981, the United States and the Soviet Union opened negotiations in Geneva aimed at reducing nuclear weapons in Europe.

In 1982, the motion picture "Gandhi," starring Ben

In 1993, President Bill Clinton signed the Brady Bill, which required a five-day waiting period for handgun

purchases and background checks of prospective buy-

Kingsley as the Indian nationalist leader, had its world

In 2000, Al Gore's lawyers battled for his political survival in the Florida and U.S. Supreme Courts; meanwhile, GOP lawmakers in Tallahassee moved to award the presidency to George W. Bush in case the

courts did not by appointing their own slate of elec-

In 2004, "Jeopardy!" fans saw Ken Jennings end his 74-game winning streak as he lost to real estate agent Nancy Zerg.

In 2010, the Obama administration announced that all 197 airlines that flew to the U.S. had begun collecting names, genders and birth dates of passengers so the government could check them against terror watch lists before they boarded flights.

In 2011, an Arizona jury sentenced convicted "Baseline Killer" Mark Goudeau (goo-DOH') to death for killing nine people in the Phoenix area. (He remains on death row.)

In 2013, Paul Walker, 40, the star of the "Fast & Furious" movie series, died with his friend, Roger W. Rodas, who was at the wheel of a Porsche sports car that crashed and burned north of Los Angeles.

In 2018, former President George H.W. Bush, a World War II hero who rose through the political ranks to the nation's highest office, died at his Houston home at the age of 94; his wife of more than 70 years, Barbara Bush, had died in April.

In 2020, two battleground states, Wisconsin and Arizona, certified their presidential election tallies in favor of Joe Biden, even as President Donald Trump's legal team continued to dispute the results; Biden's

victory in Wisconsin was certified following a partial recount that only added to his 20,600-vote margin over Trump.

Ten years ago: Israel approved the construction of 3,000 homes in Jewish settlements on occupied lands, drawing swift condemnation from the Palestinians a day after their successful bid for recognition by the United Nations. Tens of thousands of protesters took to the streets in Egypt, denouncing President Mohammed Morsi and a draft constitution that was approved earlier in the day by his Islamist allies.

Five years ago: House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi called on veteran Democratic congressman John Conyers to resign in the face of multiple accusations of sexual misconduct. (Conyers resigned five days later.) A jury found a Mexican man not guilty in the killing of a woman on a San Francisco pier, a shooting that touched off a fierce national immigration debate. (Jose Ines Garcia Zarate, who had been deported five times, did not deny shooting Kate Steinle but said it was an accident. He was found guilty of being a felon in possession of a firearm.) Rapper DMX pleaded guilty to tax fraud, admitting he concealed millions of dollars in revenue to dodge \$1.7 million in taxes. (The rapper was sentenced to a year in prison.) Actor Jim Nabors, best known as TV's "Gomer Pyle," died at the age of 87.

One year ago: Ethan Crumbley, a 15-year-old sophomore, opened fire at a Michigan high school, killing four students and wounding seven other people; school staff had discovered his violent drawings but his parents wouldn't remove him from school. (The parents, James and Jennifer Crumbley, are accused of making the gun accessible and ignoring their son's mental health needs; they face charges including involuntary manslaughter.) The Biden administration moved to toughen testing requirements for international travelers to the U.S., including both vaccinated and unvaccinated people, amid the spread of the omicron variant of the coronavirus. CNN took Chris Cuomo off the air indefinitely, saying information released by New York's attorney general showed that he had played a greater role than he had previously acknowledged in defense of his brother, former New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo, as he fought sexual harassment charges. (Cuomo would be fired days

Today's Birthdays: Country singer-recording executive Jimmy Bowen is 85. Movie director Ridley Scott is 85. Screenwriter Geoffrey C. Ward is 82. Movie writer-director Terrence Malick is 79. Rock musician Roger Glover (Deep Purple) is 77. Playwright David Mamet (MA'-meht) is 75. Actor Mandy Patinkin is 70. Musician Shuggie Otis is 69. Country singer Jeannie Kendall is 68. Singer Billy Idol is 67. Historian Michael Beschloss is 67. Rock musician John Ashton (The Psychedelic Furs) is 65. Comedian Colin Mochrie is 65. Former football and baseball player Bo Jackson is 60. Rapper Jalil (Whodini) is 59. Actor-director Ben Stiller is 57. Rock musician Mike Stone is 53. Music producer Steve Aoki is 45. Singer Clay Aiken is 44. Actor Billy Lush is 41. Actor Elisha Cuthbert is 40. Actor Kaley Cuoco (KWOH'-koh) is 37. Model Chrissy Teigen (TY'-gihn) is 37. Actor Christel Khalil is 35. Actor Rebecca Rittenhouse is 34. Actor Adelaide Clemens is 33. World chess champion Magnus Carlsen is 32. Actor Tyla Harris is 22.

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Wednesday, November 30, 2022

Horoscopes By Holiday

WEDNESDAY November 30, 2022

Intuition Moon

Some say that recurring dreams are your mind dealing with unresolved issues. Solve the problem in real life and you'll change the dream. In the final days of Neptune's retrograde, the moon floats the Piscean sea of intuition, lending some otherworldly level insight as to how to process life's little messes, close the loops and tie off the loose

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You're paying attention. You'll recognize where you're at with someone through the tone of your interactions. When it's a little off the norm, you notice. When it's particularly sweet, you give back in kind.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Almost everything you see out there is not you -a humbling fact that makes you wonder about your place in it all. While you'll experiment to figure it out, never doubt that you have a place and that your role is essential.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Take things as you find them. Facts are facts. The longer you hold on to information, the more you influ-ence it. It will help you now to know how things stand independent of you. Only then can you really understand your influence.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Theatric's are unnecessary, especially if your aim is to stir things up. To surprise and alarm people, you don't have to do anything other than tell the truth. The more unpretentious and real you are, the more effective you'll be.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The drama unfolds. There's no clear winner here, nor is there a solid sense of right and wrong. Humans are messy. They connect and disconnect haphazardly. Don't worry about making sense of it. Time will reveal additional relevant details.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There's a heightened quality to the day. The natural world invites your appreciation. You'll experience visual poetry. Things seem more dramatic set against the ever-changing sky.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You don't have to seek trouble, nor should you go out to meet it. There's much that can happen in the stretch between you and the problem. This time, it will be better to sit back and see who intervenes.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Like all resources, your time, money and attention become undervalued when they are given too freely. The value increases when you hold some back.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). With certain people, you'll keep your feelings tucked away. It's appropriate. They wouldn't know what to do with the full-fledged version of you. Be sure to air those feelings when it's safe, as no good comes from bottling up indefinitely.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You're not trying to live dangerously; it's just what naturally happens when you aim for daring goals. You'll keep your eye on the prize, and the periphery will be a blur. To be a bit fuzzy about the risks involved works to your advantage.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb.

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62 Church alcove

1 Interjection of

indifference

3 More furious

5 Dressed (in)

6 Sneaky trick

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11 Spadelike

7 Very sharp, as

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2 Food items in a

4 Lake near Reno

64 Aide: Abbr.

DOWN

60 Banisters

18). It doesn't matter who is chosen first or third or not at all. What matters is what happens. It's a waste of energy to worry about rankings or status indicators. Just stick to your mission and things will work out.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Relationships are like chords -- built one note at a time. Stay on your lovely note and see who chimes in with you. It only takes one other tone to make it a chord, and really any tone

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 30). You're brave, skilled and aimed at unusual goals. You'll use big markers and your excellent sense of direction to venture where none before you have gone. Mostly, this applies in metaphor. Relationships thrive because of a shared vision. Family vacations, renovations and events are laced with luck. March brings a windfall. Virgo and Taurus adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 45, 3, 25, 6 and

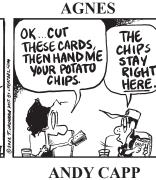
CELEBRITY PROFILES: Ben Stiller is the producer of, among a full roster of projects, the series "Severance," about office members whose memories have been surgically divided between their work and personal lives. Like most Sagittarians, Stiller is drawn to new worlds, especially ones that go by unfamiliar rules. Stiller was born under a sensitive, artistic Pisces moon with Venus and Mars in Capricorn, the sign of business moguls.

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15 Of the moon

16 Stick in one's

(be irritating)

17 Ultra-chic

stockings

20 Acted moody

21 Personal

opinions 22 Aviator

23 ___-Mex cuisine

24 Something to

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26 Bug in a hive

27 Visiting across

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33 Careless mistake

34 Beginning stage

35 Choir director's note locator

37 Disney World theme park

40 Carolyn

(Nancy Drew

series byline)

41 Fraction of a min.

44 Perfume bottle

45 Begin to blush

46 ___-friendly

(good for the

environment) **47** Occupation suffix

for puppet 48 Make a wager

49 Boot-shaped

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51 Unemotional 53 Japanese island

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56 Sea metaphor of song

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61 Combustible heap **18** Briefly

19 Forbid, informally

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23 Touched on the shoulder

25 Long-tailed

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34 "Grand" event for

a new store

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pastries

43 Playfully shy **45** Happens again

48 Life story, for

short

50 Bay (St. Pete's

water) 52 Woodwind

instrument

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56 Undecided, on a TV schedule

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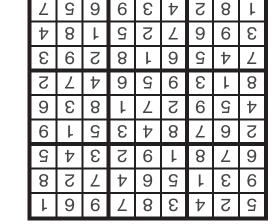
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Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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The benefits of in person holiday shopping

The 2020, and into 2021, holiday season was unlike any other. The COVID-19 pandemic was still affecting daily life across the globe over the final months of 2020, prompting many families and individuals to alter holiday traditions they'd embraced for decades. That included how people shop. Many people avoided in person holiday shopping in 2020. However, the successful rollout of various COVID-19 vaccines has made in person shopping safe again. That's good news for local businesses and great news for shoppers, who may have forgotten just how much they can benefit from shopping in person.

- In person shopping is convenient. Much is made of the convenience of online shopping. And it's undeniable that the ability to shop at all hours of the day and night is convenient. However, in person shopping, especially when shopping for others, is much more convenient than shoppers may realize. When shopping in person, shoppers can get a feel for an item, size it up and even inspect its quality prior to purchasing it. That can save shoppers from that disappointing feeling of receiving an item in the mail only to realize it's poorly made or oddly sized and therefore unlikely to fit its eventual recipient. • In person shopping isn't all about shipping. Shipping speed is a significant
- factor for online shoppers, and that may affect just which gift they give come the holiday season. According to a Dotcom report titled "How Fast Delivery and Quality Packaging Drives Customer Loyalty," 87 percent of shoppers surveyed indicated shipping was a key factor when deciding whether to shop with an e-commerce brand again. That's an important consideration, as shoppers may be more inclined to buy an item from a retailer simply because



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of their shipping speed capabilities and not because of the quality of the item and whether or not it's what they want to give to their loved one. Shopping in person removes shipping from the equation, ensuring gift givers will give a gift they truly want to give and not just the one that will arrive on time.

• In person shopping allows for more accessible browsing. Within minutes of entering a store and walking around,

shoppers may see a handful of gifts that will ultimately be great for various people on their lists, even if they had no idea what to get prior to entering. That ability to browse is more difficult when shopping online, especially when buying from online retailers with massive inventories of a range of products. Such sites often require visitors to pick a category to streamline their searches. That's not always easy or enjoyable for shoppers who cherish the opportunity to uncover hidden gems or more unique gifts that aren't available all over the

 In person shopping supports our locally owned mom-and-pop businesses. What better ways to celebrate the diversity, uniqueness and creativity of independent, local businesses than by supporting them during the busiest shopping season of the year?

Let's take a look! Plaid Friday was conceptualized in Oakland, Calif., several years ago in an effort to encourage holiday shoppers to slow down and shop locally at small businesses rather than partake in the frenzy of the traditional Black Friday rush at big box retailers. Similarly, Small Business Saturday® was founded by American Express in 2010 as a community-centric day to support local businesses. Small Business Saturday was the catalyst for the generalized Shop Small® movement, which encourages consumers to patronize small businesses.

Local businesses are at the heart of their communities. In a 2015 survey by the Urban and Land Institute, researchers found that more than half of respondents said they wanted a neighborhood where they wouldn't need a car very often. More than 40 percent specifically noted the desirability of local shopping and entertaining as main features. A neighborhood with a Main Street or thriving local shopping hub can be a big draw. Consumers make these neighborhoods a reality.

Every time they grab a coffee from a local café, purchase a piece of artwork from a neighborhood artist or dine at a family-run restaurant, shoppers are supporting local business owners and strengthening their communities. Here are some ways to make shopping small a priority this holiday season.

- Take inventory of Plaid Friday and Small Business Saturday sales by keeping up on local social media. Build holiday shopping lists around the offerings at local businesses.
- Dine out at local restaurants or shop smaller food merchants.
- Visit a local tree farm. When decorating for the holidays, support the farm or local nursery that grows Christmas trees and makes their own wreaths and
- Keep your money in your community at a local bank or credit union rather than a large national bank. Local banks may have special promotions to boost savings for holiday gifting.

The holiday season is the perfect time to support small, local businesses.





