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Howard Co. football teams predicted to finish last

By DREW WILLIAMS

Sports Editor

If Dave Campbell's Texas Football magazine is correct, Howard County football fans won't be very happy in the autumn months.

The magazine, devoted to football at all levels in Texas and that previewed more than 1,400 high schools, predicts that Big Spring, Coahoma, and Forsan will all finish last in their district.

Texas Football predicts Abilene Wylie, Brownwood, Stephenville, and Snyder, in that order, to finish ahead of Big Spring in district 3-4A. Connor Howard, a wide receiver at Brownwood, is the preseason pick for offensive MVP and Dion Novil, a defensive lineman for Wylie, is the preseason pick for defensive MVP. The notes on the Steers say "Clint Finley takes over as the new head coach at Big Spring, trying to turn around

a Steers' team that struggled a year ago."

It predicts Idalou, Lubbock Roosevelt, Colorado City, and Stanton to end the season higher in the standings than the Coahoma Bulldogs. Running back Isaia Montgomery of Roosevelt and defensive lineman Eden Cervantes are the preseason MVPs for offense and defense. The notes for the 2016 Bulldog team state that "Youth was served last season, and it should help

this fall. RB Cuellar leads the charge while LB Escobedo is the top returning tackler on defense."

The final standings of district 4-2A are predicted to see Post, Hawley, Stamford, and Anson all ahead of Forsan. Running back AJ Reed of Post is the preseason offensive MVP favorite, while defensive end Jesse Stiles of Hawley is the pick to land the award on the defensive side. The notes on the Buffaloes

say "All-district DB Hergert takes over at QB, RB/LB McVae (886 yards, 12 TDs; 76 tackles, 1 INT) and WR/DB Yeater (308 receiving, 6 TDs; 50 tackles, 2 INTs) are two-way starters."

Borden County and Ira are predicted to finish at the top of district 5-1A, and Garden City is their pick for a second-place finish in district 6-1A. Ethan Goodwin is the favorite to win defensive MVP of the district for Garden City.

Rangers beat Twins 6-5 despite Hamels' struggles on the mound

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Cole Hamels gets to go home for the All-Star Game, a much-deserved honor for the Texas Rangers left-hander despite his struggles in consecutive games against the Minnesota Twins.

Hamels matched a career high with six walks while throwing 109 pitches in 4 1-3 innings, but Rougned Odor and Elvis Andrus had RBI triples as the Rangers rallied for a 6-5 victory Friday night.

"When you walk the amount of guys that I walked today, it's nothing that I take very lightly, it's something that's very frustrating," said Hamels, who was trailing when he left the game but had a no-decision. "I just wasn't really getting ahead of hitters early and making them uncomfortable."

Still, Hamels and center fielder Ian Desmond will represent the Rangers in the All-Star Game in San Diego

next week.

Hamels, who lost with just four innings of work last Sunday at Minnesota, isn't the only Texas starter to struggle lately. The Rangers extended their club record to seven straight games when their starter didn't pitch at least five innings.

"Cole's a great pitcher. There are stretches in any one season that for any starter, they go through things like this. Cole's going to be able to work through it," manager Jeff Banister said. "He'll find the rhythm, find the release point, and he'll be back to the Cole Hamels that we know that he is."

Texas twice blew two-run leads before finally going ahead for good in the sixth. Nomar Mazara had a leadoff double against reliever Ryan Pressly

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AP Photo

Members of the Texas Rangers including manager Jeff Banister observe a moment of silence, in remembrance of the people killed and injured in Dallas, before a baseball game against the Minnesota Twins at Globe Life Park, Friday.



AP Photo/George Bridges

The Houston Astros Luis Valbuena, center, is greeted by teammates as he celebrates his walk-off home run against the Oakland Athletics in the ninth inning of a baseball game Friday, July 8, 2016, in Houston.

Walk-off lifts Astros over A's

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Astros didn't hang their heads after a five-run ninth inning allowed the Oakland Athletics to take a two-run lead Friday night.

They were confident they could rally with the heart of their order due up in the bottom half.

Luis Valbuena drove in four runs, highlighted by a three-run homer with one out in the ninth, to lift the Astros to a wild 10-9 victory over the Athletics.

Oakland took the lead with the big ninth before Jose Altuve singled with one out in the bottom of the inning. Carlos Correa struck out, but reached on a wild pitch before Valbuena connected off Ryan Madson (3-3) for his third homer in four games to give Houston the win.

"That inning, the way you draw it up is we're in the good part of our order that we feel really comfortable with," manager A.J. Hinch said.

Valbuena knew it was gone the moment he made contact.

"I was looking for a good pitch,"

he said. "Trying to get the pitch I wanted and I (didn't) miss the pitch. You see what happened?"

Oakland manager Bob Melvin felt confident with Madson on the mound in the ninth before things went awry.

"I feel good whenever he takes the mound and we have the lead whether it's one or two runs," Melvin said. "I didn't have negative thoughts going into that inning. I fully believed we were going to win the game."

Houston led by three runs entering the ninth before Yonder Alonso connected off closer Will Harris with no outs to cut the lead to 7-6. Pinch-hitter Jake Smolinski singled with one out before a double by Jed Lowrie chased Harris.

He was replaced by Michael Feliz (6-1) who was greeted by the double from Davis that put the A's up 8-7.

Josh Reddick added a run with an RBI single to make it 9-7.

Correa hit a two-run homer in the fourth before the Astros went on top with a four-run fifth.

Dustin Johnson to skip Olympics to due to concern about Zika virus

DALLAS (AP)—U.S. Open champion Dustin Johnson withdrew from the Rio Games on Friday because of concerns over the Zika virus, costing golf three of the world's top four players for its return to the Olympics after a 112-year absence.

Jordan Spieth is the only player from the top four

who has not said if he is going to Brazil. A decision could come as early as this weekend ahead of the British Open. Rickie Fowler also is undecided.

Johnson, No. 2 in the world after his U.S. Open title and another World Golf Championship victory last week, is the 13th player to

pull out of the Rio Games. Eight of them, including world No. 1 Jason Day and world No. 4 Rory McIlroy, specifically have cited Zika as the reason.

Patrick Reed, who said earlier this week at the Scottish Open he wants to play

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AP Photo/Tony Gutierrez, File

Hope Solo looks for 100th shutout

CHICAGO (AP) — As if her list of accomplishments wasn't long enough already, Hope Solo has a chance to add another one on Saturday.

If Solo posts a shutout when the U.S. women meet South Africa at Soldier Field, she will have an even 100. And don't think she sees it as just another number.

"I'm excited," she said Friday. "It's something

I'm really proud of. But it's more about the journey. It's not just one game, whether it's against South Africa and Costa Rica. Whenever it happens, it's been a long road and a long journey so it's something I'm very proud of."

Solo has soared to heights no other U.S. goalkeeper has reached with more victories than any other, not to mention a World Cup championship and two

Olympic gold medals. She made a memorable late save against Japan, stopping a powerful shot from Mana Iwabuchi, to preserve a 2-1 victory in the final of the London Games.

With the U.S. gearing up for another Olympic run, Solo will try to create another memory. She has a chance to do it in Chicago, where the NFL's Bears

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BEHIND EVERY PROJECT IS A
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Metal and Light

Local artist and film makers team up to make magic



Photos above right courtesy Check Your Brain Productions. Story and other photos by Roger Cline.
Clockwise from top left: Rae Ripple showcases some of her metal artwork; Director James Fite; Producer Brandon Johnson; Ripple, Fite, and Johnson at the Rendezvous Film Festival in Florida; close-ups of two of Rae's works.

It's a story of faith and perseverance in the face of hardship, the vision of an artist forged in fire and welded strong.

It's also a story about storytellers themselves, two local self-described "film geeks" who saw merit in the saga of a local artist and converted it into light and shadow on a wall, a flickering record of a life.

It's "Project Mone't", a short documentary film crafted by Big Spring filmmakers James Fite and Brandon Johnson, about the life and art of local metal artist Rae Mone't Ripple, and it's going to be shown for free at Big Spring's Cinemark Cinema 4 July 20.

"I made a sculpture, and it's called 'Project Mone't,'" Ripple said. "It represents all these different aspects of my life that have come together, and I have created something beautiful out of something broken. I wanted some original video to reveal the sculpture on my Facebook page for my friends. Me, Brandon, and James got together through a mutual friend. They sat me down in an interview, and it went from just a little interview to 'We've got something more here.'"

Fite said he and Johnson have been wanting to make films for a long time.

"A mutual friend of ours, he knew that [Ripple] was trying to make a small video for her Facebook page," said Fite. "We'd been wanting to put something together, so we interviewed her for about an hour. Then we asked her, 'Can we go big with this?' and she said yes."

Fite and Johnson's creation has become a hit at indie film festivals, taking Best Short Documentary and the People's Choice Award at the

Rendezvous Film Festival in Florida, and Best Cinematography-Short Film at the Roswell Film Festival in Roswell, N.M.

It caught us off-guard," Fite said. "The People's Choice award really threw us for a loop. That one is voted on by all the other artists that are there. It was very surreal. A year ago, we were sitting there trying to figure out how to do this documentary."

The film was also invited to the Big River Film Festival in Savannah, Ga., which is this weekend; results of that show were not out by press time.

"That one, we didn't even submit to," Fite said. "They came to us."

An official with the Georgia festival saw "Project Mone't" at the Roswell festival, and told Fite, "You're coming to my show," he said.

"It's crazy!" Ripple enthused about the recognition the film has received. "I was nothing and a nobody, eating out of trashcans at 14 years old, wondering how I was going to survive, and now, all of a sudden, people are telling me they're inspired by my story and what I'm doing. I'm blown away. My life was lived in such vain...I never thought anything positive could come out of it. I changed my mindset. With a little bit of faith and a whole lot of willpower, you can take something negative and turn it into something positive, and that's what I've done with my life."

Ripple said the film has boosted public recognition of her art.

"I was selling my artwork on Howard County Trading Post for \$20 or \$30 to whoever would take it," she said. "Begging people, 'Please! Take my artwork! 20 or 30 bucks.' 'Hey, I don't have \$30, I'll give you \$10.' 'I'll

take it!' Just so people would see it."

Since the success of the documentary, that's all changed.

"I sold a piece on sheet metal. I posted it on my Facebook and within 20 minutes I sold it for \$500," she said. "I'm hoping that it teaches people they can do anything. They can accomplish anything on their own, without any help. That's what I'm hoping."

Ripple, a tow-truck driver in her day job, said she's overcome a lot of adversity in her life.

"I went from a 14-year-old homeless teenager, to a teenage mom, to a stripper, to a single mom of two kids working three full time jobs just to keep our electricity on," she said. "I've survived everything: abuse, sexual abuse, domestic violence; I've survived cancer, I've survived a child almost being lost, I've survived homelessness, I've survived everything you can go through and I still am standing here and saying 'I am not going to give up. I'm gonna keep going.'"

Ripple credits her faith for her success.

"People need to know that faith can take them anywhere, even if they feel like they have nothing, faith is the most valuable thing. It's not money-valuable, but it's the most valuable thing of anybody's life."



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Obituaries

Phillip Elliott

Phillip Edwin Elliott, 77, of Big Spring, won the battle over his failing body and united with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ Wednesday night July 6, 2016. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 8, 2016, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Myers and Smith Chapel with Brother Joey Bacon, officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born November 4, 1938, in Big Spring, Texas. He joined the United States Navy in 1958 and served for four years with an honorable discharge. Phil retired in 2000 after working for 38 years at Cosden/Alon Refinery. He enjoyed being on the golf course, singing in the church choir and helping others. He was well known for his compassion for others and generosity of spirit. He would help

Jenny Thomas

Jenny Thomas, 61, of Big Spring passed away Tuesday, June 21, 2016, at Lubbock Health Care Center in Lubbock. A gathering and meal was held Saturday, July 9, 2016, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at The Eagles Lodge for family and friends.

She was born July 25, 1954, to Virginia Lee Trevathan Murley and Joseph Jack Murley in Denison, Texas. She married Bruce Thomas on December 31, 1976, in Big Spring. He preceded her in death March 5, 2012. Jenny was a homemaker. She enjoyed working in her yard, planting flowers, reading, watching old movies, and all animals. She especially loved time with family and friends.

Jerrie Mae Murphy

Jerrie Mae Murphy, 75, of Big Spring died Thursday, July 7, 2016, at her home.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 12, 2016, at Nalley-Pickle and Welch Rosewood Chapel with Mona Lue Tonn officiating. Burial will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

She was born Monday, July 7, 1941, in Big Spring, Texas. Jerrie lived most of her life in Big Spring. She enjoyed playing bingo and was a home-

maker. anyone at any time whether he knew them or not. He married Nan (Cookie) Rankin in 1962 and they were married for 54 years. They had two children: Clint Elliott and wife Joie of Big Spring; and Lori Treadwell and husband Paul of Dripping Springs; five grandchildren, Macee and Caleb Gonzales, Spenser Ayer and husband Philip, Rylee Hayworth, and Zain Treadwell.

He was preceded in death by his parents, E. E. Ace Elliott and Jean Brewer Yates; his step-father, Don Yates; and his sister, Donna Yates Kay. He is survived by his wife, Cookie; his sister, Deanna Rogers of Denton; and numerous beloved nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be Paul Treadwell, Zain Treadwell, Caleb Gonzales, Philip Ayer, Gene Froman, and Gene Piercefield. Honorary pallbearers will be Charlie Porch, Gary Cole, Bo Clawson, Jess Colegrove, Nard McMahan, and Jonathon White.

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

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Jenny is survived by two sons, Dan Thomas and wife Melissa of Big Spring, and Mike Thomas and wife Stacy of San Angelo; three grandchildren, Zach Thomas of San Angelo, Mallory Thomas and Josh Thomas, both of Big Spring, and one on the way; two brothers, Danny Murley and wife Joyce of Hico, and Joey Murley of Big Spring; three sisters, Annie Seay and husband James of Dallas, Teresa Hodnett and husband Dean of Greenwood, and Ramona Michaels and husband Rick of Houston; numerous nieces and nephews, including a very close niece, Lisa Marshall; and two very close friends, Pat Hooser and Melanie Ussery.

In addition to her parents and her husband, she was preceded in death by on granddaughter: Lexie Thomas.

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maker.

Survivors include three daughters, Terri Fauver and husband Lewis Bryant, and Cindy Hinojosa and husband Marvin Tedford, all of Big Spring, and Brenda Mault and husband David of Coahoma; one son, Kenneth Murphy of Big Spring; three sisters, Ellafay Edens of Lubbock, Joyce Howell of Big Spring, and Rose Cass of Odessa; 15 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one son, John Murphy; four brothers; and two sisters.

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

Police/Sheriff

failing to yield right of way to vehicle.

- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 4100 block of Muir
- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 1400 block of Wood Street and the 1000 block of North Lamesa Highway; and at the intersections of Fourth and Runnels streets, Third Street and West Business Loop 20, and Fourth and Goliad streets.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 1200 block of West Third Street and the 500 block of East Third Street; and one mile west of Highway 87 on County Road 36.
- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 3600 block of West Highway 80.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 1700 block of South Main and the 1200 block of East 15th Street.
- **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 900 block of Birdwell Lane.
- **HARASSMENT** was reported in the 3600 block of West Highway 80.
- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1300 block of East Fourth Street, the 1200 block of East 14th Street, and the 500 block of State Street.

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

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 81 inmates at the time of this report.

- **ARMANDO ENRIQUEZ JR.**, 43, was booked by HCSO on warrants for theft of service, display-

Local 5-Day Forecast				
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Texas at a Glance



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Austin	100	77	M Sunny	Longview	97	75	M Sunny
Beaumont	93	77	M Sunny	Lubbock	98	72	P Cloudy
Brownsville	96	79	M Cloudy	Lufkin	97	74	M Sunny
Brownwood	98	74	M Cloudy	Midland	100	77	Sunny
Corpus Christi	92	79	P Cloudy	Raymondville	100	79	Sunny
Corsicana	97	76	P Cloudy	Rosenberg	96	77	M Cloudy
Dallas	98	77	P Cloudy	San Antonio	101	79	Cloudy
Del Rio	101	79	Cloudy	San Marcos	100	76	Cloudy
El Paso	105	77	P Cloudy	Sulphur Springs	95	76	M Sunny
Fort Stockton	100	74	Sunny	Sweetwater	96	75	Sunny
Gainesville	93	74	P Cloudy	Tyler	97	75	M Sunny
Greenville	95	76	P Cloudy	Weatherford	97	74	P Cloudy
Houston	97	78	P Cloudy	Wichita Falls	97	77	M Cloudy

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
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Boston	66	61	Cloudy	Minneapolis	83	66	Sunny
Chicago	76	66	P Cloudy	New York	76	70	Cloudy
Dallas	98	77	P Cloudy	Phoenix	112	85	Sunny
Denver	97	64	Sunny	San Francisco	62	51	Cloudy
Houston	97	78	P Cloudy	Seattle	70	56	Cloudy
Los Angeles	80	65	M Sunny	Saint Louis	88	67	M Sunny

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Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **COOKING FIRE** was reported in the 1700 block of South Lancaster.
- **POWER LINE DOWN** was reported in the 1600 block of East Fifth Street.
- **FIRE** was reported in the 2400 block of Scurry Street.

ing expired registration, failure to appear, no driver's license, and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

- **LUPE GUTIERREZ**, 38, was booked by BSPD on charges of public intoxication, possession of marijuana (less than 2 oz.) and possession of a controlled substance (less than 1 gram).
- **LAKISHA LASHAWN MCGREGOR**, 42, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for theft of service (\$100 to \$750).
- **ASHLEY RAY MIRAMONTES**, 22, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.
- **BENJAMIN ISAAC MUNOZ**, 35, was booked by BSPD on a charge of criminal mischief (\$750 to \$2,500).
- **KENNETH RAY PEACOCK**, 27, was booked by Glasscock County on warrants for speeding (10 percent or more above the posted limit) and violation of promise to appear; and on a motion to revoke probation for burglary.
- **ANTONIO PENA JR.**, 32, was booked by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **LOUIS SERRANO III**, 42, was booked by Glasscock County on a charge of public intoxication, and by HCSO on warrants for assault/family violence by choking and abandoning or endangering a child.
- **PRESTON CODY WALKER**, 29, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for forgery of a financial instrument.

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You might be paying too much for streaming music

LOS ANGELES (AP) — When Lauren Higgins tried to sign up for Spotify's premium plan on her iPhone, she was irked that the music service asked for \$13 a month, \$3 more than the gift subscription she had given her boyfriend.

"I was pissed and I wasn't going to do it," said Higgins, a 25-year-old public-relations executive in New York.

She tweeted her annoyance. Within five minutes, a member of Spotify's social media team reached out to tell her that she could get Spotify for a monthly \$10 fee if she signed up on the web rather than through Apple. She did just that.

Call it a \$3 tax on ignorance, as Apple prohibits apps from pointing to lower prices available elsewhere.

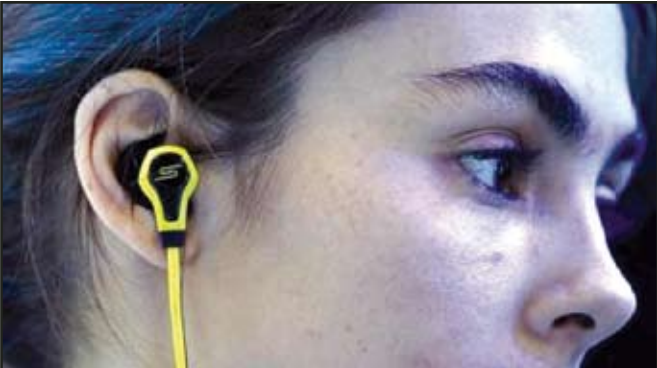
Spotify says it charges a "significant" number of its 30 million paying subscribers \$3 more per month because they sign up through Apple, which takes a cut of up to 30 percent. Spotify says 70 percent of its revenue already goes to artists, recording labels and music publishers, so turning over another 30 percent to Apple would leave Spotify with nothing unless it passes along the fee to customers.

The price gap is especially grating to music services like Spotify because Apple's own Apple Music service doesn't have to pay the same fee and can charge just \$10.

"They're trying to have their cake and eat ours, too," Spotify spokesman Jonathan Prince said. "We find it bad for consumers, unfair to consumers and ultimately something that could stifle music streaming subscriptions across the board."

The dispute has intensified in recent weeks as Spotify got more aggressive about offering subscriptions outside Apple's billing system. It also suspended new subscriptions from iPhone apps completely.

Last week, Spotify complained that Apple had rejected a new version of Spotify's iPhone app over



the dispute. Apple shot a letter back, saying its rules applied equally to all app developers, regardless of whether they competed with Apple. Prince responded in a tweet Friday that Spotify wasn't doing anything prohibited. Spotify and Apple declined further comment.

Many app makers, including Spotify, have long tolerated the fee — not least because hundreds of millions of people worldwide use iPhones, and Apple users tend to spend a lot more on apps than Android users.

Spotify initially didn't offer subscriptions through the iPhone app at all. Users had to sign up elsewhere before returning to the app to sign in. But in 2014, Spotify relented and instead passed on the \$3 Apple fee onto consumers.

Several other music streaming services do the same, including Rhapsody and Tidal. And when YouTube launched its Red subscription for ad-free videos and on-demand music last fall, it also set the price for Apple users at \$13, \$3 more than elsewhere.

The \$3 fee each month builds up to \$36 over a year and \$144 over four.

Last July, Democratic Sen. Al Franken of Minnesota wrote to both the Department of Justice and Federal Trade Commission calling for an investigation into whether Apple was "engaging in anticompetitive behavior in the music streaming

market" because of the fee and its app guidelines. The Justice Department directed inquiries to the FTC, which acknowledged receiving the letter but declined comment.

Apple has already come under fire about not allowing links to outside stores. It lost an e-books price-fixing case in 2013. Apple has appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court, saying the case "presents issues of surpassing importance to the United States economy."

In response to all the criticism, Apple said in June that it would halve its 30-percent cut of in-app subscriptions if developers could hold onto subscribers longer than a year. For a \$10 subscription, Apple's cut would be \$1.50 instead of \$3.

Some services, including Netflix, Pandora, Hulu, Showtime and HBO Now, decline to pass any extra fees to consumers and charge the same price through Apple's app as they would elsewhere. Others avoid Apple's billing system altogether. Amazon lets you watch previously purchased videos on iPhones, but won't let you buy new ones. There's no such restriction on Android. Music service Deezer asks iPhone users to subscribe over the web.

And not everyone blames Apple, either.

Amber Bernardi-Eteuati, a 20-year-old aspiring filmmaker in Massachusetts, let her subscription to Spotify lapse last year when money was tight. But she missed features like the ability to play songs from Sam Smith, Pentatonix and other favorites on demand. When she peeked at the price on her iPhone, "I was in shock."

Reached on Twitter by a reporter, Bernardi-Eteuati said she was mad at Spotify. "Passing the extra cost to customers and not just keeping it the price it's always been is sneaky and if I understand it correctly, greedy," she said through Twitter direct message. She ended up getting a new subscription — but used her laptop to get the lower price.

Missy Elliott, Queen Latifah, Lil Kim to be honored by VH1



QUEEN LATIFAH

NEW YORK (AP) — Queen Latifah remembers being on set in 1997 for the music video for "Ladies Night (Not Tonight)," the female rap anthem starring Lil Kim, Missy Elliott and others. It featured a number of top female musicians performing on the song and making cameos in the video, including Left Eye, Da Brat, Angie Martinez, Mary J. Blige, SWV, Total and Xscape.

"That day was so much fun," Latifah recalled in a phone interview Thursday. "That was pretty much like Missy asking for everybody to come down and be in the video."

"It was a good time. We just had a lot of good times," she added.

Elliott, like Latifah, opened doors for women in rap — and in music overall — helping female performers advance their careers through guest appearances on songs, writing and producing, and management. And while they were competitive, there was also a sense of camaraderie.

Fast-forward and those helped by Elliott and Latifah are now paying it back. The list of names honoring Elliott at "VH1 Hip Hop Honors: All Hail the Queens," to air live Monday night (9 p.m. EDT) from David Geffen Hall in New York City, is long, from Pharrell to Timbaland to Nelly Furtado.

"The funny thing (is) I couldn't even fit everyone. ... People that I work with ... we are like family; it extends beyond the music thing, so you know they were calling me like, 'I'm performing right?' I'm like, 'Girl, I only got a certain amount of minutes and I can't fit everybody,'" Elliott, laughing, said in a phone interview

Wednesday. "I'm so thankful and humbled."

Monica, Fantasia, Jazmine Sullivan, Remy Ma, Trina, Eve, Tweet, Keyshia Cole and Raven Symone will also honor Elliott.

"VH1 Hip Hop Honors" is returning after a six-year hiatus. Common, Da Brat, MC Lyte, Naughty by Nature, Rah Digga, Suga T and Yo-Yo will pay tribute to Latifah, who will perform the 1989 classic "Ladies First" with Monie Love.

Lil Kim and Salt-N-Pepa will also be honored.

"It's important for me to be part of a celebration of ladies of hip-hop because I feel like it's important we are recognized for our contributions to music and (that) our voices are heard," Latifah said.

Elliott, whose hits include "Get Ur Freak On," "Work It" and "Lose Control," said she started to rap after listening to Salt-N-Pepa and learned all of their songs, including "the album cuts, the album fillers or whatever." She also called Latifah and Lil Kim her "sisters."

"So for us to come together, that's always been a dream of mine. That's another blessing that something like this can bring us together," she said.

Latifah said she hopes contemporary female rappers will collaborate like she and her peers did on the set of "Ladies Night."

"It was a good time in life ... there were a lot more of us then (and) we were able to have a lot of fun together," Latifah said. "I would love for the girls today to have that same camaraderie that we had. We competed with each other in a healthy way and at the same time (were) able to hang out with each other, and perform with each other, and get on each other's records and really have fun with this music."



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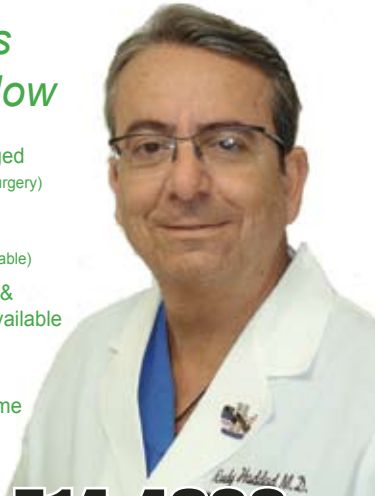
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VFF helps soldier's family with donation

Special to the Herald

A \$500 check was recently given to Army Specialist Ryan Ward and his family by the Veterans' Families Fund.

The fund uses money donated by people in the Big Spring area.

"This check from the local American people is another thank you for the veterans and their families for their sacrifices during their service to our country," said said Dr. J. Kale Gilgore, organizer of the Veterans' Families Fund. "Thank you Big Spring area for giving the money."

Ryan will begin his service this month and will be stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. Ryan and his wife Julie have three daughters, Makenna, 8, Makenzi, 6, and Makynlee, 2.

"Our family is excited to begin this journey in our lives and we are honored to be a part of a community that loves and supports the troops," said Julie. "I am honored to stand beside my husband and I support his decision to serve this country."

For those interested in donating to the Veterans' Families Fund, send or make donation to The Wood Forest National Bank, 201 West Marcy Drive, account #5901848.

"Thank you Big Spring area for giving the money," said Kilgore.

"You know the veterans' families appreciate the check. So again, I thank you people for your donations."

- The biennial Forsan Reunion is scheduled for the first weekend in August, 5-6. Festivities kick off with a dinner for former students, teachers, parents and spouses at Spanish Inn. Following the dinner, all participants are invited to an open house reception in the banquet room at La Quinta Inn at 7:30 p.m. On Saturday, Aug. 6, reunion day activities begin at 9 a.m. in the Forsan School Cafeteria. A continental breakfast is provided at 9 a.m. followed by introductions and an invocation. At 1 p.m., Al's

Bar-B-Que will cater the lunch. The total cost for reunion day activities is \$25.

- Once again it is time to have the Flower Grove Reunion. The date has been set for Saturday July 2, 2016. Due to construction at Lamesa High School, the Reunion has been moved to the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 401 North 3rd Street in Lamesa. The Fellowship Hall is at the corner of 3rd St. and Austin Avenue. Registration will begin at 10 a.m. and a catered

meal will be served at 1 p.m. The Flower Grove School started in 1922. It consolidated with the Klondike district in 1973. To attend contact: Brenda L. Walters, P.O. Box 1232, Lamesa, Texas 79331 or call 806-872-9318.

- Seniors and mature adults are invited to a dance on the first, third and fifth Friday of each month at the Dora Roberts Community Center. Dances are from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. with live bands. No alcohol or smoking permitted. There will be a pot luck

as well so bring a dish if you want to eat. Cost is \$8 per person.

- The Howard County Fair needs people to cross stitch squares for the annual Quilt Fund-raiser. Complete kits may be picked up from Cheryl Joy at the Heritage Museum, Tuesday through Saturday. For more information call 214-256-1674

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Phillip Elliott, 77, died Wednesday. Funeral service will be today at 2:00 PM at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Jenny Thomas, 61, died June 21, 2016. A gathering and meal will be today from 1:00 PM until 5:00 PM at The Eagles Lodge for family and friends.

Alfonso Rodriguez, 78, died Wednesday. Vigil service will be held at 7:00 PM Sunday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be Monday at 11:00 AM Monday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial will follow at Coahoma Cemetery.

Jose Mendez Cuelar, Jr., 57, died June 28, 2016. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. A fund has been set up at Myers & Smith Funeral Home to help with expenses.

HUGS

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in existence for about five years, she added.

"Just whenever I get some free time," she

said.

Everybody needs a hug sometimes, she said.

"Have you ever been at a point in your life when you're just at your lowest, and need to know that someone is there, even if it's a

complete stranger?" she said. "That's what the Free Hug Program is all about."

Ripple said all the hugs make her feel better about things too.

"It's for me as well," she said. "Everybody is human, and I think we should all do anything we can to make a difference. If it can change even one person's life, it's worth it."

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COUNTY

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dropping tax revenue, does not plan giving its employees raises in the coming fiscal year.

Approval of the tax appraisal budget was tabled until Monday's

meeting.

The county is just one of several governmental entities, along with the city of Big Spring, the county's three public school districts and Howard College, that must approve the tax appraisal district's budget.

In other business Monday, commissioners will consider:

- Discussion and possible action on retaining mineral rights to county owned property.
- Approval of the county 9-1-1 communications district budget.
- A request for a name

change for a county roadway.

- An update on changes to county roads in Precinct 1 because of upcoming North U.S. Highway 87 Reliever Route construction.
- Routine financial matters and department reports.

ROBOT

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said they couldn't recall another time when U.S. police have deployed a robot with lethal intent.

The strategy opens a new chapter in the escalating use of remote and semi-autonomous devices to fight crime and protect lives. It also raises new questions over when it's appropriate to dispatch a robot to kill dangerous suspects instead of continuing to negotiate their surrender.

"If lethally equipped robots can be used in this situation, when else can they be used?" says Elizabeth Joh, a University of California at Davis law professor who has followed U.S. law enforcement's use of technology.

"Extreme emergencies shouldn't define the scope of more ordinary situations where police may want to use robots that are capable of harm."

Dallas Police Chief David Brown defended his department's decision. "Other options would have exposed our officers to great danger," he said.

Dallas Mayor Mike Rawlings applauded

Brown for making "the right call" and said he would have no qualms about resorting to the same strategy in the future. "When there's no other way, I think this is a good example," he said.

ROBOTS, SOLDIERS AND POLICE

Police have been using such robots for decades to dispose of suspected bombs and in hostage standoffs and fires. Meanwhile, militaries around the world have come to rely on their robotic friends to disable improvised explosive devices — a need that only increased with the U.S. occupation of Iraq following its 2003 invasion.

Many of the robots joining police forces are coming from a U.S. Department of Defense program transferring surplus equipment from the military. These exchanges have provided law enforcement agencies with robots such as Packbot made by Endeavor Robotics, the Talon from QinetiQ and the MARCbot made by Exponent.

But military experts said ground-level robots are rarely used to kill the enemy. Their main purpose is to detect and defuse bombs to save

lives. Military robots are "fairly clunky and used best for reconnaissance rather than the offensive," said Tom Gorup, an infantry veteran of Iraq and Afghanistan who's now an official at the IT-security firm Rook Security.

Airborne robots are another matter. The U.S. military has sent remotely piloted drones to kill hundreds of people, including civilians, in counterterror attacks launched overseas since 2009, based on estimates released last week by the Obama administration.

HOW IT (PROBABLY) WORKED

The robots working for police departments across the country range in size from devices as small as a dog bone to others as large as a truck. Some are little more than a mechanical arm mounted onto a vehicle and equipped with a video camera and two-way audio communications, according to William Flanagan, a retired deputy police chief from New York's Nassau County who now does law enforcement and technology consulting. The most versatile robots can climb stairs and navigate other tight spots.

Flanagan speculated that police in Dallas probably equipped their robot with a low-powered explosive — possibly one similar to what bomb squads use to blow up suspicious packages — that would only disable what's closest to it.

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Hall of Famer Paul Hornung sues helmet maker Riddell

CHICAGO (AP) — Pro Football Hall of Famer and former Heisman Trophy winner Paul Hornung sued equipment manufacturer Riddell Inc. on Thursday, saying football helmets that he wore during his professional career in the 1950s and '60s failed to protect him from brain injury.

Attorneys for the 80-year-old Hornung filed the civil lawsuit in Cook County Circuit Court in Chicago, naming the Rosemont-based company as the defendant. It seeks unspecified damages.

Hornung suffered multiple concussions as a running back for the Green Bay Packers and has been diagnosed with dementia, the lawsuit says. It said that the neurodegenerative disease has been linked to repetitive head trauma.

Concussion lawsuits from athletes have become more common in recent years amid growing awareness about the long-term consequences of repeated blows to the head and

Riddell is also fighting litigation elsewhere. But suits from athletes whose playing days were as far back as the 1950s are rare.

Riddell began producing helmets out of plastic in 1939, touting them as safer alternatives to ones — more common at the time — fashioned from leather, according to the eight-page filing. Hornung, it says, wore a leather helmet when he played for Notre Dame in college but switched to the Riddell-made plastic helmets in the NFL.

Hornung won the Heisman in 1956 while at Notre Dame, where he played quarterback. The Packers selected him as the No. 1 overall draft pick a year later. He was the NFL MVP in 1962 and he played on four championship teams (1961, '62, '65 and '66).

One of Hornung's lawyers said Riddell knew enough about the perils of concussions more than five decades ago to warn players.

"Studies dating back to

the 19th century linked head trauma to permanent brain damage, but Riddell failed to communicate the danger to Mr. Hornung," the attorney, William T. Gibbs, said in a written statement.

Hornung's wife, Angela Hornung, is also named as a plaintiff in the suit, which says she "suffered and will continue to suffer" the loss of her husband's affection and companionship as a result of his injuries.

Riddell has successfully fought some litigation. A Los Angeles jury in 2014 found that Riddell wasn't liable for the severe brain injury of a high school football player who suffered a helmet-to-helmet hit during a game.

Riddell, which provides helmets to every level of football — from the pros to Pop Warner — has said publicly previously that it has devoted enormous resources to developing equipment that can reduce the risk of a devastating head injury.



AP Photo/Mike Roemer, File

FILE - In this Oct. 2, 2011 file photo, former Green Bay Packer Paul Hornung waves to the crowd during an NFL football game in Green Bay, Wis.

Dwight Powell, Deron Williams re-sign with Mavericks



LM Otero/Associated Press

Dallas Mavericks guard Deron Williams catches a pass from teammate J.J. Barea during the 2015-16 season.

DALLAS (AP) — Free agents Dwight Powell and Deron Williams have re-signed with the Dallas Mavericks.

Powell, a restricted free agent, signed a \$37 million, four-year deal Friday, hours after Williams completed a \$10 million, one-year deal for a second season with his hometown team.

The 6-foot-11 Powell started two of his 69 games last season, when the post player averaged 5.8 points and 4.0 rebounds while playing nearly 14 1/2 minutes per game.

Powell was acquired along with Rajon Rondo from Boston in December 2014 in a deal that sent Jae Crowder, Brandan Wright, Jameer Nelson, a 2015 first-round pick and a 2016 second-round pick to the Celtics. Powell has played in 98 career games.

Williams averaged 14.1 points and

5.8 assists last season for Dallas. The three-time All-Star opted for the Nets over the Mavericks in free agency in 2012, but ended up in Dallas last year after accepting a buyout in Brooklyn.

The 6-3 Williams is an 11-year NBA veteran with career averages of 16.8 points and 8.3 assists in 781 games for Utah, the Nets and Mavericks.

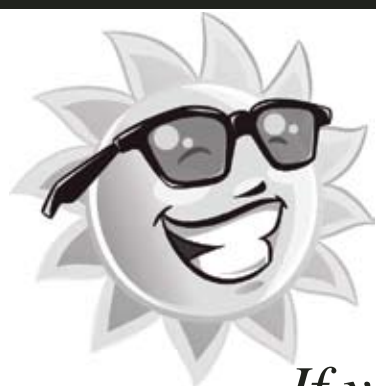
Also on Friday, the Mavericks signed rookies A.J. Hammons, a center, and Dorian Finney-Smith, a forward.

The 7-foot Hammons was their only draft pick last month, selected 46th overall out of Purdue. The 6-8 Finney-Smith is a rookie free agent out of Florida.

JaVale McGee, a 7-foot center, was waived. He averaged 5.1 points and 3.9 rebounds in 34 games for Dallas last season.

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Roger's Reviews: *The Legend of Tarzan*



ROGER CLINE

Herald Staff Writer

Edgar Rice Burroughs' hero Tarzan first appeared in the novel *Tarzan of the Apes* more than 100 years ago, in 1912. Since then, the character has appeared in more than 50 movies and been portrayed by more than 20 different actors. 2016's "*The Legend of Tarzan*" is the 52nd in that venerable tradition, and Alexander Skarsgård's performance adds a credible—if flawed—chapter to the saga.

This isn't the well-worn Tarzan origin story we're all familiar with. In "*Legend*", Tarzan has already met, fallen in love with, and married Jane (Margot Robbie, also starring as Harley Quinn in the upcoming "*Suicide Squad*" movie); and the happy couple are ensconced as John and Jane Clayton, Lord and Lady Greystoke, at his familial estate in England. While the tale of how his parents died at their treehouse in Africa and young Tarzan was raised by a loving she-ape is related via flashbacks, the main story unfolds to lure the civilized wildman back to the jungle.

It seems the king of Belgium has just about bankrupted himself trying to get diamonds out of the Congo. His agent Leon Rom (Christoph Waltz) strikes a deal with Chief Mbonga (Djimon Hounsou) to allow mining of the diamonds in exchange for... Tarzan. Mbonga has a mysterious grudge against the Lord of the Apes, and wants nothing more than

his head on a pike. Suddenly, Tarzan receives an invitation to tour the Belgian Congo to inspect operations there and report that everything's on the up-and-up. He's about to refuse when who shows up except Jule... uh... Nick Fu... uh... George Washington Williams (Samuel L. Jackson), an American agent, to convince him to take the assignment so the two of them can snoop around and find all the slavery Williams is sure is going on. Of course, Jane insists on coming along, and the stage is set for adventure.

Other characters of note include Major Kerckhover (Caasper Crump), Rom's right-hand goon; and Muviro (Yule Masiteng), a friendly African chief who raises Tarzan after his ape-mom's death.

First the good. Skarsgård is a great Tarzan. He has the perfect combination of physique and face, a serious demeanor and brooding eyebrows.

Robbie plays Jane with an abundance of chutzpah; although she does get captured and Tarzan swings to her rescue, she's no damsel in distress. She actively resists her captivity at every opportunity. She even manages to engineer an escape at one point, also rescuing a friendly warrior caged by Rom.

And the romance between the two is electric. It's clear that Tarzan's ape upbringing—and British blue blood—still clash some with Jane's free-spirit-

ed American values, but the message that either of these two would gladly die for the other is clear.

Waltz is a delightfully creepy villain, whether he's ordering a massacre of African tribesmen or wooing Jane through that most romantic of gestures, threatening to kill a friend; he's got the moves we all love to hate. He wields a rosary made with super-strong spider silk so that it doubles as a garrote. How over-the-top evilly symbolic is that? Come on...a garrosary? Apparently based on a real evil dude, too; check out Leon Rom on Wikipedia.

Unfortunately, I think Samuel L. Jackson is where the movie jumps the shark (or, in this case, the hippo). He's played for comic effect, barely able to keep up with Tarzan on his speedy treks through the darkest jungle, and he does have some funny lines, but it's all the same Samuel L. Jackson we've seen time and time again...*Pulp Fiction*, *Avengers*, *Snakes on a Plane*... He even speaks a verbal *Pulp Fiction* Easter egg referencing Jules and Vincent's discussion of various foodstuffs ("I just don't dig on swine, that's all.")—watch for it. As funny as some of Jackson's antics are, he's a bit distracting from the main thrust of the movie. The problem is that, since he doesn't modulate his voice or acting style much from movie to movie, it's all-too-much like seeing Nick Fury in the middle of 19th Century Africa. You almost expect Iron Man to fly in and help his buddy Tarzan out with a well-placed repulsor blast.

The other downside is that Skarsgård's Tarzan is a touch too civilized. We never get to see him really unleash on the bad guys. Yeah, he brings the thunder, in the form of his animal friends, but he always plays the army general and never the wild, raging jungle warrior we know him to be. The one time he tries, well, let's say it doesn't go that well.

If Burroughs were alive to see this iteration of his classic jungle hero, I don't think he'd be completely distressed. He might be surprised at some of the *Jungle Lord*'s more forward-thinking attitudes about race and gender equality, but times change and that's a good thing. We're not living in the 19th Century any more.

With deductions for some not-too-great CGI work, a too-tame Tarzan, and an overly Samuel L. Jackson version of Samuel L. Jackson, 6 stars out of 10.

The Legend of Tarzan

Director: David Yates

Writers: Screenplay and story: Adam Cozad and Craig Brewer. Based on the "*Tarzan*" stories by Edgar Rice Burroughs

Production Company: Village Roadshow Pictures, RatPac-Dune Entertainment, Riche Productions
PG-13, 110 minutes, Action/Adventure, July 1, 2016

Roger watched this movie at Big Spring's own Cinemark Cinema 4, located in the Spring Town Plaza at 1801 E. FM 700. For more information about the theater, visit www.cinemark.com and enter the ZIP code 79720.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MAMIE!



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Special to the Herald

Mamie Lee Dodds is having a birthday party, and you're invited.

The long-time Big Spring resident will turn 97 July 21, and her church and family are planning a birthday celebration from 2 to 4 p.m. July 23 at Dorothy Garrett Hall of First United Methodist Church.

Dodds came to Big Spring in 1935. After receiving her degree, she taught at Big Spring Independent School District elementary schools for more than 30 years.

Dodds ran the July 4 "Let Freedom Ring" program for many years, and has held many other positions on city and county committees. A member of First Methodist, she has taught Sunday school for more than 50 years.

She was named Big Spring Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Woman of the Year in 1993.

First Methodist is at 400 S. Scurry St. For more information about this event, contact Jackie Piper at 512-299-0565.

KBSB meets, discusses Pops cleanup efforts

Keep Big Spring Beautiful met Tuesday, July 5 in the Tumbleweed Room at Howard College. The group welcomed new member Eric Escamilla, who led the Pledge to the Flag and gave the invocation. Escamilla is employed with Farmers Insurance, and shared suggestions regarding efforts he had seen used in other towns to combat litter.

Minutes and financials were approved, and resident Lisa Brooks opened discussion on "Pops in the Park" KBSB hopes to encourage the crowd attending Pops next year to police the park to save much work for city crews; the group thanks the many who helped clean the amphitheater after the show.

Willia Ledford's presentation on litter was well-received by a large group of parents and kids involved with the Library Summer Reading program. Jim DePauw provided a video presentation.

New T-shirts are now available at the Chamber of Commerce. The group's delegates to conventions, Londa and Liz, learned a lot and gave it a thumb's up.

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DAILY PRAYER

Dear Lord, the tensions and gloom of our day can be lifted if we will just pray. Amen.

‘I’m an old Cowhand’ is a spoof song

Last year I was in Savannah, Georgia. Not far from our hotel was a statue of Johnny Mercer, the songwriter who was born and raised in Savannah. We had our pictures taken by the statue and really didn't think any more about Mr. Mercer until I interviewed Charlie Davis in Sweetwater. Charlie has an old fashioned chuck wagon and competes in various cooking events. After he cooks, he gets out his ukulele and sings western songs. I recorded him singing “I’m An Old Cowhand” which was written by Johnny Mercer. It was the first time I really listened to the words of the song.

I was intrigued to find that the song is a parody of the vision Mercer had of cowboys dressed in western garb riding in cars instead of riding horses. According to internet research, he wrote the song out of frustration. He had been in Hollywood for a while and didn't get the attention he thought he deserved, so



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he headed back to Savannah, noticing the cowboys while he was driving through the west. Singing cowboys were popular than, so in fifteen minutes he wrote the words to the song on the back of an envelope. Here are the lyrics penned during that 1936 road trip:

I'm an old cowhand from the Rio Grande. But my legs ain't bowed and my cheeks ain't tan. I'm a cowboy who never saw a cow, never roped a steer cause I don't know how. Sure ain't fixin' to start in now. Yippie yi yo kai-yay. I'm an old cowhand from the Rio Grande. I learned to ride 'fore I learned to stand. I'm a riding fool who is up to date. I know every trail in the Lone Star State cause I ride the range in a Ford V-8. Yippie yi yo kai-yay. I'm an old cowhand from the Rio Grande. And I come to town just to hear the band. I know all the songs that the cowboys know, 'bout the big corral where the doggies go, cause I learned them all on the radio. Yippie yi yo kai-yay. I'm an old cowhand from the Rio Grande. Where the west is wild around the borderland. Where buffalo roam around the zoo and the Indians will sell you a rug or two and the old Bar X is just a

barbecue. Yippie Yi Yo Kai-Yay.

Bing Crosby sang the song in the movie Rhythm on the Range and launched Mercer's career. Singers from Frank Sinatra to Tex Ritter have recorded it. Members of the Western Writers of America chose it as one of the top 100 Western Songs of all time.

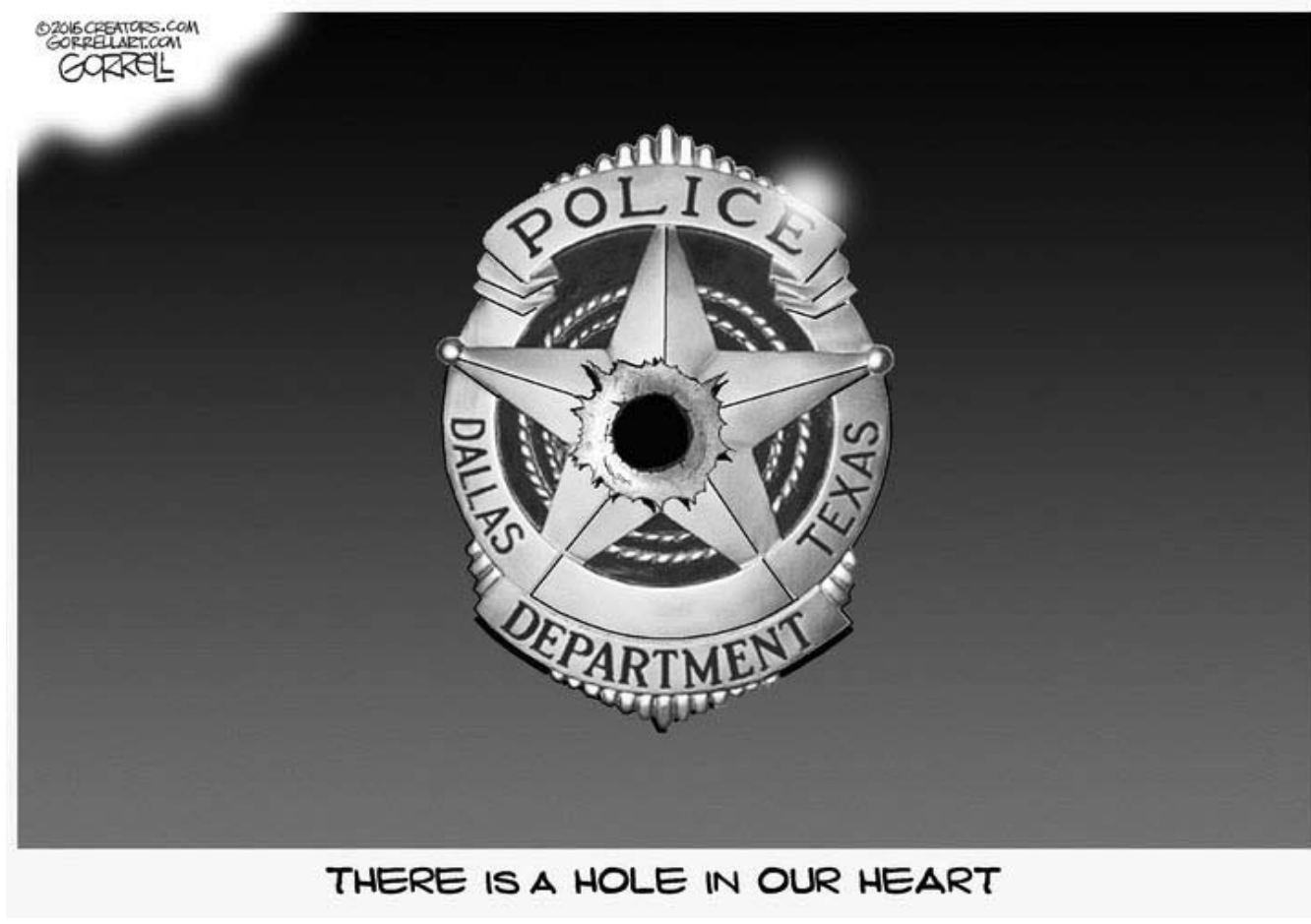
Mercer wrote more than a thousand songs and founded Capitol Records.

He was the first songwriter to win four Oscars. The first one came in 1946 for “On the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe” sung by Judy Garland in The Harvey Girls.

Next came “In the Cool, Cool, Cool of the Evening” for the 1951 film Here Comes the Groom. He wrote “Moon River” in 1961 for Breakfast at Tiffany's which won him a third Oscar. His fourth one, in 1962, was for the title song in Days of Wine and Roses.

Mercer died in Los Angeles in 1976 at the age of 67. It will probably be a long time before another songwriter creates such an archive of memorable music that runs the gamut from highly emotional to whimsical.

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On ordering filters and other stuff

There's a good chance that ordering goods by mail, phone or email will always have drawbacks that are trumped by “in person” shopping. That's assuming we can get Mr. Whipple-types away from spying on “Charmin squeezers” long enough to take our cash or process our card.

My old momma-who rarely uttered epithets unless she banged her head-grimaced with mail orders. Often, something wasn't right, and the transaction-expected to span a few days- ballooned to a few weeks. (Most orders were placed with Sears-Roebuck and Montgomery Ward; she called them “Sears & Rareback” and “Monkey Ward.”)

I think of her every time I take “one more chance” on placing on-line orders, not so much because of errors in placement or delivery, but because I know I'm being spied on.

Cited this day are two recent experiences. First was the need to purchase a refrigerator water filter. Though it's replaced but twice yearly, it seems far more often that the warning light starts blinking.

It grabs our attention each time we access ice or water. While we aren't really sure if filter life can be stretched by a few months, we want the warning light to be OFF, so we decide to rely on Internet suppliers.

And there are many.

On a recent order, I purchased three filters to avoid shipping



DR. DON NEWBURY

charges. BUT, the filters I received were big enough to outfit industrial-size freezers. Okay, no harm, no foul, and within a couple of weeks of the original order, I was stocked with enough filters to last until 2018—perhaps longer if I want to endure several thousand “change filter” blinks.

Now, I am under assault from the “spies.” I learn that others purchasing filters also bought this and that. My computer lights up with “pop-ups” offering cheaper prices and/or filters with additional features. Before long, they'll design filters that trigger alarms, walk the dog and wrestle trash to the curb.

Same with air filters. Maybe a few dollars saved, but rest assured, the spies are at work to provide more information than one cares to know.

The probability is great that hitting the “more information” button is a grave mistake when visiting a site where goods or services are sold. For two successive months, I have dared hit the button to learn more about reverse mortgages. I mistakenly thought info would be available, neatly presented on my computer screen.

After all, my interest was casual-perhaps less than that-but I did NOT anticipate a flurry of both emails and phone calls-four in 15 hours-trumpeting the advantages of reverse mortgages.

If I forget next month and once more seek LIMITED information, my wife may be on the receiving end of responses. And she may even sign up, just to get the mortgage people off our backs.

Finally, who among us has been spared annoying phone

calls from the all-knowing woman at credit card services? She calls regularly, initially to say there is nothing wrong with our account.

However, she continues her spiel that we MIGHT be eligible for lower interest rates, and by pressing a button, we can learn details. (Oh for a button on the phone to request deletion from calling lists, as if it would do any good.)

The temptation is great to make our own recording: “I am now on the phone assisting other sellers. However, your call is very important to me, and your approximate waiting time is 35 minutes.”

All the while, researchers are hard at work, refining delivery systems. Amazon promises upcoming deliveries utilizing drones. Wonder if the drones will take return items as well, and will it be discernible if items are NOT returned in original packaging?

Ah, it makes one reflect warmly on the “good old days,” when we could see dust stirring a mile or two up the sandy lane leading to the farm road.

Often, it would mean a salesman was taking the time to get off the highway and come to our house.

We were so glad to have company, we were happy to look at his wares, whether or not we bought any.

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JOHNSON

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in the Olympics, would replace Johnson. The United States is allowed four players, the most of any country in golf, because they are in the top 15 in the world.

“This was not an easy decision for me,” Johnson said in a statement released by his management company. “But my concerns about the Zika virus cannot be ignored.”

Johnson said he and his fiancée, Paulina

Gretzky, plan to have more children. They have an 18-month-old son, Tatum.

“I feel it would be irresponsible to put myself, her or our family at risk,” Johnson said. “I believe I am making the right decision for me and most importantly, my family. While I am sure some will be critical of my decision, my hope is that most will understand and support it.”

The decision follows a meeting at the Bridgestone Invitational with USA Golf in which the leading four Americans were briefed on Zika

and security concerns. Johnson had called it a productive meeting and that he was planning to play, though he still wanted a few more answers.

Of the top four Americans, only two-time Masters champion Bubba Watson said he is going.

Golf was last an Olympic sport in 1904 in St. Louis.

Nine of the 13 players who have withdrawn are among the top 30 in the world — Day, Johnson, McIlroy, Adam Scott, Branden Grace, Louis Oosthuizen, Hideki Matsuyama and Shane Lowry.



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FILE - In this July 1, 2016, file photo, Dustin Johnson tees off on the third hole during the second round of the Bridgestone Invitational golf tournament at Firestone Country Club in Ohio.

RANGERS

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(2-5) before Andrus tripled and scored the go-ahead run on Bobby Wilson’s sacrifice fly.

Tony Barnette (6-3) threw 2 2/3 scoreless innings in relief of Hamels. Sam Dyson worked a perfect ninth for his 18th save in 20 chances.

Odor had an RBI triple in the first inning before Prince Fielder’s single made it 2-0. Odor, who leads the Rangers with 16 homers, had three hits and was only a long ball short of the cycle.

Miguel Sano hit a three-run homer, his 14th, to put the Twins up 5-4 in the fifth. Hamels faced only three more batters after that, walking the last two.

“We made Hamels work. I don’t think he’ll say he was as sharp as he’s been the last couple starts, but you get a guy up that high in pitch count through five, you did a nice job,” Twins manager Paul Molitor said.

The Twins have the AL’s worst record at 30-56. The Rangers are the AL’s top team at 54-34 even after winning for only the third time in a 10-game stretch that included three straight losses to Minnesota.

Minnesota got even at 2-all in the

second when All-Star third baseman Eduardo Nunez was credited with an RBI infield single. Hamels came off the mound to field the high chopper, but when he turned to throw to first nobody was there after novice first baseman Jurickson Profar had also gone after the ball.

Shin-Soo Choo and Desmond had consecutive two-out RBI singles in the fourth to make it 4-2.

SHORT HOPS

Twins starter Kyle Gibson struck out six but allowed four runs in five innings, his shortest outing in his last six starts. ... Hamels had six walks for the third time in his career. The last had been in April 2013. ... Texas op-

tioned Chi Chi Gonzalez to Triple-A Round Rock a day after he threw 124 pitches in 4 2-3 innings against the Twins. Left-hander Alex Claudio was recalled from that Triple-A team.

TRAINER’S ROOM

Rangers: RHP Yu Darvish (right shoulder) will make his next rehab start Sunday night for Double-A Frisco. ... RHP Keone Kela (right elbow) is scheduled to pitch in consecutive games for Frisco on Sunday and Monday. He hopes to rejoin the Rangers after the All-Star break.

Twins: CF Byron Buxton left the game with a bruised right knee after crashing into the outfield wall in the first inning.

SOLO

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built their foundation on shutting down opponents.

It would be quite an accomplishment for a goalkeeper who has been piling up shutouts for 16 years. Solo’s first came in an 8-0 win over Iceland in Davidson, North Carolina, in April 2000, and the list has been growing since.

It includes 28 countries — 10 each against

Canada and Mexico. Ten have come in the World Cup and six in the Olympics.

She has 46 on U.S. soil, 53 abroad. And when Solo posts a clean sheet, the U.S. is 90-0-9 with a 275-0 scoring edge.

“It’s remarkable,” coach Jill Ellis said. “We had a history of having tremendous goalkeepers in our program over the years. But that consistency. I know Hope would fully also credit the people playing, but she’s extraordinary. I was thinking about the Olympics the other day,

and her performance in the final in London was just remarkable. ... She continues to have big moments where she’s a game-changer for us so to reach that number, it’s quite extraordinary.”

Solo’s pursuit of her 100th shutout isn’t the only story surrounding the team. FIFA World Player of the Year Carli Lloyd and midfielder Megan Rapinoe are trying to work their way back from knee injuries.

Ellis said Lloyd will be “available to play”

Saturday. But a recent quad pull might keep out Rapinoe, who’s working her way back from a torn right ACL.

Lloyd sprained her right knee while playing for the Houston Dash against the Orlando Pride in a National Women’s Soccer League match in late April. The Grade 1 MCL sprain was expected to take three to six weeks to heal. But with the Olympics approaching, she is not rushing her return.

The injury has given her a bit of a breather after a dizzying period.

Lloyd came to prominence when she scored a hat trick in the first 16 minutes of last summer’s World Cup victory over Japan.

After that, she played in the team’s victory tour. She got showered with sponsorship deals and requests for appearances. She received her sport’s highest honor.

She has been taking full contact in practice. And Ellis hopes a more rested Lloyd will be a better Lloyd.

“What I hope it will add is there will be a freshness about her,” El-

lis said. “The other players have obviously been playing in the league. It’s not just the games, it’s the travel. For Carli, I think what she may have lost in terms of just the past few weeks, I think she will gain in terms of having legs and energy.”

As for Rapinoe, the quad issue was a recent development.

“Sometimes when you come back from an injury, it’s not specifically the injury itself,” Ellis said. “At times, it’s just the general body getting back into it.”



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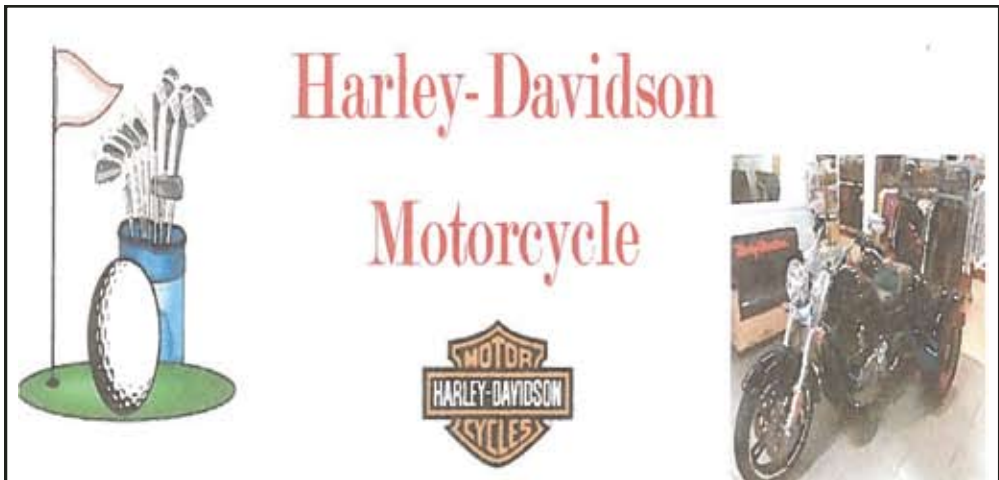
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Hiring surge suggests US economy on rebound

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Employers shook off two months of weak hiring by adding 287,000 jobs in June, a robust pace that suggests a resilient U.S. economy recovering from a slump early in the year.

The broadly positive jobs report suggests that the U.S. economy was improving before the United Kingdom startled the world late last month by voting to leave the European Union. The "Brexit" vote roiled financial markets and raised fears that the global economy would slump and possibly even succumb to a recession.

The June hiring spurt marked a sharp improvement from May's dismal showing, when only 11,000 jobs were added, and April's modest gain of 144,000. June's increase was the largest since October 2015.

The unemployment rate rose from 4.7 percent to a still-low 4.9 percent, the Labor Department said Friday in its monthly jobs report. But the uptick occurred mainly for an encouraging reason: More Americans began seeking jobs — a sign of growing confidence in their prospects — though most didn't immediately find work.

Investors were pleased with the results. The Dow jumped 165 points, about 0.9 percent, in morning trading.

The job growth raises hopes that the U.S. economy, which has repeatedly defied overseas weakness before, may be able to further strengthen even if the rest of the world slows.

"This is clearly positive news after the worrying slowdown in previous months," Andrew Hunter, assistant economist at Capital Economics, wrote.

Average hourly pay, a chronic weak spot in the seven-year U.S. recovery from the Great Recession, ticked up in June. Over the past 12 months, average wages are up 2.6 percent — the best year-



over-year gain since December, though still below the historical trend for healthy economies of about 3.5 percent.

Friday's report provided broad evidence of an improving job market. The number of part-time workers who would prefer full-time jobs fell sharply, reversing an increase in May.

And hiring was widespread across both higher and lower-paying sectors. Manufacturers added 14,000 jobs, the most since January. Professional and business services, a category that includes accountants, engineers and architects as well as temporary workers, gained 38,000. Retailers added nearly 30,000 workers, health care over 58,000.

Even with June's big gain, job growth so far for 2016 trails last year's pace. Employers added an average of 172,000 jobs a month in the first six months of this year. That's generally enough to lower the unemployment rate, but it's below last year's average of 230,000.

The recent hiring slump had come after the economy grew at a tepid 1.1 percent annual rate in the first three months of the year. Americans' spending rose at the slowest pace in two years during that time — a significant drag given that consumer spending drives around 70 percent of the

economy.

Concerns about the global economy have deepened since the U.K.'s Brexit vote. The yield on the 10-year U.S. Treasury note this week touched a record low of 1.34 percent, though it rose to a still very low 1.4 percent after Friday's jobs numbers.

Such a decline has historically signaled anemic growth and even an outright recession. When investors fear for the future and seek safe returns for their money, they typically shift into Treasuries. That flow of money forces down yields.

The hiring slowdown caught Federal Reserve officials off guard. During their June meeting, they cited the weak jobs figures as a key reason for putting off any further rate increases. That sentiment signaled a shift from their April meeting, when many the policymakers had indicated that they were prepared to raise rates if the job market and the economy continued to improve.

"Today's report helps the case for more Fed tightening before too long — if strength is sustained — although officials are being ultra-cautious amidst turmoil in global markets," Jim O'Sullivan, chief U.S. economist at High Frequency Economics, wrote in a research report.

Recent U.S. economic data had pointed to an improvement from the sluggish start to the year, though all of it pre-dated the Brexit vote. Americans, for example, ramped up their spending in April and May, and measures of consumer confidence also grew. The stronger spending led economists to forecast that annualized growth rebounded to 2 percent or more in the April-June quarter.

Manufacturing companies expanded in June at their fastest pace since November, according to a survey by the Institute for Supply Management, a trade group. Services companies, including retailers and banks, also grew at a faster pace in June.

Staying safe on social media

Today, more and more people are turning to social networking as a way to connect with long-distance friends and family, businesses, and the media. But, is sharing always caring?

According to the Pew Research Center, nearly 65 percent of American adults use social media. Unfortunately, simply having an online presence and posting articles or personal information may put you at risk of identity theft or hacking. Once information is posted to a social networking site, it's no longer private. Remember, the more information you post, the more vulnerable you may become.

According to the FBI, hackers use social networking sites to gain access to your computer or phone by installing unwanted software. Sometimes referred to as "social hackers" or "social engineers," these hackers manipulate people through social interactions online.

Here in Texas, social media is the third most common way scammers contact people, following phone and email, according to data collected by BBB Scam Tracker. Recently, BBB has seen a 122 percent increase nationwide in reports of scammers contacting people through social media.

To protect yourself on social media, Better Business Bureau serving Central, Coastal, Southwest Texas and the Permian Basin advises you:

- Secure your information. Be careful when entering sensitive information (credit card numbers, driver's license number, Social Security number) online. Always make sure the website is secure by looking for the "s" in "https" at the beginning of the website's URL.
- Make strong passwords and change them often. Take time to go through your passwords and change them. Every three months is a good timeline to follow, but change them at least twice a year. Avoid obvious or easy-to-guess passwords. You should also avoid using your birthday, child's name or birthday, mother's maiden name or the last four digits of your Social Security number. Consider creating a unique password for each of your social media accounts.
- Be careful what you click. Just because a friend shares it, doesn't mean it is a safe link. Referred to as "clickbait," filling out a quiz a friend posted on their timeline or sharing an article with an outlandish headline could be an attempt to gain access to your profile. When social media profiles are hacked, scammers can share viral links that will download malware on your computer. Hover over a link before you click and never enter personal information if prompted by a shared link. Also, be cautious of pop-up windows and keep your antivirus software up-to-date.
- Don't overshare. Never share your Social Security number on social media sites. Also, think twice before sharing your vacation plans away from home, or information that makes you vulnerable, as scammers and thieves could take advantage of you.
- Check your privacy settings. Periodically, review your privacy settings on your social media accounts. Limit your profile views to only your friends and the people you trust with your information. Also, read the terms of service and privacy policy on social media sites, as it tells you exactly what the site can and will do with your information.
- Think before you post. Once a status or photo is posted, even if deleted, it is still somewhere in cyberspace forever. Use your best judgement: always ask yourself if it should be posted and think of the possible ramifications of the information shared.

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381' FWL, 270' FSL of 804.01-acre lease
2262' FEL, 270' FSL of the survey

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Vonda Freeman, Regulatory Analyst
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#201H Daniel "SN 15-10", drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
13 miles southwest of Garden City
A-367, Section 15, Block 35, T-5-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9500 feet
350' FSL, 770' FWL of 627.02-acre lease
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#1102WB Saxon "F", drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
12.70 miles southwest of Garden City
A-420, Section 11, Block 36, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9650 feet
411' FWL, 270' FSL of 804.01-acre lease
2232' FEL, 270' FSL of the survey

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#1102WA Saxon "E", drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
12.70 miles southwest of Garden City
A-420, Section 11, Block 36, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9400 feet
441' FWL, 270' FSL of 804.01-acre lease
2202' FEL, 270' FSL of the survey

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#102H Daniel "SN 15-10", drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
13 miles southwest of Garden City
A-367, Section 15, Block 35, T-5-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9500 feet
350' FSL, 1800' FWL of 627.02-acre lease
350' FSL, 1800' FWL of the survey

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#1NU G. Schwartz "17-8" (Allocation "A"), horizontal
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA
9.90 miles southeast of Garden City
A-177, Section 17, Block 33, T-5-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9000 feet
255' FSL, 1175' FWL of 1,280-acre lease
255' FSL, 1175' FWL of the survey

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#3NU G. Schwartz "17-8" (Allocation "C"), horizontal
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA
9.90 miles southeast of Garden City
A-177, Section 17, Block 33, T-5-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9000 feet

Odds and ends

We kid you not: New homes

found for 4 dozen needy goats

METHUEN, Mass. (AP) — It didn't take much goading to find new homes for more than four dozen needy goats.

An animal rescue farm in Massachusetts says all 46 goats it acquired in mid-May from an owner overwhelmed by his rapidly growing herd have been adopted.

The MSPCA-Nevins Farm in Methuen (mih-THOO'-uhn) said Friday that an additional five kids born since May also have been claimed. Most of the goats — an assortment of alpine, pygmy and angora mixes — are already in their new homes.

Farm barn manager Gia Barss says the goats recovered from the parasitic infections and other ailments they had when their former owner voluntarily turned them over.

The Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals had called on people to step forward and give the animals new homes.

World champion cable

car bell-ringer crowned

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Leonard Oats wowed the crowd with a bell-ringing rendition of Michael Jackson's song "Bad" and took home a giant trophy, a stack of cash, lots of Ghirardelli chocolate and a fair amount of bragging rights for his effort Thursday afternoon.

The 53-year-old San Franciscan was crowned World Champion Bell Ringer at the 53rd annual event in Union Square. Reigning champion Byron Cobb took second, while Trini Whittaker won the third-place trophy.

"I love ringing the bell," Oats said following his win. "That's why I do it, for fun."

But there's more to it than fun. "You have to get a rhythm going. If you can't get a rhythm going, it's not going to be of much help."

For a first time in more than 50 years, a woman competed in the contest.

Cassandra Griffin was up against six men, and though she didn't win she says she still made her mark.

"I feel great," she said. "I feel being the first female to ring the bell up here I'm going into history, and it's great for my children to see that."

Her secret? "I just work my wrists. It's like dancing from the wrists."

She been a cable car operator for 15 years and vowed to return to the contest next year.

Ed Cobean, senior operations manager for the cable cars, said the bell-ringing contest is a way to recognize some of the 170 operators who run the 28 cable cars daily.

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Evidence of British economic downturn piling up

LONDON (AP) — The evidence is piling up — Britain's decision to leave the European Union is already hitting the economy.

Following the initial market jolts that have, among other things, seen the pound slide to 31-year lows against the dollar, the wider economy appears to be feeling the shockwaves from the vote to leave the 28-country bloc.

On Friday, market research firm GfK found that consumer confidence took a dive in the wake of the June 23 decision to leave the EU. In a one-off survey to gauge the impact of the referendum result, it said its core index of consumer confidence dropped by 8 points to minus 9 in July, its lowest level since December 2013.

The decline, which was the sharpest in 21 years, is important as consumer confidence is fundamental for household spending, a key ingredient of the British economy.

GfK found that all of the key measures used to calculate the index, including perceptions



of individuals' financial situation or their propensity to make purchases, have fallen.

"During this period of uncertainty, we've seen a very significant drop in confidence, as is clear from the fact that every one of our key measures has fallen, with the biggest decrease occurring in the outlook for the general economic situation in the next 12 months," Joe Staton, head of market dynamics at GfK said.

The online survey of 2,002 respondents, which was conducted between June 30 and July 5, shows that sentiment has sunk among both those who voted to remain in the EU and those who voted to leave. The measure for so-called "remainers" was minus 13, while "leavers" were slightly more optimistic at minus 5.

The survey backs the view from Bank of England Governor Mark

Carney that the negative economic effects he warned about in the run-up to the referendum are "crystallizing."

Analysts are warning that further declines in consumer confidence are likely and that the British economy may be heading toward an outright recession.

Paul Hollingsworth, U.K. economist at Capital Economics, said GfK's survey will reinforce fears that consumers "will pull back on

spending."

Though he noted that the survey was conducted the week after the outcome of the vote, when political uncertainty was at its highest, he said "a further deterioration ahead seems probable" given that employment growth is likely to slow and a rise in inflation caused by the pound's fall will erode households' spending power.

Other negative effects are widely expected to

materialize over the coming weeks, including a drop in business investment as firms assess the consequences of the vote, particularly whether Britain will still have access to the EU's single market.

In a report Friday, Moody's said Britain's economic outlook has "significantly weakened" after the vote to leave the EU. The ratings agency slashed its growth forecasts to 1.5 percent in 2016 and 1.2 percent in 2017, compared with previous estimates of 1.8 percent and 2.1 percent.

"The uncertainty around the future of the economy outside the common market would dampen business investment and consumer spending, as investors hold back on hiring and long-term investments and consumers postpone large spending decisions," Moody's said.

In addition, Moody's said the country's status as one of the largest recipients of foreign direct investment in Europe "is also likely to be damaged by the decision to leave the EU."

RECORDS

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Martin Luther King Apt. #409, Big Spring
Kendra D. Tatum, 412 S. Moss Lake Rd., Big Spring
Joe Anthony Villarreal, 2206 Cecilia, Big Spring
RickyLynnWaltenbaugh, 538 Westover Road Apt. #133, Big Spring
Tamara Ruth Whitt, 3706 Connley, Big Spring
Jamie Wiggins, 1905 Wasson Rd. Apt. #28, Big Spring

Marriage Licenses

Mark Anthony Gutierrez, 31, and Monica Renea Lara, 29, both of Big Spring.
Santiago Alveda Sanchez, 67, and Mary Lucy Olivares, 51, both of Big Spring.
Adam Marcus Orrantra, 28, and Kaidlyn Nicole Rhoudes, 20, both of Big Spring.
Christopher Morris Jordan, 43, and Jennifer B. Gehling, 42, both of Stanton.

District Court Filings

Edward Aguilar vs. State Farm Company Mutual Insurance Company of Texas, Injury/Damage—Motor Vehicles
JoAnn King vs. Pilot

Travel Centers L.L.C., Pilot Corporation, Injury/Damage—Other injury or damage

Capital One Bank (USA) vs. Rebecca Dominguez, Contract—Consumer/Commercial Debt

County Court Judgments

(Note: The State of Texas is listed as prosecutor for all listed county court judgments)

Defendant: Amanda G. Belvins
Offense: Theft of property \$500 to \$1,500
Sentence: \$100 fine, 365 days in jail. Probated 24 months.
Date: June 28, 2016

Defendant: Shilo Zoe Rawls
Offense: Criminal mischief \$100 to \$750
Sentence: \$250 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months.
Date: June 28, 2016

Defendant: Ruth L. Pena
Offense: Theft of property \$100 to \$750
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months.
Date: June 28, 2016

Defendant: Jordan Balios

Offense: Possession of marijuana 2 to 4 oz.
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$297 court costs, 30 days in jail. Time served in lieu of fine and court costs.
Date: June 29, 2016

Defendant: Shane Alan Knowlton
Offense: Prohibited weapon/brass knuckles
Sentence: \$494 fine, \$239 court costs, no jail time.
Date: June 27, 2016

Defendant: Virginia Luisa Duenez
Offense: Driving with an invalid license with previous conviction or suspension without financial responsibility
Sentence: \$250 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months.
Date: June 28, 2016

Warranty Deeds

Grantor: Robert A. Chase and Connie Sue Chase
Grantee: Dorathy Ann Fite
Property: A tract in SW/4 Sec. 34, Blk. 32, T-1-N, T&P Railroad Co. Survey
Date: June 24, 2016

Grantor: Willis V. Brown
Grantee: Tom Rawls
Property: Lot 3, Blk. 30, Jones Valley Addition
Date: May 5, 2016

Grantor: Janet Hopper
Grantee: Jack C. Taylor and Retha L. Taylor
Property: Lot 34, and N/18 feet of Lot 33, Blk. 2, Highland South Addition
Date: June 21, 2016

Grantor: Christian Taylor Gomez
Grantee: Lee Harris Management L.L.C.
Property: N/65 feet of Lot 7 and S/15 feet of Lot 8, Blk. 1, Indian Hills Addition
Date: June 21, 2016

Grantor: LaGlenna L. Hester fka LaGlenna L. Coffman Castille
Grantee: Tammy M. Burgess
Property: Lot 4, Blk. 8 Avion Village Subdivision
Date: May 27, 2016

Grantor: Sherry Hargrove
Grantee: Robert and Nancy Crenshaw
Property: A 23.99-acre tract in S/2 of Sec. 23, Blk. 32, T-1-N, T&P Railroad Co. Survey
Date: June 6, 2016

Grantor: Deina H. Harvell
Grantee: Homer and Donna Massey
Property: A 1.0-acre tract in Sec. 44, Blk. 31, T-1-N, T&P Railroad Co. Survey
Date: June 24, 2016

Grantor: Homer Hardy

Massey III and Chessie Don Massey
Grantee: Patsy Ann Stokes
Property: Lot 8, Blk. 11, Kentwood Unit No. 1 Addition
Date: June 24, 2016

Grantor: Elmer Rayburn Tyler and Gwendolyn O. Tyler
Grantee: Landra Gwenette Gentles
Property: A tract in NW/4 of Sec. 13, Blk. 33, T-1-S, T&P Railroad Co. Survey
Date: June 24, 2016

Grantor: Virginia Parker, independent executrix of the Estate of R.L. Parker aka Robert L. Parker, deceased
Grantee: Ricky and Pam White
Property: Lot 8, Blk. 8, Park Hill Addition
Date: June 24, 2016

Grantor: Mary Ann Wylie
Grantee: 2204 S. Main L.L.C.
Property: Lot 3, Blk. 31, College Heights Addition
Date: June 21, 2016

Grantor: Johnny G. Subia and Anita A. Subia
Grantee: Frank Garza
Property: Lot 10, Blk. 3, Muir Heights Addition
Date: June 13, 2016

Warranty Deeds with Vendor's Liens

Grantor: Daniel M. Knoernschild and Kerry A. Knoernschild

Grantee: Joseph Scott Andrews and Devin Michele Farr
Property: A 4.97-acre tract known as Tract 29-D in SW/4 Sec. 105, Blk. 29, W and N.W. Railroad Co. Survey
Date: June 17, 2016

Grantor: BoRain Capital Fund II
Grantee: Davie Matthew Jones
Property: Lot 12, Blk. 4, Furrh Addition in Coahoma
Date: May 31, 2016

Grantor: BoRain Capital Fund II
Grantee: Davie Matthew Jones
Property: Lot 20, Blk. 7, North Belvue Addition

Grantor: Laura Jane Coughenour, independent executrix of the Estate of Charles Ray Thomas, deceased.
Grantee: Brad R. Rodriguez
Property: Lot 3, Blk. 1, Sunset Place Addition

Grantor: Bobby G. Smith and Elizabeth A. Smith
Grantee: Mayda Sanchez
Property: Lot 13, Blk. 17, Kentwood Unit No. 2 Addition

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Energen Resources Corporation 3510 N. "A" St., Bldgs. A and B Midland, TX 79705-0000 Vonda Freeman, Regulatory Analyst (432) 684-3693	#202H Daniel "SN 15-10", drill horizontal, El: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field 13 miles southwest of Garden City A-367, Section 15, Block 35, T-5-S, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 9500 feet 350' FSL, 1850' FWL of 627.02-acre lease 350' FSL, 1850' FWL of the survey
Energen Resources Corporation 3510 N. "A" St., Bldgs. A and B Midland, TX 79705-0000 Vonda Freeman, Regulatory Analyst (432) 684-3693	#102H Daniel "SN 7-6" Unit, drill horizontal, El: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-173-37308 10.20 miles southwest of Garden City A-971, Section 6, Block 34, T-5-S, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 9500 feet 257' FSL, 1576' FWL of 653.7-acre lease 257' FSL, 1576' FWL of the survey
Energen Resources Corporation 3510 N. "A" St., Bldgs. A and B Midland, TX 79705-0000 Vonda Freeman, Regulatory Analyst (432) 684-3693	#202H Daniel "SN 7-6" Unit, drill horizontal, El: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-173-37309 10.20 miles southwest of Garden City A-268, Section 7, Block 34, T-5-S, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 9500 feet 257' FSL, 1476' FWL of 653.7-acre lease 257' FSL, 1476' FWL of the survey
Energen Resources Corporation 3510 N. "A" St., Bldgs. A and B Midland, TX 79705-0000 Vonda Freeman, Regulatory Analyst (432) 684-3693	#502H Daniel "SN 7-6" Unit, drill horizontal, El: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-173-37307 10.20 miles southwest of Garden City A-268, Section 7, Block 34, T-5-S, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 9500 feet 257' FSL, 1526' FWL of 653.7-acre lease 257' FSL, 1526' FWL of the survey
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Oxy USA, Inc. P.O. Box 4294 Houston, TX 77024-0000 Amanda Maxian, Reg. Coordinator (713) 840-3036	#1WA Turnberry "2703", drill horizontal, API #42-227-38712 Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA 4.90 miles southwest of Big Spring A-315, Section 27, Block 33, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 12,500 feet 531' FNL, 1192' FWL of 948.04-acre lease 2137' FSL, 1192' FWL of the survey
Surge Operating, LLC	#8SH Mozetti "37-48", drill horizontal, API #42-227-38804

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Congresswoman indicted after fraud investigation

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP)—U.S. Rep. Corrine Brown of Florida and her chief of staff pleaded not guilty Friday to multiple fraud charges and other federal offenses in a grand jury indictment unsealed after an investigation into what prosecutors call a phony charity turned into a personal slush fund.

Brown, a 69-year-old Democrat, and Chief of Staff Elias "Ronnie" Simmons, 50, entered pleas in Jacksonville federal court on charges of mail and wire fraud, conspiracy, obstruction and filing of false tax returns.

She has represented a Jacksonville-based congressional district since 1993 — one of the first three African-Americans elected to Congress from Florida since Reconstruction— and is seeking re-election in a newly redrawn district.

The 24-count indictment comes after an investigation into the purported charity One Door for Education Foundation Inc., which federal prosecutors say was billed as a way to give scholarships to poor students but instead filled the coffers of Brown and her associates.

After the hearing, Brown predicted she would be cleared at trial. She was surrounded by supporters outside the courthouse, some carrying signs. One read, "Justice or else. Corrine matters."

Brown and Simmons, of Laurel, Maryland, were both released on \$50,000 bail and ordered not to travel outside the U.S. A status hearing was set for July 26. Simmons, who has been Brown's chief of staff since 1993, declined comment after the hearing.

Earlier this year, One Door President Carla Wiley pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy to commit wire fraud after it was determined that she had deposited \$800,000 into the foundation's account over four years. Over that time, federal prosecutors say it gave one scholarship for \$1,000 and \$200 to an unidentified person in Florida, while Wiley transferred herself tens of thousands of dollars.

"Congresswoman Brown and her chief of staff are alleged to have used the congresswoman's official position to solicit over \$800,000 in donations to a supposed charitable organization, only to use that organization as a personal slush fund," Assistant U.S. Attorney General Leslie Caldwell, chief of the Justice Department's criminal division, said in a statement.

"Corruption erodes the public's trust in our entire system of representative government," Caldwell added.

The indictment says that Brown, Simmons and Wiley "used the vast majority" of One Door donations for their personal and professional benefit, including tens of thousands of dollars in cash deposits that Simmons made to Brown's bank accounts.

According to the indictment, more than \$200,000 in One Door funds were used to pay for events hosted by Brown or held in her honor, including a golf tournament, lavish receptions during an annual Washington conference and the use of luxury boxes for a Beyonce concert and an NFL game between the Washington Redskins and Jacksonville Jaguars.

One Door money was also used for such things as repairs to Brown's car and vacations to locations such as the Bahamas, Miami Beach and Los Angeles. In addition, House of Representatives money was used to pay a "close family member" of Simmons identified as "Person C" more than \$735,000 between 2001 and 2016 for a job in Brown's office that involved little or no work, according to the indictment. Simmons allegedly benefited from some of that money.

Documents previously obtained by The Associated Press from Orlando Mayor Buddy Dyer's office show that he received an invitation bearing the seal of the House of Representatives to a July 13, 2013 golf tournament called the "Corrine Brown Invitational." It was sponsored by the One Door organization and coincided with a freight and rail industry symposium in Jacksonville.

Potential donors attending the tournament received letters from One Door with Brown's signature.

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Rick Nunez

Restraint shown in political reaction to police shootings

WASHINGTON (AP) — In this heated and deeply divisive campaign year, America's presidential candidates — as well as other politicians — responded to the killings of five police officers and two black men with striking reflection and restraint.

Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump quickly scrapped political events Friday, hours after the officers were killed in Dallas during a protest over the fatal police shootings in Louisiana and Minnesota. Clinton was going forward with a late afternoon appearance at the African Methodist Episcopal Convention in Philadelphia, where she planned to address the violence.

The presumptive Democratic nominee wrote on Twitter that she mourned for the officers "shot while doing their sacred duty to protect peaceful protesters." Clinton had previously condemned the shootings of Alton Sterling in Baton Rouge and Philando Castile in suburban St. Paul, saying, "Something is profoundly wrong when so many Americans have reason to believe that our country doesn't consider them as precious because of the color of their skin."

Trump canceled a speech in Miami on Hispanic issues. He instead released a lengthy statement calling the shootings in Dallas "a coordinated, premeditated assault on the men and women who keep us safe." He called Sterling and Castile's deaths "senseless" and a reminder of how much more needs to be done to ensure Americans feel safe in their communities.

Sterling was shot Tuesday after being pinned to the pavement by two white officers, an altercation that was captured

on cellphone video. The following day, Castile was fatally shot in a car by a Minnesota officer, with the aftermath livestreamed on Facebook by his girlfriend.

Hundreds of people gathered in Dallas to protest the killings Thursday night when a single gunman opened fire, killing five police officers and injuring seven others. Two civilians were also wounded.

The trio of tragedies marked the second time the fledgling general election has been upended by violence. Just one month ago, Clinton and Trump also scrambled their schedules following the mass killings at an Orlando nightclub.

The political response to that attack was almost instantly contentious, as Republicans and Democrats debated whether the shooting argued for stricter gun laws or tougher anti-terror policies. The gunman had pledged his allegiance to the Islamic State, but law enforcement said there were no indications he had direct ties to extremist groups.

Trump was widely criticized, even by his own party, for taking credit for "being right" on terrorism after the Orlando attacks and for saying he appreciated "the congrats." He was noticeably more measured in his statement Friday.

The response from some of Trump's fellow Republicans was also notable. While GOP officials are often seen as siding with the police in recent altercations with black men, some high profile Republicans were pointed Friday in acknowledging racial disparities in policing.

"All of us need to acknowledge that this is about more than just one or two recent incidents," Sen. Marco Rubio, R-Fla., said.

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Contractor not listed

Santa Rosa 500'
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Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA
2 miles southeast of Vealmoor
A-352, Section 37, Block 33, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,000 feet
300' FNL, 330' FEL of 1,473.88-acre lease
300' FNL, 330' FEL of the survey

#3AH Hamlin-Middleton Unit "16-21", drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-227-38792
2.50 miles east of Knott
A-1026, Section 16, Block 33, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9500 feet
119' FNL, 677' FEL of 400-acre lease
119' FNL, 1559' FWL of the survey

#1AH Middleton "47-38", drill horizontal, API #42-227-38805
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA
2.75 miles southwest of Vealmoor
A-1007, Section 38, Block 33, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,000 feet
448' FNL, 380' FWL of 1,319.9-acre lease
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#2H Harris "23-26", API #42-033-32384
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, new well, El: 2672' GR
1.70 miles northwest of Vealmoor
A-431, Section 23, Block 33, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey
560' FNL, 990' FWL of the survey
Latitude 032.57258, Longitude -101.60454
Total Depth: 7610 feet. PBTD: 7610 feet. Logs: Neutron/Density
Daily Potential: 738 Bbls 40.0 gravity oil w/ 882 BWPD
Pumping. GOR: 451
Spud: 7-30-15. Completed: 2-26-16. Pay: NA
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Philando probe is a top priority, prosecutor says

FALCON HEIGHTS, Minn. (AP) — A Minnesota prosecutor said Friday he has asked for a “prompt and thorough investigation” following the police killing of a black motorist whose girlfriend streamed the shooting’s gruesome aftermath live on Facebook.

Ramsey County Prosecutor John Choi said the video is part of the investigation into Wednesday’s shooting of Philando Castile in suburban St. Paul. The school cafeteria supervisor was shot “for no apparent reason” while reaching for his wallet during a traffic stop, after telling the officer he had a gun and a permit to carry it, his girlfriend said in the video.

Choi declined to provide details about the incident. Police also have refused to say what led up to the traffic stop, why Castile was pulled over or why the officer drew his gun.

But the prosecutor said the shooting highlighted the need for better interactions between police and black residents.

“We must do better in

our state and in our nation to improve police-community interactions to ensure the safety of everyone in this country, but particularly the safety of African Americans, who disproportionately lose their lives as a result,” Choi said during a news conference Friday.

He also acknowledged the wide reach of the Facebook video, noting “what is depicted in the video, it just makes you sad to watch all of that unfold.”

His comments came a day after Minnesota Gov. Mark Dayton jumped into a suddenly reignited national debate over how law enforcement treats people of color, saying police likely wouldn’t have fired if Castile had been white.

“Would this have happened if those passengers would have been white? I don’t think it would have,” Dayton said to a crowd Thursday.

Hours after Dayton’s remarks, gunmen shot and killed five police officers and wounded six more in Dallas.



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A-419, Section 9, Block 36, T-4-S, T&P RR Co. survey
210’ FSL, 165’ FEL of the survey
Latitude 031.7977464, Longitude -101.7166328
Total Depth: 8081 feet. PBTD: NA. Logs: Neutron
Daily Potential: 700 Bbls 42.6 gravity oil w/ 529 BWPD
Flowing. GOR: 525
Spud: 7-25-15. Completed: 3-20-16. Pay: NA
9-5/8” @ 7366 feet w/ 640 sx.; MS tool @ 4465 feet w/ 625 sx.
5-1/2” @ 18,025 feet w/ 2,045 sx.; 2-7/8” @ 7374 feet
Perfs: 8369-17,961

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Grayburg 3435’
San Andres 3729’
Clear Fork 5640’
Wichita/Albany 6126’
Spraberry 6759’

#4714H Zant, API #42-173-37213
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, new well, El: 2558’ GR
15.60 miles northwest of Garden City
A-919, Section 2, Block 36, T-3-S, T&P RR Co. survey
2241’ FWL, 793’ FSL of the survey
Latitude 031.9313296, Longitude -101.7332647
Total Depth: 8404 feet. PBTD: 8404 feet. Logs: Gamma Ray
Daily Potential: 1,112 Bbls 40.6 gravity oil w/ 671 BWPD
Flowing. GOR: 814
Spud: 8-18-15. Completed: 4-23-16. Pay: NA
9-5/8” @ 7780 feet w/ 730 sx.
MS tool @ 4582 feet w/ 1,445 sx.
5-1/2” @ 17,875 feet w/ 2,356 sx.
Perfs: 13,236-17,738

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#1101LS Saxon “A”, API #42-173-37205
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13 miles northeast of Garden City
A-420, Section 11, Block 36, T-4-S, T&P RR Co. survey
2154’ FEL, 2430’ FNL of the survey
Latitude 031.8113663, Longitude -101.6919521
Total Depth: 7971 feet. PBTD: 7951 feet. Logs: RCBL
Daily Potential: 1,265 Bbls 43.0 gravity oil w/ 2,710 BWPD
Pumping. GOR: 1076
Spud: 7-24-15. Completed: 2-07-16. Pay: NA
9-5/8” @ 7340 feet w/ 960 sx.
MS tool @ 4816 feet w/ 1,392 sx.
5-1/2” @ 15,364 feet w/ 2,275 sx.; 2-7/8” @ 6998 feet
Perfs: 7940-15,219

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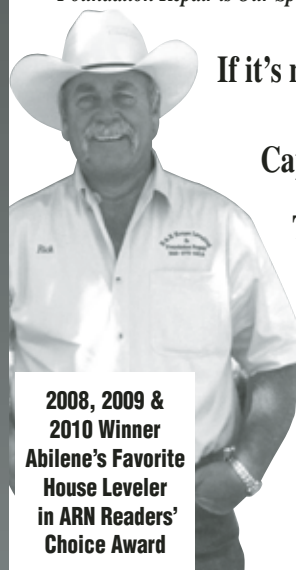
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#9086 July 3 & 10, 2016

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#9082 July 3 & 10, 2016

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Proposals Due: July 14, 2016 3:00 P.M.

The City of Lamesa (the "City") is requesting proposals from qualified firms of Certified Public Accounts to obtain audit services for performance of the City's annual financial audit and single audit of state and federal grants for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, with the option of auditing its financial statements for each of the two (2) subsequent fiscal years based on satisfactory performance. These audits are to be performed in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, the standards set forth for financial audits in the U.S. General Accounting Office's (GAO) Government Auditing Standards (1994), the provisions of the federal Single Audit Act of 1984 (as amended in 1996), and U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance).

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	3			1		2		
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	7						6	
		9	3		8	1		2
		8		2			1	
	6				5			
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North dealer. Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♦ K 5
♥ Q 6 5 2
♦ A K Q J
♣ A 7 4

WEST
♦ Q J 10 9 6 3
♥ A 4
♦ 10
♣ J 10 8 2

EAST
♦ A 7 2
♥ J 10 9
♦ 8 7 6 4 3
♣ 6 5

SOUTH
♦ 8 4
♥ K 8 7 3
♦ 9 5 2
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1 ♦	Pass	1 ♥	1 ♠

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South realized that he would have to lose more than one trump trick if the opposing hearts were divided 4-1 or 5-0. Only if the hearts were divided 3-2 was there a chance of losing just one trump trick.

But this alone would not do the job. The player with the doubleton heart would have to have the ace if the contract was to be made. And the first heart lead would have to come from the correct hand to have any chance of success.

Since West had made a vulnerable overall on a queen-high suit, it seemed likely that he had the ace of hearts. The first heart play therefore had to come from the South hand.

Accordingly, declarer crossed to his hand with a club at trick four and led a low heart. West played low, and dummy's queen held. On the next heart, East produced the ten and, with fingers crossed, South ducked. West was forced to win with the ace, and the contract was home.

The key to the winning play was West's spade bid after East had turned up with the ace of spades at trick one. All that remained was to work out how to take advantage of the knowledge that West had the ace of hearts.

Tomorrow: Famous Hand.

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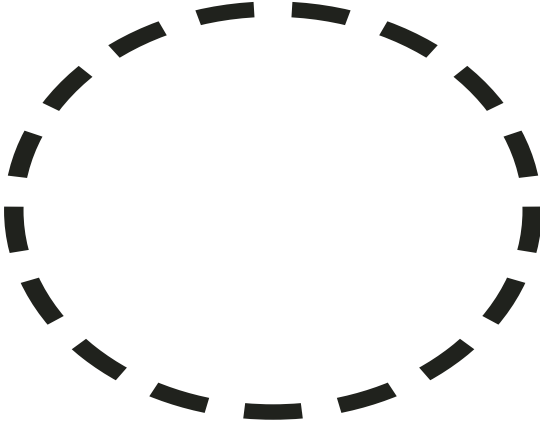
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Venus creeps in on kitty paws, stealth, ferocious and playful, mixing it up as she switches to her Catwoman costume at the top of the week. Mercury follows the trend, zipping into Leo on Wednesday. It's playtime. Leo energy is famous for taking dramatic license, too -- all part of the fun. Knowing what to take seriously (very little) will be key.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). How do you change the world? By being yourself and tending to the things that matter to you. The answers are not "out there" today; rather, they are as close as the next task on your list.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Just because you think a punishment fits the crime doesn't mean you want to witness it. You'd rather align yourself with the softer side of life: Justice untempered by mercy can be a hard thing to watch.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). There's something you need to communicate, and it's a story that

can only be told by you. You'll persuade others to think differently once you relay this. Try to spell it out different ways. Experiment!

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll be busy building up as much good will and happy karma as you possibly can. You may or may not need this friendship equity later, but either way, your life will be better for having generated these kinds of good feelings.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You can't follow through on every idea, and you shouldn't try to. Some ideas are best left in their ethereal form, from which they can still lead us to the next better idea.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There is something that's been handed down to you through your mother and your mother's mother that will be extremely useful now. It will be something good to share -- and give credit where credit is due.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The creative well has not dried up, but you need to reach out to the people around you in order to tap back into it. You have encouragement to give; seek it, too. The more you share with others, the better off you'll be.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). In a shallow sea you find a drop-off to the depths. The best part is that you're equipped to go deeper. You'll be safe as you explore the undercurrents. This is where you'll find your passion.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Before you jump into the project, take the time to build a solid base of research. Acquire essential skills and tools. The preliminary work you do will save you time and headache later.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You're a giver. If you don't think you can add value to the situation, you'll likely move on until you find a scenario in which your presence and gifts are truly needed.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). There's nothing that needs to happen in a rush today. You'll be building on small, measured efforts. Maintain your relaxed pace. The big decisions can wait.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You can't always choose who's around you, so when you can choose, you want to choose super well. The song that's in you will burst forth soon. Mostly it's a matter of being with the people who can add to the music.

Until then, be patient. Remember to tell (SET ITAL) yourself (END ITAL) to inhale and exhale, too.

Dear Annie: My husband's father died recently, and he's the executor of his dad's estate. There's not much there, but it is taking an inordinate amount of his time to sort it all out. My husband is self-employed, and it's cutting into his income substantially. I don't want to complain, because he's still so sad about the death, but the bills keep coming. I am concerned that this task will have a domino effect and hurt our finances in the long term. -- Worried About the Will

Dear Worried: Try to be more understanding, and do what you can to help with the bills, the work and anything else to make it easier on him. If his mental state doesn't improve in the weeks and months to come, suggest grief counseling and offer to go with him. This too shall pass.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 10). You operate from a code of honor this year, and the people around you will trust and admire you as they learn to predict your loyal nature. The next seven weeks will seem to speed by, and you'll be super-productive. You'll sock money away mid-September for an important investment. The most romantic times will be October and May. Virgo and Aquarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 50, 41, 22, 25 and 11.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: Without a sense of play, life and relationships can feel flat, dull and obligated. So when Venus slinks into Leo at the top of the week, beginning a playful cycle that lasts until Aug. 5, it's like the whistle that announces, "Let the games begin." This is the transit that reminds us that life is a gift that can be very fun to play with, especially when we know the rules. Here are a few tips for making the most of Venus in Leo.

1. Take turns. Engage,

invite, entice. You never know what someone else will bring to the game until you let him or her in.

2. Think less; feel more. Unless what you're playing is a math game, give your brain a break and lead the play with your feelings. The intellectual part of play will usually take care of itself.

3. Pretend. Creating your own world is one of the best parts of being playful, and your world can be anything you want it to be -- so why limit yourself to the same rules you'd have in other realities?

4. It's the spirit of it that matters. Play thrives in a generous spirit of acceptance. Catch what others are throwing and throw it back. Accept, agree,

contribute.

5. Have fun. If it's not fun, it's probably not play.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Forbes magazine ranked vivacious Cancer Colombian-American Sofia Vergara among the most powerful women in the world. Look for the "Modern Family" star in the upcoming comedy, "The Brits Are Coming." Vergara was born when both the sun and moon were in the sign of the crab; Mercury and Mars were in entertaining Leo. Witty Gemini energy is also a strong theme in Vergara's astrological chart.

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ANSWERS

2	8	6	9	4	3	5	7	1
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3	9	8	7	2	4	6	1	5
7	6	4	1	3	5	8	2	9
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Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

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ACROSS

- 1 Music box
4 Cub Scout newcomer
10 Sound from a nook, perhaps
14 NBC Sports licensee
16 Cognac lover
17 Water between two Erie Canal locks
18 Thrust calculator
19 Lewis and Clark met them in 1804
20 What one would expect trainers to be
22 Not apt to snap
24 Prefix in rock-genre names
25 Awareness metaphors
33 Emphatic interrogative assent
36 Quaint dismissal
37 Dream when starting up
38 Activity before a cast
39 Today preceder
40 Long-lived Florida tree
42 Raccoon, at times
43 Brown period
45 Letters in a network logo's circle
46 Bit of chicanery
50 Any of a corporeal quintet
57 Dutiful, to Diocletian
58 Recover (as cash), with "back"
59 First African-American to win a lead-actress dramatic Emmy
61 Subject of a service manual
62 A spectator lacks it

- 63 See 54 Down
64 Pirate, for one
65 AL West team

DOWN

- 1 Progressing
2 Nickname on a Whitehall statue
3 Staging area of a sort
4 Something about to develop
5 Name from Proto-Norse for "grandfather"
6 Island setting for *Eat Pray Love*
7 Groomer's concern
8 He hit #1 in '59 just before Presley
9 8 Down, when he hit #1 in '59
10 One of a pair of cords
11 Lose density
12 "Indudable-mente!"
13 See 32 Down
15 Ebenezer (!) Balfour, in *Kidnapped*
21 Smashing
23 Cream once endorsed by Ruth and Rockne
26 Some wrestling meets
27 It accounts for most of Japan's DVD sales
28 Utility post?
29 Straight-and-narrow apertures
30 Composer and 19-time director of the Oscar orchestra
31 Projecting part
32 With 13 Down, its work may be stunning
33 Sun, apparently
34 Like some earrings
35 Home of mascot Cy the Cardinal

- 41 Responded dismissively, in a way
44 stock
47 Chunk often cut by a slicer
48 Craft
49 London Southend Airport locale
50 Reel-to-reel introductions of 1956
51 "Bucharest Backfire" user before Guillermo and Yannick
52 Like some earrings
53 Anti-family acronym
54 With 63 Across, experience decadence
55 Set down
56 Mass-exodus starting point
60 Lead for various German operas

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Annie's Mailbox ®

Decisions, Decisions

Dear Annie: My wife is nuts. She cannot make a decision. She never values her own opinion. She asks others what they think. It's incredibly frustrating.

When she shops, she always asks the people working at the store for their opinion of the clothes she's trying on. When we go out to dinner, she asks the waiter what she should order. She is close with her parents and asks their advice on everything.

And yes, she asks me my advice all the time, but I actually don't mind that. It's part of the job. I get it. I ask for her advice, as well. What bothers me is when she asks for my advice and then asks five co-workers, family members or strangers. I also don't like to be asked multiple times about the same thing.

Should I wear the blue dress or the white one? Should I get the fish or the steak? Should I apply to this job or stay put? Navy or tan? Flats or heels? Inhale or exhale?

I know that I should be thankful that she is seeking advice, but where does it end? Am I being unreasonable here? What should I do? -- Deciding Dan

Dear Deciding: Let's rewind to that first paragraph: "She never values her own opinion." Bull's-eye! You've struck the heart of the matter.

It sounds as if your wife has low self-esteem. She doesn't have confidence in her own judgment. And by asking you (and friends, family members, unwitting people in line at the grocery, the UPS guy, etc.) to decide for her, she doesn't have to blame herself if it turns out she's made the wrong decision. She is probably not even aware that that's her motivation.

So you have to proceed a bit delicately here. You can't very well scold her out of having low self-esteem. (Somehow, "What's wrong with you? Why can't you do anything yourself?" doesn't exactly inspire soaring self-confidence.) What you can do is make her feel better about herself. Build her up. Compliment her decisions. The next time you're out to a steak dinner and she's wearing her white dress and navy heels, tell her how gorgeous she looks and what a great pick the restaurant was. If she feels validated and confident in making her own decisions, she'll start acting more independently.

Technology gives bracing immediacy to police shooting story

By DAVID BAUDER
AP Television Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — A live, online piece of footage of a dying man brought a shocking new immediacy Thursday to the issue that gave birth to the Black Lives Matter movement.

The video — posted by a Minnesota woman from inside the car where her boyfriend lay bleeding from police gunfire — was seized on by some as sickening proof of what they have been saying all along: that police are too quick to use deadly force against minorities.

Some viewers found it too painful or voyeuristic to watch, and some of the major TV networks chose to blur the picture.

"We'd never seen anything like this, which is what made the tape all the more remarkable," said Jim Murphy, vice president for morning programming at CNN, which chose not to obscure the image.

The video out of Falcon Heights, Minnesota, spread only hours after the release of footage showing the killing of Alton Sterling, a black man who was shot in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, after being pinned to the pavement by two white officers. Live pictures of Sterling's son wailing in grief on live TV Wednesday added to the misery.

In the Minnesota shooting, the woman propped up her smartphone, pressed a couple of buttons and instantly was on Facebook live, explaining

that her boyfriend, Philando Castile, had been shot by police. She calmly contradicted an agitated officer who was pointing a gun at her through the car window, as a blood-covered Castile moaned beside her. The video continued for 10 minutes.

Except for a technical glitch that prevented the video from being repeated for about an hour Thursday morning, Facebook said it remained available, though with a warning about graphic content. By midafternoon, it had been viewed more than 3.6 million times.

CNN executives remade the network's "New Day" broadcast on the fly to feature the story Thursday. NBC's "Today" show, ABC's "Good Morning America" and "CBS This Morning" used the video, too, but blurred images of the bloodied Castile.

"Unfortunately, people have seen worse," Murphy said. "The broadcast that she created in that car needed to be seen by the public just as we were looking at it."

To Ryan Kadro, executive producer of "CBS This Morning," the exchanges between the woman and police were key to the video. Showing a blood-soaked man didn't add to people's understanding of the story, he said.

The newfound capability to essentially show these news events live online made the story especially powerful.

"You get to see stuff here that you don't see on police cameras, at least ones that have been released that I'm aware of," said Steve Jones, a professor at

the University of Illinois at Chicago and an expert on communications technology. Police bodycam footage is "filtered through the police department. What we're seeing is the immediate aftermath from the viewpoint of a witness, in a much more visceral way and unredacted way."

Sometimes it's too real: Amy Linden, a writer from Brooklyn, clicked on Facebook, and the Minnesota video immediately began playing. She swiftly turned it off because "it was the first thing in the morning, and that's not what you want to have embedded in your head." A day earlier, she bawled watching Sterling's son cry.

While the video allows people to bear witness, many resisted. April Reign, managing editor of Broadway Black, a website about black stage artists, wrote in *The Washington Post* that she refused to spread copies of the Sterling video online. She called it a "sick sort of voyeurism."

Zelda Owens, a legal consultant from Randolph, New Jersey, said that ever since the Rodney King beating in 1991, video has given the public a view of what many black Americans have experienced all their lives. She said she is dubious any new videos — even the one out of Minnesota — will change things for the better.

"I don't see how this is going to change unless we have a change in behavior," she said.

Associated Press technology writer Barbara Ortutay in New York contributed to this story.



AP photo

Cosby's accuser doesn't have to testify before trial

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (AP) — A judge on Thursday denied Bill Cosby's bid to force his sex-assault accuser to testify before trial, ruling prosecutors worked within the law by using police statements as a stand-in for her at his preliminary hearing. Cosby's lawyers argued they should've been allowed to cross-examine accuser Andrea Constand at the May 24 hearing because her decade-old statements about the 2004 encounter raised more questions than it answered. But Judge Steven T. O'Neill said that a 2013 change in state court rules cleared the way for prosecutors to use those statements and other evidence in lieu of forcing Constand to take the witness stand before trial. Prosecutors applauded the judge's decision.

"The defense operated around a mistaken belief that they had a right to confront the victim at this stage," District Attorney Kevin Steele told reporters afterward. "They do not." Cosby's lawyers said they'd appeal to the state Supreme Court, which is considering another case involving preliminary hearing testimony. They said the 78-year-old Cosby's constitutional rights had been "trampled upon once again."

The judge, as he ruled, said, "One side sees this as an efficient way to handle cases. The other sees it as a violation of due process."

He seconded the findings of the judge in Cosby's preliminary hearing, saying prosecutors had presented enough evidence to send the case to trial.

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