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KBSB holds annual Love Our Lake event



Keep Big Spring Beautiful volunteers were out cleaning up Birdwell Park behind the Big Spring High School campus Tuesday night. The event is a part of the ongoing Tuesday Twilight Trash Off campaign, led by Eric Escamilla, pictured left. Also pictured picking up trash is Mandi Franco. Keep Big Spring Beautiful will also pitch in to clean up around Comanche Trail Lake this weekend as part of their "Love Our Lake" campaign.

By **AMANDA ELSTON**
Managing Editor

Ahead of the Comanche Warrior Triathlon, the members of Keep Big Spring Beautiful will be doing what they do best and making sure the Comanche Trail Lake is looking its best for the athletes and park-goers. This Saturday morning, Keep Big Spring Beautiful (KBSB) is inviting the community to come out to help beautify Comanche Trail Park.

"This is our Love

our Lake project and it is a state-wide campaign cleaning up waterways," said Willia



Ledford

ful, we promote a clean lake environment. We chose this time of the year in anticipation of the triathlon which is a

few weeks away."

The group will meet at the Dora Roberts Community Center at 9 a.m. this Saturday and begin the morning clean-up with donuts from HEB. Ledford encourages the entire community to come out and help beautify the park.

"We are inviting everyone to come out and help us clean up the lake and the area where we are not restricted around the spring," said Ledford. "We will have donuts and around

11 a.m. we will start serving hot dogs (at Dora Roberts Community Center). We also will have cold water. We want everyone to come out.

"We would love to have Boys Scouts, Girl Scouts, church groups, and any civic groups that would like to leave their mark on the area," continued Ledford.

While KBSB will have some trashbags on hand, Ledford encourages the public to bring their

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Sheriff issues scam alert

Special to the Herald

Howard County Sheriff Stan Parker is warning the public about a possible scam involving a caller identifying himself as an employee of the county sheriff's department.

According to the sheriff, on Tuesday "a local resident received a phone call from a person identify-

ing themselves as Lt. Steve Harris with the Howard County Sheriff's Office. The caller advised they had warrants and needed to make arrangements over the phone to pay the warrant."

Parker stated the victim ended the call and contacted the sheriff's department to verify the information. At that point, the resident learned the information

was false. "This is just a reminder of the many scams people are still running to take your money," Parker said. "Please remember, law enforcement never calls to collect money."

If you receive have been victimized by a similar phone scam, you should call law enforcement and report the incident.

Delinquent taxes on the rise in Big Spring

By **ROBERT BARLOW**
Staff Writer

The city council discussed a possible trend in the rising amount of unpaid taxes – and some of the potential reasons behind it – during Tuesday's meeting.

Drew Mouton, local attorney who collects delinquent taxes for the city, was present at the meeting to explain the current financial status of the unpaid taxes for the current year.

"The collection numbers are up, which is a good thing; but the deficit numbers are up as well which is a bad thing," said Mouton. "Again, you will see we collected more money from every entity in the city. The bad news is, that's probably a result of there being more delinquent taxes than we have ever had in the past."

Mouton also explained that he has noticed a rising trend in the amount of unpaid taxes over the past few years, something he advised the city should take notice of.

"Unfortunately, you move over three columns to the uncollected column,

\$406,771 in taxes were unpaid for the 2016 calendar year, the 2016 taxes that just went delinquent add to this total account of \$2,538,000," Mouton continued. "That's the larg-

est amount that has ever fallen into the delinquent category for the current years taxes."

Mouton went on to discuss that the process behind collecting the taxes can become complicated when dealing with land owners who have either moved or passed away; and, to add to the confusion, mineral rights on lands also introduce another factor into figuring out who owes what.

"\$840,342 in 2016 delinquent taxes were collected last year, that represents 70 percent of the delinquent taxes that were collected," Mouton said. "That number is significant in that it shows you how important it is to get after the most recent delinquent taxes, because that's where the money is. It's the easiest money to collect because it is so fresh, the older the taxes get, the harder they become

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Triathletes scheduled to swim, bike, and run at Comanche Trail Sept. 9

By **ROGER CLINE**
Staff Writer

The spirit of the Comanche warrior lives on in Big Spring during the month of September...if Comanche warriors had had bikes to ride, that is.

The event is the annual Comanche Warrior Triathlon, organized by the Big Spring Convention and Visitor's Bureau (CVB).

"We have done this event, this will be the 10th year this event has been going on, and we have put it on since the beginning," said Hayley Herrera of the CVB. "This event is held in the city park, for the most part. They do a 500-

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Trump revisits his Charlottesville comments in angry speech

By **JULIE BYKOWICZ**
Associated Press

PHOENIX (AP) — President Donald Trump opened his political rally in P h o e n i x



Trump

with calls for unity and an assertion that "our movement is about love." Then he erupted in an-

ger.

He blamed the media for the widespread condemnation of his response to violence at a Charlottesville, Virginia, protest organized by white supremacists. And he shouted that he had "openly called for healing, unity and love" in the immediate aftermath of the tragedy and had simply been misrepresented in news coverage.

He read from his three responses to the racially charged violence — getting

more animated with each one. He withdrew from his suit pocket the written statement he'd read the day a woman was killed by a man who'd plowed a car through counter-protesters, but he skipped over the troublesome part that he'd freelaunched at the time — his observation that "many sides" were to blame.

That, as well as his reiteration days later that "both

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Obituaries

Carroll Osburn

Carroll Osburn, 71, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, August 22, 2017 at his residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **DANIEL DAVID DEY**, 60, of San Angelo, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **RACHEL N. LAUGHERY**, 36, of 1809 Mittell Avenue, was arrested on a warrant for failure to identify by giving false or fictitious information.
- **DARIN FRANK WITTEN**, 29, of 1106 Stanford Avenue, was arrested on a charge of assault towards family by violence, threat, or offensive touch.
- **BILLY WAYNE STARR**, 39, of 1308 Tucson Street, was arrested on a warrant from another agency.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 1200 block of East 11th place.
- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 2600 block of South Gregg Street.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 1700 block of North Highway 350.
- **DISTURBANCE** was reported the 2400 block of Morrison Drive.

Sheriff

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

- Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 66 inmates at the time of this report.
- **DANIEL DAVID DEY**, 60, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
 - **RACHEL NICOLE LAUGHERY**, 36, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for failure to identify by giving false or fictitious information.
 - **CARLOS LOPEZ JR.**, 44, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for assault towards family/household member by impeding breathing.
 - **BILLY WAYNE STARR**, 39, was booked by the HCSO on a warrant for assault that causes bodily injury.
 - **DARIN FRANK WITTEN**, 29, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of assault towards family by violence, threat, or offensive touch.
 - **ROBERT YOUNG**, 28, was booked by the HCSO on a failure to appear warrant for possession of controlled substance, between 4 and 200 grams.

- School at Maranatha Baptist Academy, 903 Johnson St., begins Aug. 1 for the fall term. Maranatha uses Accelerated Christian Education curriculum, an individualized curriculum used internationally (see www.aceministries.com for more information). School and office hours are 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. week days. Tuition is reasonable. For more information visit the office or contact Dr. Lillian Bohannon at 432-213-1046.

- Big Spring's Centennial Lions Club is holding a drive to collect books for the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club. Books for kids in kindergarten through about 10th grade will be accepted, with special preference for books for younger children in kindergarten through third grade. Cash donations to allow the Lions to purchase additional books are also appreciated. Books or donations can be taken to the Salvation Army, 811 W. Fifth St., or to the home of Lions member Ken Lawhon at 1707 E. 15th St. For more information, contact Lawhon at 214-998-9716 or Lions member David Stives at 432-270-2251.

- Food 2 Kids Big Spring needs you! It is time to start sacking food for Big Spring elementary students who do not receive adequate food over the weekends. Members of the community can be a part by volunteering to sack the food. It just takes a couple hours of your time and the work is very rewarding. To volunteer, just show up at the time and dates listed. For more information, call, 432-935-3998.

If you want additional information about getting your child on this program please contact your child's school.

- Each week Kindred offers free health checks from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Corner House Coffee Shop, 1701 Scurry St.

- 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 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 has dropped to \$5 per person thanks to the following sponsors: Kindred at Home, Marcy Place, Big

Spring Center for Skilled Care, Scenic Mountain Medical Center, Encompass Home Health, Visiting Angels, and Home Hospice Big Spring.

- Howard County Republicans meet the second Monday of each month. Club members meet in the Cactus Room at Howard College at 11:30 a.m. for Dutch treat lunch and meeting at 12 p.m.

- The Big Spring Art Association meets the third Tuesday of each month a 7 p.m. in the basement of the Howard County Library.

- Big Spring Centennial Lion's Club meets twice a month at the Big Spring TA Truck Stop. They meet on the first Tuesday of the month at noon and the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. Visitors are welcome.

- The Christensen-Tucker Post-2013 Veterans of Foreign Wars meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 pm at 500 Driver Road. For more information, contact David Leonard, Post Commander, at 432-816-6004. All combat veterans of foreign wars are invited to come.

- The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors meets every first Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the symphony office, 808 Scurry Street.

- Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Tuesday of each month at 219 Main St.

- Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598 meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. (dinner is at 6 p.m.) at 219

WEDNESDAY

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

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

THURSDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Newcomers' meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

- Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.

- A Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder support group meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the VA Medical Center Veteran's Healing Center.

FRIDAY

- AA open discussion meeting

Support Groups

from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

- Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.

- Alcoholics Anonymous, As Bill Sees it, 615 Settles, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

TUESDAY

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

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

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

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

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

- Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.

Danish police find torso of woman after submarine sinking

HELSINKI (AP) — The body of a woman has been found in the Baltic Sea near where a missing Swedish journalist is believed to have died on a privately built submarine, Danish police said late Monday.

A female torso without legs, arms or a head was found by a passer-by, said the head of the investigation, Jens Moller Jensen.

"We have recovered the body ... It is the torso of a woman," Jensen told reporters. "An inquest will be conducted."

He said it was "too early" to say if the body was that of 30-year-old Swedish reporter Kim Wall, who

went missing more than a week ago after a trip on the submarine owned by 46-year-old Peter Madsen, a Danish inventor.

Jensen said the body was discovered hours after Madsen told authorities that Wall had died onboard in an accident and that he buried her at sea at an unspecified location.

Madsen was arrested in connection with Wall's disappearance after his submarine sank off Denmark's eastern coast, an event police said they suspected the inventor caused on purpose.

He denied any wrongdoing and initially told authorities he had

dropped the reporter off on a redeveloped island in Copenhagen's harbor about 3½ hours into a nighttime trip Aug. 10.

Madsen will continue to be held on preliminary manslaughter charges, police said. They declined to provide further details about the new information he had provided.

Madsen was known for financing his submarine project through crowdfunding. The first launch of his 40-ton, nearly 18-meter-long (60-foot-long) UC3 Nautilus in 2008 made international headlines.

Take Note

½ Main St. All Masons are welcome.

- Scenic Mountain Medical Center Auxiliary Group is looking to expand. Positions are available for the Auxiliary group and the Teen Volunteer program. Must be 15 years of age to take part in the teen volunteer program. If you would like to volunteer please contact Heath White at 268-4850.

- The Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Council is in need of volunteers to fill a variety of needs to assist the hospital's patients. Applications to become a volunteer can be picked up at The Chalet, 115 E. Second St., Tuesday through Saturday between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. or at the Big Spring State Hospital Community Relations Department, 1901 N. Hwy 87, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Volunteers can assist with a variety of functions, including The Chalet Resale Shop, various fund-raisers and patient events. For more information, contact Dee Lindsey, Big Spring State Hospital Director of Community Relations, (432) 268-7535 or danielle.lindsey@dshs.state.tx.us

- Home Hospice is in need of volunteers of all ages. The organization is requesting volunteers to visit patients. Volunteers set their own hours. For more information, contact Beverly Grant at 264-7599 or 432-967-0901.

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This week I'll begin with a few audio-books and finish with the non-fiction books.

- "A Princess of Landover" by Terry Brooks (AUCD F BRO T)
- "The Tangle Box" by Terry Brooks (AUCD F BRO T)
- "Witches' Brew" by Terry Brooks (AUCD F BRO T)
- "Wizard at Large" by Terry Brooks (AUCD F BRO T)
- "Death Masks" by Jim Butcher (AUCD F BUT J)
- "Steampunk!" by Kelly Link (AUCD F LIN K)
- "In the Courts of the Crimson Kings" by S. M. Stirling (AUCD F STI S)
- "Blood Challenge" by Eileen Wilks (AUCD F WIL E)
- "Blood Magic" by Eileen Wilks (AUCD F WIL E)
- "Death Magic" by Eileen Wilks (AUCD F WIL E)
- "Mortal Danger" by Eileen Wilks (AUCD F WIL E)
- "Mortal Ties" by Eileen Wilks (AUCD F WIL E)
- "Tempting Danger" by Eileen Wilks (AUCD F WIL E)

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- "Shadowheart" by Tad Williams (AUCD F WIL T)

In "Democracy" by Condoleezza Rice (321.8 RIC C), Rice shares insights from her experiences as a policy-maker, scholar, and citizen in order to put democracy's challenges into perspective. She finds that no transitions to democracy are the same because every country starts in a different place. Pathways diverge and sometimes circle backward. Time frames for success vary dramatically, and countries often suffer false starts before getting it right. Rice argues that does not mean they should not try. While the ideal conditions for democracy are well known in academia, they never exist in the real world. The question is not how to create perfect circumstances but how to move forward under difficult ones. These same insights apply in overcoming the challenges faced by governments today.



MONICA MARTINEZ

The pursuit of democracy is a continuing struggle shared by people around the world. The work of securing it is never finished.

In "Devils Walking:Klan Murders along the Mississippi in the 1960s" by Stanley Nelson (322.4 NEL S), Nelson details his investigation into these cold cases, as he uncovers the names of the Klan's key members, as well as systemized corruption and coordinated deception by those charged with protecting all citizens. Nelson reveals confidential exchanges between top federal officials, including U. S. Attorney General Ramsey Clark's refusal to grant FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover's request of immunity for a top Klan informant involved in a Natchez, Mississippi, bombing. Nelson's research points to the development of a particularly virulent local faction of the Klan who used terror and violence in pursuing their goal of stopping integration and ending the advancement of civil rights. Secretly led by factory worker Red Glover, the Klansmen discarded Klan robes for civilian clothes and formed the underground Silver Dollar Group, carrying a

silver dollar as a sign of unity. Their eight known victims, mostly African American men, ranged in age from nineteen to sixty-seven and included one Klansman seeking redemption for his past actions. By unmasking those responsible for these atrocities and giving a voice to the victims' families, this book demonstrates the importance of confronting the traumatic legacy of the Jim Crow era.

"My Fellow Soldiers" by Andrew Carroll (940.412 CAR A) is Carroll's intimate portrait of General Pershing, who led all of the American troops in Europe during World War I. The general had to surmount enormous obstacles to build an army and ultimately command millions of U. S. soldiers. Pershing concealed inner agony from those around him: almost two years before the United State entered the war, Pershing suffered a personal tragedy so catastrophic that he almost went insane with grief and remained haunted by the loss for the rest of his life, as private and previously unpublished letters he wrote to family members now reveal. Before leaving for Europe, Pershing also had a passionate romance

with George Patton's sister, Anne. Once he was in France, Pershing fell madly in love with a young painter named Micheline Resco, whom he later married in secret. Woven throughout Pershing's story are the experiences of a remarkable group of American men and women, both the famous and the unheralded. The chorus of these voices, which begins with the first Americans who enlisted in the French Foreign Legion as well as those who flew with the Lafayette Escadrille, makes the high stakes of this epic American saga piercingly real, demonstrating the war's profound impact on the individuals who served with extraordinary humanity and emotional force.

Once again I have run out of time so until next week I leave you with a quote from Descartes: "The reading of all good books is like conversation with the finest (people) of the past centuries."

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Civil War lessons often depend on where the classroom is



AP photo

In this Monday, Aug. 21, 2017, photo, the Terry's Texas Rangers cavalry monument, a regiment of Texas volunteers for the Confederate States Army assembled by Colonel Benjamin Franklin Terry in August 1861, is silhouetted against the Texas State Capitol in Austin, Texas. The Civil War lessons taught to American students often depend on where the classroom is, with schools presenting accounts of the conflict that vary from state to state and even district to district.

By WILL WEISSERT
Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Civil War lessons taught to American students often depend on where the classroom is, with schools presenting accounts of the conflict that vary from state to state and even district to district.

Some schools emphasize states' rights in addition to slavery and stress how economic and cultural differences stoked tensions between

North and South. Others highlight the battlefield acumen of Confederate commanders alongside their Union counterparts. At least one suggests that abolition represented the first time the nation lived up to its founding ideals.

The differences don't always break down neatly along geographic lines.

"You don't know, as you speak to folks around the country, what kind

of assumptions they have about things like the Civil War," said Dustin Kidd, a sociology professor at Temple University in Philadelphia.

Lessons on the war and its causes usually begin in the fifth through eighth grades. That means attitudes toward the war may be influenced by what people learned at an age when many were choosing a favorite color or imagining what they wanted to be when they grew up.

The effect may not be obvious until a related issue is thrust into the spotlight like this month's violence in Charlottesville, Virginia, and the resulting backlash against Confederate symbols.

Growing up in Charlottesville, Kidd said, he was taught that "folks from the North" had put forward the "misconception" that slavery was the cause of the war. The real origin, he was told, could be traced to groups of colonists from England who despised each other long before the rebellion began in 1861. Not until graduate school did he begin to question that premise.

Confederate sympathizers have long

promoted the "Lost Cause" theory that the Southern side was heroic against impossible odds, and that slavery was not the driving force behind the war. Edward Countryman, a history professor at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, said he learned that idea growing up in New York state in the 1950s.

"I recall my father coming home when I was about 8 or 9 with two Civil War caps, one's gray and one's blue. And I wanted the gray one," Countryman said. "The belief, strongly, that the Civil War had been about anything but slavery was very, very powerful."

A 2011 Pew Research Center poll found that 48 percent of Americans said the Civil War was mainly about states' rights, compared with 38 percent who said its main cause was slavery. Nine percent said both factors were equal.

The divide in opinions broke down more by race than geography. Forty-eight percent of whites chose states' rights over slavery, while 39 percent

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Feds: Texas man tried planting bomb on Confederate statue



AP photo

The Richard Dowling statue is shown near the entrance to Hermann Park Monday, Aug. 21, 2017, in Houston. A Houston man was taken into custody on allegations he tried to plant explosives at the statue of Confederate officer Richard Dowling in Hermann Park, according to a high-level law enforcement official familiar with the investigation.

By JUAN A. LOZANO

Associated Press
HOUSTON (AP) — A Houston man who's previously been convicted on explosives-related charges has been arrested after allegedly being caught trying to plant explosives on a Confederate statue at a Houston park, authorities said Monday.

Prosecutors allege 25-year-old Andrew Schneck was caught on Saturday evening near a statue of Richard Dowling, a lieutenant in the Confederate army. A Houston park ranger found Schneck holding two boxes with duct tape and wires as well as a bottle and a small tube containing compounds that tests later revealed were explosive materials, according to a criminal complaint.

Schneck's arrest comes after events in Charlottesville, Virginia, where a white supremacist rally over the removal of a Confederate statue resulted in three deaths, and the removals of other statues nationwide, including at Duke University and late Sunday evening at the University of Texas at Austin.

Schneck was charged with attempting to maliciously damage or destroy property receiving federal financial assistance. He made his initial court appearance on Monday and was to remain in federal custody until a detention hearing on Thursday.

Philip Hilder, Schneck's attorney, declined to comment Monday.

Schneck had been arrested in 2014 on a charge of improperly storing explosive materials at his Houston home. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to five years of probation. According to court documents, Schneck has a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Austin College in Sherman, Texas.

In November, a federal judge approved a request by Schneck's attorneys for early termination of his sentence. In his motion, Hilder had written that Schneck "is not a risk to public safety" and that "his focus is no longer concentrated on high-risk activities."

Investigators were still determining a motive for Saturday's attempted bombing but there are "no indications of any additional threats to the Houston area," said Deron Ogle-tree, assistant special agent in charge with the FBI's Houston office.

The statue in Houston, located in Hermann Park, is of Richard W. "Dick" Dowling, an Ireland-born Houston saloon owner. His Confederate unit defeated a Union invasion force at the Battle of Sabine Pass in 1863. Dowling was hailed as a war hero in Houston, and the end of the war saw him resume his successful business career until his death in

1867.

"When asked by (the park ranger) if he wanted to harm the statue, Schneck responded that he did, and that he (Schneck) did not 'like that guy,'" according to the criminal complaint.

Authorities allege that Schneck was caught with a plastic bottle with what is likely nitroglycerin, an active ingredient in the manufacture of explosives, and with a small aluminum tube that contained a white powder that tests showed was Hexamethylene triperoxide diamine, which is used as an initiating or primary explosive. When he was confronted by the park ranger, Schneck tried to drink the bottle that had the nitroglycerin but spit out the liquid and then poured it out on the ground.

The Houston police bomb squad said a timer, wires connected to a homemade detonator, battery and the Hexamethylene triperoxide diamine found in Schneck's possession "were capable to produce a viable explosive device," according to the criminal complaint.

Schneck told police he had other chemicals at his Houston home. On Monday, houses located near Schneck's

home were evacuated as authorities worked to dispose of materials found in his home, where he lives with this mother.

The materials were disposed of during a small controlled detonation at the home Monday afternoon, said Houston Fire Department Chief Samuel Peña.

Authorities declined to specify what materials they found in the home, citing the ongoing investigation.

Schneck's mother told authorities that her son uses one of their properties "to conduct his chemistry experiments," according to the criminal complaint.

Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner had previously announced the city had begun compiling an inventory of its Confederacy-related statues to determine if any action should be taken with regard to them.

"I'm going to ask everybody in this city to remain calm. I understand everybody has a First Amendment right. But you do not have a First Amendment Right to deface any of the public art, any of the statues, the monuments that exist in this city," Turner said.

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of blacks did. But 49 percent of self-described Southern whites chose states' rights compared with 48 percent of whites who did not consider themselves Southern.

The president of the Texas NAACP said finding "kinder" ways to describe the war's origins masks racism.

"States' rights is about the whole idea of permitting slavery and allowing the South to do what they do, or, after slavery, to allow the South to engage in Jim Crow," Gary Bledsoe said. "You can't sanitize history and have history report that master and slave were out there singing 'Kumbaya' in the fields."

Texas has 178 Confederate monuments. Only Virginia has more, with 223, according to the Southern Poverty Law Center, a civil rights advocacy group.

Democratic state Rep. Eric Johnson, meanwhile, is demanding the removal of a nearly 60-year-old plaque rejecting slavery as the Civil War's "underlying cause." Republican House Speaker Joe Straus has called for checking the accuracy of that plaque and nearly a dozen other Confederate symbols located around the state Capitol alone.

When curriculum standards were approved in 2010 by Texas' Republican-controlled Board of Education, debate focused on slavery being a Civil War "after issue."

The state's fifth- and seventh-graders taking Texas history courses, and eighth-graders taking U.S. history, are now asked to identify the causes of the war, "including sectionalism, states' rights and slavery."

Eighth-graders also compare ideas from Abraham Lincoln's inaugural address with those from Confederate President Jefferson Davis' inaugural address, which did not mention slavery and instead endorsed small-government values still popular with many conservatives today.

The eighth-grade curriculum also lists Confederate Gen. Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson alongside Frederick Douglass, a 19th century abolitionist, as examples of "the importance of effective leadership in a constitutional republic."

Home to about 5.3 million public school students, Texas has a text-

book market so large that volumes published for its classrooms can be sold in other states, though that influence has waned recently. Publishers can now more easily tailor electronic materials to the needs of individual markets.

Still, in 2015, a publisher promised to make editorial changes after a mother in Houston complained that her son's ninth-grade geography textbook referred to African slaves as "workers" and immigrants.

Virginia's standards of learning for U.S. history to 1865 include "describing the cultural, economic and constitutional issues that divided the nation" and "explaining how the issues of states' rights and slavery increased sectional tensions." Alabama fifth-graders "identify causes of the Civil War from the Northern and Southern viewpoints."

Contrast that with Delaware, where school districts set their own curriculum but a syllabus for the eighth grade suggests what might be covered during instruction says that abolition meant that the American people could for the first time "seriously claim to be living up to their commitment to the principle of liberty rooted in the American state papers."

In Michigan, curriculum also is decided locally, though the state's social studies standards for the Civil War and Reconstruction in eighth grade include the instructions: "Explain the reasons (political, economic, and social) why Southern states seceded and explain the differences in the timing of secession in the Upper and Lower South."

Massachusetts' framework for a U.S. history course asks students to "describe the rapid growth of slavery in the South after 1800 and analyze slave life and resistance on plantations and farms across the South."

Chester Finn, president emeritus of the conservative Thomas B. Fordham Institute, an educational nonprofit, called teaching history and social studies "a real jigsaw puzzle" since many states leave standards up to school districts.

Still, "If the state curriculum calls it the 'War of Northern Aggression' and says states' rights were dominated by the Yankee army crushing the good people of the South, and slighting the whole slavery issue," Finn said, "you can influence what a million kids take away."

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In chaotic meeting, Charlottesville votes to shroud statues

By SARAH RANKIN
Associated Press

The Charlottesville City Council voted to drape two Confederate statues in black fabric during a chaotic meeting packed with irate residents who screamed and cursed at councilors over the city's response to a white nationalist rally.

The anger at Monday night's meeting, during which three people were arrested, forced the council to abandon its agenda and focus instead on the tragedy. Covering the statues is intended to signal the city's mourning for Heather Heyer, who was killed when a car slammed into a crowd protesting the rally.

The council meeting was the first since the "Unite the Right" event, which was believed to be the largest gathering of white nationalists in a decade. The demonstrators arrived in Charlottesville partly to protest the city council's vote to remove a statue of Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee.

That removal is in the midst of a legal challenge. A state law passed in 1998 forbids local governments from removing, damaging or defacing war monuments, but there is legal ambiguity about whether that applies to statues such as the Lee monument that was erected before the law was passed. A judge has issued an injunction preventing the city from removing the Lee statue while the lawsuit plays out.

Mayor Mike Signer told The Associated Press on Tuesday that city staff

had begun working to find a way to cover the large statues with a material that can withstand the elements. The council believes doing so would not violate the state law, he said.

At the meeting, many speakers directed their anger at Signer. They expressed frustration that city leaders had granted a permit for the white nationalist rally and criticized police for allowing the two sides to clash violently before the rally even started.

The fighting went on largely uninterrupted by authorities, until the event was declared an unlawful assembly and the crowd was forced to disperse.

Later, a car rammed into a crowd of counter-protesters, killing Heyer and injuring more than a dozen others.

"Why did you think that you could walk in here and do business as usual after what happened on the 12th?" City Council candidate and community activist Nikuyah Walker said.

The mayor tried to restore order, but as tensions escalated, the meeting was temporarily suspended. Video showed protesters chanting "blood on your hands" as Signer stood at the front of the room. Others held signs calling for his resignation.

Three people were arrested on charges of disorderly conduct or obstruction, police said.

"I think what you saw last night was a traumatized community beginning the process of catharsis," Signer said.

The council also voted to take the procedural first steps toward remov-



AP photo

Tanesha Hudson addresses the Charlottesville City Council during a meeting Monday, Aug. 21, 2017, in Charlottesville, Va. Anger boiled over at the first Charlottesville City Council meeting since a white nationalist rally in the city descended into violent chaos, with some residents screaming and cursing at councilors Monday night and calling for their resignations.

ing a state of Confederate Gen. Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson. City leaders had initially planned to leave it in place.

"I believe that the removal of the Confederate statues is a necessary part of showing that this community

can be truly a community of mutual respect," Councilwoman Kristin Szakos, who proposed covering the statues, said in a statement. "We must do that if we hope to move forward to true justice and equity. We should have done it years ago."

Burned bones found in rural Missouri identified as teen's

By HEATHER HOLLINGSWORTH and MARGARET STAFFORD

The Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Burned bones found on a rural southwest Missouri property are those of a 16-year-old girl who recently disappeared from the nearby home of her biological mother, who is now jailed on a 24-hour investigative hold, authorities said Tuesday.

Savannah Leckie, who was raised by her adoptive mother in Minnesota, was reported missing in late July by her biological mother from their home in Longrun, where the woman's then-boyfriend also lived.

Items found during multiple searches of the property included a meat grinder, teeth, a knife and 26 bottles of lye, which can be used to accelerate the breakdown of bodily tissue, according to court documents.

Human bone fragments were found in a field about 400 yards (366 meters) from the home on Aug. 4, the same day the woman and her boyfriend wed, according to investigators.

Ozark County Sheriff Darin Reed said a forensic analysis was used to identify the remains as Savannah's.

"This is not the outcome that we were hoping and praying for," the girl's adoptive mother, Tamile Leckie-Montague, said Tuesday.

Reed also said Tuesday that the investigation had "intensified" and that arrests were expected.

The jail administrator in Ozark County said the biological mother was taken into custody Monday but not arrested.

No charges had been filed as of Tuesday afternoon against her or her husband.

The public defender's office in a nearby county was meeting with the woman. The office didn't immediately return a phone message from The Associated Press seeking comment on Tuesday.

Leckie-Montague told investigators she relinquished the girl for adoption when she was born and that Savannah spent most of

her life in Minnesota.

Affidavits filed in support of search warrants describe Savannah as having high-functioning autism.

In November 2016, Leckie-Montague asked the birth mother to take Savannah because the girl couldn't get along with her new boyfriend. The birth mother agreed and was given power of attorney.

After the girl moved to Missouri, she was home schooled and had "almost no social contacts," according to the affidavit.

The biological mother's ex-boyfriend, Buddy Smart, told investigators he had seen her discipline Savannah by "forcing her to crawl through a hog pen." He said the girl was forced to bathe in a pond, according to the affidavit.

The woman acknowledged that was true, according to the affidavit.

She also told investigators that when Savannah cut her arm "in a suicidal gesture" that she forced the girl to scrub the wound with alcohol and salt every day as punishment.

Leckie-Montague's fiancé, Cary Steeves, told Minneapolis television station KSTP-TV that Savannah "needed a lot of one on one focus and the farm just seemed like a really good place for her at the moment."

Her adoptive mother last spoke with Savannah on the teen's 16th birthday June 3, and there was "nothing like big, red flags" suggesting anything amiss, Steeves

told the Star-Tribune newspaper in Minneapolis.

Investigators searched the property three times in early August.

Other items recovered included about 20 boxes of bone fragments, a box of girl's clothing, and notebooks, according to search warrants filed by the Missouri State Highway Patrol and Ozark County investi-

gators.

During a search on Aug. 4, two search dogs alerted investigators to a burn pile on the property that appeared to be newly covered with fresh leaves, branches and other debris.

Investigators sifted through ash from the pile and found several objects that appeared to be bone fragments, including what

appeared to be a human finger and a vertebra, according to the court documents.

The property, spanning about 81 acres, includes vacant outbuildings and structures, and several inoperative vehicles and campers.

It is described in the affidavit as isolated and at least 5 miles (8 kilometers) from the nearest paved road.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FILED WITH THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

On August 4, 2017, Sharyland Utilities, L.P. (Sharyland), Sharyland Distribution & Transmission Services, L.L.C. (SDTS), and Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC (Oncor) (collectively Joint Applicants) filed a Joint Application for Sale, Transfer or Merger with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT or Commission), copies of which are kept at Sharyland's office at 1807 Ross Avenue, Suite 460, Dallas, TX 75201 and at Oncor's office at 1616 Woodall Rodgers Freeway, Suite 6000, Dallas, TX 75202. The Joint Application requests Commission approval of a proposed transfer of facilities between the Joint Applicants, a transfer of rights under and amendment of certificates of convenience and necessity (CCNs), and other regulatory approvals. Specifically, Sharyland/SDTS will transfer to Oncor all property and other assets used by Sharyland to provide retail electric delivery service (other than certain excluded assets) in the Stanton and McAllen divisions and all property and other assets used in Sharyland's electric transmission and distribution business (other than certain excluded assets) in the Brady and Celeste divisions, and Oncor will transfer to SDTS certain transmission assets. Joint Applicants also propose that Sharyland will transfer to Oncor the rights under Sharyland's CCNs to provide retail electric delivery service in the geographic areas currently certificated to Sharyland, and that Sharyland's CCNs be amended to permit Sharyland to operate and maintain the transmission assets transferred from Oncor. After a short transition period following closing of the proposed transaction, all of Sharyland's current retail electric delivery customers will be transitioned to Oncor, and thereafter will be served by Oncor and will be charged Oncor's retail electric delivery rates, and Sharyland will serve only as a transmission service provider.

The proposed transaction also includes several regulatory conditions to closing and commitments. Included in these regulatory conditions is Commission approval of a revision to Sharyland's wholesale transmission service (WTS) rate to reflect the proposed transaction. The revised WTS rate will take effect on the date the proposed transaction closes. Sharyland estimates that its wholesale transmission revenue requirement will increase by approximately \$52.8 million (or approximately 26 percent) and estimates that its WTS rate will increase from the current annual rate of \$3.046713 per kilowatt (kW) to approximately \$3.752257 per kW. Sharyland also requests Commission approval of Sharyland's recovery of certain actual transition costs associated with the proposed transaction in an amount not to exceed \$17 million through a rider to Sharyland's WTS tariff. Customers that will be affected by the changes to Sharyland's WTS tariff include distribution service providers who pay wholesale transmission charges pursuant to Commission Substantive Rules. The other regulatory conditions and commitments are set forth in the Joint Application.

Persons who wish to intervene in or comment upon these proceedings should notify the Commission as soon as possible, as an intervention deadline will be imposed. A request to intervene or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech- impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136. The deadline for intervention in the proceeding is September 5, 2017. This case has been assigned PUCT Docket No. 47469.

SHARYLAND UTILITIES, L.P., SHARYLAND DISTRIBUTION & TRANSMISSION SERVICES, L.L.C., AND ONCOR ELECTRIC DELIVERY COMPANY LLC

Lady Steers fall to Pecos 3-2 in home opener

By **MARISSA LOFTIN**
Sports Editor

Tuesday night's volleyball match between the Big Spring High Lady Steers and the Lady Eagles of Pecos offered everything you could ask for in a home opener, an electric crowd, exciting sets filled with quality volleyball from top to bottom, all except a Big Spring win.

While all five sets were evenly contested throughout, it was the Lady Eagles who were able to take advantage of some late unforced errors from Big Spring to pull away with the 3-2 victory.

The two teams went point-for-point for the entire opening set, but the Lady Steers let it slip through their fingers towards the end and Pecos got the 25-21 win to put them at a 1-0 lead for the match.

The second set got off to a similar start as the first. Pecos was able to establish an early 5-2 lead, but that didn't last very long as Lady Steer Kayleigh Penny, let loose six aggressive serves that the Lady Eagles struggled to defend, and brought Big Spring up to a 9-5 lead.

Following her massive kill that put Big Spring up 14-12, Kloe Gang stepped up to the service line and added another four points with some killer serves of her own.

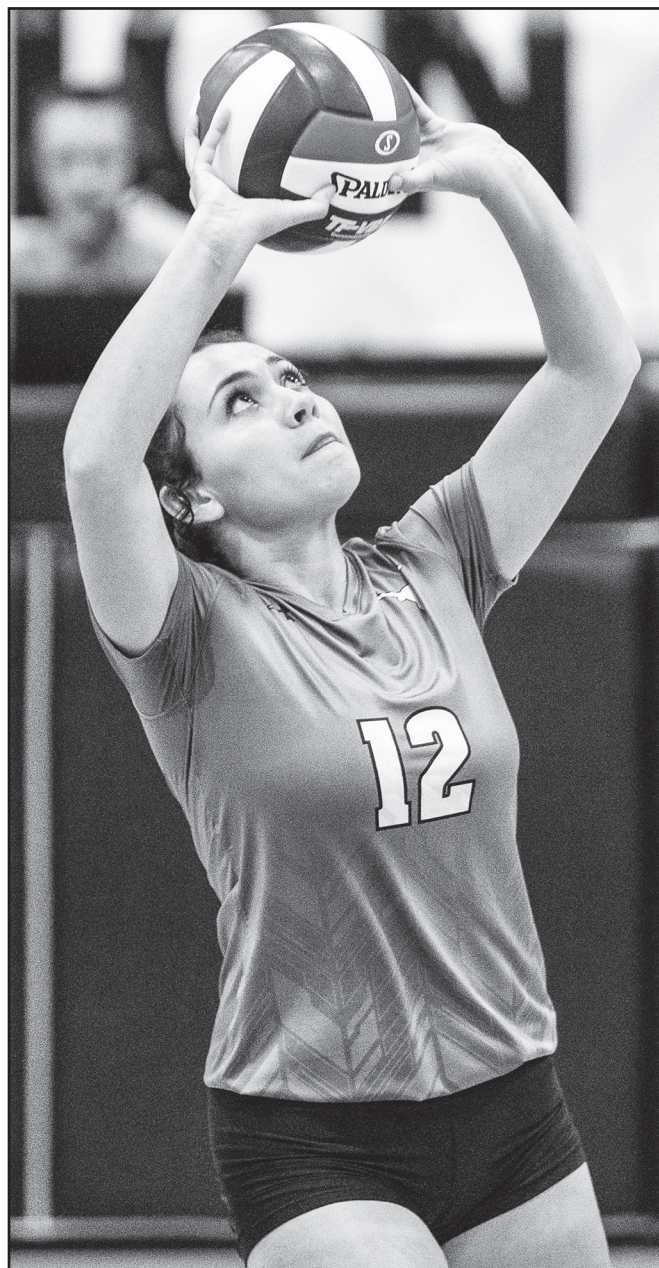
Down 18-12 in set two, the Lady Eagles fought their way back and found themselves within two points, causing Big Spring to take a time out to regroup.

Despite the strong comeback effort from Pecos, the Lady Steers were able to hold them off. In a 24-23 Big Spring match point, Logan Terrazas sealed the set win with a crucial kill from the middle, which tied up the game 1-1.

Set three was another neck-and-neck set filled with quality play that included kills from Gang, Penny, Terrazas, and Trinity Galloway, and a six-point run by Ashley Gonzales at the service line that Pecos could not defend.

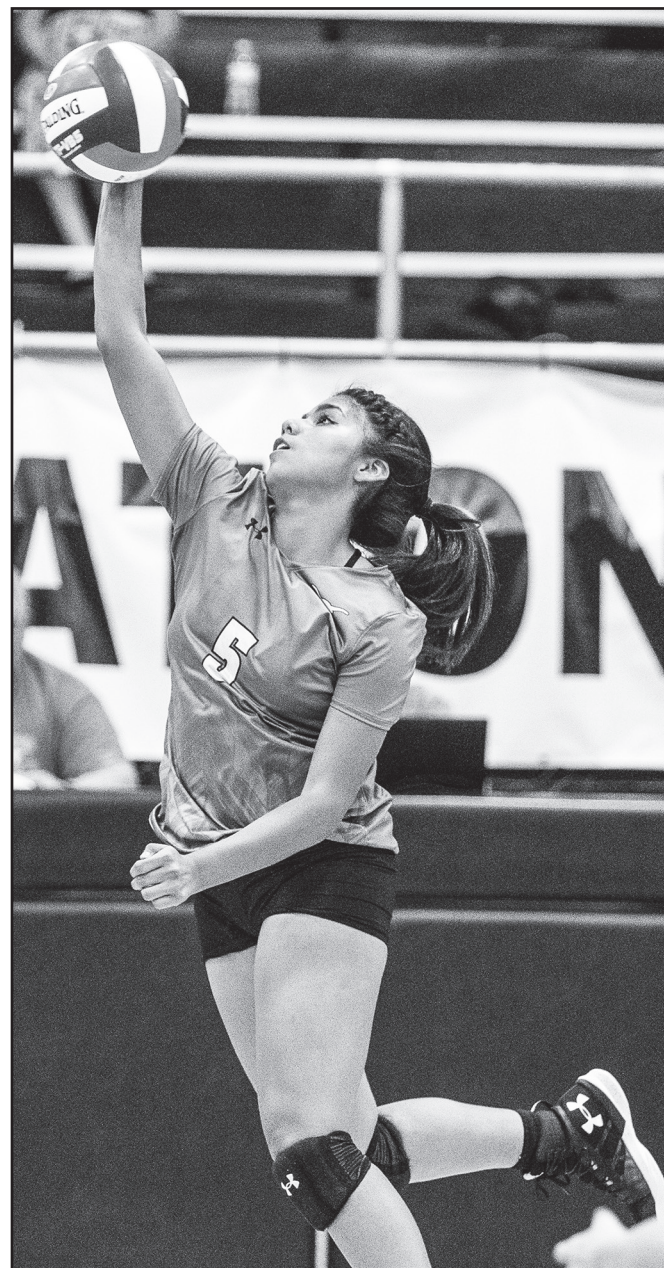
Things began to slow down later in the third set as both teams each committed a few unforced errors, but the Lady Eagles managed to come out with a hard-fought 25-22 victory, putting them back up 2-1 for

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Big Spring setter Medina Bancroft sets the ball during the Lady Steers' loss to Pecos in pre-district action on Tuesday, August 22, 2017.



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Big Spring hitter Amber Martinez gets a big hit during the Lady Steers' loss to Pecos in pre-district action on Tuesday, August 22, 2017.

Pujols passes Sosa on HR list, Angels beat Rangers 10-1



AP photo

Los Angeles Angels' Albert Pujols, right, celebrates his three-run home run with Cameron Maybin during the seventh inning against the Texas Rangers in a baseball game in Anaheim, Calif., Tuesday, Aug. 22, 2017.

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — For Albert Pujols, the home runs keep coming and the records keep falling.

The Angels slugger hit a three-run homer Tuesday night, the 610th of his career, snapping his tie for eighth on the career list with Sammy Sosa to become baseball's all-time leader for home runs by a player born outside the U.S.

Los Angeles also got a three-run homer from Kaleb Cowart, pummeling the Texas Rangers 10-1 to keep the Angels a half-game back of the Minnesota Twins for the second AL wild card.

Pujols' record home run was his 19th of the season.

"It's pretty special," Pujols said. "Obviously, all the great players from the Dominican Republic, Latin America, Venezuela, Mexico, Colombia, they've gone through the big leagues and to be able to accomplish something like this is very humbling."

Rangers right-hander Tyson Ross (3-3) allowed three runs and seven hits in 3 2/3 innings. Los Angeles righty Ricky Nolasco allowed a run over 4 2/3 innings, and Keynan Middleton (5-1) followed with 1 1/3 scoreless innings for the victory.

The Angels have won 10 of their last 13 games and pounded out 16 hits Tuesday. Cowart's home run came in the fifth to give the Angels a 6-1 lead. It was his third home run of the season.

"We had a really good offensive game," Angels manager Mike Scioscia said. "Even starting off where we left some ducks on the pond, but we came back and really got some clutch hits."

The Rangers got nine hits but left 10 runners on base.

"We managed some baserunners, but kind of that nemesis of ours, the offense gets tough for us and we're incapable of coming up with the big hit," Rangers manager Jeff Banister

said.

Pujols hit his homer in the seventh against right-hander Nick Gardewine, who was making his major league debut. The three runs were unearned because of an error by shortstop Elvis Andrus.

ROSS IN JEOPARDY

In his three starts since coming off the disabled list following rib surgery, Ross has posted a 5.93 ERA and could be pitching himself out of the Texas rotation. The Rangers fell three games back of Minnesota for the last AL wild card.

"Obviously, we're in a situation where we have to get some quality starts," Banister said. "That's where we're at. We'll sit down and put our heads together and evaluate where we're at."

PUJOLS STILL IMPRESSES

As impressive as his power numbers are, the Angels are almost

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\$72M Texas high school stadium to hold first game next week



AP photo

This Thursday, Aug. 17, 2017 photo shows the Mike Johnston Field at Katy ISD Legacy Stadium in Katy, Texas. The Houston-area school district will hold its first game next week in its new \$72 million football stadium, believed to be the most expensive high school stadium ever built.



AP photo

In this Thursday, Aug. 17, 2017 photo, Kyle Green, assistant athletic director, left, gives a tour at Katy ISD Legacy Stadium in Katy, Texas.

KATY, Texas (AP) — A Houston-area school district will hold its first game next week in its new \$72 million football stadium, believed to be the most expensive high school stadium ever built.

The 12,000-seat stadium in Katy will be the home field for eight

high schools in the district. Soccer will be played there, too.

Katy voters in 2014 approved the construction as part of a whopping \$748 million bond that will pay for new schools for a district of 74,000 students that's growing at a rate of 2,000 students a year.

About \$58 million was initially set aside for the stadium but rising costs pushed the price tag upward.

The Dallas suburb of McKinney is beginning construction of its own football stadium, at an estimated cost of \$70 million.

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14	15	16	17	18	10/3/17-11/3/17	23 days (10,380 minutes)	15	16	17	18	19
{21	22	23	24	25	11/7/17-12/22/17	29 days (13,065 minutes)	22	23	24	25	26
28	29	30	31		1st Semester	81 days (36,615 minutes)	29	30	31		
					1/9/18-2/15/18	27 days (12,240 minutes)					
September 2017					2/20/18-4/6/18	28 days (12,915 minutes)	February 2018				
				1	4/10/18-5/24/18	32 days (14,670 minutes)				1	2
4	5	6	7	8	2nd Semester	87 days (39,825 minutes)	5	6	7	8	9
11	12	13	14	15	Total	168 days (76,440 minutes)	12	13	14	15	16
18	19	20	21	22	Dates at a Glance:		19	{20	21	22	23
25	26	27	28	29	Aug 3-4	New Teacher Academy	26	27	28		
					Aug 7-18	Staff Development					
October 2017					August 21	First Day of Classes	March 2018				
2	{3	4	5	6	Sept. 4	Labor Day Holiday				1	2
9	10	11	12	13	Oct. 2	Staff Dev/Student Holiday	5	6	7	8	9
16	17	18	19	20	Oct. 9	Columbus Day/ Holiday	12	13	14	15	16
23	24	25	26	27	Nov. 6	Staff Dev/Student Holiday	19	20	21	22	23
30	31				Nov. 20-22	Comp Days/Student Holiday	26	27	28	29	30
					Nov. 23-24	Thanksgiving Holiday					
November 2017					Dec. 22-Jan. 5	Christmas Holiday	April 2018				
		1	2	3	Jan. 8	Staff Dev/Student Holiday	2	3	4	5	6
6	{7	8	9	10	Jan. 15	Martin Luther King Day	9	{10	11	12	13
13	14	15	16	17	Feb. 16	Staff Dev/Student Holiday	16	17	18	19	20
20	21	22	23	24	Feb. 19	Presidents Day/Holiday	23	24	25	26	27
27	28	29	30		March 12-16	Spring Break	30				
					March 30	Bad Weather Day					
December 2017					April 3-5	STAAR Testing	May 2018				
				1	April 9	Staff Dev/Student Holiday		1	2	3	4
4	5	6	7	8	May 7-11	STAAR Testing	7	8	9	10	11
11	12	13	14	15	May 18	Bad Weather Day	14	15	16	17	18
18	19	20	21	22	May 24	Last Day of School	21	22	23	24	25
25	26	27	28	29	May 25	Staff Dev. / Student Holiday	28	29	30	31	
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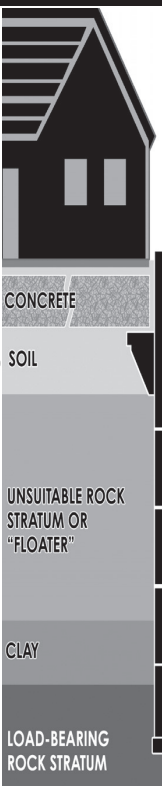
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Moon of Pain and Gain

The natural reaction is to avoid discomfort and run from anything with the potential to cause pain. Pain is there for our highest good, though. It either shows us what's wrong so we can correct it or it comes part and parcel with growing stronger, better and faster. "No pain, no gain" is the motto of the hardworking, practical Virgo moon.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Most days you get somewhere by doing the hard things first, while your energy is fresh. Today it's the opposite. You'll need to coax yourself along. Ease yourself into it by taking on the next small step.

TAURUS (April

20-May 20). Know many things; teach one thing. Your editing skills will be as important as -- if not more important than -- your ability to get one message across. You'll be a godsend to an eager student.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You've access to many creative people. Let them inspire you, but don't hand the work over to them. Trust your own creative instincts and skills. You'll enjoy the outcome better when it's entwined in your own learning process.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your mind can be an unreliable ally. Instead of jumping to your defense, it sometimes trips you up instead. That's OK. Minds can be trained, and it's easy to do so because your heart is the right place.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You've been known to write things down, keep receipts, refer to a calendar and more -- habits that could use some tuning up now. These systems allow you to offload certain mental functions, freeing your brain up for what you really need it to do.

Tomorrow's Horoscope

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You aim to spend less time on mundane things so that you can spend time more creatively. Oddly, the mundane things may bring all the inspiration and rewards you were missing. It's the approach that matters, not the task.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). A large number of the things you've ever thought or experienced are still in your memory banks or have been moved to an ancillary storage space somewhere in your body. It will be useful to trust that you know what you know.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You are on an adventure, a true co-creation, and the options multiply with each person you add to the team. Just make sure that everyone has a defined role and something key to do.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The brilliant circumstances won't be designed out of wishes and built out of expert plans. They will be discovered through trial and error or settled upon because they work well toward a

desired end.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). There will be much meandering before the idea. Even then it may not be a good one. It will need to be tested. So be patient with your day. Listen to people. Take the time to relate. Don't be in a hurry to get anywhere.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Hesitation projects the wrong image. The good news is that you don't have to worry so much about making the wrong decision; most of your inclinations will work. So just make (SET ITAL)any(END ITAL) decision, and do it quickly.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). In all things there's a kind of cost-benefit analysis that's at the heart of finding satisfaction. All that's required is that you work until it's more or less good enough, reaching a kind of equilibrium between effort and benefit.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 23). The world got better when you were born, and the next six weeks bring increasing amounts of clarity as to who you

are and the life you want. There's something very lucky going on with work the last part of 2017. January brings an exciting reveal. February involves new friendship circles and influences. Gemini and Aquarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 40, 29, 30 and 15.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "Someone sent me a high school group photo on a social-networking site. I went to 'tag' the others who appear in the photo and was very surprised to see that their names didn't come up on my list of friends. This is how I learned they had 'unfriended' me. I have no idea why. The two that 'unfriended' me are the most successful people in my graduating class, and I have been nothing but appropriately praiseful and congratulatory to them. They seem to still be friends with all of the others in our little group. It just seems so mean and uncalled for that grown adults would be so exclusionary, and I have no idea what I did to deserve it. I'm a Leo with a family, career and

full life. That this bothers me so much is the most embarrassing part. But it just seems silly to approach them and ask them why, don't you think?"

Being excluded hurts, and when it has to do with people from your childhood it hurts even deeper. Exact your revenge by becoming even more self-realized, internally strong and successful in all the ways that matter most to you. Go get 'em, lion!

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Happy birthday to legendary shooting guard Kobe Bryant who once helped the Los Angeles Lakers win three NBA championships straight in a row. Bryant has both the sun and Saturn, the planet of lessons, in Virgo, suggesting that even though he's unquestionably and exceptionally talented, it's his work ethic that keeps him in the winner's circle. Bryant's Mercury in Leo adds a bit of flash.

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Annie's Mailbox ®

Ostracized Big Brother

Dear Annie: I am 13 years old, and I live in Kentucky. I have a problem with my parents that I can't fix.

I have an older brother, "Greg," whom I love and look up to as a role model. He is 24 years old and my favorite person in the world. Six months ago, he came out as gay to my parents and me. He told us he has been in a secret relationship with "Harry,"

his best friend since he was 15 years old. They have been sharing an apartment for three years.

My parents went ballistic and disowned him. They said he was no longer welcome in our home. I got really upset and biked over to his apartment a few times to see him. When my parents found out, they banned me from seeing him or talking to him in any way. They threatened to accuse him of kidnapping if he ever sees me again.

I got into a big ar-

gument with them and begged them to let me see him. My dad said Greg is a danger to me and is a disgusting person. Greg has always been nothing but a great older brother to me. Since he moved out three years ago, I have had a bunch of sleepovers at his apartment. Neither he nor Harry has ever done anything in front of me that even made me think they are a couple.

Annie, I love my brother so much and miss him. He is so cool and the best person I know. I don't care that he is gay.

Dad said that it is his job to keep me safe and that if I want to see Greg, I will have to wait till I am 18. My brother tried to talk to my parents about this, and they slammed the door in his face. I tried to talk to my school counselor, but she said I must accept my parents' decisions because they only have my best interest in mind. Please help find a way to change their minds.

-- Missing My Brother

Dear Missing: I am so sorry you've been separated from your big brother. I know your heart is

hurting. I would encourage your brother to speak to a lawyer about options to protect him against kidnapping charges, should that arise in the future. I'd also suggest you call the LGBT National Youth Talkline (800-246-7743), which provides factual information and resources for cities and towns across the country.

Dear Annie: Thank you so much for publishing the letter from John, the retired Marine. It was so uplifting and spot on. Many thanks for your wonderful column. Your advice is

always so pertinent to the situation. -- Cindy in Louisville

Dear Cindy: Thank you for writing. I received a great deal of positive feedback regarding John's letter. I'm printing your response so John might see that he's made someone smile.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Hoist by his own petard

West dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ K Q 8 7 2
♥ Q 10 9
♦ 5
♣ A 10 8 3

WEST
♠ A 5
♥ K 7 2
♦ A K Q J 9 4 3
♣ 2

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

SOUTH
♠ J 4
♥ A J 8 5 3
♦ —
♣ K Q J 9 5 4

The bidding:

West	North	East	South
1♦	1♣	Pass	3♣
3♦	4♣	4♦	6♣

Opening lead — two of hearts.

It is said that a little knowledge is a dangerous thing, and this deal, where South reached six clubs on the sequence shown, would certainly seem to provide support for that argument. Most players with the West hand would choose the king of diamonds as their opening lead. It simply wouldn't occur to them to make any other lead, and in the end, they would wind up defeating the slam.

In the actual case, however, West, a well-known player, led a heart. He

realized from the bidding that South almost certainly had no diamonds, and thought it might be essential to set up a heart trick for the defense before declarer could establish dummy's spades and dispose of whatever heart losers he might have.

But alas, West's opening heart lead proved fatal. Declarer won with dummy's queen, ruffed a diamond, played the K-Q of trumps and then led the four of spades.

This presented West with an insoluble problem. If he went up with the ace, South would later discard his J-8-5 of hearts on dummy's spades. And if West followed low instead, declarer would win the spade with dummy's queen and return a low spade to the jack and ace, forcing West to concede the slam whatever he did next.

If West had led a diamond originally — the so-called automatic lead — declarer would have gone down regardless of how he proceeded. There would have been no way for him to avoid losing a spade and a heart, assuming best defense.

Was West simply unlucky because he was smart enough to figure out that South was void of diamonds, or should he have led a diamond anyway? It's hard to say, but of one thing we're sure: A little knowledge can be a dangerous thing!

Tomorrow: Never say never.

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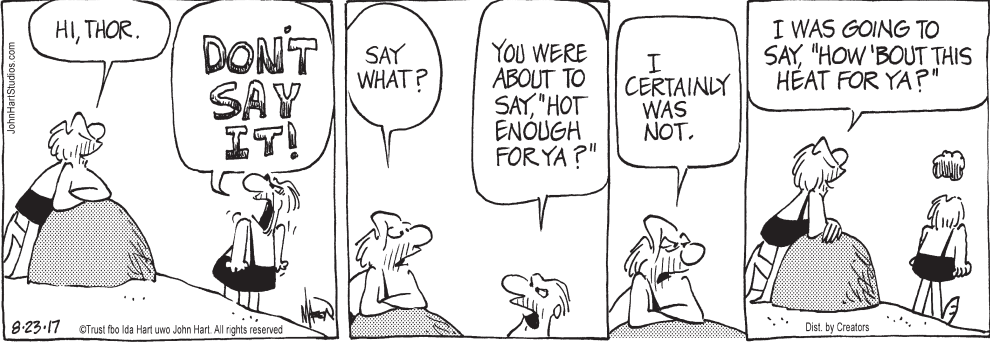
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"...I'M JUST EXTREMELY SELF-AWARE."

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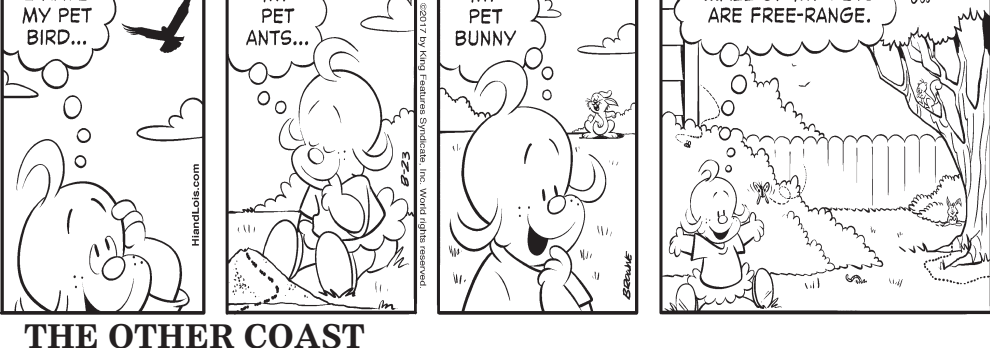
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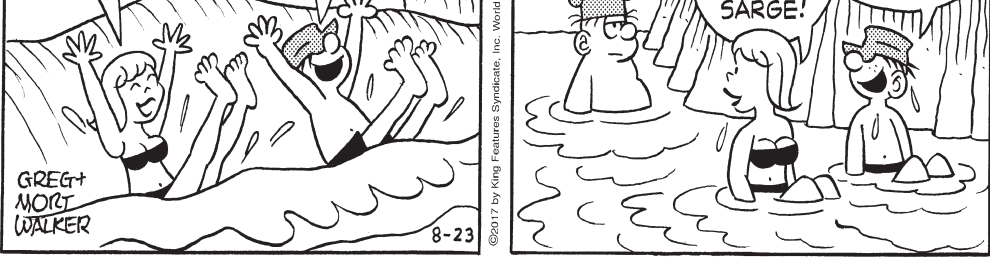
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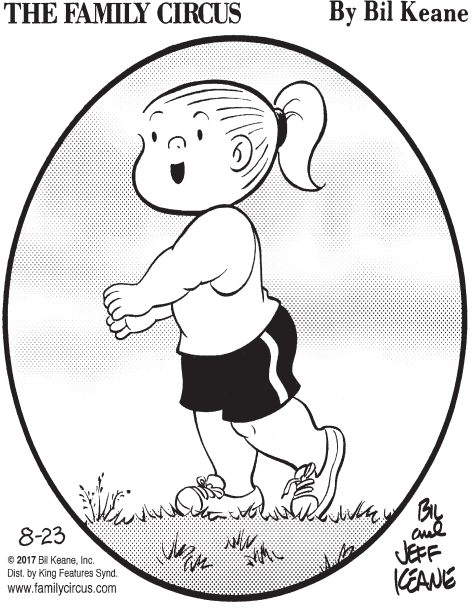
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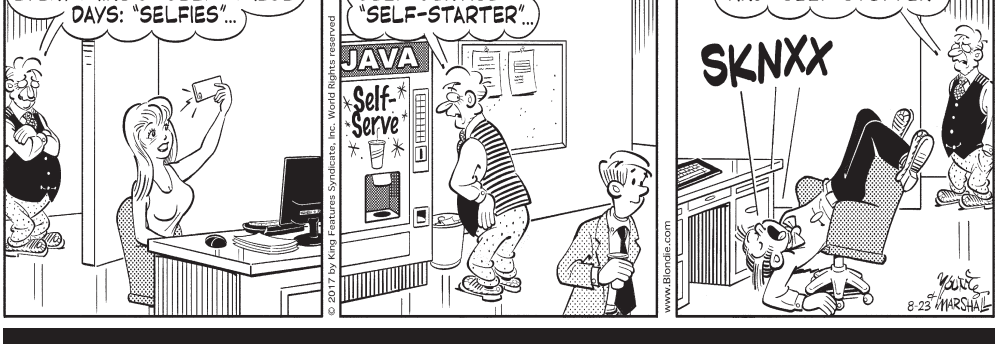
"Watch me, Daddy! I'm gonna try a gymnastic!"

By Bil Keane

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This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, Aug. 23, the 235th day of 2017. There are 130 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On August 23, 1927, amid worldwide protests, Italian-born anarchists Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti were executed in Boston for the murders of two men during a 1920 robbery.

On this date: In 1305, Scottish rebel leader Sir William Wallace was executed by the English for treason.

In 1775, Britain's King George III proclaimed the American colonies to be in a state of "open and avowed rebellion."

In 1858, "Ten Nights in a Bar-room," a play by Timothy Shay Arthur about the perils of alcohol, opened in New York.

In 1913, Copenhagen's Little Mermaid statue, inspired by the Hans Christian Andersen story, was unveiled in the harbor of the Danish capital.

In 1914, Japan declared war against Germany in World War I.

In 1926, silent film star Rudolph Valentino died in New York at age 31.

In 1939, Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union agreed to a non-aggression treaty, the Molotov-Ribbentrop Pact, in Moscow.

In 1947, an audience at the Hollywood Bowl heard President Harry S. Truman's daughter, Margaret, give her first public concert as a singer (she had previously performed on the radio).

In 1960, Broadway librettist Oscar Hammerstein (HAM'-ur-STYN') II, 65, died in Doylestown, Pennsylvania.

In 1973, a bank robbery-turned-hostage-taking began in Stockholm, Sweden; the four hostages ended up empathizing with their captors, a psychological condition now referred to as "Stockholm Syndrome."

In 1982, Lebanon's parliament elected Christian militia leader Bashir Gemayel president. (However, Gemayel was assassinated some three weeks later.)

In 1989, in a case that inflamed racial tensions in New York, Yusuf Hawkins, a 16-year-old black youth, was shot dead after he and his friends were confronted by a group of white youths in the Bensonhurst section of Brooklyn. (Gunman Joey Pama was convicted of second-degree murder and sentenced to life in prison; he will be eligible for parole in 2022.)

Ten years ago: A report by top U.S. spy analysts concluded

the Iraqi government was strained by rampant violence, deep sectarian differences among its political parties and stymied leadership. R

Five years ago: First lady Michelle Obama consoled relatives of worshippers gunned down at a Sikh temple in suburban Milwaukee. Lance Armstrong chose not to pursue arbitration in the drug case brought against him by the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency, setting the stage for his Tour de France titles to be stripped and his name to be all but wiped from the record books of the sport he once ruled.

One year ago: Standing amid piles of waterlogged debris, President Barack Obama promised a sustained national effort to rebuild flood-ravaged southern Louisiana "even after the TV cameras leave".

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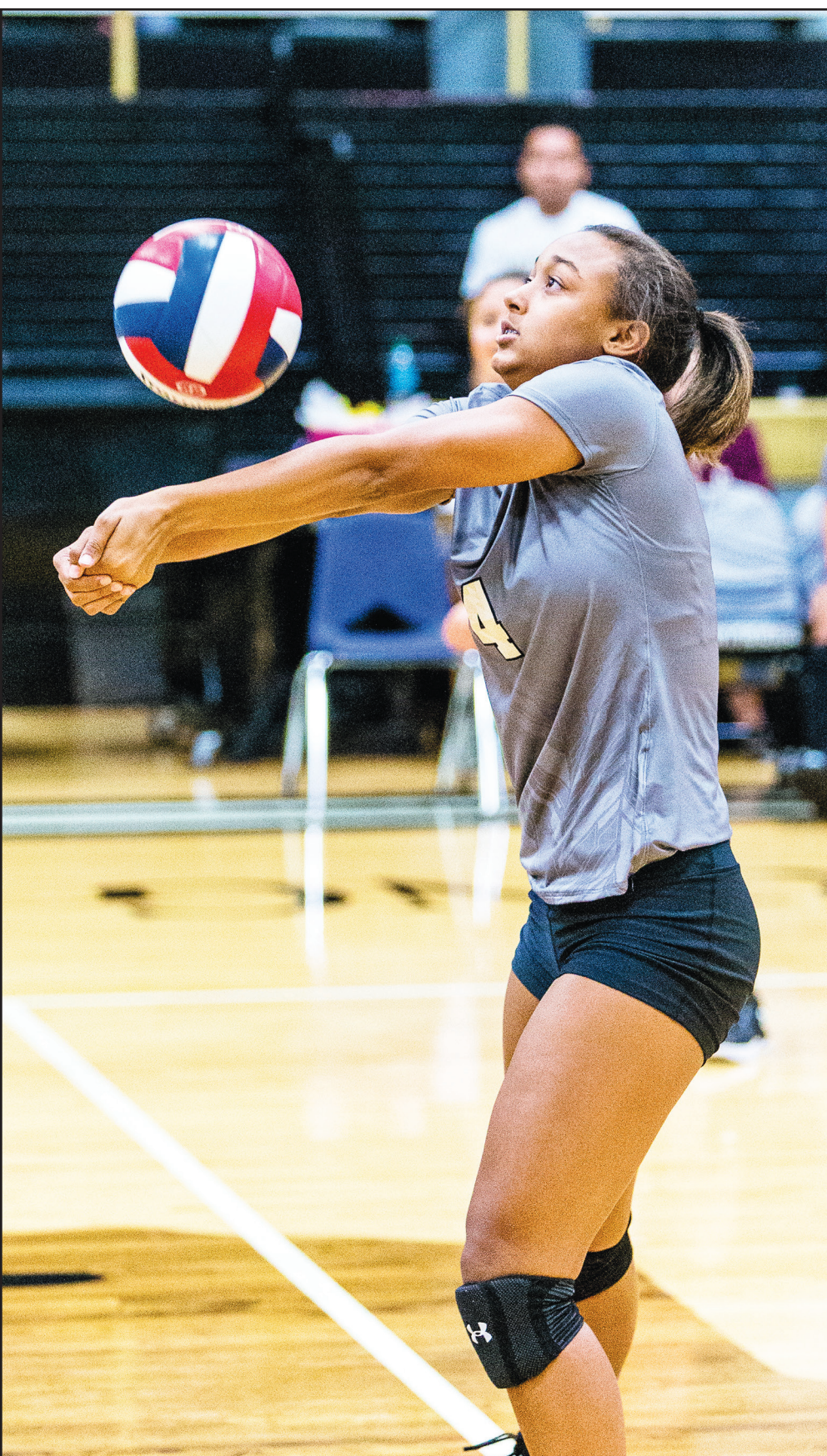
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Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Farmland measure
 - 5 Allow aboard
 - 10 "Beware the ___ of March"
 - 14 Ship's staff
 - 15 Fragrance
 - 16 Signals silently
 - 17 Merry king of rhyme
 - 18 Internet connection device
 - 19 Allow to borrow
 - 20 Used strong persuasion
 - 23 Realize
 - 24 Point opposite WSW
 - 25 Lumberjack's tool
 - 26 Airless tire
 - 28 Think ahead
 - 30 College transcript no.
 - 33 Knight's outerwear
 - 35 "Get a move on!"
 - 37 Dishonest one
 - 38 Routine household task
 - 39 Top of the head
 - 40 Advantage
 - 42 Commandments recipient
 - 43 May honorees
 - 44 Assistant
 - 45 Clumsy one's cry
 - 46 Suffix meaning "belief"
 - 47 When a plane is due: Abbr.
 - 48 ___-and-hers watches
 - 51 Good way to get started
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 - 12 Stubbish beast
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 - 16 Phrase atop a chore list
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 - 18 Junior, to Senior
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 - 21 Dutch cheese
 - 22 IRS ID
 - 23 Rip apart
 - 24 Levelheaded
 - 25 Folk knowledge
 - 26 Cellular device
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 - 28 Home with all-window walls
 - 29 Sampras of tennis
 - 30 Very long time
 - 31 Grad
 - 32 TV talk host Kelly
 - 33 Herring relative
 - 34 Each, informally
 - 35 Adds an opinion
 - 36 Impetuous
 - 37 Zoo barrier
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Tony Claxton (www.claxtonphotography.com)

Big Spring's Trinity Galloway passes the ball during the Lady Steers' loss to Pecos in pre-district action on Tuesday, August 22, 2017.

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the match.

Pecos came into set four full-force, and grabbed an early 4-1 lead in hopes of setting the tone for the rest of the game.

Big Spring was able to gain some momentum, and with a huge hit from Penny, and a monster block by Terrazas and Galloway, the Lady Steers pulled ahead to a 5-4 lead for the set.

Following a forceful solo block from the middle, Terrazas went on a five-point streak as she delivered powerful and aggressive serves, three of them aces.

The Lady Steers were in great rhythm, and showed everyone that when they are in their groove they cannot be beaten. The crowd was going wild feeding off of their energy on the court.

With a big strong-side kill from Penny and another monster block from Terrazas, Big Spring took set four with a 25-17 win, which

tied the game at twos and brought them into a fifth set where the first team to 15 points wins the match. The race was on.

Midway through the point-for-point fifth set, Galloway dumped the ball over the net with perfect placement where no defenders were, which tied up the score at sixes.

Pecos fought their way to a 13-6 lead due to some miscommunications and defensive struggles from the Lady Steers. Big Spring attempted a comeback, which looked promising with Gonzales scoring late points from the service line, but it was not enough to get it done and the Lady Eagles claimed their 15-12 set win, giving them the 3-2 match win.

"Overall, I am pretty proud of the girls. They really fought hard to come back to where we were at and to play them in five games," said head volleyball coach Katie Voss. We've got to start talking a lot more, and we've got to start moving a lot more on defense and expecting the

unexpected. I'm not excited about the loss, but I know what we have to improve on and where we can go from here."

Up next, the Lady Steers will spend the week preparing for their tournament in Frenship this coming weekend, which should be a true test of talent and a great way to prepare for the regular season as there will be many 5A and 6A schools there. To follow, the Lady Steers will have a duel home match vs. Fort Stockton and Midland Christian next Tuesday August 29 at 5:30/7:30 p.m.

LEADING OFF: Cubs check Bryant, Nats still rolling vs Astros



AP photo

Chicagos' Kris Bryant (17) hands off his equipment before heading in for X-rays after being hit by a pitch from Reds' relief pitcher Drew Storen during a baseball game, Tuesday, Aug. 22, 2017, in Cincinnati. At left is Cubs managers Joe Maddon.

AP- A look at what's happening all around the majors today:

BRUISED BRYANT

The Cubs will see how Kris Bryant is feeling, a day after he was hit by a pitch in the left hand and exited the game. The MVP was nicked in the ninth inning, and left-hander Anthony Rizzo shifted across the diamond from first base to make his first career appearance at third. Bryant will likely miss the NL Central leaders' game at Cincinnati.

DIVISION DOMINANCE

NL East-leading Washington is once again making things tough on the Astros. The Nationals beat Houston for the ninth straight time Tuesday night, a winning streak that dates to 2012. Edwin Jackson will try to help the Nats make it 10 in a row when he starts on the road vs. Mike Fiers and the AL West leaders.

BACK AGAIN

Indians ace Corey Kluber, who is 8-1 with a 2.09 ERA at home this season, faces Boston in a matchup of division

leaders. Drew Pomeranz was pitches for the Red Sox — the left-hander was forced to leave his last start in the fourth inning with back spasms.

ANOTHER START

Left-hander Mike Montgomery returns to the Cubs' rotation, filling in for the injured Jon Lester. It'll be Montgomery's ninth start of a season that's seen him move back-and-forth between roles for Chicago. In his last appearance on Aug. 17, he threw 4 1/3 shutout innings in relief against the Reds. The Cubs envision him as a starter long-term, but have used him to supplement the rotation and the bullpen this season.

ON THE MEND

Mets All-Star closer Jeurys Familia is expected to pitch for Class A Brooklyn, a day after throwing a hitless inning for the Cyclones. He could rejoin the Mets this weekend in Washington. Familia has been out since May following surgery for a blood clot in his shoulder.

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equally impressed with his work ethic.

"He's accomplished so much, I think at some point he'll reflect on it," Scioscia said. "He passes great names every time he hits a home run.

"But right now I think Albert is just consumed with helping us win. He has great pride to go out there every day and play hard. He understands his numbers, even though he never chases them. He just plays. And that's what makes him special."

TRAINER'S ROOM

Rangers: Placed INF/OF Joey Gallo on the seven-day concussion list. Gallo suffered the injury and a broken nose in a collision with RHP Matt Bush chasing a pop-up on Sunday. He is tied for second in the AL in home runs with 35. He was replaced on the roster by INF Phil Gosselin from Triple-A Round Rock.

Angels: 3B Yunel Escobar (right oblique strain) did a full workout and is scheduled to have another Wednesday before a possible rehab assignment. He last played on Aug. 6. OF Ben Revere left the game after fouling a ball off his left day. It was

bruised and the Angels called him day-to-day.

UP NEXT

Rangers: RHP Andrew Cashner (7-9, 3.31 ERA) looks to continue his turnaround in the third of four games against the Angels. He has gone 4-2 with a 2.38 ERA over his last seven starts. He has not faced the Angels since 2015.

Angels: LHP Andrew Heaney (0-0, 9.00) is scheduled to make his second start of the season and first at home since April 5, 2016, when he suffered the injury that led to Tommy John surgery. Allowed five runs in five innings in his first start back against Baltimore.

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Saudi teen arrested for dancing to 'Macarena' in the street

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates (AP) — Saudi police arrested a 14-year-old boy who was filmed dancing to the "Macarena" at an intersection in the Red Sea city of Jiddah, according to local media reports on Wednesday.

The video, which went viral on social media in the kingdom, shows the boy with headphones and wearing gray sweat shorts, a striped T-shirt and neon green and yellow Crocs on his feet. He is swaying his hips and arms to the 90s hit song, appearing to be smiling and giggling throughout the dance.

The state-linked Sabq news website quoted Col. Aati bin Attiyah al-Qurashi as saying police arrested the young man on Tuesday and were preparing to refer him to prosecutors for disrupting traffic and improper public behavior.

Western music and dancing is taboo in Saudi Arabia, but such incidents in the past have not necessarily led to lengthy imprisonment or serious punishment. The young man may be asked to sign a police form vowing to not disrupt traffic again.

Traditional dance, however, is permitted. Saudi King Salman and U.S. President Donald Trump were filmed taking part in a traditional all-male Saudi sword dance in May when the president visited the kingdom to boost ties.

Saudi Arabia's young heir to the throne, 31-year-old Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, has pushed for greater openings for entertainment in the kingdom, including allowing a limited number of musical concerts after a more than a 20-year-ban.

He has also encouraged young Saudis to become more physically active as part of a wide-reaching reform agenda that includes raising life expectancy in the country.

North Korea photos suggest new solid-fuel missile designs

TOKYO (AP) — North Korea's state media released photos Wednesday that appear to show the designs of one or possibly two new missiles.

Concept diagrams of the missiles were seen hanging on a wall behind leader Kim Jong Un while he visited a plant that makes solid-fuel engines for the country's ballistic-missile program.

One of the photos clearly showed a diagram for a missile called "Pukguksong-3," which appears to be the latest in its Pukguksong, or Polaris, series. The other was harder to discern, though it carried a "Hwasong," or Mars, designation name.

The photos were carried in the morning edition of the Rodong Sinmun, the ruling party's newspaper, and released by the Korean Central News Agency just two days after the United States and South Korea began annual military exercises that the North claims are a rehearsal for war.

Tensions on the peninsula generally ratchet up during the maneuvers and a series of larger exercises held each spring.

The KCNA report on the visit said Kim called on workers at the plant to produce more solid-fuel rocket engines and rocket warhead tips.

Michael Duitsman, a research associate at the Center for Non-Proliferation Studies, said the first missile has not been seen before.

"The Pukguksong-3 is definitely new," he said in an email to the AP.

The missile might be designed to fly farther and to be launched from protective canisters, which allow missiles to be transported more easily and makes them more difficult to locate and destroy in advance.

Solid-fuel engines add to that difficulty because they allow for quicker launches than liquid-fuel missiles. It could possibly also boost the North's submarine-launched missile capabilities.

North Korea successfully tested the submarine-launched Pukguksong-1 in August last year. It then followed up with a successful test of the land-based Pukguksong-2 in February this year. Both are believed to have intermediate ranges that could target Japan and the U.S. bases there but not the mainland United States.

The submarine and land-based technologies overlap, and developments in either can benefit both.

"It's pretty smart to use the same missile design for both an SLBM and a land-based variant, the key being the canister," said Vipin Narang, an associate professor of political science at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology who focuses on



AP photo

In this image made from video of a news bulletin aired by North Korea's KRT on Wednesday, Aug. 23, 2017, leader Kim Jong Un visits the Chemical Material Institute of Academy of Defense Science at an undisclosed location in North Korea. North Korea's state media released photos that appear to show concept diagrams of the missiles hanging on a wall behind leader Kim Jong Un, one showing a diagram for a missile called "Pukguksong-3." Independent journalists were not given access to cover the event depicted in this photo.

nuclear proliferation. "On land it's easier to move and store, and fire. And you need a canister-based system for ejection at sea."

Trump adviser Kushner in Cairo for talks on Mideast peace

CAIRO (AP) — White House adviser Jared Kushner arrived in Cairo on Wednesday, his latest stop on a tour of the Middle East to explore ways to revive the Israeli-Palestinian peace process.

Kushner has been tasked by his father-in-law, President Donald Trump, with reviving the peace talks, which last collapsed in 2014. But he has made little evident progress and has yet to lay out a clear vision for what Trump has called the "ultimate deal."

Kushner arrived to a chilly reception in Egypt, where the Foreign Ministry appeared to have cancelled a meeting with the envoy over the administration's decision to cut nearly \$100 million in military and economic aid and delay nearly \$200 million in military financing.

The cuts came on the eve of Kushner's arrival, and were intended to scold Egypt for its lack of

progress on human rights and its crackdown on civil society and other non-governmental groups.

Kushner was still scheduled to meet with Egyptian President Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi, who Trump has praised as a key ally in the fight against terrorism.

The White House envoy arrived with a delegation that includes Jason Greenblatt, envoy for international negotiations, and Dina Powell, deputy national security adviser.

Kushner's delegation traveled to Jordan on Tuesday, where they met with King Abdullah II, according to the state-run Petra News Agency. The king acknowledged the importance of U.S. involvement and Trump's commitment to reach a peace agreement, it said. The U.S. delegation also visited Saudi Arabia and Qatar, according to local media.

On Thursday, the American officials are expected to hold separate meetings with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas. No major breakthroughs are expected.

Trump has yet to fully endorse a two-state solution, which has been at the heart of U.S. policy for nearly two decades.

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