

Obituaries

Leola "Nanny" Ione Massingill Green



Leola "Nanny" Ione Massingill Green passed away peacefully in her home April 10, 2018.

The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Thursday, April 12, 2018, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory.

Funeral services will be held at 3:30 p.m., Friday, April 13, 2018, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born Oct. 24, 1923, in Polar, Texas, to Bert Massingill and Leona Ford Massingill, as the eldest of five children. Nanny moved from Kent County, Texas, to Vealmoor, Texas, where she lived most of her life. She worked at Consolidated Air, in Ft. Worth, Texas, during WWII. She was one of the greatest of her generation. She married Willis Green, in North Carolina, in 1942 and returned to

Vealmoor, where she managed the Family Country Store (Massingill Grocery) and the town Post Office for many years.

She was a lifetime member of Trinity Baptist Church.

Nanny is survived by her children Gary Green of Lipan, Texas, Carolyn Ratliff and husband Randy of Powderly, Texas, and Leslie Green and wife Kathy of Lubbock, Texas; siblings Oteka Hunt of Odessa, Texas, Jamie Mills of Lafayette, Louisiana, and James "Bunny" Massingill and wife Jenny of Big Spring, Texas; nine grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by both parents, one brother Billy Massingill and one daughter Vicki Bavousette.

Pallbearers are Wes Hunt, Mark Massingill, Scott Richardson, Jeff Ratliff, Zachary Green, Jeremy Green, Chris Green, and Keith Crane.

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

Paid Obituary

Dan Edens



Dan Edens, 64, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, April 10, 2018, at Midland Memorial Hospital. The family will receive friends Friday, April 13, 2018, from 1 p.m. until 2 p.m. at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will begin at 2 p.m. with Pastor Doug Shelley of East Side Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Dan was born Aug. 11, 1953, in Big Spring, Texas, to Barney K. Edens and Frances Edens. He graduated from Big Spring High School with the Class of 1971. He served in the United States Army for six years and four of those years he spent in Germany. Dan married Barbra Dillow and they had two chil-

dren. He worked as a machinist. He was a lifetime resident of Big Spring.

He is survived by one daughter, Amanda Edens; his mother, Frances Edens Overton; one brother, William (Buster) Edens and wife Mary Beth; one sister, Annette Williams; a daughter-in-law, Aimee Edens; three grandchildren, Codi Edens, Russell Edens, Amaryu Green and a step-grandson Forrest Riley.

Dan was preceded in death by his father Barney K. Edens, Sr., one brother: Barney K. Edens, Jr., one son, Michael Edens, step-father: Glen Overton and one brother-in-law Marvin Williams.

Honorary pallbearers will be Jeremy Edens, Trey Edens, Hunter Williams, Kip Williams, Jake Williams and Dustin Clark.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com.

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Robert James (Jim) Sanders



Robert James (Jim) Sanders, 72, of Big Spring, Texas, passed away on April 9, 2018, after a short battle with lung cancer. He was born Sept. 9, 1945, to Robert Benjamin Sanders and Maude Sanders, in Villisca, Iowa.

Jim was a high school graduate of New Market, Iowa. In 1979, Jim moved his family to Big Spring, Texas, with Brown's Shoe Fit Co. He was employed with Brown's for 20 years. Jim retired from Don's Tire and Truck in 2009. He was active in the local Elks Club and American Legion where he enjoyed playing poker with his friends. He was a member of Circuit Riders Cowboy Church.

He was survived by his wife, Jan Sanders of 18 years, his son Mark Sanders and daughter Kimberly Kesterson, husband Dale, her children; Kylee and Matthew Martin and step children Tanya McDaniel, her children; Jake, Ryan and Mason, and Kala Mann, her child; Kyle, sister Verna Batten of Grand Island, Nebraska, and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father and mother and two sisters; Trula Carmichael of Sacramento, California and Nora Gilbert of Bedford, Iowa.

At his request, no service will be held. Condolences may be sent to; 2616 Albrook Big Spring, TX 79720

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Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **DEREK PATRICK WARD**, 25, of 1425 E 6th St., was arrested on a warrant of operate unregistered motor vehicle.
- **BRIANNA RAE PARK**, 23, of 103 Rainer, was arrested on a charge of criminal mischief in between \$100 to \$750.
- **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 3200 block of S Hwy 87.

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- **BURGALRY OF VEHICLE** was reported in the 1900 block of Choctaw Dr.,
- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 3600 block on W Hwy 87.
- **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported on 700 Fm and Martin Luther King.
- **BURGLARY OF HABITATION** was reported in the 600

block of Hillside Dr.

- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 2400 block of Alabama St., in the 2600 block of Fairchild Dr., and in the 300 block of E 2nd Forsan.
- **HARASSMENT** was reported in the 8900 S Service Rd.
- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 100 block of S Lancaster St.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the 500 block of Westover. No transport.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block of Veterans Blvd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3700 block Wasson Rd. One person was transported to

Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2400 block of Alabama. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Curtis Dale Becker

Curtis Dale Becker, 56, of Stanton, died Monday, April 9, 2018, at his residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Josefina "Pina" Hernandez



Josefina "Pina" Hernandez, 75, of Plainview, formerly of Big Spring, died Sunday, April 8, 2018, in Plainview. Vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 12, 2018, at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

She was born Oct. 27, 1942, in Big Spring to Petra Rodriguez Hernandez and Jose Hernandez. Josefina is survived by six daughters Laura Abreo of Denver, Colorado, Becky Abreo of Lubbock, Connie Huerta (Rene Huerta) of Plainview, Sandra Gomez (Hector Gomez) of Greeley, Colorado, Jenevie Castillo (Steve Castillo) of Denver, Colorado, and Julie Lara also of Denver; two sons, Anthony Abreo (Sandra Abreo) of Greeley, Colorado and Oscar (Chato) Lara (Trina Lara) Marcipopa, Arizona; 31 grandchildren and 31 great grandchildren; one brother, Isaclor Hernandez (Lisa) of Albuquerque, New Mexico; four sisters, Julia Cruz of Houston, Lorenza Paradez of Greeley, Colorado, Cruz (Cutie) Hinojos (Henry) of Big Spring and Becky Capetillo of Snyder.

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Dora Cantu Bermea



Dora Cantu Bermea, 74, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, April 10, 2018, in Lubbock. Prayer service will be at 7 p.m. Friday, April 13, 2018, at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel.

Dora was born May 21, 1943, in Charlotte, Texas, to Concepcion Trevino Cantu and Guillermo Cantu, Sr. On March 6, 1962, she married Juan M. Bermea in Charlotte.

Dora is survived by her husband Juan M. Bermea of Big Spring; two sons, Mike Bermea and wife Julie and Jerry Bermea and wife Anita; two daughters, Emma Bermea and Eva Bermea and partner Kami and one brother Guillermo Cantu, Jr., all of Big Spring and 12 grandchildren, 19 great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; her sisters, Maria Olga Zulaica, Patsy Padilla, Felipa Cantu; one brother, Adolfo Cantu, Sr. and a son Jesus "Jesse" Bermea.

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Bill David Stribling

Bill David Stribling, 73, of Big Spring, formerly of Monahans, died Sunday April 1, 2018, at the Veterans Administration Medical Center. Graveside service with Naval Honors was held on Friday, April 06, 2018, at the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery.

Bill was born Dec. 8, 1944 in Corpus Christi, Texas, to Mildred Elaine Bessire Stribling and William Joseph Stribling. He grew up in Roswell, New Mexico and entered the United States Navy on Sept. 24, 1963, until his discharge on July 6, 1967. He was on the USS Lenawee during the Vietnam Conflict. He received the National Defense Service Medal and the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (Vietnam). He is survived by one brother, Blaine Stribling and wife Ginger of Colorado Springs, Colorado; one sister, Mary Jo Webster of Texas City, Texas; nieces, Bobbie Jo Naquin of Jonesboro, Arkansas, Carrie Love of Chatsworth, California, and Nichole Stribling; and his nephews, Blaine Stribling, Jr. of Houston and Tommy Stribling. He was preceded in death by his mother Mildred Dray, his father William Stribling and one brother Thomas Stribling.

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10 Things for Today

Your daily look at late-breaking news, upcoming events and the stories that will be talked about today:

1. SYRIAN FORCES RETAKE REBEL TOWN NEAR DAMASCUS

The Russian military says the Syrian government is now in full control of eastern Ghouta, site of a suspected chemical attack over the weekend.

2. WHO ARE FAVORITES TO SUCCEED PAUL RYAN

California Rep. Kevin McCarthy, known as a strong fundraiser, and Louisiana Rep. Steve Scalise, viewed as more conservative, are the top contenders to become House speaker.

3. WHAT MIKE POMPEO IS SAYING ABOUT RUSSIA

The hard-charging CIA director, Trump's pick to be the next secretary of state, says years of soft U.S. policy toward Moscow are "now over."

4. AP: TABLOID PAID EX-DOORMAN FOR SPIKED TRUMP TIP

The company that publishes the National Enquirer paid a former doorman at one of Trump's New York skyscrapers \$30,000 during the presidential campaign

for a tip about Trump it never ran.

5. GAZA'S HOSPITALS TAXED BY WOUNDED FROM ISRAELI FIRE

Palestinian health officials say nearly 1,300 people have been shot and wounded by Israeli soldiers during mass border protests over the past two weeks.

6. DETAILS OF FBI RAID ON COHEN COME TO LIGHT

A search warrant sought records of Trump attorney Michael Cohen's communications with the Trump campaign as part of what appeared to be an examination of his efforts to quell potentially damaging information about the candidate, the AP learns.

7. 5 YEARS AFTER BOSTON BOMBING, ANTI-EXTREMISM EFFORTS FALTER

Federally funded community programs to prevent attacks by homegrown extremists are barely underway and face an uncertain future.

8. CHINA CALLS TRUMP TARIFF MOVE 'UNILATERAL COERCION'

Xi Jinping's promises to cut

import duties on cars and open China's markets wider were not intended as an overture to settle a tariff dispute with Washington, Beijing officials say.

9. BRANDS BENEFIT FROM 'MEGHAN EFFECT'

Next month's royal wedding is a boon for clothing designers, florists, bakers and tiara makers — but also a bonanza for the broader British economy.

10. NBA PLAYOFFS MATCHUPS ARE SET

And some marquee rematches await — including a repeat of last year's Western Conference final between Golden State and San Antonio.

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allotted time or reserve a spot for the workshop.

"The library always tries to meet the needs and services of the community to the fullest. This is one way to help them be the best they can be," said Negron. "They then can take their newly made resumes to the Howard County Library Job Fair on April 24 to present their resumes to the many business that will be present during the fair."

For more information on the workshop or to reserve a spot call Manny Negron at 432-264-2260.

SCRAMBLE

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from the spot of the best shot. Also during the tournament, mulligans, which is a second chance to perform an action, usually after the first chance went wrong through bad luck or a blunder, will be available \$10 each and can use one per day.

"There will be four people per team for the scramble. "We are hoping for a turnout of 36 teams for the tournament with 17 spots already filled," said Stewart. "If you want to play but don't have a team, call the Country Club and they will set you with a team."

Tickets for the Relay for Life Cancer Scramble are \$100 a person plus a cart fee of \$16 per day.

"For the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd winners of the tournament, there will be prizes in the form of the Golf Shop Certificate," said Stewart. "The more we have sign up for the tournament, the better the prizes will be for the winners, and more importantly that means more to give back to the American Cancer Society."

All proceeds made in the Relay for Life Cancer Scramble go back to the American Cancer Society. The American Cancer Society's success comes from the help of people who are generous donors and volunteers. Because of those people who support and volunteer during these cancer events, American Cancer Society has been able to help thousands of people across the globe with life-saving cancer research studies, patient care programs, and education and prevention initiatives. Stewart also stated that the annual cancer scramble would not be feasible without the tournament sponsors.

"I would like to send out a heartfelt thanks to our sponsors," said Stewart. "If your interested in becoming a sponsor call the County Club to ask to sponsoring opportunities."

The American Cancer Society is committed to saving lives from cancer. The Society have contributed to the work that has resulted in a 25% drop in the overall cancer death rate in the United States. That drop equates to 2.1 million fewer cancer deaths between 1991 and 2014. Progress continues and is currently estimated at 500 fewer cancer deaths each day.

"That's why it's so important to get involved in Relay for Life and American Cancer Society events, because when you do, you help save lives,"said Stewart. "We encourage the community to get involved and come join the scramble to help give back."

For question on becoming a sponsor, or need a team for the tournament, or more information on the scramble call the Big Spring Country Club at 432- 267-5354.

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Hurricane names Harvey, Irma, Maria and Nate being retired

MIAMI (AP) — The names of four deadly hurricanes that slammed parts of the United States, Central America and the Caribbean last year are being retired.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration announced Thursday that hurricane names Har-

vey, Irma, Maria and Nate will be replaced with Harold, Idalia, Margot and Nigel. The new names will make their debut during the 2023 hurricane season.

Eighty-six names have been retired from the Atlantic basin list since 1954. The names are retired if the storms were so severe that

their future use would be insensitive.

Harvey hit Texas Aug. 25, killing at least 68 people. Irma caused 44 deaths and 85 indirect deaths in the Caribbean and Florida. Maria killed 31 in Dominica and 65 in Puerto Rico. Nate's rainfall inundated Central America and killed 45.

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How many people here remember Beanie Babies? Yep. Back then, Beanie Babies would pay college tuitions. I was sitting there and they were talking about 'Peanut, the Royal Blue Elephant.' Peanut was being sold for \$1,500. I'm sitting there thinking, 'This is a really good idea.' The next day I skip class and go around to all the Hallmark stores looking for Peanut. You can't find Peanut, because he's being sold on Ebay for \$1,500, but they've got a load of gray elephants for \$8. Buy a gray elephant, stop by the grocery store on the way home and pick up a back of blue RIT dye, and go home and try to dye the little guy. Well, he's made out of polyester, so you get him out of the dye bath and it looks like he has mange."

That didn't deter Johnson, though. He sold the "mangy" elephant to a woman for \$1,500.

"I stole \$1,500 from that lady," he said. "And I learned my first lesson of cybercrime at that point in time: The longer you wait out a victim, the chances of them throwing up their hands in exasperation, leaving, and not contacting the police in any way, is pretty high. That was the first lesson I learned. I'm up here tonight, and I come off as pompous, arrogant, a bit of an ass. We're laughing, having fun. But understand that I have absolutely nothing to be proud of. My claim to fame – or notoriety – is that I ripped people off."

Johnson went on to bigger and bigger crimes, eventually forming an organized criminal group called "Shadowcrew," and developing several new forms of fraud before being caught and imprisoned.

"I don't know if y'all knew this or not, but this is not my first trip to Big Spring," he said. "I started in Ashland, Kentucky, and after I escaped, they decided to send me to a real prison...right here, at Big Spring. Let me tell you – Texas knows how to do two things right: They know how to do barbecue. Mmmm! And they know

how to build a prison."

Johnson credits his time in prison in Big Spring, as well as a visit to him in jail from his pregnant sister, as helping him turn his life around.

After discussing his past failures and successes, Johnson spoke about what cybercrime is, how it works, and how to prevent it.

"Cybercrime is not rocket science anymore," he said. "These guys are out there and they'll read some newspaper article about Brett Johnson stealing \$160,000 a week and they'll sit there going, 'That's not a bad career! Let me try that.' So they'll go online. Now, these people who are entering in, used to, you had to understand something about the dynamics of crime. You had to understand how that crime worked. You don't have to do that anymore. Now, if you want to enter into cybercrime, you can buy a tutorial. You can buy a tutorial for as little as \$50 that will walk you through step by step how to do fraud. You can take classes. Live classes. \$600 will get you a six-week class with a live instructor, guaranteed to make you money. If you don't make money, that's alright. I will refund you your tuition. I'm not sure they do that in college, but that's what happens here."

Johnson said there are three main reasons criminals turn to cybercrime: To promote an ideology, to achieve status, and to make money. Most cybercrime involves researching personal details about individuals; and then using the information gained to steal a person's identity using knowledge-based authentication, answering questions financial institutions use to verify identity, such as date of birth, Social Security number, or mother's maiden name.

"All crimes should begin with identity theft," Johnson said, recounting a motto from his criminal days.

Following the presentation, Johnson answered questions from the audience.

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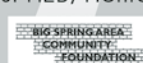
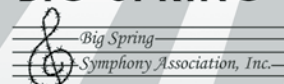
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This week I have a few mystery books to tell you about.

In "Promise Not To Tell" by Jayne Ann Krentz (M KRE J), gallery owner Virginia Troy has spent years battling the demons that stem from her childhood time in a cult and the night a fire burned through the compound, killing her mother.

Now, one of her artists has taken her own life, but not before sending Virginia a last picture: a painting that makes Virginia doubt everything about the so-called suicide and her own past.

Private investigator Cabot Sutter also survived that fire and is the only one that can help her. As they unravel clues in the painting, it becomes clear that someone thinks Virginia knows more than she does and must be stopped.

Thrown into an inferno of desire and deception, Virginia and Cabot

draw closer to the mystery of their shared memories, and the shocking fate of the one man who still wields the power to destroy everything they hold dear.

"The Vanishing Season" by Joanna Schaffhausen (M SCH J) tells the story of Ellery Hathaway an officer who was once victim number seventeen in the grisly story of serial killer Francis Michael Coben.

When three people disappear from her town in three years, Ellery fears someone dangerous knows her secret. Her superiors dismiss her concerns, but Ellery knows the vanishing season is coming, and anyone could be next. She contacts the FBI agent who saved her from a killer all those years ago.

Agent Reed Markham made his name and fame of the back of the Coben case, but his fortunes have since turned. When Ellery calls him, he can't help but wonder if she was ever truly saved.

His greatest triumph is Ellery's waking nightmare, and now both of them are about to be sucked into the past, back to the case that made them and a killer who can't let go.

In "The Chalk Man" by C. J. Tu-

dor (M TUD C), Eddie and his misfit friends spend their days looking for adventure and develop a secret code: little chalk stick figures they draw for each other as hidden messages, warning of bullies, or signifying meeting spots.

One morning Eddie finds a chalk man directing him into the nearby woods. He follows the message, only to find the dismembered body of a teenage girl.

Years later, Eddie is a grown man, working as a teacher at his old school, nursing a drinking problem, and trying to forget his past. One day he gets a letter with no return address containing a single chalk stick figure-the same figure he saw the day he found the body.

Soon he discovers that each one of his old friends has received the same mysterious note. At first they brush it off as a bad prank, but when one of them is killed, Eddie realizes that saving himself means figuring out what really happened all those years ago.

Digging into the past proves to be more dangerous than he could have imagined. In this town, everyone has secrets, and some will do anything to keep the truth buried.

In "The English Wife" by Lauren Willig (M WIL L), Annabelle and Bayard Van Duyvil live a charmed life. They had a fairy-tale romance,

three-year-old twins, and a beautiful home named Illyria. When Bayard is found dead with a knife in his chest and Annabelle missing and presumed drowned, the papers go mad.

Bay's sister, Janie, forms an alliance with a reporter to try to uncover the truth. The more she learns about her brother and his wife, the more everything she thought she knew about them starts to unravel. She tries to figure out who were her brother and his wife, and why did her brother die with the name George on his lips?

I have run out of time so I leave you with a quote by Dalai Lama XIV: "Peace does not mean an absence of conflicts; differences will always be there. Peace means solving these differences through peaceful means; through dialogue, education, knowledge; and through humane ways."

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Relative shoots, wounds 8-year-old boy in San Antonio

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — San Antonio police say an 8-year-old boy is wounded after a family member shot him in the abdomen.

Police say the 21-year-old relative fired a gun Tuesday evening, striking the boy in the abdomen. The two were in the upstairs room of a San Antonio home during the time of the shooting.

Police say the shooting could have been ac-

cidental. The suspect fled on foot after the shooting and remains at large.

Paramedics took the victim to a hospital in stable but guarded condition.

A police report says the relative will face a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, if found.

Police say the victim's family is cooperating with the investigation.

Nurse fired, arrested after patient dies at Texas hospital

DALLAS (AP) — A former nurse has been arrested on a murder charge after a patient died and two others slipped into vegetative states at a Texas hospital, according to state and county records.

The Texas Board of Nursing suspended William George Davis' license in March. In a detention order, the board determined he entered three patients' rooms at Louis and Peaches Owen Heart Hospital in Tyler and "performed an intervention" that either killed or critically harmed them. The hospital fired Davis in February.

The board also is investigating whether his



William George Davis

West Texas children get up close look at, feel of trucks



AP photo

In a Wednesday April 4, 2018 photo, Snyder Fire Department Fire Marshall Nathan Hines shows children how a thermal imager works during a Touch-A-Truck activity at Calvary Baptist Church in Snyder, Texas. The evening featured ten service vehicles for children in the church youth group to inspect up-close and crawl around on.

By RONALD W. ERDRICH
Abilene Reporter-News

SNYDER, Texas — Pay attention to these words: Touch-A-Truck.

Calvary Baptist Church held an event on a recent Wednesday during an evening AWANA youth program.

"AWANA stands for Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed," explained Jayna Hunter, the church children's director. "It comes from II Timothy 2:15, and it's about training children to serve the Lord."

The kids range from 2 to fifth

grade, she said. About once a month, they hold a theme night, this month it was Touch-A-Truck. During their study breaks, adults led groups of children across the street to visit and interact with a small fleet of service vehicles.

"All kinds of trucks," Hunter said. "Firetrucks and bucket trucks; dump trucks, trash trucks, monster trucks. Just anything I could get together."

Hunter got the idea off of Pinterest after searching Google for AWANA theme ideas.

"Maybe it will spark their interest in a future career," she said.

"Respect for authority, knowledge of what other people in the community do to serve them."

Shawn McCowen, a cotton farmer who lives about 100 miles south of town, brought a pair of large tractors. Nearly every kid took a turn sitting inside the oversized rims on the big rear tires.

"Yep, that's what I did when I was their age on my dad's farm," he said, chuckling. "It's a neat deal; we go to church here and I'll do anything for kids."

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actions harmed at least four other patients.

Davis, 34, is being held on a murder charge on a \$2 million bond, Smith County jail records show.

A message left for Davis' attorney wasn't immediately returned Wednesday. But a GoFundMe account started by Davis says he's raising money in an effort to fight the state's suspension of his license, an action that he contends was due to "misunderstandings." The campaign on Wednesday had raised more than half of his goal of \$10,000.

Tyler police spokeswoman Jenny Wells wouldn't confirm Wednesday that the murder charge relates to the death of the patient in August. Police will release additional information later in the day, she said.

The suspension order doesn't specify what Davis is alleged to have done to a patient on Aug. 4, but says "the patient immediately deteriorated from their stable condition" and died two days later of an embolism and other complications. The patient was not under Davis' care and he didn't mention to the patient's assigned nurse that he intervened or document it, according to the order.

He's accused of going into other patients' rooms, once in November and again in January, and taking "unnecessary and/or inappropriate" actions that led two patients to fall into vegetative conditions. He wasn't assigned to care for either patient.

When questioned by administrators following the January incident, Davis said he "silenced an IV that was beeping," pumped up a pressure bag and took other actions, according to his suspension order.

He was fired Feb. 15 for "falsification of care events and his unethical practice related to failure to disclose interventions."

A spokesman for the Board of Nursing said he couldn't immediately discuss the ongoing Davis investigation.

Christus Trinity Mother Frances Health System, which includes Owen Heart Hospital about 100 miles (160 kilometers) southeast of Dallas, said in a statement that Davis began working for the system in 2013. An investigation began in January when administrators identified "an unusual and unexplained patient outcome."

"We believe the issues with Mr. Davis were isolated to him and he acted independently and of his own accord," the statement said.

Texas Border Patrol agent charged in deaths of woman, child



AP photo

This undated photo provided by the Laredo Police Department shows Ronald Anthony Burgo Aviles.

DALLAS (AP) — A supervisor for the U.S. Border Patrol killed a woman with whom he was romantically involved and her 1-year-old child before calling 911 claiming to have discovered the bodies near a park along the border with Mexico, Texas authorities said Tuesday.

Ronald Anthony Burgos Aviles, 28, was being held without bond in the Webb County jail on two counts of capital murder.

Joe Baeza, police spokesman in the border city of Laredo, said Burgos Aviles was identified as a person of interest within an hour of the 911 call Monday, but Baeza declined to elaborate.

He said Grizelda Hernandez, 27, and her son, Dominick Alexander Hernandez, likely were killed Monday near the park, which is adjacent to the Rio Grande and just south of the World Trade Bridge that carries traffic between the U.S. and Mexico.

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Gradual deployment of US troops to Mexico border underway



AP photo

Aaron Hull, chief patrol agent of the U. S. Customs and Border Protection's El Paso Sector, speaks where construction on a new segment of the border wall will be built, near Santa Teresa, N.M., Monday, April 9, 2018. Hull says the troops could help with air support, surveillance and repairs of infrastructure along the border so that Border Patrol agents have more time to enforce immigration law.

By **JOHN L. MONE and PAUL J. WEBER**

Associated Press

ROMA, Texas — The deployment of National Guard members to the U.S.-Mexico border at President Donald Trump's request was underway Tuesday with a gradual ramp-up of troops under orders to help curb illegal immigration.

The Trump administration also announced that Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen will visit this week a stretch of new border wall breaking ground in New Mexico, putting additional focus on what Trump has called a crisis of migrant crossings and crime.

The construction and commitment of at least 1,600 Guard members from Arizona, New Mexico and Texas provoked fresh condemnation from immigrant activists and praise from border-state Republican governors, who will retain command-and-control of their state's Guard during a mission that for now has no firm end date.

The only holdout border state was California, led by Democratic Gov. Jerry Brown, who has not announced whether troops from his state's National Guard will participate and has repeatedly clashed with

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McCowen echoed the words of several others in the church parking lot on how interacting with these large machines is beneficial to young minds.

"It's something that they don't get to do, especially in town. It makes them think," he said, waving at the tractor behind him. "They see this stuff occasionally, but they're usually far away. They don't realize how big it is. So here they get to sit in it, touch it, and crawl around on it."

Nathan Hines, a fire marshal in the Snyder Fire Department, gave fire shield stickers to the kids after showing off one of the department's fire engines. He explained how young children getting an up-close look at the truck, the firefighters' air tanks, and all the other gear might pay off in the future.

"For the little ones, it's really good because they're not scared when we show up," he explained. "That's the main thing we're looking for, that they won't be scared when we do show up at a fire scene."

Dana Evans, a clerk at the city barn, brought a truck with its own special scent.

"This is a trash truck," he said.

But what is its technical name?

"Garbage truck," he deadpanned.

Earlier, he appeared to lament that his truck didn't have any flashing lights, fancy tires or even a lift to carry him into the air. His truck did come with one thing none of the others did — a pungent aroma.

Granted, you couldn't tell that from the outside. This was a pretty clean-looking garbage truck. But nearly every kid that approached was lifted by an adult to poke a nose inside and sample the smell.

"I do career days at the schools, also," Evans said. "We talk about what you do and don't put in which is very important."

"We talk about recycling, I'm always trying to get new employees so I'm always trying to recruit. I figure at a young age, I might get one or two sooner or later."

So, what are the do's and don'ts of the trash can?

"No furniture,

no appliances and preferably no animals," he answered.

"Just bagged household trash."

He's pondered drafting a manifesto for what should go in a dumpster, but was concerned no one would read it. The author of this article suggested he write a song, or maybe even a limerick, suitable for all ages.

"A clean limerick for garbage?" He rubbed at his chin, thinking it through.

Joey Roland's 1953 Willis delivery truck — at least, part of it was that at one time — sat off the ground so high, kids were using an overturned five-gallon bucket to climb in and out.

"It's a little mean-sounding," he said, laughing over the sight of kids covering their

ears when he'd rev the engine.

Roland's ranch is home to a Texas Tech dig that has been ongoing for some years now, recovering the remains of giant tortoises and other critters that roamed these parts long before people did. They were featured in a June 25, 2016, Big Country Journal.

Dirt was crusted on his oversized tires, and a lot of kids barely had to duck when they walked underneath it. Roland said he doesn't use the truck as much, but sometimes they'll still take her for spin on the ranch when the mood strikes.

"You should come back out and we'll crank her up," he said, laughing. "Then you'll really feel that inner 8-year-old."

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AP finds legislatures lack public records on harassment

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP) — In the past 15 months, dozens of state lawmakers have been forced from office, removed from their leadership roles, reprimanded or publicly accused of sexual misconduct in a mounting backlash against misbehavior by those in power.

Yet the majority of state legislative chambers across the country have no publicly available records of any sexual misconduct claims over the past 10 years. They say no complaints were made, no tally was kept or they do not legally have to disclose it, The Associated Press found.

Some lawmakers and experts on sexual wrongdoing in the workplace say that suggests legislators are not taking the problem seriously.

"There is no good excuse for not making that information available," said Republican state Sen. Karen McCannaghay of Illinois. "If the voters don't know these things are going on, then they can't very well make a judgment about our behavior."

The AP filed records requests with the legislative chambers in every state — 99 in all — seeking information on the number of sexual misconduct or harassment complaints made against lawmakers since 2008. The requests also asked for any documents pertaining to those complaints and any financial settlements.

That process unearthed roughly 70 complaints from about two dozen states and nearly \$3 million in sexual harassment settlements paid by eight states. But the actual figures almost certainly are higher.

That's because many states that refused to turn over any information had legislators who had been publicly accused and forced out of office or leadership positions.

Some lawmakers and experts say that because of legislatures' failure to confront the problem aggressively, victims hesitate to come forward for fear of ridicule, isolation and retaliation.

"When you add the pressure of politics and the fact that relation-

ships are everything in politics, it is extremely unusual to imagine anyone ever reporting," said Maryland Delegate Ariana Kelly, a Democrat who chairs the Legislature's 60-member women's caucus. She said she was warned when she entered office eight years ago "that I was going to be a pariah if I didn't learn to accept the culture the way it was."

The 188-member Maryland General Assembly said it has no records of the number of sexual harassment complaints over the past decade but plans to begin keeping track. Earlier this week, the Legislature passed a bill sponsored by Kelly that will strengthen its policies on harassment reporting to include an independent investigator and to cover lobbyists.

The Texas House and Senate, which have 181 lawmakers combined, also reported no records of complaints. But that doesn't mean there's no problem with harassment, said former Democratic Sen. Wendy Davis, who now runs the Austin-based women's advocacy group Deeds Not Words.

She recalls being touched "very inappropriately" by a newly elected House member at a 2009 social gathering for lawmakers. She never filed a complaint and wasn't even aware there was a process for doing so. Instead, Davis worked with colleagues to kill the lawmaker's bills.

"Often the fear of coming forward and what the consequence of that will look like suppresses anyone from saying anything," she said. "And what it means is that women put up with a lot, and then it starts to create a culture where that is an accepted practice."

Women recently have become more vocal about harassment. Since the start of 2017, sexual misconduct or harassment allegations have led to the resignation or expulsion of at least 25 state lawmakers across the country, according to an AP tally.

About 20 additional state lawmakers have faced repercussions such as reprimands and the loss of leadership positions, according to the AP's review.

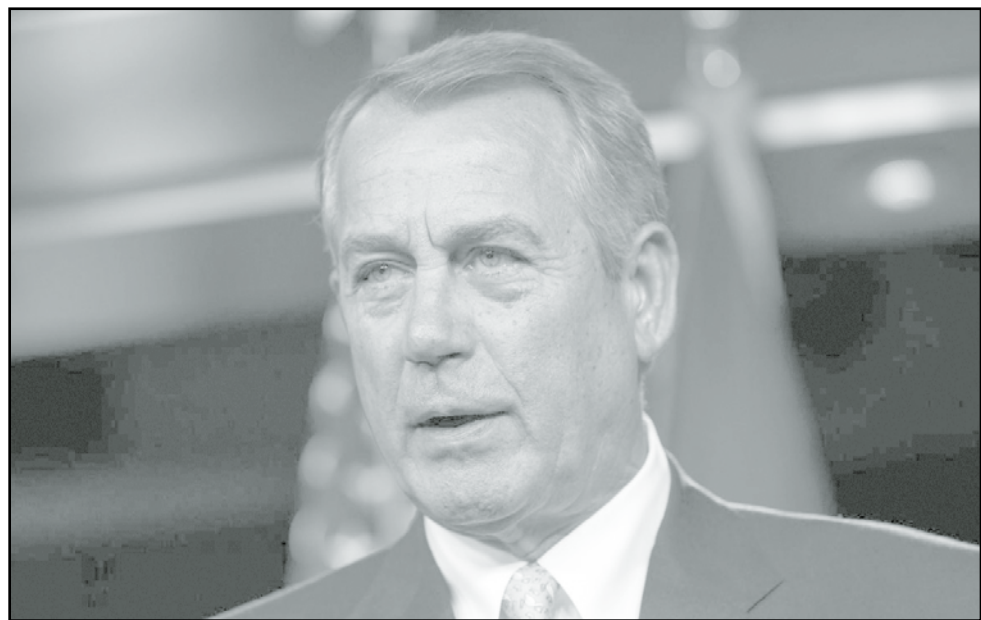
Complaints are pending against several others.

Some of those who quit or were punished are not included in the AP's decade-long tally because no complaint was formally filed or because information about sexual misconduct complaints has not been publicly compiled and released.

The Kentucky Legislative Research Commission told the AP that requests for the number of complaints and related documents "do not fall within the open records law" and that they place "an unreasonable burden" upon the commission. Thus, the number of formal complaints remains officially unknown, even though plenty of sexual misconduct allegations involving the state's lawmakers have been aired publicly.

In 2015, Kentucky paid \$400,000 to settle sexual harassment lawsuits involving three Democratic lawmakers. Last year, the Democratic Senate minority whip was replaced after being accused of groping a man, the Republican House speaker and three GOP colleagues lost leadership posts after secretly signing a sexual harassment settlement, and another GOP lawmaker killed himself after being accused of sexually assaulting a teenager.

Former US House speaker to promote legalizing marijuana



AP photo

In this Feb. 26, 2015, file photo, House Speaker John Boehner speaks during a news conference on Capitol Hill in Washington.

CINCINNATI (AP) — Former U.S. House Speaker John Boehner said Wednesday he has had a change of heart on marijuana and will promote its nationwide legalization as a way to help veterans and the nation's deadly opioid crisis.

The Ohio Republican, an avid cigarette smoker, has joined the advisory board of Acreage Holdings, a multi-state cannabis company. The company also announced that former Massachusetts Gov. William Weld has joined its advisory board.

Weld, a Republican as governor, ran in the 2016 presidential election on the Libertarian Party ticket that was headed by legal-pot advocate Gary Johnson.

Boehner said in a statement his position "has evolved" from opposing to supporting legalization of marijuana.

"I decided to get involved because of the struggles of our country's veterans and the opioid epidemic, after learning how descheduling the drug can potentially help with both crises," said Boehner, now 68.

He said he wants to see federally

funded research done and to allow the Department of Veterans Affairs to offer marijuana as a possible treatment option for such conditions as chronic pain and post-traumatic stress disorder.

Boehner also said the move would curtail federal-state conflict on marijuana policies. While marijuana is illegal at the federal level, most states have legalized pot in some form. President Donald Trump's administration in January lifted a Barack Obama-era policy that discouraged federal authorities from cracking down on the pot trade in states where the drug is legal.

New York-based Acreage, which has cannabis operations in 11 states, said Boehner and Weld will serve on its board of directors when that is formed. Boehner had an earlier stint on a tobacco's company's board.

Paul Ryan, Boehner's successor when he resigned as speaker in 2015, had talked about the work of getting the smell of cigarette smoke out of the speaker's office after Boehner's departure.

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Trump over immigration policy. The state was still reviewing Tuesday whether it will join the effort, said Lt. Tom Keegan, a spokesman for the California National Guard.

In Texas, where Republican Gov. Greg Abbott has pledged to put more than 1,000 Guard members into action, military officials said Tuesday that 300 troops would report to armories this week for preparation and training. Texas has previously kept about 100 Guard members stationed on the border for years as part of its own border security efforts.

"What is different now it is happening in a different context and a different narrative," said Fernando Garcia, director of the Border Network for Human Rights, an immigrant advocacy group.

Speaking from the Rio Grande Valley where immigrant crossings are the highest along the 2,000-mile (3,200-kilometer) U.S.-Mexico border, Garcia said, "When you hear the narrative of the president, it seems to him the enemy is the immigrant family."

Abbott said in a statement Tuesday that the Guard has "proven to have a meaningful impact" in reducing immigration and crime.

In the Texas border town of Roma, about a half-dozen uniformed Guard members were seen Tuesday near an international bridge along the Rio Grande. Children played just across the river in Mexico, and it wasn't clear whether the Guard members were new or part of Texas' earlier observe-and-report missions.

One Guard member was armed with an M4 rifle and used binoculars to peer across the river. Pickup trucks with Guard members inside circled the town square along with border patrol vehicles. Mexican children who had attended school on the U.S. side of the border showed their passports and paid a toll to

cross a bridge over the river and walk home to the Mexican community of Ciudad Miguel Aleman.

Trump said last week he wants to send 2,000 to 4,000 National Guard members to the border, issuing a proclamation citing "the lawlessness that continues at our southern border."

Trump administration officials have said that rising numbers of people being caught at the southern border, while in line with seasonal trends in recent years, require an immediate response.

Monthly border arrests surpassed 50,000 in March for the first time since December 2016. The Border Patrol, which polices between but not at official crossings, made more than 37,000 of those arrests, including more than 14,000 in Texas' Rio Grande Valley, nearly 6,000 in its Tucson, Arizona, sector and more than 4,000 in San Diego.

Inspectors at official crossings made nearly 13,000 arrests in March, led by the Laredo, Texas, field office with more than 4,800 and the San Diego field office with about 3,800.

Apprehensions are still well below their historical trends during the terms of former Presidents George W. Bush and Barack Obama, both of whom also deployed the Guard to the border.

Some Guard members will be armed if they are placed in potential danger, Abbott said, adding he wanted to downplay speculation that "our National Guard is showing up with military bayonets trying to take on anybody that's coming across the border, because that is not their role."

There is no end date for the deployment, Abbott said. "We may be in this for the long haul."

Trump has said he wants to use the military at the border until progress is made on his proposed border wall, which has mostly stalled in Congress. Defense Secretary James Mattis last Friday approved paying for up to 4,000 National Guard personnel from the Pentagon budget through the end of September.

Mexico's foreign relations secretary said his government is evaluating its cooperation with the United States.

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Burgos Aviles and the woman were in a romantic relationship, Baeza said. The investigation will determine if Dominick was Burgos Aviles' child.

"This isn't over," Baeza said. "This investigation is just barely getting started."

Authorities declined to provide the manner of death for the two. Online jail records do not indicate an attorney for Burgos Aviles to answer

the allegations.

Burgos Aviles was a nine-year veteran of the Border Patrol, Baeza said, and had been promoted last year.

Jason Owens, Border Patrol chief for the agency's Laredo sector, said at a news conference Tuesday that the deaths represent a "horrific tragedy."

"The actions of this individual, if true, are both inexcusable and reprehensible," Owens said. "No one is more sickened than we are at the thought of someone wearing this uniform

committing such a heinous act."

Baeza said investigators are working to learn more about Burgos Aviles' relationship with Hernandez and many other aspects of the case, such as whether the suspect acted alone or had help.

Webb County District Attorney Isidro Alaniz said it's too early to determine if prosecutors will seek the death penalty, adding that the case "is being given extreme priority."

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As the number of student referral continues to increase, an emphasis on student discipline is an important aspect of the operational procedures for Big Spring High School. When discussing discipline, a hot topic amongst students is the use of corporal punishment, or swats. As many districts across the state begin to adopt no corporal punishment policy, BSISD holds steady in its policy. The local board policy states that:

Corporal punishment may be used as a discipline management technique in accordance with this policy and the Student Code of Conduct. Corporal punishment shall not be administered to a student whose parent has submitted to the principal a signed statement for the current school year prohibiting the use of corporal punishment with his or her child. The parent may reinstate permission to use corporal punishment at any time during the school year by submitting a signed statement to the principal.

This policy, as written by the Board of Trustees, should be maintained as a standing district policy.

adult, corporal punishment is a successful deterrent for inappropriate student behavior. When other punishments are utilized, such as in-school suspension (ISS), out-of-school suspension (OSS), and Disciplinary Alternative Education Programs (DAEP), students often miss several days of instructional time. By allowing the administrators to perform swift swats to students, they are reinforcing school rules and procedures, while keeping students in an educational environment. As a school and community, Big Spring must value the educational time of its teachers, and ensure that all students are present and accounted for during all classroom instruction. This action also helps in setting clear boundaries that motivate students to abide by the policies they break.

Another major benefit of corporal punishment is that the punishment has immediate consequences, rather than delayed and less-strict conse-



Let's not swat

Students in schools are not always well-behaved and may act out, which can result in punishment. Corporal Punishment is the punishment that is given to these students and comes in a physical form. Most of the time, a paddle is used to “swat” the individual in order to cause them discomfort and encourage them to resist misbehavior to avoid discomfort. Educational institutions have used the method throughout the years, but recently it has been questioned on its effectiveness in teaching students and whether or not it should be implemented in schools.

Corporal punishment in schools should no longer be accepted or used as the effects on the student is outweighed by negative effects. There is no proof that students learn to alter their behavior from being physically punished, but there is proof that it affects the students socially, behaviorally, and in the classroom.

Students that act out usually have an underlying reason for their actions. When they are caught and punished for their actions, the issue isn't really resolved. We use corporal punishment as both a punishment and a fear factor to stop the individual from breaking rules. However, these students have shown to not learn from being punished. Few do have the potential to learn from these consequences, but it is greatly outnumbered those that do not. The argument that children back then learned from being punished can be made, however that doesn't mean much for modern times. Nowadays, there are individuals that have flourished into perfectly fine young adults who didn't require corporal punishment in order for them to learn right from wrong. Instead the issue is the use of physical punishment rather than trying to gain

an understand of the cause of the behavior. Administration, who is responsible for enforcing the rules and giving out the punishment, should learn to understand the students position and look



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for alternatives to help the individual in the future like counseling. Alternatives to “talk it out” and reach down to the root of the problem would solve the problem, whereas corporal punishment is a small act as a consequence without solution.

Corporal punishment can affect students negatively. There have been multiple studies that found that students

were socially and behaviorally affected by corporal punishment. Psychologist Elizabeth Thompson Gershoff at Columbia University conducted a study in 2002 over the effects of corporal punishment. In her findings, ten out of 11 individuals had negative outcomes from corporal punishment. Those ten children showed to develop antisocial and aggression issues. However, she does clarify that the study doesn't infer that individuals that receive corporal punishment will have that outcome. The study shows that physical punishment only makes matters worse and affects the person negatively. The purpose is to show those who violate rules that there are consequences for doing so, but the study also shows it could have more of an impact than the intentional purpose. Advocates for corporal punishment can argue that those select few had additional factors that may have played a role in their developmental skills, however the school does not know every students' situation. The proof for the beneficial aspects is insufficient and the evidence for the negative impact outweighs. Schools should consider the impact that their punishment will have on the students from experts, instead of theorizing a better outcome.

Sustained Punishment

Corporal punishment has been a long-standing disciplinary technique implemented in schools across the nation. When performed



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by a trained administrator, and supervised by another attempt to maintain a strict disciplinary program, the enforcement of these standards are difficult to enforce in these types of programs. While they do remove the student from mingling with their peers, they do not offer a form of punishment that students fear. Corporal punishment, however, offers immediate punishment that is intended to successfully deter students from their actions far more effectively than sitting in a quiet room, away from the education process.

In a 2014 survey conducted by Child Trends, 94 percent of parents had spanked their child in the preceding year. Corporal punishment, when administered properly, is an effective form of discipline, just as represented in this survey. This form of punishment is often used by parents, and allowing this to occur in the educational environment also reinforces the idea of in loco parentis, in which teachers and administrators act in the best interest of the child when in their responsibility. Students must understand that they are expected to

behave properly at home and school. Therefore, a consistent behavioral intervention will allow this to happen. Many families believe this is an overreach by the educational institution, and do not believe this form of discipline is appropriate for the institution to implement. However, the need to discipline students does not stop at home. Students who misbehave at home are even more likely to do so at school. Therefore, extending the authority of the school to administer corporal punishment serves as a deterrent of the same inappropriate behavior that students engage in at home.

BSHS and BSISD have long sought to lead the state in innovation and academic performance. As schools across the state continue to leave this program, it is important that as a community, Big Spring stands up for the solvency of this program. Corporal punishment works. As a teacher, I hear students talk about these programs. They talk about how ISS and OSS are fun because they get to miss class. They do not, however, brag about being swatted for punishment. The administration at BSHS is top-tier, and takes this responsibility seriously. They are conscious of their actions and are aware of the responsibilities entrusted in them. They are exceedingly capable and responsible enough to administer this form of punishment.

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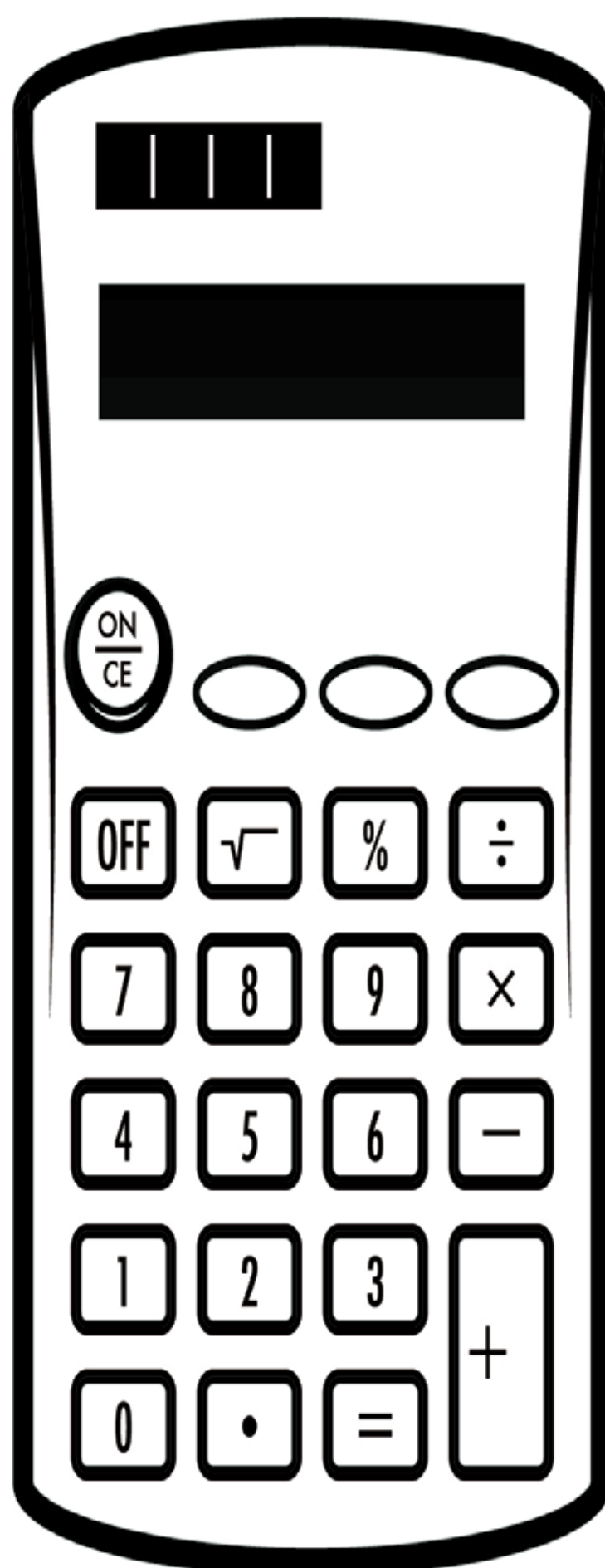
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Big Spring shot-putter throws his way to District Championship



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Two Big Spring High School Boys competed at the District 5-4A meet at Abilene Wylie High School last week. AJ Gonzales got 1st place in the shot put (46'-11 1/2") and Christian Roberts got 5th (109'-7 1/2"). AJ Gonzales also placed 1st in Discus (147'-10 3/4"). AJ will be going to area in Abilene. From left to right in photo: AJ Gonzales, Coach Arista & Christian Roberts.

By **STEPHEN HAWKINS**

AP Sports Writer

ARLINGTON, Texas — Texas Rangers shortstop Elvis Andrus broke his right elbow Wednesday night when he was hit by a pitch in the ninth inning of the team's fourth straight loss.

Andrus, the 29-year-old in his 10th season as the Rangers starting shortstop, is likely headed to the disabled list for the first time in his career.

Dr. Keith Meister, the team's physician, did initial X-rays and an examination at the stadium, and the team said after the 7-2 loss to the Los Angeles Angels that those tests indicated the probability of a fracture.

Andrus' elbow was put in a splint and he will be examined further Thursday, the team's first off day this season, to determine the severity of the injury and the course of recovery.

"Listen, you don't replace guys like this. It's such a huge part of the lineup and on the field defensively," Banister said, also mentioning Andrus' leadership.

Andrus was hit by a fastball from hard-throwing reliever Keynan Middleton. He immediately grabbed at his right arm and fell to the ground, appearing to be in significant pain.

Angels star center fielder Mike Trout had been hit by a pitch in the top of the ninth inning.

Asked if Andrus getting hit was retaliatory for that, Banister responded, "It's a fair question for you to ask, but I'm not going to speculate on anything like that."

Andrus is batting .327 with two homers and five RBIs from the third spot in Texas' order.

Since making his debut in 2009, Andrus has played at least 145 games every season. He is coming off two of the best seasons. After hitting .302 in 2016, he was a .297 hitter with career highs of 20

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The Area meet is Wednesday April 18th, at Abilene Wylie. The Varsity Lady Steers finished 3rd at the District 5-4A track meet. The JV finished as District Champions.

Rangers' Andrus breaks elbow after getting hit vs Angels



AP photo

Texas Rangers' Elvis Andrus rolls on the ground by home plate holding his right elbow after being hit by a pitch from Los Angeles Angels' Keynan Middleton in the ninth inning of a baseball game in Arlington, Texas, Wednesday April 11, 2018. Andrus left the game with an unknown injury.

homers and 88 RBIs last season. He had never hit more than eight homers before that.

Second baseman Rougned Odor (left hamstring) and center fielder Delino DeShields (left hand) are both already on the disabled list for the Rangers, the first team in the majors with 10 losses.

Jurickson Profar started the last two games at second base for Odor, and now will likely move to shortstop for Andrus.

It's playoff time: The NBA's first-round pairings are set



By **TIM REYNOLDS**

AP Basketball Writer

MIAMI — The NBA playoffs that start this weekend already have an extremely tough act to follow.

The regular season ended with a flourish.

Wednesday's final night of the regular season was well beyond dramatic — an overtime game between Minnesota and Denver to decide the last berth, another overtime game between Miami and Toronto to determine some East fates, a 46-point first quarter by Philadelphia, an absurd 20-rebound, 19-assist night from Russell Westbrook.

And now, the best time of the NBA year is finally here.

The playoffs are back, with Golden State and Cleveland — who've met in the last three NBA Finals — not exactly looking like the overwhelming favorites the league has come to expect. A fourth straight Warriors-Cavs matchup is no guarantee. A fourth straight trip by either of those teams alone is far from certain, either.

It all starts Saturday, the 16-team tournament that will be a two-month grind following the six-month grind of the regular season.

"I feel pretty ready," Toronto guard Kyle Lowry said. "We're ready to go." So are 15 other teams.

Start with the East pairings: Lowry and the top-seeded Raptors play No. 8 Washington, No. 2 Boston faces No. 7 Milwaukee, No. 3 Philadelphia gets No. 6 Miami and No. 4 Cleveland — with LeBron James bidding for an eighth consecutive appearance in The Finals — opening against No. 5 Indiana, a surprise team at the start of the season and one that isn't a surprise anymore.

"We're one of 16 teams that have a chance to win a championship," James said. "That's all you can ask for."

Philadelphia, after years of the rebuilding saga known as "The Process," has a chance as well. The 76ers are going into the playoffs on a 16-game winning streak.

"Take a deep breath, then reload,"

76ers coach Brett Brown said, talking about what he wants his team to do before getting ready for Game 1.

Out West, it's No. 1 Houston meeting No. 8 Minnesota — which earned its berth by topping Denver in the NBA's first win-and-get-in, lose-and-go-home regular-season finale in 21 years. No. 2 Golden State opens its quest for a third championship in four seasons against No. 7 San Antonio, No. 3 Portland drew No. 6 New Orleans and No. 4 Oklahoma City opens against No. 5 Utah.

"The playoffs are about moments, and you just want a chance to have those moments," Miami guard Dwyane Wade said.

For the Timberwolves, Wednesday was a moment in itself. They needed overtime to beat the Nuggets and get into the postseason. It's Minnesota's first berth since 2004, and ended what was the NBA's longest playoff drought (which now is bequeathed to the Sacramento Kings, who last played a playoff game in 2006).

"They just made the plays at the

end," Denver's Will Barton said of the Timberwolves. "Give them credit."

There are some rematches from the 2017 playoffs already waiting. Cleveland swept Indiana in the first round last year, and Boston needed seven games to oust Washington in a thrilling East semifinal series.

But the most intriguing should be the Golden State-San Antonio matchup — because once again, just like a year ago, the Spurs will almost certainly be without Leonard.

Those two teams played in the West finals last season, and the Spurs were up by 23 points when Leonard left in the third quarter after getting injured on a play where he tried a jumper and Warriors center Zaza Pachulia closed out aggressively. Leonard got hurt when he stepped on Pachulia on the landing; he and the Spurs haven't been the same since.

Leonard never returned to that series, and played in only nine games for the Spurs this season.

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Proposals shall be made on a stipulated sum basis on the attached forms for furnishing of all labor, materials, services and equipment necessary for and incidental to the Project as called for on the Drawings and in the Project Manual. Owner will be utilizing the competitive sealed proposal procurement method as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 2267.001 - .059, and Subchapter D. The selection criteria used to evaluate each proposal is stipulated in Document 00200 - Instructions to Proposers.

Each Proposer shall deliver their proposal in a sealed envelope to the Owner or to the proposal opening.

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Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

Rule 37 Case No. 0309990
Status/Permit No. 836854

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SM ENERGY COMPANY, [RRC Operator No. 788997] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the lease line distance requirement because the Applicant is less than the required Rule 37 lease line distance to an unleased or non-pooled interest within the subject unit. Applicant also seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement because the location is less than the required Rule 37 distance to an external lease line for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 18, Bk. 32 T1S, T&P RR CO / MC CARTY, J E Survey, A-1062, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 3.27 miles SE direction from BIG SPRING, Texas.

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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

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

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : MARION RAVENWOOD B
Lease/Unit Well No. : 0745WA
Lease/Unit Acres : 586.06
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 1.0
Lease Survey 1144.0 F S 1899.0 F W
1144.0 F S 1899.0 F W

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 100.0 F S L 330.0 F W L
Terminus Location BH
County: HOWARD
Section: 7 Block: 32 T1S Abstract: 155 Survey: T&P RR CO
Lease Lines: 50.0 F N L 330.0 F W L
Survey Lines: 50.0 F N L 2316.0 F E L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres. This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 9700 feet. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Jill Hamilton, at (432) 848-4855.

#9759 March 22, 29, April 5, & 12, 2018

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Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

Rule 37 Case No. 0309989
Status/Permit No. 836852

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SM ENERGY COMPANY, [RRC Operator No. 788997] 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. 18, Bk. 32 T1S, T&P RR CO / MC CARTY, J E Survey, A-1062, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 3.27 miles SE direction from BIG SPRING, Texas.

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IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, YOU MUST FILL OUT, SIGN AND MAIL, FAX, E-MAIL OR DELIVER TO THE AUSTIN OFFICE OF THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS THE ENCLOSED NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST. A COPY OF THE INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST ALSO BE MAILED, DELIVERED, FAXED OR E-MAILED ON THE SAME DATE TO THE APPLICANT AT THE ADDRESS SHOWN ON THE SERVICE LIST. THIS INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE NO LATER THAN 5:00 PM ON:

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

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : MARION RAVENWOOD A
Lease/Unit Well No. : 0744WA
Lease/Unit Acres : 588.52

Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 100.0

Lease Lines : 483.0 F S L, 777.0 F E L
Survey Lines : 1140.0 F S L, 1869.0 F W L
Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal
Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 100.0 F S L 330.0 F E L
Terminus Location BH
County: HOWARD
Section: 7 Block: 32 T1S Abstract: 155 Survey: T&P RR CO
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Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres. This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 9700 feet. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Jill Hamilton, at (432) 848-4855.

#9758 March 22, 29, April 5 & 12, 2018

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Mar 19, 2018
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Rule 37 Case No. 0309234
Status/Permit No. 835984

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the CALLON PETROLEUM OPERATING CO, [RRC Operator No. 124828] 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. 32, Bk. 33 T3N, T&P RR CO / BOYDSTON, J N Survey, A-1252, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 18.94 miles NW direction from BIG SPRING, 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

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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

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

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : WRIGHT UNIT C 41-32 A2
Lease/Unit Well No. : 5AH
Lease/Unit Acres : 209.66
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 1.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 660.0

Lease Lines : 303.0 F N L, 1855.0 F E L
Survey Lines : 303.0 F N L, 1855.0 F E L
Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 303.0 F NORTH L 1855.0 F E L
Terminus Location BH
County: HOWARD
Section: 41 Block: 33 T3N
Abstract: 354 Survey: T&P RR CO
Lease Lines: 100.0 F SOUTH L 98.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines: 2547.0 F NORTH L 2310.0 F EAST L

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

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

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

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Ryan Emery, at (281) 589-5200.

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By Steve Becker The case of the missing queen

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NORTH		EAST	
♠	Q J	♠	9 6 4 3 2
♥	K 10 8	♥	5 4
♦	8 7 4 2	♦	A 10 3
♣	K 7 5 3	♣	Q 10 2
SOUTH		WEST	
♠	A K 8	♠	10 7 5
♥	A J 9 6 2	♥	Q 7 3
♦	9 5	♦	K Q J 6
♣	A 9 6	♣	J 8 4

The bidding:
South West North East
1♥ Pass 2♥ Pass
3♥ Pass 4♥

Opening lead king of diamonds.
One of the most commonly encountered problems in bridge is trying to decide which way to finesse for a queen when a finesse can be taken in either direction. Some players enjoy the challenge of solving this thorny problem, but most mortals don't relish it one bit.

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Oddly enough, the best way of

dealing with which way to finesse is not to finesse at all. The problem can be resolved simply by circumventing it!

Let's say East-West start out with three rounds of diamonds. Declarer ruffs the third diamond and, since a club must be lost in any case, concentrates all his energies on avoiding a trump loser. But instead of trying to guess the location of the queen outright — a 50-50 proposition — South skirts the issue entirely.

He cashes three spades, discarding a club from dummy, and then plays the A-K of clubs, ending in dummy. At this point, with five tricks to go and having lost only two tricks to date, South has the A-J-9-6 of hearts and nine of clubs, while dummy has the K-10-8 of hearts, a diamond and a club.

Declarer next leads dummy's remaining diamond and ruffs it as East discards a spade. South then exits with the nine of clubs.

As a result of this series of plays, the contract is now secure. It doesn't matter to declarer which opponent actually wins the club. He has the A-J-9 of trumps facing the K-10-8, and a defender is on lead. The queen is trapped regardless of what happens next.

In effect, South makes no direct effort to locate the missing queen. He simply lets nature take its course.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz.
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SUDOKU

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

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

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Power-Seekers Prevalent Under Plutonian Square

While some are of the "go big or go home" mindset, others use the Goldilocks method, trying small, medium and large to see which suits them. Whatever your approach, just make sure it's your own and not something you're bossed into by intrusive power-seekers, more prevalent given the current situation between the sun and Pluto.

ARIES (March 21-April 19).

Tune your super-sensitive soul in to the needs of those you love. It's like you can audibly hear someone's faint, subliminal cry for help. And yes, it's also within your ability to save the day.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20).

On the horizon you'll catch a glimmer of what's to come. Don't mistake this for a fixed destiny. If the picture that's coming together isn't what you want, you can still change it. If it is, don't relax. Keep working until it gets here.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21).

Who will you be when you grow up? The question doesn't go away at 10 or 20 or 50. It persists. Your introspective mood will bring a new take on the matter today.

CANCER (June 22-July 22).

Life is easier for you when you are the favorite, as you will be today. It also doesn't hurt that you reward people for their special care with your warm reception of it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).

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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).

Maybe today's trickle of good stuff won't seem like much, but make an effort to catch some of this anyway. Then you can follow the trickle to the stream and the stream to the river. All rivers lead to the ocean.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).

You have a valuable talent you sometimes take for granted. It's like the "diamonds on the soles of her shoes" that Paul Simon sang about. When the sun catches you in action, they'll get a glint of what you can do.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).

Around some people you feel confident and you give a top performance. Around others you can't think or talk

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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).

You're on the lookout for a new possession, tool, relationship or practice to add to your daily routine. Finding the best thing isn't as important as finding the thing that fits your lifestyle the best.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).

You want to believe the best in people, though it would be

foolish to always act on that assumption. For right now, hold on, reserving judgment until you can tell which way the situation is leaning.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).

Ask any photographer, magazine editor or model: It takes a multitude of unglamorous actions to pull off high glamour. And that's not just the case with glamour. Greatness in general is achieved through an accumulation of humble actions.

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47. Actress Marley Shelton is 44. Actress Sarah Jane Morris is 41. Actress Jordana Spiro is 41. Rock musician Guy Berryman (Coldplay) is 40. Actor Riley Smith is 40. Actress Claire Danes is 39. Actress Jennifer Morrison is 39. Actor Matt McGorry is 32. Contemporary Christian musician Joe Rickard (Red) is 31. Rock singer-musician Brendon Urie (Panic! at the Disco) is 31. Actress Saoirse (SIR'-shuh) Ronan is 24.

"All history is only one long story to this effect: men have struggled for power over their fellow men in order that they might win the joys of earth at the expense of others, and might shift the burdens of life from their own shoulders upon those of others."

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2 Shillelagh land
3 Give in, so to speak
4 Just the way it sits
5 Professor's delivery
6 Plum, for instance
7 "Just ____ suspected!"
8 Sommelier offerings

- 9 Taxing trip
- 10 Triangular
outer-wall
section
- 11 Let loose
- 12 Miscellaneous
things
- 13 Quick to
complain
- 18 Delt neighbor
- 22 "Yeah, that'll
happen"
- 24 Egg white
- 26 Personal identity
- 27 Bailiwick
- 28 Dark *couleur*
- 29 Cheese akin to
Gouda
- 31 With 1 Down,
retro style
- 32 Town near
Santa Fe
- 34 Made haste
- 36 Become
wearisome

37 DNA, e.g.
38 "Please?"
39 Paper + string
toy
42 Fall behind
45 Biblical
passage
47 Stuttgart
automaker
49 Unrattled
51 Language of Iran
52 Fit out
53 It may be said
with a shrug
54 Let up
56 Bracket shapes
58 Breakfast
specialist
59 Make do
61 "With __ ring . . ."
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Answer to previous puzzle

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THE LASSO

Big Spring High School's weekly update

By **SAMARA DANIELS**

BSHS journalist

As testing week comes to a close, Big Spring High School celebrates the successful administration of tests to the Freshman and Sophomore classes.

The BSHS Choir is still buzzing after showcasing their award winning compositions at The First Presbyterian Church Monday. Their performance won sweepstakes last week at the UIL Concert and Sight-reading Contest, receiving a perfect superior rating from all three judges in both categories.

This week marks the end of year-book sales for the year. Tomorrow is the last opportunity to purchase the highly anticipated book. They are \$80 in person or \$85 on balfour.com.

The Big Spring Lady Steers softball team fought a hard battle against Sweetwater last Friday, and came out victorious, winning 6-4. The Lady Steers find themselves in position to claim the district title tomorrow as they travel to Brownwood to take on the state-ranked Lady Lions.

They Lady Steers have already

defeated Brownwood earlier in the season, as well as other state-ranked teams. They look for another win to avoid a three-way tie.

Varsity baseball will also travel to Brownwood.

BSHS will also travel to Lubbock today in preparation of the UIL Regional Academic meet hosted at Texas Tech. Students will compete Friday and Saturday in hopes of many state qualifiers and regional titles.

"We have a great group of kids competing this year," Student Media Adviser Ricky Shubert said. "I expect a great outcome from all students on our road to state."

Leading the charge for the Steers is Senior Britney Tan who's outstanding district performance led her to regionals in four events: ready writing, news writing, feature writing, and editorial writing.

"Britney has proven herself as the leader of not only the journalism program, but the academic program as a whole," Shubert said. "Her talent and poise make her an outstanding competitor and I cannot wait to see where her talent leads her, not only in this competition, but as she prepares for success in college."



Daniels

Academic Star Student of the Week *Trevor Kernick, Coahoma High School*

A senior at Coahoma High School, Trevor Kernick found he had a talent for riding and training horses early in life. He is a four-time state finals qualifier in the Texas High School Rodeo Association. He makes his fourth appearance in June in Abilene. He was the 2017 Calf Roping Champion at the San Antonio Livestock Show, Youth Rodeo where he earned a \$10,000 scholarship. He was also a 2016 Reserve World Champion Calf Roper of the Calf Roping Association. Trevor is an A-B Honor Roll student at Coahoma High School.

This Friday, Trevor will commit to Trinity Valley Community College rodeo program in Athens, Texas and will be receiving a full scholarship. After earning his associates degree in Ag-Business, Trevor will head to Tarleton State University to pursue a bachelor's in Ag-Business. Once his has finished his degree, Trevor will rodeo professionally with the goal of qualifying for the National Finals Rodeo and he will continue to build a business training horses.

Trevor is the son of Greg and Rhonda Kernick.



Congratulations, Trevor!

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Special to the Herald

Time is flying by this spring! Kentwood Early Childhood Center teachers have been making the final "push" to have our pre-k students ready for Kindergarten. Working on letter recognition, letter sounds, along with all of the phonological awareness skills, plus understanding number names and numerical skills are just a few of the things that we work on daily. Our students have shown an unbelievable amount of growth this year. We implemented "homework" this school year and the parents have been an integral part of helping with their children's success. We are so thankful that our parents realize that they are their child's first teacher!

Our parents have also been part of

our Valentine Extravaganza and Eggstravaganza. They joined their child in their classroom to decorate Valentine bags for their party and decorated Easter eggs with paint, glitter, shaving cream, and many other types of materials for Easter. These activities provided a great time for parents to have an opportunity to make memories with their kids. Kentwood's upcoming activities are: Stephen Fite concert, Memories with Moms, Cinco De Mayo, and Western Day.

If you will follow Kentwood Early Childhood Center on Facebook, you will be able to see many of the fun activities that Kentwood does on a daily basis and information on registration. Kentwood will have registration for the 2018-2019 school year starting July 23 thru August 3rd.



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Senior Anissa Ramsey takes a long stride during the district track meet last week. She is amongst the 12 Lady Steer athletes to advance to the area meet, which will take place April 19th.

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Timberwolves beat Nuggets in OT to reach playoffs

Associated Press — MINNEAPOLIS — Jimmy Butler scored 31 points, Karl-Anthony Towns had 26 points and 14 rebounds and the Minnesota Timberwolves ended the NBA's longest-running playoff drought, beating the Denver Nuggets 112-106 in overtime Wednesday night in the first final-day play-in game in the league in 21 years.

When the final horn blew, the capacity and white-towel-waving crowd at Target Center stood to soak in Minnesota's first postseason appearance since 2004. Butler flashed a smile of relief as he hugged

his teammates and confetti fluttered above the floor. The fans chanted "MVP! MVP!" as Butler conducted a postgame interview.

Jokic, locked in a classic big-man battle with Towns, finished with 35 points and 10 rebounds, but he missed six of his last eight shots after the third quarter as Denver's late push fell a few points short.

The Timberwolves are moving on to play the NBA-best Houston Rockets in the first round.

Will Barton, who had 24 points, made a 3-pointer to beat the shot clock for Denver's

first lead, 104-103, since midway through the first quarter. After Taj Gibson hounded Jokic to force an air-balled 3-point try, Jeff Teague swished a floater with 1:19 left in overtime to put the Wolves back in front for good.

Andrew Wiggins sank two foul shots with 15 seconds remaining to finish with 18 points, and the Wolves were finally on their way to a celebration more than a decade in the making.



AP photo
Minnesota Timberwolves' Karl-Anthony Towns, left, tries to keep Denver Nuggets' Mason Plumlee at bay during the first half of an NBA basketball game Wednesday, April 11, 2018, in Minneapolis.



AP photo

Minnesota Timberwolves' Karl-Anthony Towns, left, and Jeff Teague celebrate the team's 112-106 win in overtime against the Denver Nuggets in an NBA basketball game Wednesday, April 11, 2018, in Minneapolis. The Timberwolves made the playoffs with the win.

NBA

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"There is no pressure on us," Spurs star LaMarcus Aldridge said.

There is on Golden State.

The Warriors are trying for a third title in four seasons, and will play this first round more than likely without Curry while he continues recovering from a knee injury. Golden State went 7-10 in its final 17 games, and clearly sputtered across the finish line.

But the records all reset now, and the Warriors have been waiting to get the postseason started.

"It'll be our first meaningful game in about a month," Warriors coach Steve Kerr said. "Looking forward to that."

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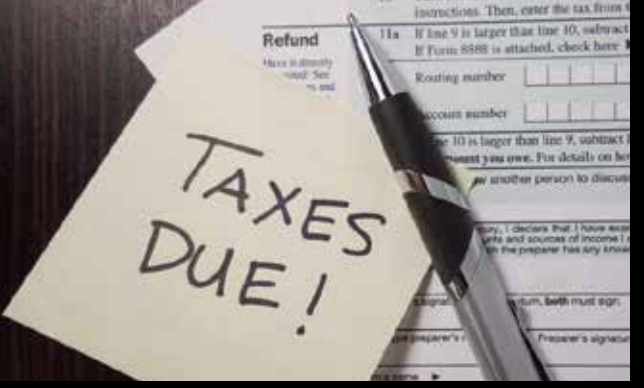
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