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'Side By Side' BSSO concert to feature BSHS musicians



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Dr. John Giordano directs the Big Spring Symphony Orchestra in a concert in February 2018. Giordano will once again take up the baton to direct the BSSO this Feb. 9 in their "Side By Side" concert featuring clarinetist Steve Hughes and musicians from the Big Spring High School band.

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Staff Writer

The Big Spring Symphony Orchestra has a concert coming up in February that will highlight some of Big Spring High School's best young musicians.

The event is "Side By Side," scheduled Feb. 9 at 7:30 p.m. in the Big Spring Municipal Auditorium.

"We'll have some of the best members of the Big Spring High School Band come to play a finale - actually two," said BSSO Music Director and Primary Conductor Dr. Keith Graumann. "They'll be playing a huge

piece by Sibelius called "Finlandia." Of course, Sibelius was Finnish, and he's like a national hero for Finland. This is a huge piece, and we'll have members of the Big Spring Band play side by side with us for this final piece, plus we'll do an encore with those same people. We hope to feature them, and maybe have their parents stand, and that kind of thing."

Along with the high school virtuosos, the concert will feature Big Spring native Steve Hughes on the clarinet. Hughes, a former judge

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Local veteran presented with tandem bicycle



HERALD photo/Anna Gutierrez

Military veteran Jeremy Blount, pictured with physical therapist Katie Price, was presented with a tandem bicycle on Monday, January 13, 2019. West Texas VA Health Care System worked with House of Tandems to appropriate the tandem bicycle for Jeremy.

By **ANNA GUTIERREZ**
 Staff Writer

As we have all seen and heard, our military veterans face many challenges and can experience many hardships once they leave the service and try to work their way back to a civilian lifestyle. Unfortunately, this was the case for Jeremy Blount. Jeremy was in the military for several years, but when he left the service, he says he felt lost and that he couldn't talk to anyone.

"I felt no one would understand," says Blount. He felt so hopeless that he once tried to take his own life, which left him visually impaired. Since then, Blount has been receiving treatment and

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Pass that Brush Big Spring Art Association meeting

By **AMBER MANSFIELD**
 Staff Writer

"Art washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life," Pablo Picasso once famously proclaimed.

If you love art or want to dust away those worries of life, then come join members of the Big Spring Art Association (BSAA) for their monthly meeting this Saturday, January 19 at 10 a.m., and see what the BSAA is all about.

"We are looking forward to our January meeting. We usually have a speaker at our meetings, but this time we are doing something a little different that we have only done once before," said Leatrice Brown of BSAA. "We will do the passing of the brush game. This is where one person will start a painting, the bell rings, and another person will add to it until the picture is complete. It will be fun and interesting."

Brown stated that they will meet in the basement of the Howard County Library. "We always have a lot of fun at our meetings. During our December meeting, we had a Chinese gift exchange. We always

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Courtesy photo

Leatrice Brown, member of the Big Spring Art Association, enjoys time outside creating something unique as she lets her natural surroundings inspire her creativity. If you are a creative one as well and have a passion for making beautiful things, don't miss the BSAA's upcoming meeting on Saturday. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Embrace the dream, create the change

Public commemorative service

By **AMBER MANSFIELD**
 Staff Writer

In 1957, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. delivered a speech in Montgomery, Alabama, in which he declared, "Life's most persistent and urgent question is: 'What are you doing for others?'"

In that spirit, since 1983 on the King's birthday, the third Monday in January has been set aside as Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. It serves as a time of reflection and a call to action, and promoted to push the importance of service on MLK Day, which falls this year on the civil rights icon's 90th birthday.

One local church will hold a celebration of their

own of the life of MLK and is inviting the public to come and join them. At noon on Monday, January 21, Baker's Chapel AME Church, located on 911 N. Lancaster is hosting their annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. commemorative service with the hopes of bringing the community together to remember the dream one man had.

"It is with great pride that Baker's Chapel will host our annual MLK commemorative service," said Pastor Red. Sonia Scott. "The service will allow time for those who need to return to work by 1 p.m. We will even provide a sack lunch and drinks to all our guests that day."

Martin Luther King Jr. wore many hats that would set out to make his community a better one

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NazFamily couples retreat

By **ANNA GUTIERREZ**
 Staff Writer

NazFamily Church will be sponsoring their third annual Couples Retreat on Friday and Saturday, February 8 and 9. Prior events were held at retreat campgrounds, but this year, the retreat is staying in Big Spring. Friday night will consist of dinner and an evening session at the Hotel Settles at 6 p.m. On Saturday morning, there will be brunch and a morning session at NazFamily Church at 9 a.m. Saturday evening at 6 p.m., the group will once again meet at the Hotel Settles for dinner, along with an evening session.

"Many couples invest in

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Photographed above is Pastor Richard Schneberger, and his wife, Sara, of NazFamily Church. NazFamily will be hosting their third annual Couples Retreat on February 8 and 9 at Hotel Settles and NazFamily Church.

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Obituaries

R.M "Jimmy" Moore



R.M "Jimmy" Moore, 83, died January 11, 2019.

A graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, January 16, 2019, at the Edwards Ranch with Ronnie Gardner officiating.

The family will receive friends 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Tuesday, January 15, 2019, at Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home in Big Spring.

Moore is survived by his wife, Imogene Moore of Big Spring; daughters, Deborah Walton and husband Dan of Big Spring, Kathy Henry and husband Bill of Hawley, Penny Owensby Powers and husband Marvin of Abilene, and Tammy Allen and husband Mark

of Big Spring; 5 granddaughters; one grandson; and one great-grandson; four chosen sons, Larry Stephens of Lewisville, Darrell Stephens of Big Spring, Michael Stephens of Fort Worth, and Mark Stephens of Pennsylvania; and one chosen daughter, Becky Stephens Richardson of San Angelo; as well as his sisters Josie Moore of Waco, and Mary Thornton of Ocala, Fla.

He was preceded in death by his father, Henry M. Moore; mother, Elouise "Ella" Moore; brothers, Henry Wayne Moore, Walter Horace Moore, Melbourne Dean Moore; sisters, Inez Chance, Madge Olech, Margarite Chandler, Hattie Ruth Moore, Margie Marie Moore; and two granddaughters.

Arrangements are under direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory.

Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com.

Matias Lopez Perez

Matias Lopez Perez, 92, of Big Spring died Sunday, January 13, 2019. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 75 inmates at the time of this report.

- **CHARLES BERTRAM CAHOON**, 50, was booked by HCSO on warrants for speeding (93 mph in a 75 mph zone), driving with an invalid license, failure to appear for possession of a controlled substance (Penalty Group 1, less than 1 gram), bail jumping/failure to appear, theft of property (\$750 to \$2,500), and theft (less than \$100); for bondsman off bond for possession of a dangerous drug; and for a nisi judgement for possession of a controlled substance (Penalty Group 1, less than 1 gram).

- **TERENCE QUINTEN CROSS JR.**, 19, was booked by BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana (less than 2 oz.).

- **MARIANO GRANADOS**, 44, was booked by BSPD on a charge of driving with a suspended or invalid license.

- **FARRELL RAYNEI MCCULLOUGH**, 56, was booked by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- **LORENZO TORRES RAMIREZ**, 33, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

- **JOHNNY JAMES RANGEL**, 24, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for failure to appear for possession of a controlled substance (Penalty Group 1, four to 200 grams); and on two warrants for failure to appear for abandoning or endangering a child.

- **VICTOR SOBERON**, 26, was booked by HCSO on charges of possession of a controlled substance (Penalty Group 1, 4 to 200 grams), possession of a dangerous drug, and driving with a suspended or invalid license.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **TERENCE QUINTEN CROSS JR.**, 19, of 3313 11th Place was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana (less than 2 oz.).

- **MARIANO GRANADOS**, 44, of 1200 Wood St. was arrested on a charge of driving with a suspended or invalid license.

- **FARRELL RAYNEI MCCULLOUGH**, 56, of 1213 17th St. was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

- **CHARLES BERTRAM CAHOON**, 50, of 1010 Wildfire Rd. was arrested on warrants for bail jumping/failure to appear, pos-

session of a controlled substance (Penalty Group 1, less than 1 gram), possession of a dangerous drug, and fraudulent use or possession of identifying information (5 to 10 items); and on several other outstanding warrants.

- **VICTOR SOBERON**, 26, of 305 23rd St. in Snyder was arrested on charges of possession of a controlled substance (Penalty Group 1, 4 to 200 grams), possession of a dangerous drug, and driving with a suspended or invalid license.

- **THEFT** was reported in the 600 block of North FM 846, the 1400 block of West County Road 32, and the 700 block of West Interstate 20.

- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported at the intersection of County Road 21 and West Leatherwood.

- **ASSAULT** was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Boulevard.

- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 800 block of North Benton St. and the 1200 block of East FM 700.

- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 600 block of Steakley Street.

- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported at the intersection of FM 1584 and County Road 54.

- **INTOXICATED SUBJECT** was reported in the 1700 block of East FM 700.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **PUBLIC SERVICE CALL** was reported in the 600 block of Caylor. One person was treated at the scene.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3700 block of Wasson Road. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 5600 block of Salem Road. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical

Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3700 block of Wasson Road. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2300 block of Wasson Road. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3700 block of Wasson Road. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 700 block of Willa Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **PUBLIC SERVICE CALL** was reported in the 200 block of Algerita. One person was treated at the scene.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1400 block of North Highway 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Take Note

- American Legion Post 506 is inviting the public to get either a fish fry or brisket basket with all the fixings Saturday, Jan. 19. The Legion will be serving from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., and will be doing deliveries from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., or you can even carry out. For price on plates call 432-263-2084. The American Legion Post 506 is located at 3202 W Hwy 80. Everyone is welcome!

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

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

- Maranatha Baptist Academy, 903 Johnson Big Spring, Texas 432-213-1046, Call today for educational needs. In School, High School graduation, Tutoring, homeschool. We are qualified to help you with your child's education, kindergarten through twelfth grade. Come by or give us a call. Open enrollment.

- 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.

- The Crossroads Young Marines is taking applications for another boot camp. For more information, call 432-517-4791. Young Marines welcomes boys and girls ages 8 to 18 who are still attending school.

- The Homeownership Preservation Foundation (HPF) is an independent national nonprofit dedicated to helping distressed homeowners navigate financial challenges and avoid mortgage foreclosure. If you want to stop mortgage foreclosure and

are need of help, the time to call 888-995-HOPE is now. HPF can provide counseling free of charge, in English and 170 other languages, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. For free foreclosure help, call the hotline.

- The Howard County Democrats will meet the second and fourth Monday of each month at 5:30 pm.at the Howard County Democratic Headquarters, 1408 Scurry, behind Prosperity Bank .

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

- Big Spring's Centennial Lions Club is holding a drive to collect books for the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club. Books for kids in kindergarten through about 10th grade will be accepted, with special preference for books for younger children in kindergarten through third grade. Cash donations to allow the Lions to purchase additional books are also appreciated. Books or donations can be taken to the Salvation Army, 811 W. Fifth St., or to the home of Lions member Ken Lawhon at 1707 E. 15th St. For more information, contact Lawhon at 214-998-9716.

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Support Groups

TUESDAY

- Big Spring and Snyder Parkinson's Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month.

This is a group for all Parkinson's Disease patients, spouses and caregivers.

For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

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

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 and 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

- RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy) a chronic pain disease, a support and informative group, meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at 432-517-9207 for more information.

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.

- 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. t 501 Birdwell Lane. For more information, email francisco.garza@wtcmhmr.org, or call 432-268-3003.

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3 deputies shot while serving search warrant at Texas home



AP photo

Ector County Sheriff deputies hug in the ambulance entrance at Medical Center Hospital after three sheriff's deputies were shot in the line of duty, according to the Odessa American, late Monday, Jan. 14, 2019, in North Odessa, Texas.

ODESSA, Texas (AP) — Police in Texas say three deputies have been shot and wounded while serving a search warrant at a home in Odessa. Ector County Sheriff Mike Griffis says officers returned fire and one person was killed during the Monday night shooting. Investigators believe the person who died was the subject of the search

warrant, though authorities have not said how the person died. Griffis says two of the deputies were shot in the leg and one had a graze wound to the mouth. He says all are expected to recover. The sheriff says the search warrant was related to drugs. A second person who was at the home has been taken into custody,

White House shifts shutdown strategy, tries to bypass Pelosi

By CATHERINE LUCEY and JILL COLVIN

WASHINGTON (AP) — Shifting strategy, the White House invited rank-and-file House Democrats to lunch Tuesday with President Donald Trump, bypassing Speaker Nancy Pelosi and her leadership team in an effort to get centrist and freshman lawmakers on board with funding Trump's long-promised U.S.-Mexico border wall.

Pelosi approved of lawmakers attending the meeting, telling her team that the group can see what she and others have been dealing with in trying to negotiate with Trump to end the partial government shutdown, now in its 25th day with no resolution in sight.

Pelosi predicted that after meeting with Trump the lawmakers will want to make a "citizen's arrest," according to the aide, who wasn't authorized to publicly discuss the meeting and spoke on condition of anonymity.

Lawmakers invited to the White House include centrist Democrats from districts where Trump is popular, including freshmen.

Rep. Jim Cooper, D-Tenn., said he attended a meeting of fellow centrist Democrats on Monday night and that a handful of members, most of whom represent districts Trump carried in 2016,

were invited. The White House has not released a guest list. Rep. Jim Himes of Connecticut, another centrist Democrat, said the White House is "grasping at straws."

"The majority of Americans understand exactly what is happening here," he said. "The president could open the government tomorrow and he refuses to. We're very conscious of the fact that this is a bully and when you allow him to succeed by holding the government hostage you can expect to see that play run again."

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell said on the Senate floor that it's up to Democrats to get the country off the "political carousel" of the shutdown fight. The Kentucky Republican said Democrats have turned Trump's wall into "something evil" and

have engaged in "acrobatic contortions" to avoid dealing with the security and humanitarian crisis at the southern border.

With the government shutdown now in its fourth week, negotiations between the White House and Congress are at a standstill. Trump has demanded \$5.7 billion for the border wall; Democrats are refusing but are offering money for fencing and other border security measures.

On Monday, Trump rejected a short-term legislative fix and dug in for more combat, declaring he would "never ever back down." The president also edged further away from the idea of trying to declare a national emergency to circumvent Congress.

"I'm not looking to call a national emergency," Trump said Monday. "This is so simple we shouldn't have to."

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so many material things, but there is no greater thing to invest in than marriage and building a foundation," says Richard Schneberger, pastor at NazFamily Church. "We will be presenting the art of marriage of material. We will also have a special speaker, Paul Baskin, a seasoned pastor and leader."

According to Schneberger, there is enough space for fifty people total, or twenty-five couples, to attend the retreat, but you don't have to be a member of NazFamily to attend. The church is also asking for donations to help cover the cost of this event. NazFamily Church is located at 1400 S. Lancaster. If you would like additional information regarding the retreat, please call 432-267-7015.

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VET

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rehabilitation at West Texas VA Healthcare System.

West Texas VA Healthcare System and Blind Rehabilitation worked with House of Tandems to make something special a reality for Blount. On Monday, he was presented with a new tandem bicycle.

"I hope this will make it easier to get around, but I also hope this will help spread the word," says Blount. "I hope to bring awareness to the challenges veterans face every day."

Blount also hopes to compete in specialized sports contests that the VA offers. Riding tandem with Blount will be physical therapist Katie Price, who says she is proud to be able to help Jeremy and hopes to make

life a little easier for him.

Now, on to the next challenge: learning to ride the tandem bike. The riding duo didn't hesitate, and right after Blount was presented with his new bike, the duo headed straight to Big Spring's iconic Scenic Mountain for their very first lesson.

Local veterans who would like to connect to other veterans, or who'd like to know what services are available to support veterans, please contact the local Military Veteran Peer Network by calling Francisco Garza at West Texas Centers at 432-268-3003. You can also find information at www.milvetpeer.net or call toll free 1-800-252-VETS (8387).

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BSAA

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try and get each other's gift, whoever has the best one. I ended up getting paint brushes! It was amazing and so many others tried to get me to give them up, but I held onto them. It's all in good fun," said Brown. "We always have snacks and refreshments during the meetings. Everyone brings a little something. So if you are interested in art of any kind, please come visit us!"

Brown also mentioned that BSAA is dedicated to all the artists of the past, present and future, who through their eyes, efforts, and talents, make this a lovelier world.

"BSAA and its members hold meetings, put on art shows, and want to let Big Spring and the surrounding areas know about the talent found right here in Howard County," said Brown. "We meet each month on the third Saturday at 10 a.m. at the Howard County Library, unless there is a change due to the program. We welcome everyone to share their art with BSAA, come to our meetings, let us know what you are interested in. Bring your friends and come make new ones!"

For more information on how to become a BSAA member or any other questions, please contact Kay Smith at 432-213-1153 or check out the BSAA Facebook page.

MLK

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tomorrow. He was a social activist and Baptist minister who played a key role in the American civil rights movement from the mid-1950s. King sought equality and human rights for African Americans, those who were economically disadvantaged, and all victims of injustice through peaceful protest. MLK Jr. was one of the twentieth century's best known advocates for nonviolent social change.

"The members of Baker's Chapel are aware, as many are, of the social injustices that remain prevalent everywhere," said Scott. "Dr. King once said, 'injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere.'"

Scott went into more detail about the commemorative service that Baker's Chapel will be holding, stating that the theme this year is to "Embrace the Dream; Create the Change." MLK's life and work symbolizes the quest for equality and nondiscrimination that lies at the heart of the American and humans—dream. MLK's dream was change.

"Our goal is to remind citizens of West Texas, and especially Big Spring, that even in the midst of injustices, as it exists in our country, to continue to 'Embrace the Dream; Create the Change,'" said Scott. "This is the 2019 national theme of the MLK Foundation. Please join us for this area-wide celebration, everyone is welcome!"

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and current El Paso resident, will perform two pieces: One a Mozart classic, and the other a cinematic number.

"He'll be playing a movement from the Mozart Clarinet Concerto...there's only one," he said. "He'll also be playing a modern piece by John Williams, the famous composer and movie score conductor. Conductor Emeritus of the Boston Pops Orchestra. He'll be playing a piece called 'Viktor's Tale.'"

Graumann went on to explain that "Viktor's Tale" is a piece from 2004's "The Terminal," in

which Tom Hanks portrays Viktor Navorski, a foreign traveler trapped by a visa snafu and unable to leave the terminal at JFK Airport in New York.

In addition, the audience can expect to recognize a couple of pieces.

"We'll also be doing some familiar pieces. For example, we'll be opening with Rossini's 'William Tell Overture,'" Graumann said. The "William Tell Overture" was made famous as the theme song from "The Lone Ranger."

"Another piece you might want to mention is the Gershwin 'An American in Paris,' which is another famous tune which I don't think we've ever played," he said.

"It's a recognizable tune, and it's kind of unusual because it actually has a car horn that plays in the piece."

Graumann will get a vacation from conducting duties this concert.

"John Giordano will be our guest conductor, and he's been a friend of the orchestra since the 1980s, so we consider him a Big Spring connection," Graumann said.

For more information, visit www.bigspringssymphony.com.

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Matias Lopez Perez, 92, died Sunday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Teresa "Tessa" Webb, 67, died Saturday. Memorial service will be January 27, 2019 at 2 p.m. at Myers & Smith Chapel.

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Trump seeks to sell shutdown, trade policies to farmers



President Donald Trump watches as Jim Chilton, a rancher from the Arizona, speaks at the American Farm Bureau Federation convention in New Orleans, Monday, Jan. 14, 2019.

By JONATHAN LEMIRE

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — President Donald Trump urged farmers on Monday to stick with him even as many grapple with the impact of his trade war with China and the partial government shutdown.

"No one understands more than our famers that the tough decisions we make today will reap dividends down the road," Trump said, adding that their "greatest harvest" is yet to come.

"We're doing trade deals that are going to get you so much business, you're not going to believe it," he said.

Trump, in an address to the 100th annual convention of the American Farm Bureau Federation, said the American heartland largely supported him in 2016 and pledged that his policies would ultimately help the agriculture industry despite short-term pain.

The president devoted much of his hourlong address to defending his decision to hold out for billions of dollars to build his long-promised wall at the southern border, which has resulted in an impasse with Con-

gress and the longest government shutdown in history.

Trump said the wall was needed to cut down on illegal immigration, even though border crossings have fallen in recent years, and he said that it would lead to immigration reform that would help farmers get the workers they need for their fields.

"You need people to help you with the farms," Trump said. "It's going to be easier for them to get in."

Despite Trump's assurances, many farmers are feeling the pinch from his policies.

The Agriculture Department is scrambling to blunt the impact of the now 24-day government shutdown on America's farmers.

Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue last week extended the deadline for growers hurt by Trump's trade war with China

to apply for federal aid meant to offset their losses. But some farmers will still have to wait until after the government reopens to see their checks.

In addition, the Farm Service Agency, which distributes loans to farmers, has been shuttered since the first week of the shutdown.

About 500 demonstrators marched outside the convention center to protest the president, some holding signs that said "Open the Government Now" and "Deport Trump." But some farmers attending the American Farm Bureau Federation convention said they continue to support Trump despite the difficulty they're feeling.

Richard Musel, of Bennington, Nebraska, a corn and soybean farmer, described business as "marginal" but said he doesn't blame Trump. Musel said Trump has been good to farmers and had no choice but to get tough with China. He criticized Democrats for refusing to fund the wall.

"He's asking for such a small amount," Musel said of the president.

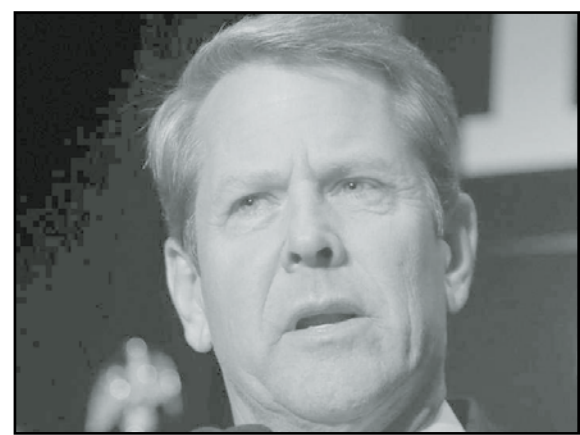
Lemuel and Shelby Ricks grow cotton, soybeans, wheat and peanuts on their farm in Conway, North Carolina. They said they've been hurt by low commodity prices and the shutdown. They can't apply for financial aid the federal government is giving farmers hurt by Trump's trade policies because of the shutdown.

The Rickses said they voted for Trump and will again in 2020, contending the country will benefit from Trump's policies in the long run.

"We're not giving up on him now," Shelby Ricks said. Despite Trump's lofty promises, there has been great unease in the agricultural community over the ongoing trade dispute with China.

The retaliatory tariffs put in place by Beijing have slammed American farmers, many of whom were Trump supporters, and a federal government bailout to the industry has had limited impact. Moreover, despite a pledge to put "farmers first," his new trade deal with Canada and Mexico, which is meant to replace the North American Free Trade Agreement, has yet to be approved by Congress and now potentially faces longer odds to win passage in a Democrat-controlled House of Representatives.

Republican Kemp sworn in as Georgia's 83rd governor



AP photo

In this Nov. 7, 2018 file photo, Brian Kemp speaks to supporters in Athens, Ga.

By BEN NADLER

Associated Press

ATLANTA — Republican Brian Kemp was sworn in as Georgia's 83rd governor in front of an enthusiastic crowd on Monday, but state Democrats indicated that they weren't ready to put the rancorous election behind them.

Kemp, 56, took the oath of office at a university stadium before the GOP faithful, state lawmakers, lobbyists and members of Kemp's Cabinet and family. The University of Georgia Orchestra played patriotic songs and Kemp's eldest daughter, Jarrett Kemp, 19, delivered the invocation before her dad placed his hand on the Bible and took his oath.

Away from the festivities, Democratic Party of Georgia chair DuBose Porter issued a statement calling Kemp's inauguration a "dark day in Georgia's history."

Kemp, who doubled as Georgia's chief elections officer during his campaign, has vehemently denied accusations of voter suppression, pointing to record-setting voter registration numbers.

But Porter's statement calls Kemp's victory over Democrat Stacey Abrams illegitimate and slams his campaign as "built on hate."

A political group Abrams founded is challenging the way Georgia elections are run in federal court, alleging "gross mismanagement" under Kemp.

Kemp rose from underdog status as Georgia secretary of state to clinch a Republican primary runoff with tough talk on immigration and a nod from President Donald Trump.

Kemp has promised to pursue conservative policies as governor, including tough abortion restrictions and a "religious freedom" bill that critics say would damage the state's economy by allowing discrimination against gay and lesbian citizens.

Kemp is 56 and a native of Athens, Georgia. He and his wife, Marty, have three teenage daughters.

Appeals court stays convicted killer's Tuesday execution



for Blaine Milam. His execution was slated for Tuesday.

Milam's attorneys say his conviction was based on "now discredited" bite mark evidence. They also argue he is intellectually disabled and therefore ineligible for execution.

The appeals court says it granted the stay due to recent changes in the science tied to bite mark comparisons and to changes in the law related to intellectual disability.

The 29-year-old Milam would have been the first inmate put to death this year both in the U.S. and in Texas.

Milam's girlfriend, Jesseca Carson, was also convicted of capital murder and sentenced to life in prison without parole.

This undated photo provided by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice shows Blaine Milam.

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A Texas appeals court has delayed this week's scheduled execution of a man convicted of killing his girlfriend's 13-month-old daughter during what the couple had said was part of an "exorcism."

The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals on Monday granted the stay

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Los Angeles teachers are striking but schools are still open

By **CHRISTOPHER WEBER**

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Tens of thousands of Los Angeles teachers went on strike Monday for the first time in three decades after contract negotiations failed in the nation's second-largest school district, but schools stayed open with the help of substitutes and district officials said students were learning.

Educators and parents wearing ponchos and rain boots and carrying umbrellas gathered downtown to march from City Hall to district headquarters in the pouring rain, pressing for higher pay and smaller class sizes that the district says could bankrupt the school system with 640,000 students.

"Students, we are striking for you," teachers

union President Alex Caputo-Pearl told a cheering crowd.

Teachers aim to build on the momentum of successful walkouts nationwide, which launched last year in conservative states and now have moved to the more union-friendly West Coast. But unlike those strikes that shut down many schools and forced parents to find other care for their kids, all 1,240 K-12 schools in the Los Angeles Unified School District were open.

Bus service was normal, breakfast and lunches were being served, and "students are safe and learning," Superintendent Austin Beutner said at a press conference.

The district has hired hundreds of substitutes to replace educators and staff members who left

for picket lines, a move that the teachers union has called irresponsible.

Leighton Milton, a 21-year district veteran who teaches at Hollywood High, said he's had as many as 55 students in one class and now has one with 42.

"It's really hard to connect and to deal with 50 people," he said as he headed to the march.

Months of talks between United Teachers Los Angeles, which has 35,000 members, and the district have ended without a deal. Beutner said the district is committed to resolving the contract negotiation as soon as possible and urged the union to resume bargaining.

"We made our last proposal to UTLA on Friday which was rejected. They walked away from bargaining," he said, adding that he was talk-

ing with the governor, mayor and the state superintendent of public education but didn't release details.

The union rejected that district offer to hire nearly 1,200 teachers, counselors, nurses and librarians and reduce class sizes by two students. It also included a previously proposed a 6 percent raise over the first two years of a three-year contract. The union wants a 6.5 percent hike at the start of a two-year contract.

Teachers earn between \$44,000 and \$86,000 a year depending on their education and experience, according to the Los Angeles County Office of Education. The district says the average teacher salary is \$75,000, which reflects an older, more experienced workforce.

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AP photo

Alessandro Niculescu, 10, holds up a sign in the rain during a teacher strike outside John Marshall High School, Monday, Jan. 14, 2019, in Los Angeles.

2 female victims unharmed after UPS hostage situation



AP photo

Officials respond to reports of an active shooter at a UPS facility Monday, Jan. 14, 2019 in Logan Township, N.J.

By **MARYCLAIRE DALE**

Associated Press
LOGAN TOWNSHIP, N.J. — An armed man entered a UPS processing facility Monday morning, took two women hostage and barricaded himself in a room with them for 3½ hours until police moved in to rescue the women in a confrontation that left the suspect with gunshot wounds.

The women escaped without serious injuries while the gunman's condition remained unknown after the standoff in Logan Township, about 20 miles

(32 kilometers) south of Philadelphia, Gloucester County Prosecutor Charles Fiore said.

The gunman wasn't identified by authorities. Officials believe he had a prior relationship with one of the hostages, according to Fiore, who did not elaborate.

"I heard one of my fellow employees say, 'Run, he's got a gun,' then I heard the little pop of the gun, I guess, and we all ran and law enforcement took over," employee Allen Anthony Dowling said.

The man entered the building shortly before 9:30 a.m. and fired

shots, though Fiore said no one was hit. Police evacuated the building and blocked access to the busy industrial park, and nearby schools were put on a modified lockdown.

Hostage negotiators talked to the suspect by phone as he held the women captive.

Shortly before noon, as Fiore held a news conference at a township building about 8 miles away, a short burst of gunfire was heard at the scene. Fiore later said he didn't know how many shots police fired or whether the gunman fired any shots.

Television news footage showed officers crouched behind a vehicle behind the building's loading dock at the time.

"There was an intervention," Fiore said. "He did not surrender."

Police trained in hostage situations, he said, "would make a determination as to whether or not it's appropriate to intervene, using force at any point in time."

In addition to UPS, other major companies including Amazon and U.S. Foods have operations in the area, Mayor Frank Minor said. The township has about 6,500 residents, but some 18,000 people are in the area each workday, he said.

Judge blocks Trump birth control coverage rules in 13 states



AP photo

SUDHIN THANAWALA

Associated Press
SAN FRANCISCO — Trump administration rules that allow more employers to opt out of providing women with no-cost birth control pose "potentially dire" financial and public health consequences for 13 states and Washington, D.C., a U.S. judge said in a decision blocking the rules from taking effect in those jurisdictions.

Judge Haywood Gilliam on Sunday granted a request for a preliminary injunction, but limited his order to Cal-

ifornia, New York and the other plaintiffs before him. They sought to prevent the rules from taking effect Monday while a lawsuit against them moved forward.

The states had shown that the rules would result in the loss of employer-covered birth control coverage for thousands of women, forcing them to turn for contraceptives to state-funded programs or bear the costs themselves, Gilliam said.

The rules were also likely to increase the rate of unintended

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Trump points to farmers as benefiting from wetlands rollback

By ELLEN KNICKMEYER

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump pointed to farmers Monday as winners from the administration's proposed rollback of federal protections for wetlands and waterways across the country, describing farmers crying in gratitude when he ordered the change.

But under longstanding federal law and rules, farmers and farmland already are exempt from most of the regulatory hurdles on behalf of wetlands that the Trump administration is targeting. Because of that, environmental groups long have argued that builders, oil and gas drillers and other industry owners would be the big winners if the government adopts the pending rollback, making it easier to fill in bogs, creeks and streams for plowing, drilling, mining or building.

Government numbers released last month support that argument.

Real estate developers and those in other business sectors take out substantially more permits than farmers for projects impinging on wetlands, creeks, and streams, and who stand to reap the biggest regulatory and financial relief from the Trump administration's rollback of wetlands protections.

Speaking to the American Farm Bureau Federation in New Orleans, Trump told farmers the federal protections for waterways and wetlands were "one of the most ridiculous" reg-

ulations.

"It was a total kill on you and other businesses," Trump said. He claimed farmers and builders alike wept in gratitude when he signed an executive order in 2017, as one of first official acts of his presidency, directing a rewrite of the wetlands protections.

"We're going to keep federal regulators out of your stock tanks, your drainage ditches, your puddles and your ponds," Trump told the cheering farmers Monday.

Opponents contend Trump and his administration put farmers front and center as beneficiaries of the proposed rollback because of the strong regard Americans historically hold for farming.

"The administration understands good optics in surrounding themselves with farmers," in proposing the rollback, said Geoff Gisler, a senior attorney at the Southern Environmental Law Center. "Surrounding themselves with folks that would represent the industries that actually benefit would not be as good an optic."

Backers "have been really happy to have farmers be the face of it," said Kenneth Kopocis, the Environmental Protection Agency's deputy assistant administrator for water under the Obama administration. But the building industry, oil and gas and others with lower profiles in the campaign "are going to be some of the big beneficiaries."

The more than 300-page financial

analysis the administration released last month when it formally proposed the rollback appears to starkly quantify that disparity. Of 248,688 federal permits issued from 2011 to 2015 for work that would deposit dirt or other fill into protected wetlands, streams and shorelines, the federal government on average required home builders and other developers to do some kind of mitigation — pay to restore a wetland elsewhere, generally — an average of 990 times a year, nationwide, according to the government's analysis.

In all, other industries and agriculture obtained an average of 3,163 such wetlands permits with some kind of extra payment or other mitigation strings attached each year.

Farmers represented just eight of those on average in a year, according to the administration's figures.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, which administers the wetlands protections with the Environmental Protection Agency, and the National Association of Home Builders confirmed

Friday that developers and other industries, not farmers, have felt the biggest impact from the federal wetlands protections and would get most of the financial breaks under the rollback.

"The residential construction industry does pull more wetlands per-

mits than farmers do," Liz Thompson, spokeswoman for the National Association of Home Builders, said in an email.

The Trump administration's pending rollback of wetlands protections "could be a benefit to builders who will see some relief in terms of cost and time. That said, builders will still be regulated and will still be the industry that pulls the largest number of 404 permits which are very costly," Thompson wrote, referring to the section of the Clean Water Act dealing with the regulatory enforcement and permits.

The administration's proposal greatly narrows what kind of wetlands and streams fall under federal protection. If it is formally adopted it after a public comment period, it would change how the federal government enforces the landmark 1972 Clean Water Act and scale back a 2015 Obama administration rule on what waterways are protected. Environmental groups say millions of miles of streams and wetlands would lose protection.

Antarctica is losing ice 6 times faster today than in 1980s

By SETH BORENSTEIN

AP Science Writer

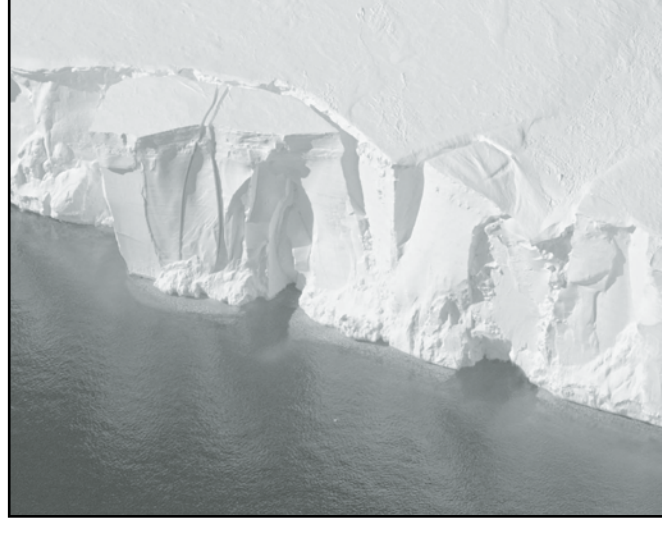
WASHINGTON — Antarctica is melting more than six times faster than it did in the 1980s, a new study shows.

Scientists used aerial photographs, satellite measurements and computer models to track how fast the southern-most continent has been melting since 1979 in 176 individual basins. They found the ice loss to be accelerating dramatically — a key indicator of human-caused climate change.

Since 2009, Antarctica has lost almost 278 billion tons (252 billion metric tons) of ice per year, the new study found. In the 1980s, it was losing 44 billion tons (40 billion metric tons) a year.

The recent melting rate is 15 percent higher than what a study found last year.

Eric Rignot, a University of California, Irvine, ice scientist, was the lead author on the new study in Monday's Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences. He said the big difference is that his satellite-based study found East Antarctica, which used to be considered stable, is losing 56 billion tons (51 billion metric tons) of ice a year. Last year's study,



AP photo

This 2016 photo provided by NASA shows the Getz Ice Shelf from 2016's Operation Icebridge in Antarctica.

which took several teams' work into consideration, found little to no loss in East Antarctica recently and gains in the past.

Melting in West Antarctica and the Antarctica Peninsula account for about four-fifths of the ice loss. East Antarctica's melting "increases the risk of multiple meter (more than 10 feet) sea level rise over the next century or so," Rignot said.

Richard Alley, a Pennsylvania State University scientist not involved in Rignot's study, called it "really good science."

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Teachers also want significantly smaller class sizes, which routinely top 30 students, and more nurses, librarians and counselors to "fully staff" the district's campuses in Los Angeles and all or parts of 31 smaller cities, plus several unincorporated areas.

The district says the demands run up against an expected half-billion-dollar deficit this budget year and billions that are obligated for pension payments and health coverage for retired teachers.

The union argues that the dis-

trict is hoarding reserves of \$1.8 billion that could be used to fund the pay and staffing hikes. The district said that money is needed to cover retiree benefits and other expenses.

Teachers are trying to tap into the "Red4Ed" movement that began last year and won big raises even in states with "right to work" laws that limit the ability to strike. They started in West Virginia, Oklahoma, Kentucky and Arizona and moved to Colorado and Washington state.

Los Angeles union officials say those walkouts moved them to act.

The union says Beutner and school board members who voted

him in are trying to privatize the district. It says they are encouraging school closures and flipping public schools into charters, which are privately operated public schools that compete for students and the funds they bring in.

Beutner, an investment banker and former Los Angeles deputy mayor without experience in education, has said his plan to reorganize the district would improve services to students and families. He and his supporters on the board envision an education system with public and charter schools under the same leadership.

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Big Spring Cheer Xplosion performs well in first competition of season



Courtesy photo

Xplosion Junior Elite: Top L-R: Alexa Mehan, Mia Saracho, Lily Stanislaus, Makenna Rhoades. Middle L-R: Addison Arguello, Serenity Watts, Michaela Mendez, Brinley Woods. Bottom L-R: Breanna Arrendondo, Taya Gill, Marlie Martinez. Not Pictured: Kenlei Magby.



Courtesy photo

Xplosion Youth: Top L-R: Channing Musgrove, Taya Gill, Haydn Musgrove. Middle L-R: Layla Saracho, Madison Campbell, Kinzlee Henderson, Savannah Munoz. Bottom L-R: Leiora Paxton, Paisley Walden, Pace'Lei Lance. Not Pictured: Kenlei Magby

Special to the Herald

Big Spring's Dance Lab's competition cheer program, Cheer Xplosion, competed Sunday at the ASC West Texas Express Nationals in Lubbock,

TX. The two teams performed a two minute and thirty second routine for a panel of judges consisting of stunts, jumps, tumbling, and a dance. The Xplosion Youth Team (ages 5-10) worked hard for their second place

finish in their division. The Xplosion Junior Elite (ages 9-14) came away with a 4th place finish in a tough division. As this was the first competition of the season and first ever for

several girls both coaches, Valinda Saldivar and Keelee Allen, are excited for what the next competition will bring. Their next competition will be in Garland, TX in March.

Forsan Powerlifters compete hard at Big Spring Steer Invitational



Courtesy photo

Senior Jaidyn Brown performs a dead lift during competition last Saturday. Brown placed 3rd in her weight class for the Lady Buffs this past Saturday at the Big Spring Steer Invitational.

Special to the Herald

For the men's team:

Nathaniel Whitmore placed 7th in his weight class with a total of 1,105 lbs;
Aries Gilbert placed 7th in his weight class with a total of 1,075 lbs;
Cameron Allen placed 9th in his weight class with a total of 950 lbs;
Jake Patterson placed 11th in his weight class with a total of 885 lbs.

For the ladies team:

Jaidyn Brown placed 3rd in her

weight class with a total of 515 lbs;
Kyndal Lawdermilk placed 7th in her weight class with a total of 525 lbs;
Courtney Overton placed 7th in her weight class with a total of 500 lbs;
Kendra Thomas placed 5th in her weight class with a total of 595 lbs;
Brennan East rounded out the competitors for the Lady Buffs. The ladies team placed 9th overall in the meet.
Pictured above is Senior Jaidyn Brown. She placed 3rd in her weight class for the Lady Buffs.

Garrett waffles on Linehan's return as Dallas Cowboys ponders its staff

By SCHUYLER DIXON

AP Pro Football Writer

FRISCO, Texas — Dallas Cowboys coach Jason Garrett had two different answers Monday for whether oft-criticized offensive coordinator Scott Linehan would return next season.

The first was on his morning radio show, when Garrett responded, "I do," when asked if he thought Linehan would be back for a sixth season with the Cowboys. The coach added he didn't expect any significant changes to his staff.

At a news conference several hours later, Garrett wasn't even close to definitive. He said discussions about the coaching staff hadn't happened after spending most of his time in player interviews coming off the 30-22 divisional playoff loss to the Los Angeles Rams on Saturday.

In between, executive vice president of personnel Stephen Jones said on his radio show that it was too early to speculate about the future of coach-

es or players.

While Garrett quieted chatter about his own future by rallying the Cowboys from a 3-5 start to a wild-card win and their third divisional trip in the past five seasons, he didn't do much to show he was in sync with owner and general manager Jerry Jones or Jones' son in his season-ending meeting with reporters.

"I don't know how I answered that question this morning," Garrett said. "Nothing has changed. I feel very good about what Scott Linehan did for us. We'll have conversations about everybody as we go here the next few days. We'll make a lot of decisions to put the staff together and put the team together as we go."

Garrett said he considers all the decisions about the team — coaching staff or otherwise — to be collaborative. But he reiterated that Jerry Jones has the final say.

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AP photo

Dallas Cowboys Jason Garrett holds his final news conference of the season at team headquarters in Frisco, Texas, on Monday, Jan. 14, 2019. The Cowboys lost to the Los Angeles Rams 30-22 in the divisional playoffs Saturday.

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c/o: **DON ESSEX FARLEY**
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DATED the 8th day of January, 2019.

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Notice of Application for Commercial Oil & Gas Waste Disposal Well Permit

Overflow Energy, LLC, P.O. Box 354, Booker, TX 79005 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into a porous formation not productive of oil or gas. The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the Ellenburger Formation, Fairview SWD Lease, Well Number 1. The proposed disposal well is located 8.5 miles Southeast of Knott, Texas in the Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, in Howard County. The waste water will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 10,400 to 11,100 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: 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 Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to Technical Permitting, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

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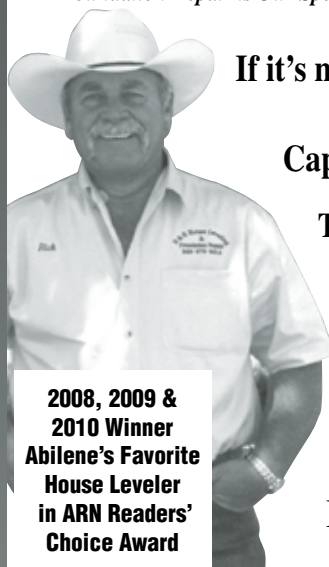
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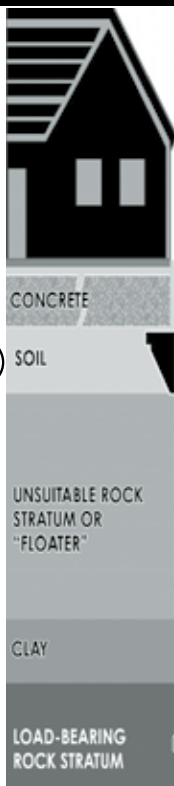
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Parenting Planets

Every person 18 and older is a parent, regardless of whether they've bore children or not, because adults are in charge of parenting themselves. What sort of parent have you been to yourself lately? It's something to ponder as the Taurus moon auspiciously angles two authority figures of the zodiac. Good parenting ushers in successful humans.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Clones are now scientifically possible, but it's your experiences, not your DNA, that's made you amazing. The cool way you handle today's challenge couldn't possibly be accomplished by anyone else, not even your clone.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Something in your environment is changing in a way you can neither ignore nor stop. The ego wants to fight this. That's natural. But acceptance is going to happen sooner or later. Sooner would keep you from wasting your effort.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The simple logic suggests that if you can solve a problem, there's no need to worry; if you can't, same. But worry still serves a purpose. Wasn't it the first indicator that you had a problem? Thank your worries. They're only trying to help.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You're very generous when you want to be. And when you don't want to be, there's a good reason, though perhaps it's an unconscious one. If you dare to investigate it, you'll learn something

new about yourself.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Remember when you went to a function and got cornered into listening to an unolicited advice monologue that there was seemingly no end to or exit from? You learned from that so today you'll know what to avoid.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). When you share with someone you love, it doesn't feel like giving. It's natural and effortless. The energy comes back to you and you seem to have more than you started with.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). As you're not a cynical person, sometimes you don't think to stop and ask, "What is this person getting out of the situation?" But that's something to inquire about today. And, actually, it's not a cynical question, just a realistic one.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Are you excelling because you're working hard or are you working hard because you're excelling? The point is that it's really coming together, so enjoy this exhilarating part of the ride.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You have ideals, and you really

By Holiday Mathis



might embody them at some point, but you don't have to in order to be worthy of love and acceptance. Use them like the ship captain uses the

stars -- as guides to orient the map.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Having someone you can rely on is a pretty big deal right now. Just knowing that there's someone who's invested in your success and well-being will reduce your overall stress and anxiety.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). One game strategy is to pick an arena that doesn't have too much in the way of competition to increase your odds of winning. It's a good way to gain experience and competence until you're ready to go to the next level.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Rejoice in the discovery of your own mistakes. It's what scientists and scholars do; it's what lifelong learners and those committed to excellence do. It's the secret to growing quickly.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Jan. 15). Goodwill radiates from you, and good fortune flows to you. Though you're not trying to become famous, you'll be "discovered" in some

way, maybe in the form of a contract or an inspired relationship. Other highlights: scoring big tickets for an unforgettable event and a heartfelt moment straight out of your fondest dreams. Cancer and Gemini adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 40, 33, 28 and 1.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "I'm a Capricorn, and I just found out that my boyfriend has led a completely different life from the one I thought we had together. His habits, friends and love life are not what I thought. I feel like I don't even know the person I've been living with for the last year. To make things worse, he doesn't want to move out. He says he's started moving, but I don't see the evidence of this. Also, just breaking up with him is not enough. He's used our money and broke my trust. I want revenge. I feel like throwing the rest of his stuff in the dump." Get justice, not vengeance. Justice will restore the balance. Vengeance will tip the scale in the opposite direction, creating the same unwanted negativity in a different place. If you own your place, you may have to legally evict your boyfriend. You can find out how to do this by investigating the eviction laws of your state of residence. If you don't own your place, consider being the one to move. Capricorns like you are most comfortable in situations they can control. Your own relocation will be much easier to control than his.



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

ANSWER:

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Raising the percentages

South dealer. Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH

- ♠ K Q 6
- ♥ A 10 6 4
- ♦ A K Q 5
- ♣ A 8

WEST

- ♠ 10 9 8 2
- ♥ 7 3
- ♦ 10 6
- ♣ 10 6 5 4 2

EAST

- ♠ 5 4 3
- ♥ 9 2
- ♦ J 9 8 2
- ♣ K J 7 3

SOUTH

- ♠ A J 7
- ♥ K Q J 8 5
- ♦ 7 4 3
- ♣ Q 9

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♥	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♦	Pass	7♥	

Opening lead — ten of spades.

Assume you get to seven hearts on the sequence shown. Partner's bidding is certainly reasonable — from his viewpoint, if you had a sixth heart or the jack of diamonds, you'd have 13 sure tricks. But as it is, you have a potential loser in clubs. How should you play the hand?

At first glance, it seems the only chance to get rid of the club loser lies in finding a 3-3 division of the missing diamonds. Since this is only a 36 percent probability, you appear to be

a favorite to go down one. Nevertheless, with correct play you can raise your chances considerably.

After taking the opening spade lead, you draw trumps, cash the ace of clubs and then run your remaining spades and hearts. This reduces your own hand to three diamonds and the queen of clubs, while dummy has the A-K-Q-5 of diamonds. Meanwhile, if either defender was originally dealt four or more diamonds and the king of clubs, he cannot discard safely on the last heart.

In the actual deal, East is the one who succumbs to the pressure. When the fifth heart is led, he is forced to discard the king of clubs — his only hope is that his partner has the queen — after which you take the last four tricks with the club queen and A-K-Q of diamonds. Observe that the squeeze would work exactly the same way if the East-West hands were interchanged.

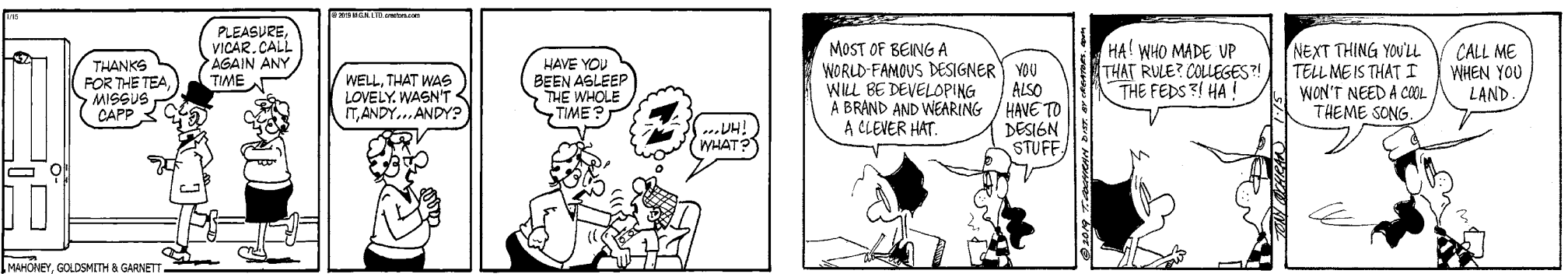
Note also the critical importance of cashing dummy's ace of clubs before running all the spades and hearts. If this is not done, the squeeze won't work against East. This is because if the dummy has been reduced to the club ace and four diamonds after the first eight tricks, East can safely unguard his king of clubs, since South cannot get back to his hand to cash the queen of clubs.

Tomorrow: Zounds!

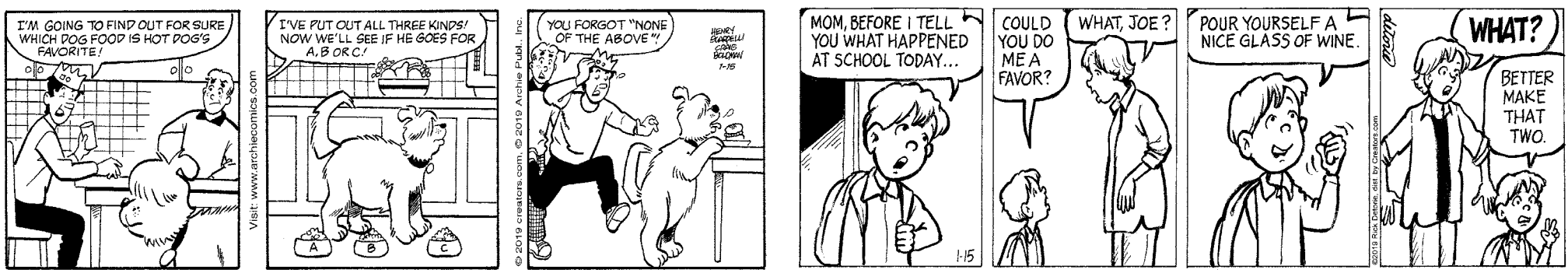
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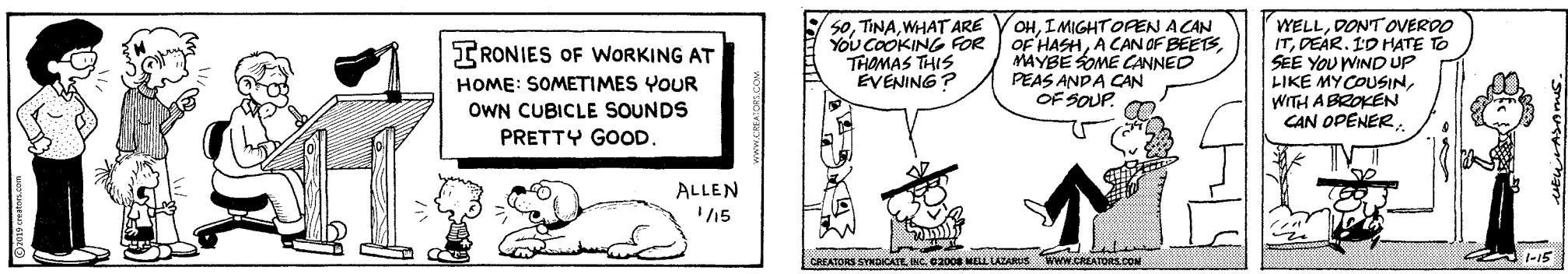
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This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, Jan. 15, the 15th day of 2019. There are 350 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Jan. 15, 1929, civil rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr. was born in Atlanta.

On this date:

In 1559, England's Queen Elizabeth I was crowned in Westminster Abbey.

In 1862, the U.S. Senate confirmed President Abraham Lincoln's choice of Edwin M. Stanton to be the new Secretary of War, replacing Simon Cameron.

In 1892, the original rules of basketball, devised by James Naismith, were published for the first time in Springfield, Massachusetts, where the game originated.

In 1919, in Boston, a tank containing an estimated 2.3 million gallons of molasses burst, sending the dark syrup coursing through the city's North End, killing 21 people.

In 1943, work was completed on the Pentagon, the headquarters of the U.S. Department of War (now Defense).

In 1961, a U.S. Air Force radar tower off the New Jersey coast collapsed into the Atlantic Ocean during a severe storm, killing all 28 men aboard.

In 1967, the Green Bay Packers of the National Football League defeated the Kansas City Chiefs of the American Football League 35-10 in the first AFL-NFL World Championship Game, retroactively known as Super Bowl I.

In 1973, President Richard M. Nixon announced the suspension of all U.S. offensive action in North Vietnam, citing progress in peace negotiations.

In 1978, two students at Florida State University in Tallahassee, Lisa Levy and Margaret Bowman, were slain in their sorority house. (Ted Bundy was later convicted of the crime and was sentenced to death. But he was executed for the rape and murder of a 12-year-old girl, which occurred 3 weeks after the sorority slayings.)

In 1981, the police drama series "Hill Street Blues" premiered on NBC.

In 1989, NATO, the Warsaw Pact and 12 other European countries adopted a human rights and security agreement in Vienna, Austria.

In 1993, a historic disarmament ceremony ended in Paris with the last of 125 countries signing a treaty banning chemical weapons.

Ten years ago: US Airways

Capt. Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger ditched his Airbus 320 in the Hudson River after a flock of birds disabled both engines; all 155 people aboard survived.

Five years ago: In the latest in a series of nuclear stumbles, the U.S. Air Force disclosed that 34 officers entrusted with the world's deadliest weapons had been removed from launch duty for allegedly cheating — or tolerating cheating by others — on routine proficiency tests. A highly critical and bipartisan Senate report declared that the deadly Sept. 2012 assault on the American diplomatic compound in Benghazi, Libya, could have been prevented; the report spread blame among the State Department, the military and U.S. intelligence. A \$1.1 trillion spending bill for operating the government until just before the 2014 election steamed through the battle-weary House over tepid protests from tea party conservatives.

One year ago: Singer Dolores O'Riordan of the Irish rock band The Cranberries died at a London hotel at the age of 46; a coroner found that she had accidentally drowned in a bathtub after drinking. American women lost nine of their ten first-round matches on the opening day of the Australian Open; they included Venus Williams and U.S. Open champion Sloane Stephens.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Margaret O'Brien is 81. Actress Andrea Martin is 72. College and Pro Football Hall of Famer Randy White is 66. Actor-director Mario Van Peebles is 62. Rock musician Adam Jones (Tool) is 54. Actor James Nesbitt is 54. Singer Lisa Lisa (Lisa Lisa and Cult Jam) is 52. Actor Chad Lowe is 51.

Thought for Today:

"I refuse to accept the idea that the 'is-ness' of man's present nature makes him morally incapable of reaching up for the 'ought-ness' that forever confronts him."

Martin Luther King, Jr. (1929-1968)

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Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Throat-clearing sound
 - 5 A ___ in the right direction
 - 9 Be suddenly terrified
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 - 16 Untruthful ones
 - 17 Goad
 - 18 Reminds continually
 - 19 Not yet achieved, as goals
 - 20 Intensifying a situation
 - 23 Inspirational slogan
 - 24 High-school math course
 - 25 Sorrowful
 - 28 Double-curve letter
 - 29 Faucet
 - 32 Used-merchandise transaction
 - 34 "Easy to clean," in adspeak
 - 37 Luau instruments
 - 38 Gaining an unfair advantage
 - 43 Bullfight beast
 - 44 T-bone and sirloin
 - 45 Decides one will
 - 48 2001, to Caesar
 - 49 Pocketbook
 - 52 Tire pressure measure: Abbr.
 - 53 Aspirations
 - 56 Health care pro
 - 58 Emulating others
 - 62 Oyster's gem
 - 64 Short memo
 - 65 Great Salt Lake state
 - 66 Game show host
 - 67 Jog
- DOWN**
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 - 2 Large African beasts
 - 3 Spews lava
 - 4 Deserve to receive
 - 5 Tune
 - 6 "Is ___ so?"
 - 7 Octopus-arm count
 - 8 Tough question
 - 9 Drop dramatically
 - 10 "It ___ necessarily so"
 - 11 Junior, to his dad
 - 12 Feeling of rage
 - 13 St. Louis winter hrs.
 - 21 Unacceptable
 - 22 Balloon contents
 - 26 Actor Baldwin
 - 27 Piece of office furniture
 - 30 Friend from France
 - 31 Ballpoints
 - 33 Soap bubbles
 - 34 Cpls., for example
 - 35 One of the 34 Down: Abbr.
 - 36 Flower stalk
 - 38 Halt
 - 39 Does better than
 - 40 Ancient relic
 - 41 ___ and cheese sandwich
 - 42 Barely managing, with "out"
 - 46 Having a higher height
 - 47 Lubricate
 - 49 Big bullies
 - 50 Koreans and Japanese
 - 51 Start a winning streak
 - 54 Wall calendar page
 - 55 Made a vow
 - 57 Seize control of
 - 59 Triple-decker cookie
 - 60 "Believe ___ not..."
 - 61 Butterfly-catching devices
 - 62 Parakeet or poodle
 - 63 Ostrich's Australian cousin

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Parker has triumphant return as Charlotte Hornets down San Antonio Spurs, 108-93

By RAUL DOMINGUEZ

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — The fans in San Antonio didn't care too much about a rare home loss. They only wanted to shower Tony Parker with love and appreciation.

Parker gave them plenty to cheer about, just as he did for 17 seasons with the Spurs.

Kemba Walker scored 33 points and Parker enjoyed a triumphant return to San Antonio as the Charlotte Hornets beat the Spurs 108-93 on Monday night, snapping their seven-game home winning streak.

"Draining mentally, emotionally, it was just an awesome night," Parker said. "Just want to thank the fans. The way they reacted tonight was just unbelievable. Love, and I appreciate everything. It was just a great memory and a great night for me that I will cherish for the rest of my life."

Parker had eight points, four assists, three rebounds and no turnovers in his first game back in San Antonio after signing with the Hornets during the offseason.

Jeremy Lamb added 19 points and Marvin Williams had 11 for Charlotte, which ended a three-game skid. The Hornets also stopped an 11-game slide in San Antonio.

LaMarcus Aldridge led the Spurs with 28 points and 10 rebounds, but they could not muster enough energy



Charlotte Hornets guard, and former San Antonio Spurs player, Tony Parker, left, talks with Spurs forward LaMarcus Aldridge before an NBA basketball game, Monday, Jan. 14, 2019, in San Antonio.

as Parker made his emotional return. "Just to see him embraced and loved tonight, and he helped us as well," Hornets coach James Borrego said. "A pillar of this community, a pillar of the San Antonio Spurs organiza-

tion forever. I think it's a pretty good ending to a fun night."

The Spurs honored Parker before the game with a two-minute video of his career highlights in San Antonio, including being drafted with the 28th

pick in 2001 and his four NBA championships with the team. After the video, the Spurs' retired jerseys appeared on the video monitors and an empty spot in the rafters was shown to signify Parker's future place among them. The crowd roared in appreciation, chanting "Tony! Tony! Tony!"

"I expected nothing less," said Spurs coach Gregg Popovich, who considers Parker like a son. "Tony is a wonderful human being. He was a great player for us and he deserved all the love that he received, that's for sure."

The cheers continued when Parker entered the game for the first time with 4:50 remaining in the first quarter.

Just as he first did as a 19-year-old rookie with the Spurs, the slippery point guard juked past defenders and drove the paint probing for layups or open teammates. His driving layup put the Hornets up 82-79 with 8:15 remaining.

"That was vintage Tony," Borrego said. "We've seen that before many times in this building."

Parker exited shortly after that and did not return until fans demanded it by chanting his name again with 17.6 seconds left. Borrego, a former Spurs assistant, granted their wish and put Parker in amid loud cheers that continued until he came out.

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COWBOYS

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"I do believe our relationship is very collaborative," Garrett said. "I have a tremendous amount of faith and trust in him and hopefully he has the same for me. We talk about all the decisions we make, any player, any coach, and we come to conclusions with both feel good about."

Linehan was heavily criticized during Dallas' sluggish start because a misfiring offense was largely to blame. There were questions about creativity, including from Hall of Fame quarterback-turned-analyst Troy Aikman, who won three Super Bowls with the Cowboys in the 1990s.

Dallas was much better offensively in the second half of the season, after sending its first-round pick in this year's draft to Oakland for receiver Amari Cooper. But the Cowboys were one of just four teams to convert fewer than half their trips inside the 20-yard line into touchdowns.

When Dak Prescott and the Cowboys were struggling, there were also questions about inexperience with first-year quarterbacks coach Kellen Moore, who retired after being Prescott's backup and went straight into the role of leading that group.

"If you look at the success he's had, the number of games he's won as a starting quarterback in the NFL over the course of his first three years, it's a good environment," Garrett said. "I think Scott and Kellen, those guys have a good understanding of what his strengths are and again some of the things he needs to work on."

After the loss to the Rams, defensive coordinator Rod Marinelli bristled when asked if he was considering retirement. The 69-year-old Marinelli said before the LA game that he was willing to help the Cowboys try to keep passing game coordinator Kris Richard.

Also the defensive backs coach, Richard interviewed for head coaching vacancies with the New York Jets, Miami and Tampa Bay.

The Associated Press has reported that Miami intends to offer the job to New England defensive coordinator Brian Flores, but hasn't ruled out Richard if the club can't reach a deal with Flores. Garrett said he's hopeful Richard will be back for a second season in Dallas.

The contracts of Garrett, Marinelli and Linehan are up after next season, although Jerry Jones has hinted at an extension for Garrett, his coach for 8½ seasons. Dallas has lost six straight divisional

games since the franchise's fifth Super Bowl title following the 1995 season.

"I know certainly overall it was a good season, but we also know that we've had some good teams around here that haven't taken the next step," Stephen Jones said. "We've got to figure out what that is."

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Harden's 57 points lead Rockets over Grizzlies, 112-94

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — After scoring a season-high 57 points in Houston's win over the Memphis Grizzlies on Monday night, James Harden was asked how he was able to put Sunday's loss to Orlando, when he went 1 for 17 from 3-point range, behind him so quickly.

"I went 1 for 17? That's a lot of 3s missed," he deadpanned. "Oh wow!"

Then the reigning MVP, who scored 38 points against the Magic despite that terrible statistic, got serious when asked if it's easy to forget about such a night.

"Yeah, because if I make six of them it's on," he said. "It's a 60-point game. So Orlando got lucky last night."

Harden extended his streak of 30-point games to 17 by halftime, pouring in a franchise-record 36 points in the first half to send Houston on its way to a 112-94 victory. It's the longest such streak since Wilt Chamberlain had 20 straight games of at least 30 points in 1964.

It's the franchise-record 14th time Harden has scored 40 this season and the eighth time in his last 11 games. It's the third time he's topped 50 points this season and the 12th time in his career. He surpassed his previous season best of 54 against Washington and fell just shy of the career-high and club-record 60 points he scored last January against Orlando.

Houston teammate Austin Rivers, who joined the Rockets just three

weeks ago, marveled at Harden's ability to not let Sunday's struggles spill over into Monday's performance.

"He comes off a game where he was 1 for 17 and everybody's saying whatever and it just doesn't even faze him. He just comes in tonight like he was 17 for 17," Rivers said. "That's just the mindset that the great ones have. I'm telling you right now, if another player went 1 for 17 they would have come in tonight a little ... messed up. James comes in and that's just why he is who he is and it's impressive."

After his huge first half, the Grizzlies double-teamed Harden on most every possession in the first few minutes of the third quarter and he didn't score again until there were about five minutes left in the period. That

basket was the start of an 11-0 run capped by a 3-pointer from Harden that pushed the Rockets' lead to 76-60 with about 3 1/2 minutes remaining in the third.

A 3-pointer by JaMychal Green got the Grizzlies within 12 later in the third before Harden scored five quick points to make it 87-70.

Garrett Temple and Mike Conley scored 14 each for the Grizzlies, who lost for the eighth time in nine games.

Memphis coach J.B. Bickerstaff, who worked for the Rockets from 2011-16, said his team tried to keep the ball out of Harden's hands, but Houston does such a good job of putting him in different spots on the floor that it's difficult to do effectively.

SPURS

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"I thought they supported Tony, like I expected," San Antonio point guard Derrick White said. "He did great things for the organization. It's well deserved. Definitely good to see him. Wish him the best."

Parker had a long embrace with Popovich following the game as fans cheered.

The Spurs' ideology has stuck with Parker, who jokingly got angry with his teammates after the win.

"They wanted it bad," Parker said. "Before the game they were like, 'We're going to do this for you Tony, you deserve it.' They played so hard that after the game I'm like, 'Why don't we play like that

every road game? Come on guys."

The jubilation in the stands came despite a rough night for the hometown team.

The Spurs opened the game on an 11-3 run but the Hornets followed with a 25-7 spurt to take their first double-digit lead at 28-18.

San Antonio struggled offensively, with two of its top five scorers, Rudy Gay and Marco Belinelli, both out with injuries.

White finished with 18 points, and DeMar DeRozan and Davis Bertans each had 14 for the Spurs.

TIP-INS

Hornets: The team's previous win in San Antonio came on Nov. 15, 2006. ... Parker and Michael Jordan are the only players to compete against the team they won four championships with. Jordan faced Chicago while with Washington and Charlotte, a franchise he now owns. ... Borrego received a warm ovation during pregame introductions. He

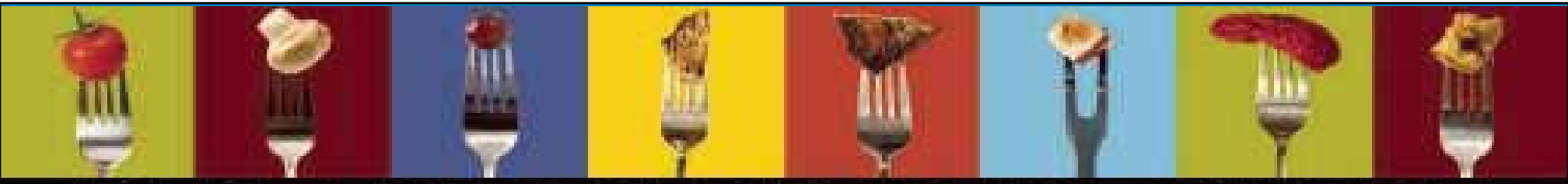
served on Popovich's staff from 2003-10 and again from 2015-18 before joining the Hornets.

Spurs: Gay missed his fifth straight game with a sprained left wrist and 10th overall due to injury or rest. ... Belinelli missed his second game of the season after hyperextending his knee during a 122-112 loss at Oklahoma City on Saturday. He previously sat out with a stiff neck on Dec. 2.

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Parker wasn't the only one who enjoyed a triumphant return. Borrego defeated his friend and mentor, Popovich.

"It was special in many ways," Borrego said. "Just to see (Popovich) first of all. Just to hear his voice, give him a hug, that was most important. This is a basketball game. We do our best, we compete, but there's a lot of love here. Just great to see him. He's been a great encouragement for me. I know he's happy for us."



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