

BIG Problems? GIANT Lawyer!
The Law Offices of R. Shane Seaton, PLLC
 Personal Injury & Vehicle Accidents,
 Divorce, Custody & Child Support,
 Criminal Defense, DWI & Traffic Tickets
1301 S. Gregg St. (432) 264-1800

VOLUME 112, NUMBER 136 COPYRIGHT 2017 50 CENTS DAILY/\$1.25 SUNDAY

Howard College's Reese O'Farrell slides safely into third base during the Hawk's 21-20 win over Clarendon College in the second game of a double header played on Friday. See story and more photos of the game on Page 3B.

Kids Eat Free!
Tuesdays 4-9 PM
Kids 10 & Under With
Purchase Of Each Adult Buffet
At Regular Price.



Pizza In

280105

432-263-1381
700 E. FM 700

See P

See **PINTS**, Page 3A

See **COUNTY**. Page 3A

See **CRASH**. Page 3A




1501 W. Eleventh Place, Suite 305
MyBigSpringEMC.com

Obituaries

Jean Hallford Armstrong



Jean Hallford Armstrong, 75, of Sand Springs died Friday, March 24, 2017, at her home.

The family will receive friends Monday, March 27, 2017, from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. at Myers and Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Myers and Smith Chapel with Bruce Jaeger officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial

Park.

She was born to Gertrude Johnson Hallford and Hoyt Hicks Hallford on Oct. 6, 1941, in Big Spring, Texas. She has been a lifetime resident of Howard County. She married Bobby Armstrong on Sept. 1, 1956, and he preceded her in death on Jan. 5, 1992. She was employed by M.H.M.R. for a number of years until retiring in 2003. She was a Baptist.

She is survived by three sons, Bobby Armstrong

of Sand Springs, Danny Armstrong and wife Melinda of Big Spring, and Richard Armstrong of Sand Springs; two daughters, Sherri Daniels, and Mickey Payne and husband Terry, all of Sand Springs; three brothers, Nelson Hallford and wife Kaye of Dunn, Billy Hallford and wife Sandra of Big Spring, and Junior Hallford and wife Jaquie of Oklahoma; three sisters, Ruth Miller of Big Spring, Carolyn Howerton of Tyler, and Flo Hoffman and husband Lewis of Vanderbilt; nine grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by two sisters, Georgia Hallford and Mary Lancaster; two brothers, Sonny Hallford and Bodiddle Hallford; and a son-in-law Gary Daniels.

The family suggests memorials to the Alzheimer's Association, Alzheimer's Texas, 3520 Executive Center Dr. Suite #140, Austin, Texas, 78731.

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

Roy Curtis Hobbs



Roy Curtis Hobbs, 95, of Big Spring, died Thursday, March 23, 2017, in a Lubbock hospital.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, March 28, 2017, at Nalley-Pickle and Welch Rosewood Chapel, Big Spring, with the Rev. Mark Lindsey officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring. The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. to 7

p.m. Monday, March 27, 2017, at Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home and Crematory.

Roy was born Feb. 13, 1922, in Colorado City, Texas, and married Mary Lee Tidmore March 9, 1942, in Tyler, Texas. She preceded him in death Jan. 20, 2006.

He came to Big Spring in 1970. Roy was a member of the Kiwanis Club and The Lions Club. He worked for the Lone Star Gas Company, retiring

after 37 years. Roy also served in the United States Army during World War II and Korea. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Big Spring and also served as a deacon at First Baptist Church in Hallettsville.

Roy is survived by two daughters, Paula Altman and husband Bill of Stanton, and Royce June Underwood and husband Brownie of Andrews: five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by his parents, Albert Hobbs Sr. and Callie May Cox Hobbs; five siblings, Vivian Howard, Carmen Hobbs, Stanley Hobbs, Albert Hobbs Jr., and Jimmie Cox Hobbs; and an infant son, John Paul Hobbs.

The family suggests that memorials be made to Circle Six Baptist Encampment, P.O. Box 976, Stanton, Texas 79782; or a favorite charity.

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.

Support Groups

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 start Tuesday, Jan. 10, at 6:30 p.m. 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.

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

Take Note

• The Texas Department of State Health Services accredited food handlers program is being offered in Big Spring on April 27 at 10 a.m. and at 3 p.m. at Howard College's GC Broughton Agriculture Complex, 2411 Echols Drive. The class, which is being offered by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension, is required for all food service employees to help promote the service of safe food. The class is a basic overview of food safety practices that are necessary to ensure such safe food practices as: good personal hygiene, prevention of cross contamination, and good time and temperature practices. The cost of the program is \$20. To register, call 432-264-2236.

• Registration is now begin taken for cancer survivors/caregivers who will be attending the 2017 Howard/Glasscock County Relay for Life. To register by phone or online call 1-800-227-2345 or www.relayforlife.org/bigspiringtx. For assistance, you may contact Howard Stewart at 432-935-0582 or Beverly Grant at 432-967-0901.

• Forsan Elementary School has scheduled Pre-K and Kindergarten pre-registration for Monday, April 3, through Friday, April 7 in the elementary office located at 500 West Main in Forsan, Texas. The school office will be open for registration between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m.

In order to be eligible for Pre-Kindergarten, the student must

be four years old on or before Sept. 1, 2017, and meet at least one of the following criteria: Must be unable to speak or comprehend English; the household fully qualifies for free or reduced-price lunches; the family is homeless; one or more parents are on active-duty military service or have been injured or killed while serving on active duty; or the child is in foster care

If your child meets one of the above criteria, please bring the child's birth certificate, social security card, immunization records, proof of residency (utility bill with name and physical address), proof of income (paycheck stub for ALL household income), and enrolling parent/guardian driver's license.

George Wiley Williams Sr.

George Wiley Williams Sr., of Stephenville died March 11, 2017.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 30, 2017, at Lacy Funeral Home Chapel in Stephenville.

He was born May 24, 1920.

Arrangements are under the direction of Lacy Funeral Home.

LeNier "Lee" Emerson

LeNier "Lee" Emerson, 86, of Big Spring died Friday, March 24, 2017, in a Midland Hospital. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home and Crematory.

Delores Jenkins

Dolores Jenkins, 77, of Big Spring died Thursday, March 23, 2017, at Big Spring Center for Skilled Care. Services are pending at Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

Laura Phillippe

Laura Phillippe, 91, of Big Spring died Friday, March 24, 2017, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Services are pending at Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

Edith Tyler

Edith Tyler, 91, of Big Spring, died Thursday, March 23, 2017, at Parkview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. Services are pending at Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

Police/Sheriff

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **JON PATRICK MORRIS LEOS**, 20, of 2005 S. Runnels St., was arrested on charges of evading arrest/detention, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, and on a warrant from another agency.
- **DAVID ADAM MARTINEZ**, 32, of 608 Caylor was arrested on warrants for possession of marijuana (less than or equal to 2 ounces); disregarding a stop sign, and failure to appear.
- **SHANDAL WAYNE CLAY**, 39, of 506 W. Fifth St. was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **ARTHUR MORENO ORTEGA**, 53, of 1608 Harding St. was arrested on warrants for driving license suspended/invalid — previous conviction, and bail/jumping to appear.
- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 1500 block of Chickasaw St. (two reports).
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 1400 block of State St.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 1000 block of Gregg St., the 1500 block of Cherokee St., the 900 block of E. I-20 (three reports), and the 3600 block of W. Highway 80.

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.
- **JESSIE AGUILAR**, 40, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **CHRISTOPHER MONTEZ VIERA**, 30, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for criminal mischief (more than or equal to \$750 but less than \$2,500); and two counts of theft of property (more than \$2,500 — two or more previous convictions).
- **ROLANDO CASTANON**, 25, was book by DPS on a charge of possession of marijuana (less than 2 ounces).
- **JOSE ANTONIO RONCE**, 26, was booked by DPS on a charge of possession of marijuana (less than 2 ounces).
- **JON PATRICK MORRIS LEOS**, 20, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for evading arrest/detention, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, and bail jumping and failure to appear.

BIG SPRING HERALD www.BigSpringHerald.com <i>Rich History, Big Possibilities — Big Spring, Texas</i>	
432-263-7331 (Main Switchboard) 432-264-7205 (Fax)	Missed Your Paper: 432-263-7331 (Mon.-Fri. 8a.m.-6p.m.)
Rick Nunez Amanda Elston Marissa Loftin Robert Smith Tony Hernandez Jennifer Cobos	General Manager... Ext. 250 Managing Editor... Ext. 230 Sports Editor... Ext. 237 Circulation Manager... Ext. 252 Production Manager... Ext. 256 Bookkeeper/Business Office... Ext. 255
<i>The Big Spring Herald</i> is a member of The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, Texas Press Association, West Texas Press Association, Texas Daily Newspaper Association, The Associated Press. Published afternoons Mon. thru Fri. and Sunday mornings. All materials copyrighted. POSTMASTER: Send address changes to Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, TX 79721. Periodicals postage paid at Big Spring, Texas. USPS 1431-48 USPS 0055-940 ISSN 0746-6811 BY THE MONTH HOME DELIVERY: \$9.00 monthly; \$97.20 yearly (includes 10% discount). MAIL SUBSCRIPTIONS: \$14.58 monthly Howard; \$18.33 elsewhere.	



10% OFF

New Recliners

2309 Scurry

Elrod's Furniture

(432) 267-8491

Flexsteel
America's Seating Specialist

Best

Sale Valid Through
April 1, 2017

Epic collapse of GOP health care bill puts effort into limbo

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Republicans passed roughly 60 bills over the past six years dismembering President Barack Obama’s health care overhaul. Other than minor tweaks, they knew the measures would go nowhere because the Democrat still lived in the White House.

With a bill that counted Friday, they choked. It was an epic, damaging, self-inflicted collapse that smothered the GOP effort.

“We’re going to be living with Obamacare for the foreseeable future,” a flustered Speaker Paul Ryan, R-Wis., told reporters after abruptly yanking the legislation off the House floor to avert a certain defeat. “I don’t know how long it’s going to take us to repeal this law.”

The measure would have erased much of Obama’s 2010 law, eliminating its unpopular requirement that people buy coverage, ending its Medicaid expansion and trimming federal assistance to people to help pay medical bills. It represented the culmination of seven years of unsuccessful GOP attempts to craft a replacement bill the party could rally behind — a unity that ended up eluding them.

With President Donald Trump serving alongside a Congress controlled by the GOP, the bill was the party’s first genuine opportunity to repeal Obama’s statute. Ryan shelved it amid defections from centrist Republicans who thought it went too far and conservatives who considered it too weak, plus solid Democratic opposition.

Rape reaches ‘epic proportions’ in South Sudan’s civil war

MUNDRI, South Sudan (AP) — After months of being raped by her rebel captors in the middle of South Sudan’s civil war, the young woman became pregnant. Held in a muddy pit, sometimes chained to other prisoners, she later watched her hair fall out and her weight plummet. But the child was a spark of life.

And so she named him Barack Obama, she explains, now free. “I still have hope,” she says, caressing the baby’s cheek with a finger. “I just don’t even know where to start.”

The slender 23-year-old is one of thousands of rape victims in South Sudan’s three-year-old conflict, which has created one of the world’s largest humanitarian crises. Sexual violence has reached “epic proportions,” says the U.N. Commission on Human Rights in South Sudan.

Reported incidents of sexual or gender-based violence rose 60 percent last year. Seventy percent of women sheltering in U.N. camps in the capital, Juba, had been raped since the conflict began, according to a U.N. humanitarian survey conducted

in December.

Mundri, a city of 47,000 people in Amadi state, has been called the epicenter of the problem. Aid organizations blame it on the recent increase in fighting here between rebels and government troops, the latest shift of the war in an already devastated nation.

US immigration judge grants asylum to Singapore teen blogger

CHICAGO (AP) — A teenage blogger from Singapore whose online posts blasting his government landed in him jail was granted asylum to remain in the United States, an immigration judge in Chicago ruled Friday.

Amos Yee has been detained by federal immigration authorities since December when he was taken into custody at Chicago’s O’Hare International Airport. Attorneys said the 18-year-old could be released from a Wisconsin detention center as early as Monday.

Judge Samuel Cole issued a 13-page decision more than two weeks after Yee’s closed-door hearing on the asylum application.

“Yee has met his burden of showing that he suffered past persecution on account of his political opinion and has a well-founded fear of future persecution in Singapore,” Cole wrote.

Yee left Singapore with the intention of seeking asylum in the U.S. after being jailed for several weeks in 2015 and 2016. He was accused of hurting the religious feelings of Muslims and Christians in the multiethnic city-state; Yee is an atheist. However, many of his blog and social media posts criticized Singapore’s leaders. He created controversy in 2015 as the city-state was mourning the death of its first prime minister and he posted an expletive-laden video about Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew just after his death.

Saudi embassy confirms UK attacker had been in Saudi Arabia

LONDON (AP) — The man who killed four people outside Britain’s Parliament was in Saudi Arabia three times and taught English there, the Middle Eastern country’s embassy said.

A Saudi Embassy statement released late Friday said that Khalid Masood taught English in Saudi Arabia from November 2005 to November 2006 and again from April 2008 to April 2009.

The embassy said that he had a work visa. It said he returned for six days in March 2015 on a trip booked through an approved travel agent.

The Saudi Embassy said that he wasn’t tracked by the country’s security services and didn’t have a criminal record there.

Before taking the name Masood, he was known as

Adrian Elms. He was known for having a violent temper in England and had been convicted at least twice for violent crimes.

Ex-Penn State president convicted over child-sex scandal

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — Former Penn State President Graham Spanier was convicted Friday of hushing up child sexual abuse allegations in 2001 against Jerry Sandusky, whose arrest a decade later blew up into a major scandal for the university and led to the firing of beloved football coach Joe Paterno.

The jury found Spanier guilty of one misdemeanor count of child endangerment over his handling of a complaint against the retired assistant football coach but acquitted him of conspiracy and a second child endangerment count.

Spanier, 68, showed no emotion when the verdict was read after 13 hours of deliberations. He could get up to five years in prison. His lawyer said he will appeal.

The trial centered on how Spanier and two other university administrators handled a complaint by graduate coaching assistant Mike McQueary, who said he reported seeing Sandusky sexually molesting a boy in a team shower in 2001. The three officials told Sandusky he could not bring children onto the campus anymore but did not report the matter to police or child welfare authorities.

Sandusky was not arrested until 2011, after an anonymous tip led prosecutors to investigate the shower incident. He was convicted the next year of sexually abusing 10 boys and is serving 10 to 30 years behind bars. At least four victims at Sandusky’s trial said they were molested after 2001.

Report examines grim Bangladesh leather trade, links to West

DHAKA, Bangladesh (AP) — Hazardous, heavily polluting tanneries, with workers as young as 14, supplied leather to companies that make shoes and handbags for a host of Western brands, a nonprofit group that investigates supply chains says.

The report by New York-based Transparentem, released to The Associated Press on Friday, didn’t say leather from the tanneries ends up in American and European companies’ products, only that the manufacturers of some of those goods receive it.

Some companies say they’re certain the leather used to make their products was imported from outside Bangladesh, and the manufacturers concur. Still, in response to the report most brands had switched factories, banned Bangladesh leather or demanded improvements and audits.

PINTS

Continued from Page 1A

full of events, including live music, drink samplings from Glazer’s Beer and Beverage, live and silent auctions, and catering by Al’s Barbecue.

“With one ticket, it gets you in the door,” said McCann. “It gets you a commemorative cup which would be either a pint glass or a wine glass.”

Pints for Polio goers will also receive three drink tickets for three full drinks. According to McCann, patrons have 32 different beverage options available includ-

ing ales, beers, and multiple wines. In addition to alcohol, the event boasts catering and local musicians.

“There’s heavy hors d’oeuvres,” said McCann. “There will be live music by Adrian Calvio and George Bancroft.”

A live and silent auction will take place during the event, which runs from 6 to 8 p.m. Items for the auctions will include signed Cowboys memorabilia, jerseys, and an autographed basketball.

“Our live auction will have some neat Cowboys memorabilia,” said McCann. “We’ll have a Dak Prescott, Troy Aikman, Roger Staubach, and a Bill Bates jersey. We also have four autographed footballs

all by Cowboys Hall of Famers. We have an autographed basketball signed by Antoine Walker, Miami Heat.”

As far as the silent auction goes, patrons can expect to see Rangers tickets as well as items from local boutiques.

Tickets for the event are \$25 a piece. A portion of the evening’s proceeds will benefit the International Polio Fund. The Big Spring Rotary Club will use the remaining proceeds towards their service projects within the community.

Pints for Polio takes place tonight at The Courtyard, 119 S. Main, from 6 to 10 p.m.

COUNTY

Continued from Page 1A

Commissioners are set to meet at 3 p.m. in the second-floor conference room of the county courthouse, 300 S. Main St., for a budget workshop. According to

Howard County Judge Kathryn Wiseman, commissioners will attempt to carve out some money from other areas of the budget to increase funding for county’s road program during the workshop.

Following a brief recess, county commis-

sioners will resume the regular meeting at 3:30 p.m. in the Commissioner’s Courtroom located on the third floor of the courthouse.

The first item of the agenda is a resolution recognizing the World War I Remembrance Day.

HC

Continued from Page 1A

Colleges and universities were tasked with creating rules and regulations to fit their particular campus, but rules still complying with the law to allow concealed carry on campus. Campuses could “take in consideration the nature of the student population, safety concerns and the uniqueness of the campus,” Sparks said in a July 2015 board meeting.

Four-year universities were required compliance by August 2016. Community college have until August 2017. In order to be licensed to carry a concealed handgun in Texas, the person must be 21 years of age or older, under go a background check, and take a written test and a range test.

Trustees will meet at 12:30 p.m. in the Student Union Building’s Tumbleweed Room located on the Howard College campus, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

Also listed in the agenda, trustees will:

- Consider signing a resolution to extend Interstate 27 through Big Spring along the Ports-to-Plains trade corridor.
- Hear campus updates.
- Consider financial and personnel issues.
- Hear general legislative updates pertaining to the college.

Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 235, or email citydesk@bigspringherald.com.

CRASH

Continued from Page 1A

driver Bradley Farmer of Bogard, Missouri, and Angelica Beard, 30, of Mount Pleasant.

As part of the investigation, authorities are checking video from a cam-

era on the bus.

Three coaches also were injured, including one who was driving the bus and was in critical condition Friday.

Classes in Mount Pleasant were held as normal Friday, but counselors were on hand to assist students or staffers, Marshall told KLTV.

MYERS & SMITH
FUNERAL HOME
& CHAPEL
24th & Johnson
267-8288

Jean Hallford Armstrong, 75, died Friday. The family will receive friends Monday from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Edith Tyler, 91, died Thursday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Dolores Jenkins, 77, died Thursday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Laura Phillippe, 91, died Friday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

FOUR SEVENS OPERATING CO., LTD

WE LEASE OR PURCHASE MINERALS!

Four Sevens Operating leases minerals in Big Spring. This will be a NON-SURFACE USE LEASE.

If you are interested in leasing or selling your minerals, please come by our office or call.

We are located at 108 West Marcy Drive (across from Walmart) 432-606-5038.

Hablamos español. Pregunte por Antonio quien le atendera en español.



A modern Dismantler
WESTEX
Auto Parts, Inc.
Since 1947



One of Texas' best source of Quality used auto parts

- 14 acres of dismantled vehicles with over 20,000 sq. ft. warehouse storage
- Motors • Transmissions • Body Parts • Electrical Parts

(432) 263-5000



1 1/2 mile North of Hwy 350

Opinion

“Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.”

-FIRST AMENDMENT

Opinions expressed on this page are those of the writers and not those of the Big Spring Herald unless otherwise indicated.

ADDRESSES

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	Texas 72nd District P.O. Box 2910 Austin, 78768 Phone: 512-463-0331
• DONALD TRUMP President The White House Washington, D.C. 20500	•KEL SELIGER State Senator Texas 31st District 401 Austin, Suite 101 Big Spring, 79720 Phone: 432-268-9909
• TED CRUZ U.S. Senator B40B Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510-4305 Phone: 202-228-0462	BIG SPRING CITY COUNCIL
• JOHN CORNYN U.S. Senator 517 Hart Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510-4305 Phone: 202-224-2934	• LARRY MCLELLAN, MAYOR — Office: 267-2711. • CARMEN HARBOUR — Work: 264-2401. • RAUL MARQUEZ JR — Cell: 816-1015. • JUSTIN MYERS — Home: 263-3771. • RAUL BENAVIDES — Work: 267-2501. • JIM DEPAUW — 263-0008.
• JODEY ARRINGTON U.S. Congressman Abilene Office 500 Chestnut St. #819 Abilene, TX 79602 Phone 325-675-9779 Fax: 325-675-5003	HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
STATE GOVERNMENT	• KATHRYN WISEMAN, COUNTY JUDGE — Office: 264-2202.
• GREG ABBOTT Governor State Capitol, Room 2S.1 P.O. Box 12428 Austin, 78711 Phone: 512-463-2000	• OSCAR GARCIA — Home: 264-0026. • CRAIG BAILEY — Home: 264-2202. • JIMMIE LONG — 267-4224.
• DREW DARBY State Representative	• JOHN CLINE — Home: 263-7158.

LETTERS POLICY

- The Herald welcomes letters to the editor.
- Sign your letter.
 - Provide a daytime telephone number, as well as a street address for verification purposes.
 - We reserve the right to edit for style and clarity.
 - We reserve the right to limit publication to one letter per 30-day period per author.
 - Form letters, letters that are unsigned or do not include a telephone number or address will not be considered.
 - Letters should be e-mailed to editor@big-springherald.com or mailed to Editor, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721.

CONTACT US

- The Herald is always interested in our readers' opinions.
- In order that we might better serve your needs, we offer several ways in which you may contact us:
- In person at 710 Scurry St.
 - By telephone at 263-7331
 - By e-mail at newsdesk@bigspringherald.com.
 - By mail at P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721

DAILY PRAYER

Your love, Lord, brings peace and serenity to our hearts and minds.

Amen.

The CAF is alive and well in Midland

The other night I was privileged to entertain at a Commemorative Air Force event in Midland.

It was sponsored by the High Sky Wing of the CAF and took place inside the huge CAF hangar near the Midland airport. The hangar looked like a big airplane shopping mall. It was full of newly polished war birds ready to go into action. They glistened like giant pieces of jewelry.

Some people have the misconception that the CAF moved from Midland. No such thing. The headquarters squadron, a couple of airplanes and some artifacts went to the metroplex, but most of the planes stayed right where they were.

“They left a lot of items specific to the Midland Army Air Field and they’ve helped us maintain the facility and keep things going,” says Brent Collins of the

High Sky Wing. Our mission is to keep these planes flying and that’s what we do.”

The facility is open on Saturdays from 10 AM to 3 PM. There is no admission charge.

“The local High Sky Wing of the CAF is comprised of about 150 local Midland, Odessa and surrounding area people,” says Brent. “We’re here to stay. Our planes are here, our events are here and we’ve put together a really great museum in the hangar.”

The list of events includes the big air show in the fall, night flights during the 12 days before Christmas and all patriotic holiday events throughout the year. You can even take a ride in one of the plans for \$75 the second Saturday of most months, weather permitting. The group recently went to Andrews and spent the entire day giving people rides in the vintage planes.

“This area was once known as Sloan Field,” says Brent. “A rancher set up a small airfield with a dirt runway in the 20’s. As World War II became imminent, city officials approached the federal government to put a

base out here. It became the largest bombardier training base.”

The event I attended was to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the first graduating class at the Midland Army Air Field. It was amazing. Fifteen World War II veterans were on hand and were recognized to thunderous applause. The Victory Belles, a singing trio from the World War II Museum in New Orleans also performed.

The museum has artifacts from the old bombardier school including two Norden bombsights. One exhibit is about the military days of President George H. W. Bush.

“We have video footage of his rescue after his plane was shot down. Two of his crewmates were killed. He was rescued by a submarine off the coast of a Japanese-occupied island. We have actual footage of him stepping up on the submarine with a quick glance to the camera, showing his face.”

You can see a list of events at highskywing.org, the group’s primary website.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Long and Bailey’s visit to the Friends of the Library

To the Editor:

I appreciate Councilmen Long and Bailey’s spending the time visiting with us interested parties on the status of the county and library. They are right. The rumors and fears are rampant. Meetings like this on a specific issue with interested constituents not only help alleviate some of those but also enable us to ask more intelligent and focused questions.

Overall this is a difficult and complicated issue not to mention expensive. I am hoping and praying their search for a co-librarian for the county and the college, which seems to be a done deal, will attract a creative, progressive candidate who recognizes the needs and goals of both and can lead us through the twenty-first century.

This is indeed a daunting yet exciting task for all partners involved.

Nancy Michaelis
Big Spring, TX

Uncle Mort on Facebook

The new owner of the thicket’s general store has “hit the ground running”

on her promise to introduce changes, one of ‘em featuring “bait and grab.” (When dealing with clientele like my 104-year-old Uncle Mort, grabbing is easier than switching.)

Anyways, she’s got him “hooked” on the internet’s Facebook site, and as far as he’s concerned — a shorter distance than he admits — she can delete all the other websites.

Maybe Mort is a distant relative of late comedian Grady Nutt, who said when radio airwaves rocked with the sounds of gospel singing, his dad dared anyone to mess with the frequency knob on his radio. All he wanted to hear was the Stamps-Baxter quartet’s daily show. To make sure, he sawed the knob off so no one could change stations when he wasn’t looking.

Her plan to bring Mort and his domino-playing buddies into the 21st century — the “bait part” of the formula — is in place. A Facebook devotee, she whiled away downtime recently while the guys shuffled dominoes and argued, with occasional threats thrown in.

None have home computers,

so she is offering a “special” for the week. There’s no charge for 30-minute computer access; she thinks it will be a “soft place” for losers to find solace after games.

Mort asked about Facebook, and soon wanted to know more. Much of the “more” centers on the owner’s promise to add some computers she’ll have for rental soon. Then, the “grab” part begins.

Mort was “much obliged” for the access she granted to her list of FB “friends.” Now, he’s “hooked” on the “ponderables” (as well as “imponderables”) posed online.

This, he thinks, is his kind of place. The FB bunch seems always bent on topics that cause his mind to whirl.

He cited several questions begging answers during a recent session, including these: “What if a person comes down with amnesia and déjà vu at the same time?... If one uses spot remover on his dog, will he be able to find him again?... Why do they have a ‘permanent press’ setting on irons?... When people mention life being difficult, is it okay to ask them, ‘Compared to what?’”

“Some are claims that deserve to be mulled over,” my uncle said. I didn’t have to ask for examples. They came at me like West Texas flood waters after a long drought. (Sudden thought: If it is a short drought, would it even be a drought?)

Here are some declarations Mort passed along: “I had the

right to remain silent, but being Irish, I guess I was too stubborn.... I live on a one-way, dead-end street; not sure how I got here.... Everywhere is within walking distance if you have time. Depression keeps the jukebox playing.”... And how about this chiller left on an answering machine: “I got rid of the body; now what do you want me to do?”

Whatever, now Mort has more reasons than domino or “42” playing to wander into the general store.

Uncle Mort didn’t take long to get a bunch of his FB “friends” sideways. All it took was mentioning the arguments that keep popping up, pro and con, about Daylight Saving Time.

“Sure thought the issue was nailed down, sealed tight; I’m talkin’ permanently in place, when it was voted in,” he challenged, hoping one of his “friends” on line would take the bait. One “Facebooker,” calling himself HolierThanThou, was ready to argue on the Internet. He asked Mort why in the world he thought that.

My Uncle, with Baptist leanings that calmed him and his kin down a bit when the 20s were at “full roar,” silenced the guy with a single phrase: “Once saved, always saved.”

Geezers gathered quickly that day, and with the arrival of the fourth one, the shuffle of dominoes meant the computer would be in sleep mode for a spell.

Coal ash: ‘Why in the world would we be importing it?’

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — Shipping containers full of coal ash from China, Poland and India have come into the U.S. through the Port of Virginia as foreign companies find a market for the same industrial waste that America’s utilities are struggling to dispose of.

Critics call it a missed opportunity. Coal ash is treasure as well as trash, useful for projects from roads to concrete to wallboard. They want Virginia to mandate more recycling of the ash that’s already here, threatening to contaminate water sources or create an environmental disaster.

“We have millions of tons of this sitting along our riverbanks,” said Travis Blankenship, former government affairs manager for the Virginia League of Conservation Voters. “Why in the world would we be importing it from other states and countries?”

The nation’s shift away from coal for electricity has reduced the supply of fresh coal ash, forcing industries that depend on it to look farther afield. Some turn to companies that have figured out how to reprocess ash discarded years ago in pits and ponds. Others look overseas.

The Port of Virginia handled just one shipping container of coal ash in 2015, from India. Last year, there were about 22, from China and Poland. It all went on to Ohio and Wisconsin, according to a port spokesman who didn’t know the final destinations. Meanwhile, more ash has been trucked in from other states for concrete production in Virginia.

Coal ash is an umbrella term. It includes bottom ash, which settles in boilers; fly ash, a powdery material captured in exhaust stacks; and synthetic gypsum, a byproduct of smokestack “scrubbing.”

These materials can be had for several dollars a ton if trucked directly from a utility to a factory or job site. They’re more expensive to obtain in a useful form after decades underground or underwater. That makes foreign imports economically viable.

Nationally, there are more than 1,100 coal ash dumps, many unlined. In 2014, the Environmental Protection Agency classified coal ash as nonhazardous, partly to avoid a “stigma” that might discourage proper containment and recycling, the agency said.

The EPA stressed that this waste, with heavy metals such as arsenic, mercury and lead, must be properly managed to avoid risks to human health.

“We have two children who have been poisoned by this,” Dan Marrow, who lives near a coal ash pond in northern Virginia, told lawmakers last month.

Marrow is convinced a power station pond tainted his well and caused his daughters’ health problems. Dominion Virginia Power recently agreed to hook residents up to public water lines. Marrow says that’s an admission of guilt; Dominion says it’s being a good neighbor.

On Thursday, a federal judge ruled that arsenic is flowing out of a separate Dominion coal ash site in violation of the Clean Water Act, but imposed no fines after finding no threat to health or the environment.

Dominion is closing 11 ponds containing around 29 million cubic yards of ash at four Virginia power stations to comply with EPA rules. It’s been proceeding largely by treating and releasing the water,

Weekly Oil Report

New Locations:

DE Operating, LLC
1401 Ballinger Street
Fort Worth, TX 76102-0000
Rocky Riley, Engineering Tech
(817) 928-3260

SM Energy Company
6301 Holiday Hill Road
Midland, TX 79707-0000
Lisa Hunt, Regulatory Tech
(432) 848-4833

SM Energy Company
6301 Holiday Hill Road
Midland, TX 79707-0000
Lisa Hunt, Regulatory Tech
(432) 848-4833

Pie Operating, LLC
25t025 I-45 North, Suite 420
Spring, TX 77380-0000
Don Rhodes, Agent
(512) 458-6351

83

Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc.
P.O. Box 3178
Midland, TX 79702-0000
Lois Weeks, Regulatory Specialist
(972) 969-4557

Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc.
P.O. Box 3178
Midland, TX 79702-0000
Lois Weeks, Regulatory Specialist
(972) 969-4557

Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc.
P.O. Box 3178
Midland, TX 79702-0000
Lois Weeks, Regulatory Specialist
(972) 969-4557

Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc.
P.O. Box 3178
Midland, TX 79702-0000
Lois Weeks, Regulatory Specialist
(972) 969-4557

See **OIL REPORT**, Page 6A

Howard County

#1 Morita “18A”, drill, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
7.53 miles northeast of Stanton
A-1757, Section 18, Block 34, J. Davis survey
Total Depth: 11,000 fe3et
Latitude 032.101025, Longitude -101.400021. Datum: NAD 27
467’ FNL, 513’ FEL of 296.26-acre lease
467’ FNL, 2173’ FWL of the survey

#1350WA Fletch “A”, drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
3.80 miles southwest of Big Spring
A-652, Section 24, Block 33, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9600 feet
X=771897.338, Y=212212.599. Datum: NAD 27
525’ FSL, 1080’ FEL of 370.54-acre lease
525’ FSL, 1080’ FEL of the survey

#1351WA Fletch “B”, drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
3.80 miles southwest of Big Spring
A-652, Section 24, Block 33, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9600 feet
X=771926.602, Y=212219.205. Datum: NAD 27
525’ FSL, 1050’ FEL of 361.43-acre lease
525’ FSL, 1050’ FEL of the survey

Borden County

#1 Hull “16”, re-completion horizontal, API #42-033-32331
Big Spring (Mississippian) Field, El: NA
5.30 miles southwest of Gail
A-907, Section 16, Block 31, T-4-N, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9170 feet
Latitude 032.414306, Longitude -101.280301. Datum: NAD

660’ FEL, 660’ FNL of 643.5-acre lease
660’ FEL, 660’ FNL of the survey

Glasscock County

#13H Tom-Fowler “42M”, drill horizontal, API #42-173-37519
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA
21.20 miles northwest of Garden City
A-792, Section 42, Block 35, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,600 feet
X=15645441.1, Y=880625.8. Datum: NAD 27
415’ FSL, 1391’ FEL of 960.1-acre lease
415’ FSL, 1391’ FEL of the survey
#14H Tom-Fowler “42N”, drill horizontal, API #42-173-37520
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA
21.20 miles northwest of Garden City
A-792, Section 42, Block 35, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,600 feet
X=1564549.2, Y=880606.5. Datum: NAD 27
395’ FSL, 1391’ FEL of 960.1-acre lease
395’ FSL, 1391’ FEL of the survey

#15H Tom-Fowler “42O”, drill horizontal, API #42-173-37521
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA
21.20 miles northwest of Garden City
A-792, Section 42, Block 35, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,600 feet
X=1564554.3, Y=880587.2. Datum: NAD 27
375’ FSL, 1390’ FEL of 960.1-acre lease
375’ FSL, 1390’ FEL of the survey

#19H Tom-Fowler “42S”, drill horizontal, El: NA

See **ASH**, Page 6A

Gulf of Mexico oil lease sale: Up from 2016, down from 2015

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Oil companies have offered \$274.8 million for this year’s central Gulf of Mexico oil leases, more than last year but only about half the amount bid in 2015.

The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management said Wednesday that 28 companies bid on 163 tracts off Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama.

Last year, 26 companies made \$156 million in high bids on 128

tracts in the central gulf. Wednesday’s high bids totaled about 51 percent of the \$539.8 million in high bids offered by 35 companies for 169 blocks in that area in March 2015.

“Today’s strong sale reflects continued industry optimism and interest in the Gulf’s Outer Continental Shelf, a keystone of the Nation’s offshore oil and gas resources and a vital part of President Trump’s plan to make the United

States energy independent,” Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke said in a news release.

BOEM estimates the lease sale could result in the production of 460 to 890 million barrels of oil, and 1.9 trillion cubic feet to 3.9 trillion cubic feet of natural gas.

Starting in August, lease sales will be gulf-wide.

Offshore production from federal waters in the Gulf of Mexico account for about 17 per-

cent of U.S. crude oil production and about 5 percent of natural gas production, according to the U.S. Energy Information Administration.

Parkview is Your Best Choice

HOME OWNED and OPERATED
Award Winning Rehab Department

264-1300

PARKVIEW NURSING
AND REHABILITATION CENTER

3200 Parkway Rd.

FOR
Long Term
AND
Age Related Illness
432-263-4041

“The Darts”
will be in Concert March 28th at 7:00 pm
at East Side Baptist.

You will enjoy the different styles of Music and of course the Lyrics that lift up OUR LORD and Our hearts. Of the many songs they have written “God of the Mountain” is maybe the best remembered.
Take Tuesday Evening and come enjoy some great Music.
Admission is free a Love offering will be received.

The versatile Big Spring Symphony Orchestra presents

Spring Pops
Concert

Saturday
April 1, 2017
7:30 PM

Big Spring Municipal Auditorium

Grammy Award winning artists

Little Joe y La Familia

Including local musicians

John Ontiveros and Gracie Acosta

Big Spring
Symphony Association, Inc.

Dr. Keith Graumann
Music Director & Conductor

www.bigspringsymphony.com

Ticket outlets: Blum’s Jewelers, HEB, Heritage Museum, Chamber of Commerce & CVB Office
KEEPING GREAT MUSIC ALIVE IN BIG SPRING SINCE 1981

Big Spring
Symphony

localedge
HEARST

RAINBOW BUILDING OF TEXAS
BIG SPRING, TEXAS

Dora Roberts
Foundation

The Broughton
Foundation

The Blue Christmas Fund

Let there be light: German scientists test ‘artificial sun’

BERLIN (AP) — Scientists in Germany flipped the switch Thursday on what’s being described as “the world’s largest artificial sun,” a device they hope will help shed light on new ways of making climate-friendly fuels.

The giant honeycomb-like setup of 149 spotlights — officially known as “Synlight” — in Juelich, about 30 kilometers (19 miles) west of Cologne, uses xenon short-arc lamps normally found in cinemas to simulate natural sunlight that’s often in short supply in Germany at this time of year.

By focusing the entire array on a single 20-by-20 centimeter (8x8 inch) spot, scientists from the German Aerospace Center, or DLR, will be able to produce the equivalent of 10,000 times the amount of solar radiation that would normally shine on the same surface.

Creating such furnace-like conditions — with temperatures of up to 3,000 degrees Celsius (5,432 Fahrenheit) — is key to testing novel ways of making hydrogen, according to Bernhard Hoffschmidt, the director of DLR’s Institute for Solar Research.

Many consider hydrogen to be the fuel of the future because it produces no carbon emis-

sions when burned, meaning it doesn’t add to global warming. But while hydrogen is the most common element in the universe it is rare on Earth. One way to manufacture it is to split water into its two components — the other being oxygen — using electricity in a process called electrolysis.

Researchers hope to bypass the electricity stage by tapping into the enormous amount of energy that reaches Earth in the form of light from the sun.

Hoffschmidt said the dazzling display is designed to take experiments done in smaller labs to the next level, adding that once researchers have mastered hydrogen-making techniques with Synlight’s 350-kilowatt array, the process could be scaled up ten-fold on the way to reaching a level fit for industry. Experts say this could take about a decade, if there is sufficient industry support.

The goal is to eventually use actual sunlight rather than the artificial light produced at the Juelich experiment, which cost 3.5 million euros (\$3.8 million) to build and requires as much electricity in four hours as a four-person household would use in a year.

OIL REPORT

Continued from Page 5A

P.O. Box 3178
Midland, TX 79702-0000
Lois Weeks, Regulatory Specialist
(972) 969-4557

Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc.
P.O. Box 3178
Midland, TX 79702-0000
Lois Weeks, Regulatory Specialist
(972) 969-4557

Apache Corporation
303 Veterans Airpark Lane, Suite 3000
Midland, TX 79705-0000
Madeleine Kenyon, Regulatory Analyst
(432) 818-1636

Purvis Operating Co.
P.O. Box 51990
Midland, TX 79710-1990
Betty Oxford, Regulatory Analyst
(432) 682-7346

Independence Resources Mgmt., LLC
11450 Compaq Center West Drive
Suite 470
Houston, TX 77070-1445
Monica Hutcheson, Land Analyst
(832) 916-2300

Independence Resources Mgmt., LLC
11450 Compaq Center West Drive
Suite 470

See **OIL REPORT**, Page 7A

Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
21.20 miles northwest of Garden City
A-792, Section 42, Block 35, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,600 feet
X=1564573.1, Y=880633.5. Datum: NAD 27
415’ FSL, 1361’ FEL of 960.1-acre lease
415’ FSL, 1361’ FEL of the survey

#20H Tom-Fowler “42T”, drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
21.20 miles northwest of Garden City
A-792, Section 42, Block 35, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,600 feet
X=1564578.2, Y=880614.2. Datum: NAD 27
395’ FSL, 1361’ FEL of 960.1-acre lease
395’ FSL, 1361’ FEL of the survey

#1 Spearfish-Neal “27”, re-completion, API #42-173-33894
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
6 miles northeast of Garden City
A-135, Section 27, Block 33, T-3-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,200 feet
X=1657730, Y=829139. Datum: NAD 27
1731’ FSL, 2021’ FWL of 640-acre lease
1731’ FSL, 2021’ FWL of the survey

Mitchell County

#4301 Whiteface “36”, drill, El: NA, API #42-335-35955
Purvis Ranch (Wolfcamp) Field
9.60 miles southwest of Westbrook
A-534, Section 43, Block 28, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 6017 feet
Latitude 032.130857, Longitude -101.030348. Datum: NAD 27
571’ FWL, 4474’ FNL of 602-acre lease
571’ FWL, 873’ FSL of the survey
SWR 36 (H2S)

Sterling County

#2 Bailey “16”, re-completion, API #42-431-31939
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA
20.90 miles southwest of Sterling City
A-1257, Section 16, Block 2, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 8300 feet
Latitude 031.352585, Longitude -101.113226. Datum: NAD 83
660’ FNL, 660’ FEL of 640-acre lease
660’ FNL, 660’ FEL of the survey

#1 Bailey “16”, re-completion, API #42-431-31935
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA
21.30 miles southwest of Sterling City

ASH

Continued from Page 5A

consolidating some ponds and capping the remaining dry material. The company insists its process is safe.

Meanwhile, the ash has real value, and technology to reprocess it is already being used.

“We can ... take the material that would be an environmental liability and transform it into something that has a beneficial use,” said Jimmy Knowles of The SEFA Group, which partners with utilities in South Carolina and Maryland to recycle both old and new ash.

SEFA competitor Separation Technologies can do the same thing.

“When I tell friends and family what my company does, they think we would have hundreds of these facilities around the country,” said Tom Cerullo, of the Boston-based company.

But utilities are slow to embrace change, and recycling lacked a catalyst until recently, Cerullo said.

A 2008 spill in Tennessee drew attention to coal ash storage. In 2014, a pipe ruptured at a Duke Energy plant in North Carolina, polluting the Dan River with miles of sludge.

A federal investigation found Duke allowed coal ash dumps at five power plants to leak toxic waste into water supplies. Duke pleaded guilty, agreeing to pay fines and restitution. North Carolina now requires recycling as ash ponds close.

“We could do the same thing in Virginia. I think the reason we’re not is Dominion’s resistance to pursuing what is an emerging industry standard,” Southern Environmental Law Center attorney Greg Buppert said.

Dominion spokesman Rob Richardson suggested recycling the decades-old stuff would be prohibitively expensive, but said Dominion hasn’t fully analyzed the cost.

Recyclers see long-term savings in avoiding landfill maintenance and monitoring. Concrete-makers, meanwhile, can make their product cheaper and more durable by replacing some cement with fly ash.

“We’d like to use fly ash in every yard we produce,” said Eric Misenheimer, at Chandler Concrete Co., which operates dozens of North Carolina and Virginia plants.

Virginia mandates fly ash as an additive in transportation department projects, but ash production has been declining since around 2008, according to the American Coal Ash Association.

See **ASH**, Page 8A



State Farm

Adrian Calvio

Se Habla Español

801 E. FM 700
Big Spring, Tx
432-263-1275

In Tune With Your Insurance & Financial Needs.

Matthew 5:4

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.”

The family of Arliss Gerald “Jerry” Rogers would like to thank our relatives, friends, and the Big Spring community for the tremendous love and care extended to us during our time of loss.

Jerry touched so many lives through family, farming, hobbies and volunteering and we, in turn, are touched by the outpouring of kindness we have received. We appreciate the personal notes and calls, beautiful plants and flowers, delicious food, and generous donations made in Jerry’s memory.

We wish to extend a special thank you to the Prairie View Baptist Church Community, Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home, and our dear friends Joe Paul and Rene Beall.

Warmest thanks, Dorothy Rogers, Sherri, Kelly, Renee & Ian.

“The angels are always near to those who are grieving, to whisper to them that their loved ones are safe in the hand of God.”

Specialized ENT care for the whole family.

Whether it’s a toddler’s recurring ear infections or a senior’s struggle with sleep apnea, Paul E. Howard, M.D., at Family Medical Center is here to help.

He provides a full range of specialized ENT care designed to get you and your family back to enjoying life.



Paul E. Howard, M.D.
Board-Certified ENT Physician

He specializes in the treatment of:

- Adenoid issues
- Allergies
- Ear infections
- Hearing loss
- Sleep apnea
- Snoring
- Tonsillitis

Call 268-5310 today and ask about same-day appointments.



1501 W. Eleventh Place, Suite 305
MyBigSpringFMC.com



Member of the Medical Staff of Scenic Mountain Medical Center

Death rates up for middle age whites with little education

WASHINGTON (AP) — A sobering portrait of less-educated middle-age white Americans emerged Thursday with new research showing them dying disproportionately from what one expert calls “deaths of despair” — suicides, drug overdoses and alcohol-related diseases.

The new paper by two Princeton University economists, Anne Case and Angus Deaton, concludes that the trend is driven by the loss of steady middle-income jobs for those with a high school diploma or less.

The economists also argue that dwindling job opportunities have triggered broader problems for this group. They are more likely than their college-educated counterparts, for example, to be unemployed, unmarried or suffering from poor health.

“This is a story of the collapse of the white working class,” Deaton said in an interview. “The labor market has very much turned against them.”

Those dynamics helped fuel the rise of President Donald Trump, who won widespread support among whites with only a high school diploma. Yet Deaton said his policies are unlikely to reverse these trends, particularly the health care legislation now before the House that Trump is championing. That bill would lead to higher premiums for older Americans, the Congressional Budget Office has found.

“The policies that you see, seem almost perfectly designed to hurt the very people who voted for him,” Deaton said.

Case and Deaton’s paper, issued by the Brookings Institution, follows up on research they released in 2015 that first documented a sharp increase in mortality among middle-aged whites.

Since 1999, white

men and women ages 45 through 54 have endured a sharp increase in “deaths of despair,” Case and Deaton found in their earlier work. These include suicides, drug overdoses, and alcohol-related deaths such as liver failure.

In the paper released Thursday, Case and Deaton draw a clearer relationship between rising death rates and changes in the job market since the 1970s. They find that men without college degrees are less likely to receive rising incomes over time, a trend “consistent with men moving to lower and lower skilled jobs.”

Other research has found that Americans with only high school diplomas are less likely to get married or purchase a home and more likely to get divorced if they do marry.

“It’s not just their careers that have gone down the tubes, but their marriage prospects, their ability to raise children,” said Deaton, who won the Nobel prize in economics in 2015 for his long-standing work on solutions to poverty. “That’s the kind of thing that can lead people to despair.”

The issues identified by Case and Deaton are likely contributing to a slight reversal in a decades-long trend of improving life-expectancy data. It’s not entirely clear why these trends have affected whites much more than they have African-Americans or Hispanics, whose death rates are improving.

Case and Deaton note that many Hispanics are “markedly better off” than parents or grandparents who were born abroad, enabling a greater sense of optimism. African-Americans, they add, may have become more resilient to economic challenges given their long-standing disadvantages in the job market.

OIL REPORT

Continued from Page 6A

Houston, TX 77070-1445
Monica Hutcheson, Land Analyst
(832) 916-2300

Independence Resources Management
11450 Compaq Center West Drive
Suite 470
Houston, TX 77070-1445
Monica Hutcheson, Land Analyst
(832) 916-2300

New Oil Completions:

Legacy Reserves Operating, L.P.
P.O. Box 10848
Midland, TX 79702-0000
(512) 469-0064

Contractor not listed

Yates 1645’
Seven Rivers 2085’
San Andres 3536’
Glorieta 4389’
Clear Fork 4412’
Spraberry 6010’

Shenandoah Resources, LLC
24 Smith Road, Suite 601
Midland, TX 79705-0000
(432) 685-1964

Contractor not listed

San Andres 2600’
Spraberry 5270’
Wolfcamp Lime 6472’
Pennsylvanian 8074’
Strawn 8080’
Mississippian 8410’
Ellenburger 8618’

Diamondback E&P, LLC
500 W. Texas Ave., Suite 1200
Midland, TX 79701-4203
(432) 221-7409

Contractor not listed

Santa Rosa 617’
Yates 2110’
Seven Rivers 2296’
Queen 2818’
Grayburg 3144’
San Andres 3488’
Glorieta 4467’
Clear Fork 5943’
Spraberry 6634’
Wichita/Albany 7700’
Dean 8000’
Wolfcamp 8183’

See **OIL REPORT**, Page 8A

A-1151, Section 16, Block 2, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 8200 feet
Latitude 031.345975, Longitude -101.113259. Datum: NAD 83
1980’ FSL, 660’ FEL of 640-acre lease
1980’ FSL, 660’ FEL of the survey

#12 Bailey “16”, re-completion, El: NA, API #42-431-32664
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
21.60 miles southwest of Sterling City
A-1257, Section 16, Block 2, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 8200 feet
Latitude 031.351324, Longitude -101.120343. Datum: NAD 83
2048’ FNL, 1987’ FWL of 640-acre lease
2048’ FNL, 1987’ FWL of the survey

Howard County

#8AH Talbot “H”, API #42-227-38680
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, new well, El: 2642’ GR
9 miles north of Big Spring
A-285, Section 45, Block 32, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. survey
389’ FEL, 295’ FNL of the survey
Latitude 032.3793803, Longitude -101.4743408
Total Depth: 7579 feet. PBTD: NA. Logs: none
Daily Potential: 1,012 Bbbls 41.5 gravity oil w/ 1,660 BWPD
Pumping. GOR: 468
Spud: 8-01-16. Completed: 11-16-16. Pay: NA
9-5/8” @ 4402 feet w/ 1,300 sx.
5-1/2” @ 15,425 feet w/ 2,215 sx.; 2-7/8” @ 6772 feet
Perfs: 7745-15,355

Borden County

#3 LMT, re-completion, API #42-033-31106
U-Lazy “S” (Pennsylvanian) Field, El: 2603’ GR
13 miles north of Gail
A-406, Section 1, Block JP, J.T. Beall survey
775’ FWL, 600’ FSL of the survey
Latitude 032.9470651, Longitude -101.4396949
Total Depth: 8800 feet. PBTD: 8800 feet. Logs: Neutron
Daily Potential: 17 Bbbls 40.0 gravity oil w/ 307 BWPD
Pumping. GOR: tstm
Spud: 10-27-16. Completed: 1-25-17. Pay: NA
8-5/8” @ 2698 feet w/ 1,235 sx.
5-1/2” @ 4036 feet w/ 620 sx.; 2-7/8” @ 7552 feet
Perfs: 8108-8112

Glasscock County

#5WB Riley “E 1819”, API #42-173-37367
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, new well, El: 2709’ GR
11 miles southwest of Garden City
A-999, Section 18, Block 35, T-4-S, T&P RR Co. survey
2246’ FEL, 1852’ FNL of the survey
Latitude 031.8067645, Longitude -101.6552878
Total Depth: 8483 feet. PBTD: 8482 feet. Logs: RCBL
Daily Potential: 880 Bbbls 44.8 gravity oil w/ 961 BWPD
Flowing. GOR: 882
Spud: 4-18-16. Completed: 9-09-16. Pay: NA
9-5/8” @ 7828 feet w/ 955 sx.; MS tool @ 4819 feet w/ 805 sx.
5-1/2” @ 17,006 feet w/ 2,215 sx.; 2-7/8” @ 7795 feet
Perfs: 8751-16,912

UN aims to immunize more than 115 million kids against polio

LONDON (AP) — The World Health Organization says it’s aiming to vaccinate more than 115 million children against polio across Africa next week, in its continuing bid to wipe out the crippling disease.

In a statement Thursday, the U.N. health agency said all children under five are being targeted by more than 190,000 vaccinators in 13 central and West African countries, including Nigeria, Congo and the Central African Republic.

Eradicating polio requires reaching more than 90 percent of vulnerable children and rigorous surveillance, tasks that have proven nearly impossible in war-torn areas. Last year, WHO identified several polio cases in northern Nigeria despite previously declaring the country “polio-free.”

Nigeria is thought to be the only country in Africa where polio is spreading. Elsewhere, polio continues to sicken children in Pakistan and Afghanistan.

TAX PREPARATIONS STARTING AT

\$99.00

WE WILL MATCH OR BEAT OUR COMPETITORS PRICE.



Midwest Finance

600 S. Gregg St.

Big Spring

432-263-1353 or 432-263-1440

REFUND ADVANCES UP TO \$1200.00

Some Restrictions May Apply. See Store For Details.

280123

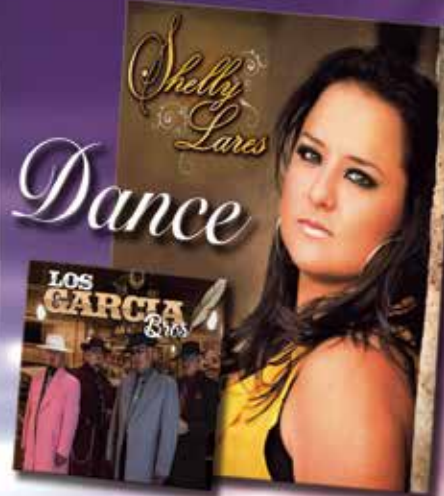
HOTEL SETTLES

LAUGH, DANCE & PUTT

APRIL FOOLS WEEKEND



FRIDAY, MARCH 31
St. Thomas Hall • 605 N. Main St.
Tickets are \$25, \$50 & \$100
Doors at 6 • Show at 9



SATURDAY, APRIL 1
St. Thomas Hall • 605 N. Main St.
Tickets are \$20
Doors at 6 • Show at 9

PUTT

GOLF TOURNAMENT

SUNDAY, APRIL 2 • 9AM
Entry \$150 Big Spring Country Club • 2401 Driver Road



TO PURCHASE TICKETS OR TABLES OR REGISTER FOR TOURNAMENT
VISIT NORTHSIDEMOVEMENT.COM OR CALL 432.466.5363



ASH

Continued from Page 6A

Chandler has turned away foreign providers because of supplies from SEFA, Misenheimer said.

“Obviously, when we have a shortage, we have a hard time filling those obligations. Last year was pretty tough for us,” said Morgan Nelson, of S.B. Cox, another Virginia concrete-maker.

After Democratic Sen. Scott Surovell learned about the foreign imports, he proposed requiring Dominion, the state’s largest utility and biggest contributor to Virginia politics, to recycle a minimum amount of ash annually. That bill failed, but another measure of his survives and got a boost Wednesday from Democratic Gov. Terry McAuliffe. It would deny closure permits until after the utility tells regulators more about its ash impoundments, including recycling plans and clean-closure options.

The Republican-controlled Legislature stripped the requirement that permits be contingent upon this information. McAuliffe restored it and returned the amended bill to legislators, saying such information has to be shared before a permit is issued to restore public confidence.

Thirty-one percent

of Dominion’s freshly burned ash was recycled last year, Richardson said. On average, U.S. utilities recycled 52 percent in 2015, the latest year with available data, according to the ACAA. No one tracks how much ash arrives at ports nationwide, though the ACAA is starting to try.

At least one utility, WE Energies in Wisconsin, recycles 100 percent of its freshly burned waste. Its fly ash was used to build the Milwaukee Art Museum, bottom ash is used for structural fills and road bases, and gypsum is sold as soil additive.

“We were very good at building landfills and filling them up,” said Bruce Rammey, of parent company WEC Energy Group. He became convinced in the 1980s that recycling’s cheaper in the long run.

WE Energies hasn’t completely eliminated its legacy coal ash, however. In 2011, a bluff collapsed near a power plant outside Milwaukee, sending soil, coal ash and other debris into Lake Michigan.

That’s one more example of why environmentalists say unlined dumps must be emptied and any unrecycled ash contained in synthetically lined landfills. Recycling “wouldn’t solve the coal ash issue ... but it would definitely make a dent in it,” Blankenship said.

OIL REPORT

Continued from Page 7A

Diamondback E&P, LLC
500 W. Texas Ave., Suite 1200
Midland, TX 79701-4203
(432) 221-7409

Contractor not listed

Santa Rosa 835’
Yates 2244’
Seven Rivers 2461’
Queen 3037’
Grayburg 3419’
San Andres 3829’
Glorieta 4648’
Clear Fork 6148’
Spraberry 6857’
Dean 8193’
Wolfcamp 8375’

Diamondback E&P, LLC
500 W. Texas Ave., Suite 1200
Midland, TX 79701-4203
(432) 221-7409

Contractor not listed

Santa Rosa 616’
Yates 2106’
Seven Rivers 2294’
Queen 2817’
Grayburg 3144’
San Andres 3489’
Glorieta 4461’
Clear Fork 5945’
Spraberry 6632’
Wichita/Albany 7699’
Dean 8001’
Wolfcamp 8184’

Bold Operating, LLC
600 N. Marienfeld, Suite 1000
Midland, TX 79701-0000
(432) 686-1100

Contractor not listed

Yates 2450’
Grayburg 4050’
San Andres 4350’
Spraberry 7160’
Wolfcamp 8460’

#3904WB Target “D”, API #42-173-37286
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, new well, El: 2642’ GR
13.90 miles west of Garden City
A-410, Section 39, Block 35, T-3-S, T&P RR Co. survey
2544’ FEL, 277’ FNL of the survey
Latitude 031.8547487, Longitude -101.7251067
Total Depth: 8736 feet. PBTD: 8735 feet. Logs: RCBL
Daily Potential: 1,339 Bbbls 42.1 gravity oil w/ 968 BWPD
Pumping. GOR: 968
Spud: 12-10-15. Completed: 8-12-16. Pay: NA
9-5/8” @ 8120 feet w/ 1,035 sx.
MS tool @ 4821 feet w/ 740 sx.
5-1/2” @ 18,955 feet w/ 3,340 sx.; 2-7/8” @ 8097 feet
Perfs; 8800-18,881

#4WB Riley “D 1819”, API #42-173-37366
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, new well, El: 2709’ GR
11 miles southwest of Garden City
A-999, Section 18, Block 35, T-4-S, T&P RR Co. survey
2274’ FEL, 1838’ FNL of the survey
Latitude 031.8067771, Longitude -101.6553869
Total Depth: 8565 feet. PBTD: 8549 feet. Logs: RCBL
Daily Potential: 1,159 Bbbls 43.7 gravity oil w/ 1,237 BWPD
Pumping. GOR: 738
Spud: 4-19-16. Completed: 8-28-16. Pay: NA
9-5/8” @ 7895 feet w/ 965 sx.
MS tool @ 4895 feet w/ 805 sx.
5-1/2” @ 16,8870 feet w/ 2,235 sx.; 2-7/8” @ 7867 feet
Perfs: 8728-16,779

Upton County

#2HM Bold Hamman “30A”, API #42-461-40418
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, new well, El: 2757’ GR
12.20 miles north of Rankin
A-1496, Section 30, Block B, CCSD & RGNG RR Co. survey
300’ FNL, 1251’ FWL of the survey
Latitude 031.3972535, Longitude -101.9384367
Total Depth: 9422 feet. PBTD: NA. Logs: none
Daily Potential: 1,089 Bbbls 42.0 gravity oil w/ 2,616 BWPD
Flowing. GOR: 1189
Spud: 10-14-16. Completed: 12-29-16. Pay: NA
9-5/8” @ 8136 feet w/ 695 sx.
MS tool @ 5426 feet w/ 1,485 sx.
5-1/2” @ 14,772 feet w/ 2,390 sx.; 2-7/8” @ 8698 feet
Perfs: 9417-14,716
9417-14,716: Frac w/ 279,531 Bbbls slick water, 7,940,660#
40/70 sand and 4,075,260# 100 mesh sand

Subscribe to the
Big Spring Herald
by calling

432-263-7331



\$850.00 OFF

OUR BELTONE LEGEND™

EXPIRES:

3/31/2017

FREE

HEARING SCREENING
& FREE IN-OFFICE TRIAL OF
BELTONE LEGEND™
EXPIRES: 3/31/2017

Spring sounds better with Beltone.

Since 1940, Beltone has been committed to helping every customer hear better and live happier with personalized care, lifetime support and award-winning technology.

With a new season upon us, we don’t want you to miss a single thing. So, come in today and discover professional hearing care that is customized to fit your needs with flexible payment options that fit your budget.

Visit your nearest Beltone Hearing Care Center today to **take advantage of our FREE offer.**

Discover Beltone Legend:

- Seamless sound in both ears
- Works with your smartphone for added options & personal control

Take our FREE Hearing Screening:

- Uses the most advanced testing protocols in the industry
- Offers expert solutions to fit your lifestyle and budget.



CALL US TODAY TO SCHEDULE A FREE APPOINTMENT.

Limited appointments available.

3/31/2017

beltone.com

MIDLAND

4519 N. Garfield Ste. 8
(432) 741-3029

ODESSA

4011 JBS Parkway
(432) 934-0072

BIG SPRING

106 W. Marcy Dr.
(432) 271-3907

ALPINE

205 E. Sul Ross Ave
(432) 294-8646



©2017 Beltone. Features and promotions are subject to change without notice. Beltone is not responsible for any typographical errors. *Discount off MSRP and applies to a pair of Beltone Legend hearing aids. \$800 off single hearing aid. Cannot be combined with other offers, coupons or insurance plans. Previous purchases excluded. Participation may vary. See location for details. Benefits of hearing aids vary by type and degree of hearing loss, noise environment, accuracy of hearing evaluation and proper fit. Beltone Hearing Care Centers are independently owned and operated.

278249

Lady Hawks prevail in double header against Tejanas

By **MARISSA LOFTIN**

Sports Editor

The Lady Hawks softball team hit the road to take on El Paso Community College in a conference double header where they came out on top in a dominating performance, beating the Tejanas in a 9-0 shut out in the first game, and 17-3 in the second.

"I thought we played great," said head coach Kelly Raines. "We came out pitching and hitting strong. It was a good way to start the weekend."

Game one: Howard College 9 - El Paso 0

The Lady Hawks were a force at the plate and on defense as they were able to hold El Paso scoreless for the entire game.

The first runs for Howard College were scored in the first inning when Kaylynn Lopez bagged an RBI double, Megan Darling scored on a sacrifice fly by Mariah Young, and Jackie Mercado brought Lopez home in a single.

In the second inning, the Lady Hawks collected two more runs from a two-RBI double by Darling to bring Howard College up 5-0.

Mercado smashed the ball out of the field for a solo homer in the third to add another run to the

Lady Hawks score.

A home run by Charlee Thompson, an RBI triple by Mackenzie Mitchiner and a score on a sacrifice fly was enough to seal the game for the Lady Hawks and they would the shut out victory over the Tejanas in just five innings of play.

Celeste Villigrana got the win for Howard College. She pitched for all five innings, surrendered three hits, zero runs, walked only one and struck out five.

The Lady Hawks broke off a total of 11 hits for the game. Darling led the team with three runs batted in.

Game two: Howard College 17 - El Paso 3

The Lady Hawks picked up right where they left off and brought across eight runs in the top of the first to establish an early and comfortable lead. The big inning was thanks to an RBI single by Darling, a two-RBI homer by Young, a score by Mercado on a passed ball, an RBI single by Taylah Hamilton, another RBI single from Darling and run scored in a double play, which thankfully for El Paso, forced Howard College off the plate before it got even more out of hand.

After holding the Tejanas scoreless for another inning, the

Lady Hawks scored another six runs to put them up 14-0 in the second. The runs came from another home run from Young, an RBI single from Hamilton, a walk with the bases loaded, and a three-RBI double from Lopez.

Both teams were able to keep each other from crossing home in the third inning, but that didn't last long as the Lady Hawks came right back with another three runs in the fourth to put the game away.

In a failed comeback attempt, the Tejanas put up three runs in the final inning of the game from three RBI singles.

El Paso could not string anything together and came up 14 runs short as they fell to the Lady Hawks, final score: 17-3.

Howard College bagged a total of 17 hits for the game. Lopez lead the team offensively going 3-4 for the game and brought five runs across for the Lady Hawks.

Michaela Brown earned the win for Howard College. She pitched five innings, surrendered four hits, three runs, walked one, and struck out five.

The Lady Hawks will take on the Tejanas once more in another double header which will take place today in El Paso with the games beginning at 11 a.m.

Bufs dominate Lions in district opener 13-2

By **MARISSA LOFTIN**

Sports Editor

The Forsan Buffalo baseball team took their skills to Roby, Texas, where they came out on top of the Lions in their first district game of the season 13-2.

The Buffaloes set the tone of the game early when they drove in three runs in the first inning thanks to a score from Kolby Watson and Erhen Hillger on passed balls, and an RBI single from Bryce Hergert and took a 3-0 lead over Roby.

Forsan added another four runs to their lead in the top of the third inning from a two-RBI single from Hergert, followed by Hergert scoring on a balk by the Lion's pitcher, and Brycon Pineda sliding across home in a steal to bring the Bufs up 7-0.

After another defensive stop from Forsan to retire the third inning, the Bufs managed to put the game out of the Lions reach by

bringing four more runs across, which came from RBI singles by Watson, Ricky Prater and Taylor Christian, and an RBI double from Hergert. This brought the Buffaloes to an 11-0 lead.

The Lions were able to bring one across in the top of the fifth when Blaze Yeater, Forsan pitcher, hit a Lion on a pitch with the bases loaded.

The following inning, Conner Clarkson grounded out but still drove in Yeater to cross the plate, followed by an RBI double by James McCafferty to bring the Buffaloes up 13-1 in this one-sided game.

Although Roby was able to bring in one last run in the bottom of the fifth, it wasn't nearly enough to keep up with the Buffaloes and the game ended after just five innings of play with a final score of 13-2.

"I was pleased with the focus of our guys today," said head

baseball coach Stephen East. "It was our first district game and we seemed like we were ready to play. I hope that continues to carry over going forward."

Jacob Valdez earned the win for Forsan. He pitched three innings, allowed zero runs, one hit, and struck out four.

The Bufs got off 12 hits in the game, with Hergert, Watson, and Prater contributing multiple hits for the team. Hergert and Prater led the team in stolen bases, earning four each of the team's 16 total of bases stolen for the game.

"We had another pretty good game offensively," said East. "We were able to run on them and that kept the pressure on when we got on base."

Up next, Forsan will host Hermleigh in their second district game which will take place this Tuesday, March 28, at 7 p.m.

Bulldogs defeat Badgers 19-6

By **MARISSA LOFTIN**

Sports Editor

The Coahoma Bulldog baseball team made their way to Merkel where they took on the Badgers and came out on top in a one-sided 19-6 victory.

The Bulldogs got straight to business as they opened the game with an astounding 16 runs brought across in the top of the first. The huge inning was thanks to a two-RBI triple by Braden Pearson, an RBI single by Alex Biddison, an RBI single by Landon Grant, a score by Biddison on a ground out, a two-RBI single by Zach Holmes, an RBI single by Pearson, an RBI single by Logan Franklin, an RBI double by Adam Clark, a two-RBI double by Biddison, an RBI single from Fletcher Mashburn, a walk with the bases loaded, and another RBI single from Pearson to bring the score to whopping 16-0.

There wasn't much the Badgers could do to try and lessen the large deficit they quickly found themselves with, but they did manage to bring across three runs from two RBI singles and a run scored in a fielder's choice.

After a scoreless second inning, Coahoma put the game out of Merkel's reach, if they hadn't already, with an RBI double by Franklin, a run driven in on a ground out, and an RBI single from Biddison.

With the Bulldogs up 19-4 in the bottom of the

fifth inning, the Badgers had their work cut out for them. Merkel tried to string up something of a comeback, but could not get it done as they only managed to bring in two runs. The Bulldogs got the district win with a final score of 19-6.

"I am really proud of how the guys adjusted to the different pitching," said head baseball coach Bryan Jacobs. "We will continue to work on our plate discipline and will have some defensive clean up to do as well."

The Bulldogs bagged a total of 21 hits in the game. Pearson and Biddison gave the Badgers fits as they were both able to drive in four runs each to lead Coahoma offensively.

"We did a great job of executing the game plan in the first inning and hitting the ball the other way," said Jacobs. "We were really seeing the ball well tonight."

Mashburn earned the win for Coahoma. He threw for five innings, allowed six runs and nine hits, struck out three, and walked zero.

"The guys are starting to recognize their strengths and see their competitive possibilities," said Jacobs. "We have to stay strong though the district grind to avoid any let downs."

The Bulldogs will host Stanton for their next district game which will take place in Coahoma at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 31.

Steers lose on the road to Brownwood 8-5

By **MARISSA LOFTIN**

Sports Editor

The Big Spring Steers varsity baseball team travelled to Brownwood Friday night, where they fell short in their district matchup against the Lions. 8-5.

The Steers got off to a slow start as they were held scoreless for the first three innings. Brownwood managed to put up five runs throughout the first three innings, which came from a score on a ground out in the first, an RBI double and another score on a ground out in the second, and an RBI single and a score on a sacrifice fly in the third.

With the Lions up 5-0 heading into the fourth, the Steers found some momentum and brought themselves back into the game by putting up five runs to tie the scores up at five. The big inning was thanks to a sacrifice fly from Jason Miramontes, an RBI single from Brayden Sizenbach, an error driving in two runners, and an error to drive in one.

Brownwood fought back by bringing in one run in the forth, one in the fifth and another in the sixth while they managed to hold the Steers scoreless for the remainder of the game.

Unfortunately Big Spring just couldn't get it done on the road, and fell to the Lions with a final score of 8-5.

"Overall, this club continues to stay composed and compete despite the score. But to win a district game on the road you have to be mentally tough, and all of our blunders were mental," said head baseball coach Daniel Carrillo. "You have to expect nothing to go your way, crowd and umpires against you and yet, still be tough enough to overcome that. We will learn and get better at the mental approach to get to where we need to be, but we aren't too far off. We just need to keep treading that water and as always, bring the boat."

Coming up, the Steers will make their way to Snyder for another district match which will take place on April 4 at 7 p.m.

Brownwood defeats Lady Steers in back-and-forth match

By **MARISSA LOFTIN**

Sports Editor

The Big Spring Steer Lady Softball team mustered up a come back against the Brownwood Lady Lions in their game last night, but could not get it done in the end and went on to lose by just one run.

With a costly loaded base walk by Big Spring in the bottom of the first inning, the Lady Lions were able to bring their first run across for the game.

The second was very brief, as both teams managed to get three quick outs to retire the inning.

At the top of the third, Ashley Gonzales knocked off an RBI single that tied the game up 1-1.

Brownwood responded by bringing across three runs of their own coming from a two-RBI double from Emily Perez and an RBI double from Ashlynn Patteson which brought the Lady Lions up three runs over Big Spring with a 4-1 lead.

After Brownwood was able to drive in one run from a solo homer by Chyanne Ellett of the Lions, the Lady Steers were able to string together a comeback attempt of three runs in the fifth, thanks to a two-RBI double by Cierra Martinez followed by an error allowing Martinez to score.

With the score at 5-4 going into the bottom of the fifth, both teams were able to defend the plate for the remainder of the game, and the score remained as Brownwood got the win over the Lady Steers.

"This was a tough loss," said head softball coach Chelsey Jordan. "The girls came out ready for a battle, but unfortunately we got down early."

Big Spring totaled 10 hits for the game. Martinez, Gonzales and Leah Rivera each collected multiple hits for the team. Martinez led offensively going 3-4 on the day with two runs batted in.

Ysabel Solis took the loss for the Lady Steers. She pitched six innings, surrendered 9 hits, five runs, walked four and struck out three.

"The girls fought with heart and had a great comeback," said Jordan. "We are proud of the team we are becoming, and we look forward to playing Brownwood on our turf."

The Lady Steers will hit the road to take on the Snyder Tigers for a second time this season. The game will be held on Monday, April 3, in Snyder at 5 p.m.

Supporting Local & Area Sports!

TEXAS BORN. TEXAS BUILT. SINCE 1881.
HIGGINBOTHAM
BROTHERS

BEHIND EVERY PROJECT IS A
True Value

1900 E. FM 700
432-263-7441



Harden's 38 points lead Rockets over Pelicans 117-107



AP Photo/George Bridges

New Orleans Pelicans forward Anthony Davis (23) Anthony Davis (23) guards Houston Rockets guard James Harden (13) in the first half of an NBA basketball game Friday, March 24, 2017, in Houston.

HOUSTON (AP) — After winning just 41 games in last year's disappointing season, the Houston Rockets acknowledged their 50th win on Friday night.

However, they weren't celebrating it.

"Sixty would be nice," coach Mike D'Antoni said smiling. "We may celebrate that one. But not 50."

It's probably unlikely with just 10 regular-season games left, so for now the Rockets are simply focused on improving before the post-season begins.

James Harden scored 38 points, including eight down the stretch, and tied a career high with 17 assists to help the Rockets pull away for a 117-107 victory over the New Orleans Pelicans.

"We got stops when we needed to, scored when we needed to and put the game away," Harden said.

The Pelicans had scored seven points in a row, capped by a 3-pointer from DeMarcus Cousins, to cut the lead to two with about two minutes left. Harden scored Houston's first points in almost 2 1/2 minutes after that on a driving layup to extend the lead. And after a bucket by Cousins on the other end, Harden made three free throws to leave the Rockets up 110-105 with about 90 seconds left.

A 3-pointer by Harden soon after that put it out of reach, and gave the MVP candidate a standing ovation from the home crowd.

Harden, who is having the

best season of his career in his first year as the team's point guard, was asked if he thinks he's made a case to be named the league's MVP.

"I think so, but I try not to think about it too much," he said. "I just try to go do my job at a high level and win games and that's all I can do."

Anthony Davis had 33 points and 16 rebounds and Cousins added 29 points for the Pelicans, whose three-game winning streak was snapped.

"We played well, but you're playing against a great team with a great player, arguably the MVP of the league," Pelicans coach Alvin Gentry said. "He made plays down the stretch and we weren't able to make them. And that's what it came down to."

The Rockets have won eight of the past 10 games against the Pelicans and five straight at home.

Harden got going early, scoring 17 points in the first quarter en route to his fourth straight game with at least 30 points and 10 assists. New Orleans trailed by six in the fourth quarter when Cousins pushed Patrick Beverley and he fell to the ground before Cousins stepped back and sunk a 3-pointer. No foul was called and Beverley began jawing at the referees, earning a technical foul. But New Orleans missed the foul shot to remain down by three with about nine minutes left.

Cousins tied it with a three-point play with about 8 1/2 minutes left when Hous-

ton began a 7-0 run, powered by five points from Beverley. Beverley made a 3-pointer before adding a tip-in layup on the next possession after a missed 3-pointer by Ryan Anderson to make it 97-90.

The Pelicans got within six, but Eric Gordon hit a 3-pointer after that to extend Houston's lead to 105-96 with 4 1/2 minutes to play.

Davis scored 17 points in the third quarter and the Rockets led 80-79 entering the fourth.

TIP-INS

Pelicans: Cousins made five 3-pointers. ... Omer Asik sat out with an illness. ... Jrue Holiday had 18 points.

Rockets: Beverley finished with 17 points. ... Capela had 10 points and 13 rebounds for his 13th double-double this season. ... Nene had 12 points to give him at least 10 points in eight of his last 11 games.

THEY SAID IT

Anderson on his physical defense against Cousins: "He's such an elite player, but when he gets frustrated that's when he's at his worst. So it's part of the game plan to get DeMarcus frustrated. And the moment he realizes that he'll be that much better of a player."

UP NEXT

Rockets: Host Thunder on Sunday.

NCAA Tournament Capsules

Results from the regional semifinals of the NCAA Tournament on Friday:

EAST REGION - FLORIDA 84, WISCONSIN 83

NEW YORK (AP) — Chris Chiozza went end to end and made a 3-pointer at the buzzer to give Florida an 84-83 victory against Wisconsin on Friday night in the first overtime game of this NCAA Tournament.

Nigel Hayes had given the Badgers (27-10) a 2-point lead with 4 seconds left on two free throws. With no timeouts left, the Gators inbounded to Chiozza and the point guard stopped right the arc and dropped in the winner for Florida (27-8).

Wisconsin's Zak Showalter forced overtime with a leaning 3-pointer off one leg with 2.1 seconds left in regulation as the Badgers wiped out a 12-point deficit in the last 4:15.

The fourth-seeded Gators (27-8) will play South Carolina on Sunday in an all-Southeastern Conference regional final at Madison Square Garden. Florida is in the Elite Eight for the first time since 2014, and for the first time with second-year coach Mike White — the man who replaced Billy Donovan in Gainesville.

SOUTH CAROLINA 70, BAYLOR 50

NEW YORK — Sindarius Thornwell scored 24 points and seventh-seeded South Carolina cruised past third-seeded Baylor 70-50 on Friday night in the East Regional semifinals, the Bears' worst NCAA Tournament loss.

The Gamecocks (25-10) were in control from the middle of the first half on, mixing defenses and hustling all over the Madison Square Garden court to advance to the Elite Eight for the first time.

South Carolina will meet the winner of the Wisconsin-Florida game on Sunday with a trip to the Final Four at stake.

DJ Dozier and Chris Silva had 12 points each and Duane Notice added 11 for the Gamecocks.

Johnathan Motley had 18 points, 12 in the second half, for Baylor (27-8), which just couldn't get any offense going. The Bears missed 11 of their first 13 shots from the field and it didn't get a whole lot better the entire game. They finished 17 for 56 from the field (30.4 percent), including 3 for 13 from 3-point range.

SOUTH REGION - KENTUCKY 86, UCLA 75

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — De'Aaron Fox scored a career-high 39 points as the Kentucky Wildcats beat UCLA 86-75 Friday night in a showdown between two of college basketball's goliaths for a spot in the South Regional final.

The only No. 2 seed to survive and advance, the Wildcats (32-5) won their 14th straight game. Now the NCAA's winningest program will play another of basketball's titans Sunday in top-seeded North Carolina with a trip to yet another Final Four on the line.

The third-seeded Bruins (31-5) still have the most national titles. Yet they leave their third Sweet 16 under coach Steve Alford short of the Elite Eight.

Fans lustily booed Kentucky coach John Calipari in his first game in Memphis since leaving in April 2009 for the Wildcats. Calipari's latest crop of talented freshmen put Kentucky into a regional final for the sixth time in seven years.

NORTH CAROLINA 92, BUTLER 80

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Joel Berry II scored 26 points and Justin Jackson added 24 as top-seeded North Carolina moved to the Elite Eight with a 92-80 victory over Butler in the NCAA South Region on Friday night.

Luke Maye recorded his first career double-double with 16 points and 12 rebounds, helping fuel a quick start for Carolina (30-7). The Tar Heels never let their lead get under double digits in the second half.

Andrew Chrabascz led the fourth-seeded Bulldogs (25-9) with 21 points and seven rebounds, while Kelan Martin finished with 16 points for Butler, which struggled shooting early and did not recover.

Carolina, which reached the Elite Eight for the 27th time, will face the winner of Friday's second game between UCLA and Kentucky. The Tar Heels connected on 54.4 percent of their shots, while Butler was at 43.5 percent.

Elite Eight of NCAA Tournament to be finalized Friday



AP Photo/Brandon Dill

Kentucky fan Richard Jackson of Fulton, Ky., walks outside the FedExForum before a tournament South Regional semifinal game between Kentucky and North Carolina Friday, March 24, 2017.

South Carolina, fresh off a stunner of Duke, will play third-seeded Baylor. Wisconsin will look to follow up on an upset win over top-seeded Villanova when it faces Florida.

(AP) - The 2017 Elite Eight will be set following Friday's regional semifinal action in the NCAA Tournament.

The marquee matchup will see second-seeded Kentucky face third-seeded UCLA in the South Region in Memphis. The two blue bloods met earlier this season, with the Bruins beating the Wildcats 97-92 on the road.

The winner could face No. 1 seed North Carolina on Sunday, though the Tar Heels will need to get past Butler first.

The East Region — the one that busted so many brackets during opening weekend — will also pick its finalists on Friday.

HOTEL SETTLES

GOLF TOURNAMENT
FOUR PERSON SCRAMBLE

SUNDAY, APRIL 2 • 9AM
BIG SPRING COUNTRY CLUB
2401 DRIVER ROAD • BIG SPRING, TX 79720
PHONE: (432) 267-8241

Shotgun start @ 9am

Contest Holes
Mulligans
Closest to the pin
Longest Drive
Door Prizes
Two Flights

ENTRY IS \$600 PER TEAM
TO REGISTER FOR TOURNAMENT
VISIT NORTHSIDEMOVEMENT.COM
OR CALL 432.466.5363

SPONSORED BY

SETTLES SUPEROD BIG SPRING COUNTRY CLUB Big Spring TEXAS NORTH SIDE MOVEMENT

Hawks and Bulldogs split conference double header

By **MARISSA LOFTIN**

Sports Editor

The Howard College Hawk baseball team hosted the Clarendon College Bulldogs in a conference double header yesterday where they battled each other and the 35 mph wind to split, each winning one game.

Game one: Howard College 4 - Clarendon College 8

The lead-off hitter for the Bulldogs, Erick Rodriguez, started out the game with a home run to establish an early lead over the hawks, which was then followed by an RBI single from Anthony Quirion to bring the score to 2-0.

After a quick defensive stop against Clarendon College in the second inning, Mason Peterson of the Hawks knocked out a solo home run to bring them within one run of the Bulldogs.

Clarendon College was able to retire the inning when they got three quick outs to follow and went on to bring five runs across in the top of the third. The big inning came from a solo home run by Francis Desilets, an RBI single by Yan-Eric Tremblay and a two-RBI home run by Jonathan Ottenwalder.

The Hawks answered by driving in three runs with an RBI homer by Caleb Kyle and an RBI triple by Andrew Beck. Unfortunately, it was not enough for Howard College to make a come back as Clarendon College held them scoreless for the remainder of the game and brought one last run across in the top of the seventh to seal the win.

With a final score of 8-4, the Bulldogs got it done and came out on top of the Hawks.

"Honestly, we just did not play well this first game," said head baseball coach Rob Martinez. "We didn't play with a whole lot of energy, which cost us, and that is not like us."

Brandon Young took the loss for the Hawks. He threw for two and one-third innings, surrendered seven runs and seven hits, and struck out three.

Kyle, Beck, and Peterson all had one hit each to make up the team's three total hits for the game.

Game two: Howard College 21 - Clarendon College 20

The first inning consisted of fast outs for each side followed by another defensive stop for the Hawks to start the second.

Howard College was able to drive in the first runs of the game in the bottom of the second inning with an RBI single by Jordan Stephens and a two-RBI single from Hunter Mendenhall to give them a 3-0 lead over the Bulldogs.

Clarendon College would respond with a huge seven-run inning thanks to an RBI home run from Rodriguez, a grand slam from Quirion, and a solo home run from Tremblay. This brought the score to 7-3 heading to the bottom of the third.

The Hawks followed with driving in two runs from a solo homer from Doug Facendo and a score from Beck on a ground out, and then managed to hold the Bulldogs from crossing the plate in the top of the fourth.

With a two-run deficit in the bottom of the fourth inning, the Hawks brought three runners in on an RBI single from Robert Bullard Jr, a sacrifice bunt from Kyle and an RBI double from Ochoa. This gave Howard College a 8-7 lead.

The Bulldogs and Hawks battled back and forth with the lead changing multiple times before Howard College gained a 12-9 lead heading into the sixth.

Clarendon College would bring across a whopping 10 runs, putting them up 19-12 and leaving a large hole for the Hawks to dig themselves out of.

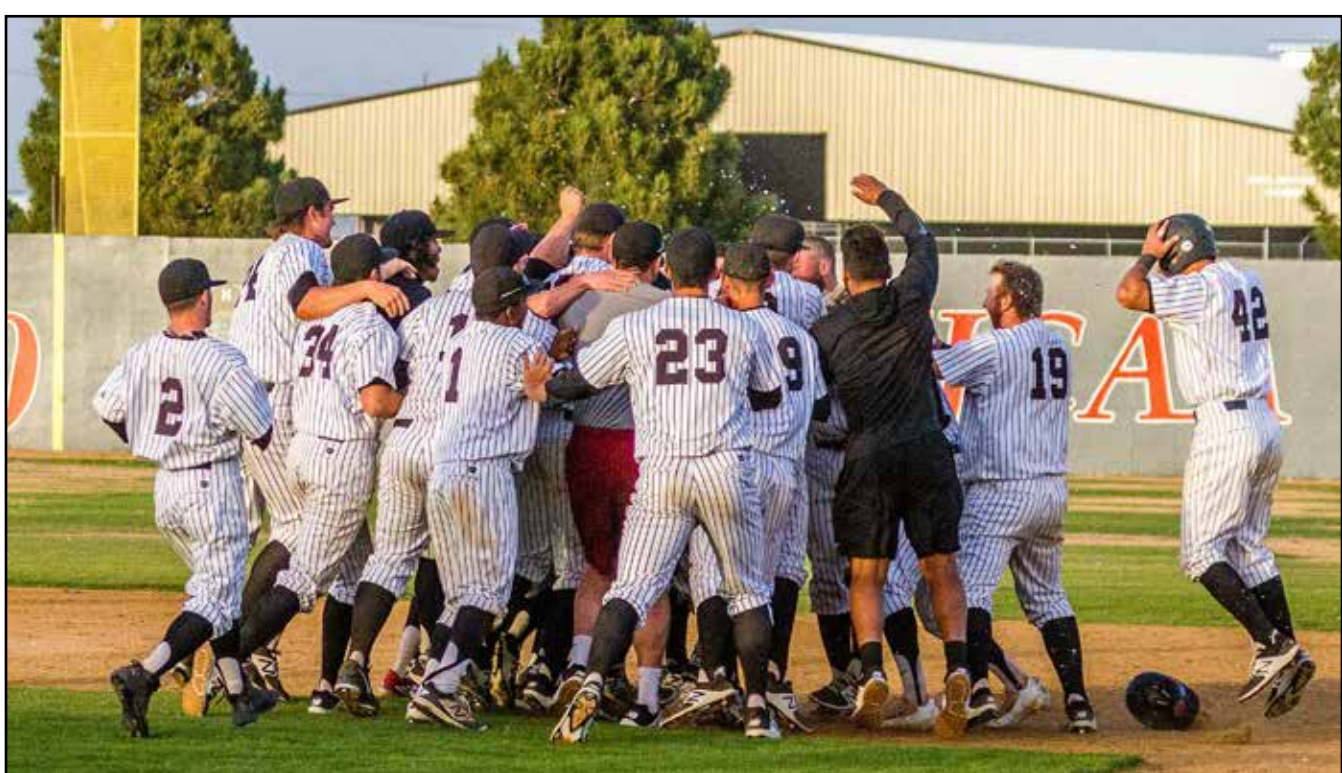
The big inning for the Bulldogs came from two Hawk errors, a two-RBI homer from Tremblay, a sacrifice fly from Solis, a two-RBI double from Desilets, an RBI double from Cristian Laboy, and an RBI double from Quirion.

While Howard College could not post up 10 runs



Tony Claxton (www.claxtonphotography.com)

Howard College's Caleb Kyle hits a walk off single during the Hawk's 21-20 win over Clarendon College in the second game of a double header played on Friday, March 24, 2017.



Tony Claxton (claxtonphotography.com)

Howard College mobs Caleb Kyle after his game winning single after the Hawk's 21-20 win over Clarendon College in the second game of a double header played on Friday, March 24, 2017.

in one inning, they did however go on a 8-0 run while holding the Bulldogs scoreless up until the top of the ninth inning.

These scores for the Hawks came from an RBI homer from Beck, a two-RBI single from Kyle, and four Bulldog errors.

"I am really proud of the way the guys played. Although it wasn't a great performance, they never quit," said Martinez. "We could have easily folded when we were down 19-12 but we just kept battling and found a way to get it done."

The score was at a 20-19 Hawk lead when Clarendon College tied up the game in the top of the ninth with an RBI single from Matteo Pizzolini.

Howard College achieved three outs before the Bulldogs could get any more runs across the plate, and ended the game with a walk off RBI single from Kyle.

In this high scoring back-and-forth affair, it was the Hawks that prevailed over the Bulldogs with a final score of 21-20.

"We fought really hard. It was about as crazy and as good of a team win as I've ever seen," said Martinez. "Just like we made errors to give them runs, they made errors that kept us alive and we capitalized. I'm not going to say we outplayed them, be-

cause we didn't. It just went our way and our guys never quit."

The Hawks out-hit Clarendon College 21-17 in this game. Mendenhall, Beck, Bullard Jr, Facendo, Ochoa, and Stephens each got off multiple hits for the team, while it was Kyle who led Howard College offensively by going 3-5 at the plate and driving in seven runs.

Ryan Williams started the game for the Hawks, pitching two and a third innings, gave up seven runs and six hits, and struck out one.

Parker Towns earned the win for the Hawks. He threw one inning, gave up one run and two hits, and walked zero.

The next two games of the four game conference series will take place here in Big Spring today with the first game to kick off at noon.

According to Coach Martinez, it's going to come down to who shows up with the most energy after a long strenuous day of battling in the very high winds.

"It's going to be interesting, thats for sure," said Martinez. "Both teams are going to be tired after today, so hopefully our guys can feed off of having a good crowd tomorrow and play with some big time energy."

Are You Ready For Spring?

Botox

Correct Your
Crows Feet, Wrinkles
& Sagging Brow!

Weight Loss

Medically Managed
Weight Loss
• HCG • i-Lipo
• Lipodissolve & More!

Laser Hair Removal

Remove Unwanted Hair!
• Legs • Armpits • Upper Lip
• Chin • Bikini Line

Let Us Help You Reach Your Goal!

Dr. Steve Ahmed
www.bodyfocusspa.com
1700 W. FM 200
(432) 264-1900

274853



TURN YOUR TAX REFUND INTO A NEW CAR TODAY!
We Finance You!

2013 Subaru Outback
AWD, 60K.

\$24,950

2013 Chrysler 300
"Fully Loaded."

\$16,950

2012 GMC Denali
"Diesel, 4X4."

\$37,950

Over 250 Vehicles To Choose From!

(432) 267-8787 87 AUTO SALES (432) 263-8787

Dr. Rudy Haddad
Board Certified in Urology
Fellow American College of Surgeons

Adults and Pediatrics Urology

Flu Shots Available Now

- Office Treatment of Enlarged Prostate Profile (instead of Surgery)
- Urinary Bladder Control Problem with Medication (Simple Outpatient Procedure Available)
- Kidney Stones with Laser & Shockwave Technology Available Locally 24/7
- Sexual Dysfunction
- Low Testosterone Syndrome
- Vasectomies

(432) 714-4600
1501 W. 11th Place Suite 103
Big Spring, Tx 79720



TRIPLE YOUR PROTECTION



NG 3406 B2XF



“2016 was my first year to plant an **Americot** variety. We planted about 1,500 acres of **NG 3406 B2XF** and we were very impressed! The vigor was great and when it came time to harvest, it was tight in the burr. **NG 3406 B2XF** yielded very well and ended up making 400 to 500 pounds on dryland. The grades were also good. As a dryland farmer, it is a great choice for us and we will be planting more of **NG 3406 B2XF** next year. I am glad we have another good seed choice that's competitive for the dryland farmers in West Texas.”



CHAD BEAVER - Beaver Farms *Fluvanna, Texas*

NG 4545 B2XF



“**NG 4545 B2XF** made the highest yield and the best grades I have ever produced on this particular farm with limited water. **NG 4545 B2XF** yielded 1,251 pounds per acre and came in with a loan price of 55.68 cents.”



CHAMPION CREEK FARMS *Colorado City, Texas*

Contact your local seed dealer or **Americot Rep** for details on
AMERICOT'S FINANCE, REPLANT, CROP LOSS & DROUGHT PROGRAMS!

www.americot.com | 888.678.SEED | [facebook.com/AmericotNexGen](https://www.facebook.com/AmericotNexGen)



Before opening a bag of seed, be sure to read, understand and accept the stewardship requirements, including applicable refuge requirements for insect resistance management, for the biotechnology traits expressed in the seed as set forth in the Monsanto Technology/Stewardship Agreement that you sign. By opening and using a bag of seed, you are reaffirming your obligation to comply with the most recent stewardship requirements.



Monsanto Company is a member of Excellence Through Stewardship® (ETS). Monsanto products are commercialized in accordance with ETS Product Launch Stewardship Guidance, and in compliance with Monsanto's Policy for Commercialization of Biotechnology-Derived Plant Products in Commodity Crops. This product has been approved for import into key export markets with functioning regulatory systems. Any crop or material produced from this product can only be exported to, or used, processed or sold in countries where all necessary regulatory approvals have been granted. It is a violation of national and international law to move material containing biotech traits across boundaries into nations where import is not permitted. Growers should talk to their grain handler or product purchaser to confirm their buying position for this product. Excellence Through Stewardship® is a registered trademark of Excellence Through Stewardship.

ALWAYS READ AND FOLLOW PESTICIDE LABEL DIRECTIONS. Bollgard II® XtendFlex® cotton contains genes that confer tolerance to glyphosate, dicamba, and glufosinate, the active ingredient in Liberty® brand herbicides. Glyphosate will kill crops that are not tolerant to glyphosate. Dicamba will kill crops that are not tolerant to dicamba. Glufosinate will kill crops that are not tolerant to glufosinate. Contact your Monsanto dealer or refer to Monsanto's Technology Use Guide for recommended Roundup Ready® Xtend Crop System weed control programs. Acceleron®, Bollgard II®, Bollgard II and Design®, Respect the Refuge and Cotton Design®, Roundup®, Roundup Ready® and Bollgard II® XtendFlex® are registered trademarks of Monsanto Technology LLC. ©2014-2016 MONSANTO COMPANY

Liberty® and LibertyLink® and the Water Droplet Design® are registered trademarks of Bayer. Americot® and NexGen® are registered trademarks of Americot, Inc. All other registered trademarks or trademarks are property of their respective owners.

It's all about family

Little Joe y La Familia will join the Big Spring Symphony Orchestra next weekend to bring a little Tex-Mex to town

By **ROGER CLINE**

Staff Writer

Next Saturday, the Big Spring Symphony Orchestra will welcome "Tex-Mex" entertainer, singer, and recording artist Little Joe and his band La Familia. The event, the orchestra's final show of the concert season (except the Pops in the Park Independence Day celebration), will be at the Big Spring Municipal Auditorium, 310 E. Third St., at 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

This week, Jose Hernandez, aka Little Joe, graciously spoke about the upcoming concert.

"For one, I'm excited going to Big Spring to work with the orchestra there," he said. "Who would have thought. Some 65 years ago I was picking cotton around that area. I would have never, ever imagined me coming back to that area to perform, period, but much less with the orchestra. So I'm excited about it. I look forward to having a lot of fun. You know, that's what my job is: having fun and sharing that with the audience."

Little Joe doesn't like pigeon-holing his music into a conventional genre.

"It's like a really nice tossed salad – it's a little bit of everything. I would bore myself to death if I played only one style or one genre," he said. "I started out in the mid-'50s playing rock and roll like all kids of that time. Then the blues, and country. But I always played the music and songs that I learned from my dad and my uncles and aunts, and mi compadres and friends. So that's always been there."

One Little Joe y La Familia album is called "Evolution," and that's how Joe describes his music, as an evolving process.

"Through the years, for me it's always a learning process, and there's no limit to what you can do with music if you open your mind to it," he said. "It's always fresh. I just enjoy playing all styles of music. I think that's one of the reasons for my longevity in the business. I get to play all kinds of different shows for all kinds of different audiences, you know, different ages and races. Music is magic. I can't describe it any other way. I like songs that are positive with good messages. I hope whoever I've influenced with my music it's been for the better, for the good. That's my hope."

Two members of La Familia – John Ontiveros and Gracie Acosta – are from Big Spring, he said.

"They're great kids, young adults now. They came on the road with me fresh out of the University in San Angelo," said Joe. "They love what they do. It's in their blood, and when they perform, music is a serious thing

with them. Being on the road is quite difficult, anybody will tell you. But these guys, under any conditions, under any circumstances, any place, any time, sleep, no sleep, food, whatever, too much party or whatever. They always deliver, man. They're just a couple of great musicians that I'm happy to have on board with me. They're totally dedicated to music, so I feel fortunate to have them working with me."

"We're really excited about the show because Little Joe is one of the best-known singers and entertainers in 'Tex-Mex' music. He likes to call his music 'Tex-Mex' rather than Tejano," said Keith Graumann, conductor and music director for the Big Spring Symphony Orchestra. "He does songs both in Spanish and in English. I've listened to some of his CDs and he's a really great ballad singer. Some of his songs in English are reminiscent maybe of Frank Sinatra or some of the great ballad singers of the past."

Graumann said the symphony will perform a couple of songs on its own, to open the concert and to welcome audience members back from the intermission.

"The symphony is going to open with very vibrant and rhythmic Latin pieces. The first of the pieces is called 'Huapango' by Moncayo," he said. "The other piece we'll do is called 'Dances From Estancia' by Ginastera."

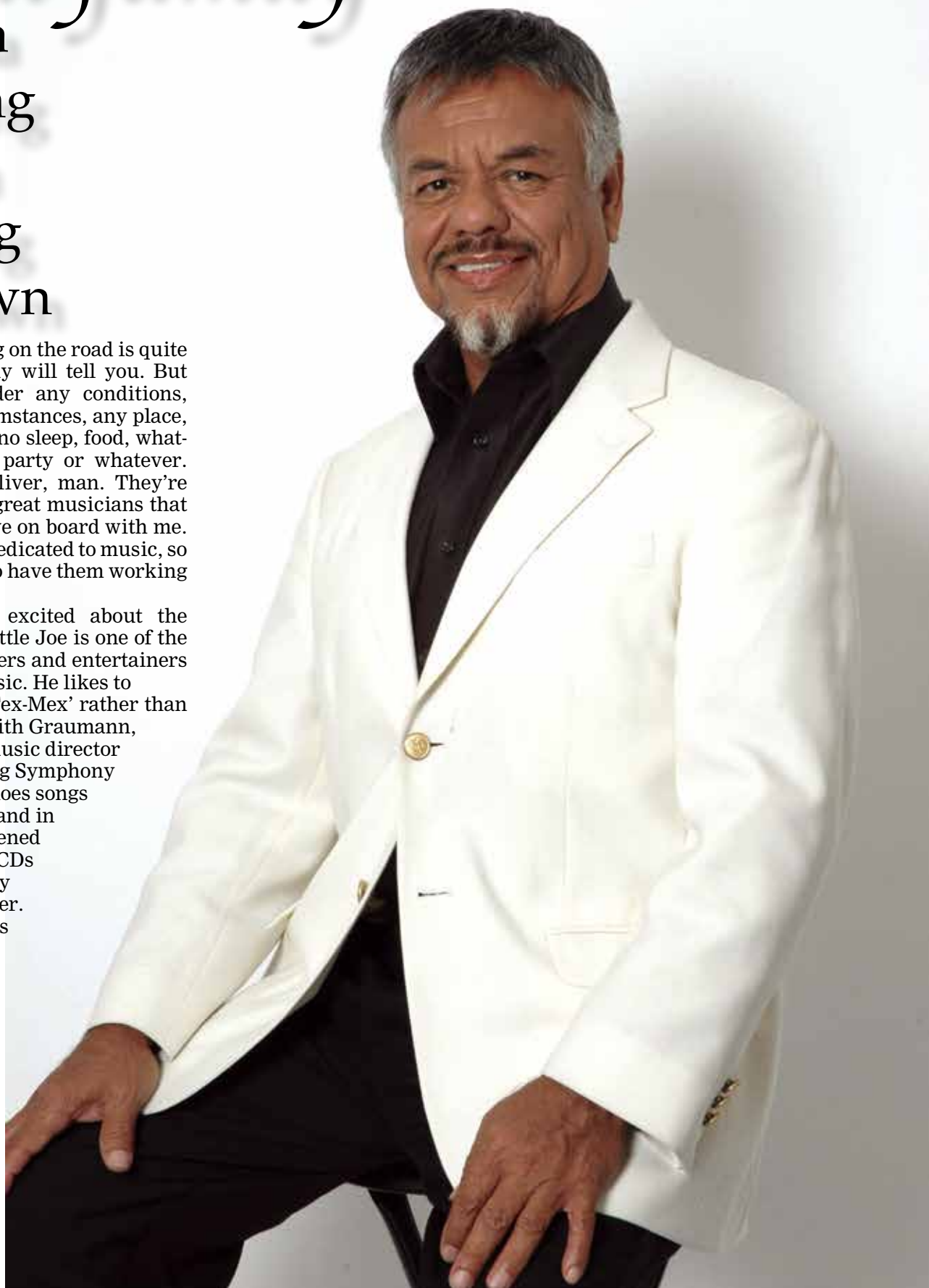
With the popularity of Little Joe y La Familia, and also because of the local connection of Ontiveros and Acosta, Graumann predicts a large turnout for the concert.

"We suggest that you come early for the 7:30 p.m. performance," he said.

Little Joe welcomed everyone to the show.

"I just really want to invite the people, and I want to say, 'If you haven't tried it, try it, you might like it,'" he said. "Come on out and have fun."

Tickets are available at the door, or prior to the concert from Blum's Jewelers, The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, the Convention and Visitors Bureau offices, Heritage Museum of Big Spring, and H-E-B.



Photos of Little Joe courtesy La Familia Enterprises. HERALD photos/Roger Cline. Clockwise from top: Little Joe will be performing next Saturday with the Big Spring Symphony Orchestra; Big Spring Orchestra members perform in January's Winter Wonderland concert; the orchestra will perform the opening number and the piece immediately following intermission, and will also accompany La Familia during the show; Little Joe and La Familia perform in a concert earlier this year.



United Country
Real Estate

1005 E. FM 700
(432) 714-4555

Heart of the
City Realtors

285043

OPEN HOUSE

Sunday

2:00-4:00

1814 S. BENTON



UTPB breaks ground on new engineering building

Special to the Herald

The University of Texas of the Permian Basin held a ground-breaking ceremony for the new engineering building at 11 a.m. Friday.

The engineering building was included in HB 100, approved by the Governor in 2015.

The Project was added to the Board of Regent's Capital Improvement Program in August 2015 and is funded from \$48 million in Tuition Revenue Bonds and \$4 million in Permanent University Funds for a Total Project Cost of \$52 million.

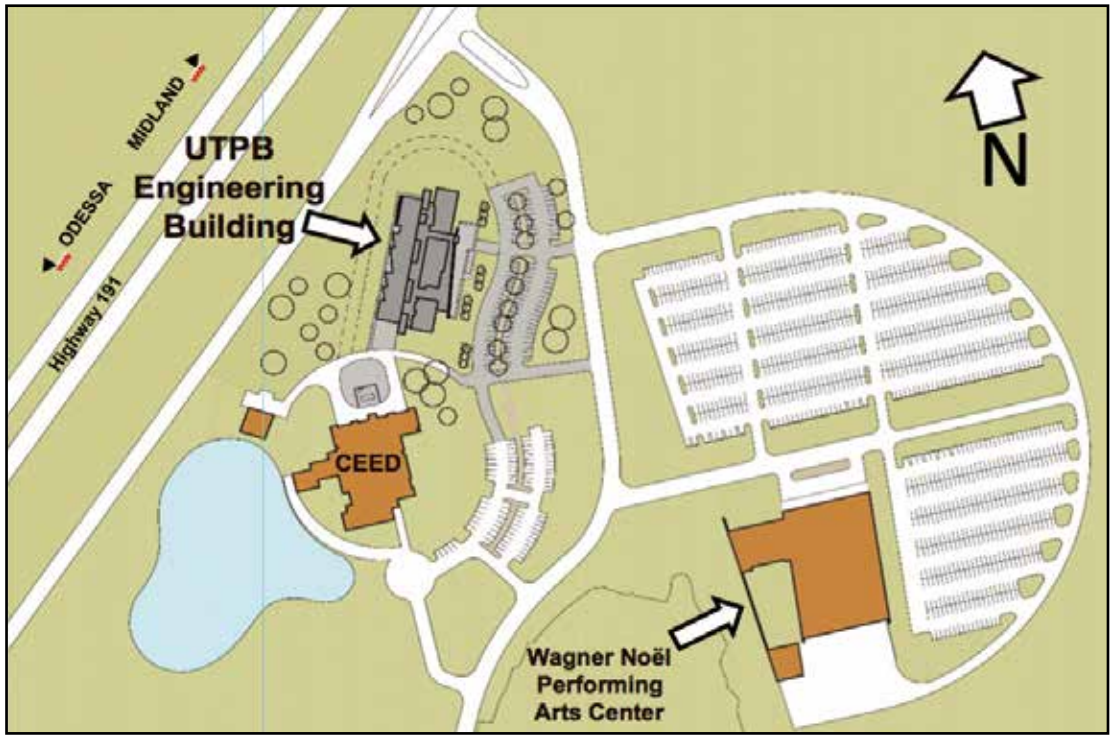
Designed by Stantec Architecture of Plano and by JSA Architects of Odessa, the engineering building will contain 105,000 gross square feet and be three stories in height. The first two floors of the new building will



house six classrooms, a 100-seat lecture hall, 22 faculty offices, a dean's suite, and instructional labs for the Mechanical, Petroleum and Aerospace Engineering programs, as well as research labs for faculty and graduate research. The third floor of the building awaits the expansion of future engineering disciplines such as Chemical and or Electrical Engineering.

The building's flexible design can accommodate different classroom settings and includes conference areas and several student spaces distributed throughout the building to encourage student and faculty collaboration. Other amenities include a small food prep area, computer resource room, a visualization lab and lab support spaces.

The contractor for the project will be Adolfson & Peterson



Construction. Construction is expected to begin in late April, and is projected to conclude in April 2019. The new engineering building will be ready for occupancy for the Fall Semester 2019.

"Engineering is a critically important program to the mission of UTPB," said David Watts, president of UTPB. "The construction of the engineering building emphasizes our commitment to excellence and student success as we continue to serve our community."

Howard County breakfast and lunch menus

Sponsored by David L. Ward, DDS, PC



David L Ward, DDS, PC
DENTAL HI-TECH COMFORT

Family, Sedation and Laser Dentistry, Orthodontics and Implants



1500 Scurry www.DavidWardDDS.com (432) 517-6381

Big Spring ISD

Monday: Breakfast: Cereal, cheddar cheese stick, apples, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Steak fingers, roll, mashed potatoes and gravy, lemon roasted carrots, pears, fruit cup, milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Pancake on a stick, grapes, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Ham macaroni, Italian bread, garlic broccoli, mandarin oranges, veggie cups, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Sausage breakfast pizza, apples, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Meatloaf bowl, roll, corn, mashed potatoes, fruit cocktail, garden salad, fruit cup, chocolate crackers, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Blueberry muffin, sausage patty, banana, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Pepper Jack enchilada, Spanish rice, baked beans, strawberries and bananas, garden salad, veggie cups, milk.

Friday: Breakfast: PBJ Uncrustable, orange smiles, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Pizza dippers with sauce, French fries, garden salad, sliced apples, fruit cup, milk.

Coahoma ISD

Monday: Breakfast: Morning sausage roll or cereal with cinnamon buttered toast, chilled pineapple, fruit juice, milk, jelly; Lunch: Chili dog basket with tots or tuna chef's salad or steak fingers or country bowl, mashed potatoes, steamed corn, Romaine spinach garden salad, apples and oranges, chilled mixed fruit, wholegrain roll, cream gravy.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, cereal with buttered toast, fruit juice, fresh fruit, milk; Lunch: Cheesy chicken Philly sandwich basket with seasoned fries or turkey and ham chef's salad or spaghetti with meat sauce, or creamy chicken Alfredo, glazed carrots, Romaine spinach garden salad, fruit slush cup, bananas and oranges, wholegrain garlic breadstick.

Wednesday: Breakfast: French toast sticks or oatmeal with cinnamon buttered toast, chilled mixed fruit, fruit juice, milk, syrup; Lunch: Chicken ranch wrap basket with Sun Chips or strawberry grilled chicken salad or homestyle pizza (cheese/pepperoni/hamburger) or loaded baked potato with diced ham and roll, seasoned green beans, cucumber chips with ranch, Romaine spinach garden salad, chilled fruit, oranges and apples, cheese, green onions, sour cream, apple crisp.

Thursday: Breakfast: Biscuits with sausage gravy or cereal with buttered toast, fruit juice, fresh fruit, milk, jelly; Lunch:

Burrito basket with chips and salsa or Fritos taco salad or beefy nachos or chicken fajitas with onions and peppers, Spanish rice, refried beans, lettuce and tomato salad, fruit slush cup, bananas and oranges, jalapeno, salsa, sour cream.

Friday: Breakfast: Homestyle cinnamon roll or cereal with cinnamon buttered toast, chilled mandarin oranges, fruit juice, milk, jelly; Lunch: Cheeseburger basket with seasoned fries or chicken salad or crilled cheese sandwich or beef and vegetable soup, seasoned fries, burger salad, apples and oranges, chilled fruit, crackers.

Forsan ISD

Monday: Breakfast: Pancake wrap with yogurt or cereal with toast, fruit juice, mandarin oranges, fresh fruit, milk; Lunch: Popcorn chicken or steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, garden salad, fresh fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Blueberry mini-pancakes or cereal with toast, fruit juice, applesauce, fresh fruit, milk; Lunch: Chicken sandwich or chicken Parmesan with breadstick, corn, garden salad, fresh fruit, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: French toast or cereal with toast, fruit juice, mandarin oranges, fresh fruit, milk; Lunch: Pizza or chef's salad, Italian vegetables, fresh veggie cup, garden salad, fresh fruit, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Breakfast pocket or cereal with toast, fruit juice, pears, fresh fruit, milk; Lunch: Chicken nuggets with

fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Tacos and queso, charro beans, garden salad, hot cinnamon apples, milk, fruit.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Sausage biscuit, fruit, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Meatball sub sandwich, tater tots, fresh veggie cup, fresh fruit, pudding, milk, fruit.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Stuffed bagel, fruit, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Chicken nuggets, mac and cheese, savory green beans, broccoli, apple slices, milk, fruit.

Thursday: Breakfast: Waffles, yogurt, fruit, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Corn dog, fries, baby carrots, sliced peaches, cookie, milk, fruit.

Friday: Breakfast: Egg and cheese sandwich, fruit, fruit juice, milk. Lunch: Pizza, garden salad, tiny tomato cup, fruit cup, milk, fruit.

Big Spring Senior Center

Monday: Baked chicken breast, broccoli rice casserole, carrots, diced pears, bread, milk.

Tuesday: Pork roast and gravy, garlic mashed potatoes, beet salad with onion, fruit cup with citrus, rolls, milk.

Wednesday: Tamales with chili, beans and rice, chips and salsa, Jell-O with fruit, milk.

Thursday: Chicken strips with gravy, hash brown potatoes, carrot raisin salad, peaches, bread, milk.

Friday: Barbecue beef on a bun, pinto beans, potato salad, onion slice, cherry pepper, vanilla pudding, milk.



Elrod's Furniture
2309 Scurry (432) 267-8491

Elrod's Accents

♥ Carly Propps & Jackson Watkins
♥ Caitlin Everett & Colter Morgan
♥ Bailee Grant & Brandon Larson
♥ Andrea Phillips & Ragan Phillips

Browse Their Selections Today!

Who's who in Howard County Selina Martinez (Yanez)



Where do you work? Big Spring Herald as an advertising executive; Hotel Settles, part time front desk and banquets; substitute for Bauer Headstart.

Where were you born? Big Spring, Texas.

What city do you live in? Big Spring, Texas.

Who is in your family? Husband, Justin Yanez; four boys of my own, Justin Jr., 5, Jonah, 4, Jayce, 2, Jake, 1; one stepson, Josiah Perez, 7.

What hobbies, clubs, and organizations are you involved with? Current student of Liberty University Online going for my bachelor's in Christian Leadership and Management with a minor in Church Ministries. I host youth group sessions for teens on weekends, and my goal is to open up a non-profit youth center to help at-risk youth, which will be free to the public.

What is your favorite book? My favorite book is the Bible.

What is your favorite show? My favorite show is "Family Feud."

What is your favorite movie? My favorite movie is "Fireproof."

Where would you visit if you could go anywhere? I would visit Paris, France.



DAZZLING DECOR

Stop By Today To See Our Bridal Selections!

- Shylo Rinehart & Wesley Mitchell
- Bailee Grant & Brandon Larson
- Kristen Poffinbarger & Matt Beal
- Andrea Marinari Phillips & Ragan Phillips
- Laci Sterling & Matt Ritchey
- Faith Belew & Sam Forbus
- Sydney Upshaw & Marcus Cervantes

1304 Scurry 432-264-6000

Roger's Reviews: The Shack



This week's review is on "The Shack," based on the 2007 novel by William P. Young. Let me start with a disclaimer: Although "The Shack" is a film about Christian theological concepts, most notably, the Trinity, the nature of God, and the relationship between people and God; I am not here to judge the film on its theological merits. As a Christian, I will say that I enjoyed it from that perspective and that it made me think about some things.

But my job here is to review "The Shack" as a movie, and that's the angle I'm going to take.

"The Shack" centers around Mack (Sam Worthington), a middle-aged man. At the beginning of the film we get to see that Mack's dad (Derek Hamilton) is an alcoholic and abusive toward his wife (Tanya Hubbard) and son. And we get to see young Mack (Carson Reaume) kill his dad with poison to protect his mother and himself. Moving on to the present day, Mack has a family: wife Nan (Radha Mitchell), daughter Kate (the eldest, Megan Charpentier), son Josh (the middle child, Gage Munroe), and daughter Missy (the youngest, Amélie Eve). Mack takes the kids camping while Nan stays home. During the trip, Kate and Josh



ROGER
CLINE

are canoeing when Kate accidentally tips the canoe over. Josh is trapped underwater, and Mack rescues him. During the rescue, however, Missy is left alone. She vanishes. A desperate search ensues, leading to a rundown shack where her blood-stained dress is discovered. Some time later, things are going badly for Mack and his family. Mack and Nan's relationship has suffered. Kate has become distant and uncommunicative. At home alone one day, Mack is clearing snow from the driveway when he sees an envelope in the mailbox; it's from "Papa" (Nan's pet name for God) to Mack, inviting him to meet at the shack. Wondering if it's a cruel joke or a taunt from Missy's killer, Mack decides to go to the shack to check it out. He "borrows" his neighbor Willie's (Tim McGraw) truck. Arriving at the shack, he is greeted by a man and two women. The man is Jesus (Avraham Aviv Alush), and the women are "Papa" (Octavia Spencer) and Sarayu (The Holy Spirit, Sumire). Initially unbelieving, or thinking he's dreaming, Mack gradually begins to believe that the trio are who they say they are and begins to work through his anger and grief at God, the world, and his daughter's killer.

Graham Greene is the only other actor of note in the movie; he plays a male form "Papa" take at one point in the film.



First of all, "The Shack" is beautiful to look at for much of its two hours and 12 minutes. It reminds me of the movie starring Robin Williams, "What Dreams May Come"; the films have similar themes relating to faith and religion, and both contain beautiful visions of God and heaven. I felt like the characters were well cast, although Worthington's Mack has one notable problem (I'll talk about him in a minute). God is portrayed as an African-American woman. I have no doubt that God is able to portray Himself however He wants, and Spencer does a fine job with the role. Sumire is beautiful, mysterious, and intriguing as the Holy Spirit, and Alush is Israeli, the idea being that he looks like what Jesus might actually have looked like rather than his typical paintings with white skin and flowing brown hair.

Worthington is an Australian actor portraying an American man. That's fine, but during emotionally charged scenes, he cannot hold his American accent, slipping noticeably into Australian twang frequently throughout the movie. It was bearable, but a bit distracting for me. I wish director Stuart Hazeldine had insisted on Worthington keeping the Aussie brogue under control.

One other issue I had is that, while the movie is obviously trying to explain some concepts at the heart of Christianity, it does so by leaning heavily on the language of Christianity. This movie seems angled toward Christians, perhaps to make us consider our deeply held religious views, rather than to appeal to non-Christians or lapsed Christians. One needs a pretty fair steeping in Christianity to follow some of the allusions flying around in this film. While I appreciated them as a Christian myself, I might have preferred if the target audience weren't quite so tightly focused inward.

And it's a bit preachy. I mean, that's the whole point of it, right? There's not really a way to delve deeply into Christian doctrine in a movie without getting a bit preachy. But several times during the film, I had the thought run through my mind, "I'm

being preached to here"; and each time, it distracted from the story. Your mileage may vary if you go in expecting a few sermons with your movie.

"The Shack" is a visually appealing, thought-provoking movie aimed at Christians to make them think about their faith. I enjoyed the watch, but felt it could have been a lot better. 6.5 stars out of 10.

The Shack

Director: Stuart Hazeldine

Writer: Screenplay by John Fusco, Andrew Lantham, and Destin Cretton; based on the novel by William P. Young.

Production Company: Gil Netter Productions, Windblown Media.

PG-13, 2 hrs. 12 min, Drama/Faith, March 3, 2017

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

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension to offer food handler's course

The "Texas Food Establishment Rules (TFER)" requires all food employees to complete an accredited food handlers training program within 60 days of employment.

A food handlers course accredited by the Texas Department of State Health Services is being offered by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, Howard County Extension Office. "Food Safety: It's In Your Hands" is scheduled twice for April 27 starting at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. at the Extension office at 2411 Echols Drive.

This 2-hour course helps promote the service of safe food. The certificate is good for two years, and is valid anywhere in the State of Texas. The course is a basic overview of food safety practices including good personal hygiene, and avoiding cross contamination and time/temperature abuse.

To register for the course, call the Extension office at 432-264-2236. Registration can also be done in-person the day of the course. The cost is \$20 per person, and must be paid in full before the course begins.

Individuals with disabilities who require auxiliary aide service or accommodation are encouraged to call five working days prior to the program.

www.bigspringherald.com



Monday-Friday
8:30-5:30,
Saturday
8:00 am to 12 noon

Top Prices Paid For All Recyclables Metals
(432) 264-9000

Onsite Clean Up Available
Roll Off Container Service
Portable Shears, Magnets,
Bailers and
Car Crushers

No Job Too Large!
Call Today!

Structural Pipe and Rods Available

**NOW
OPEN!**

Art Association to hold Art Show

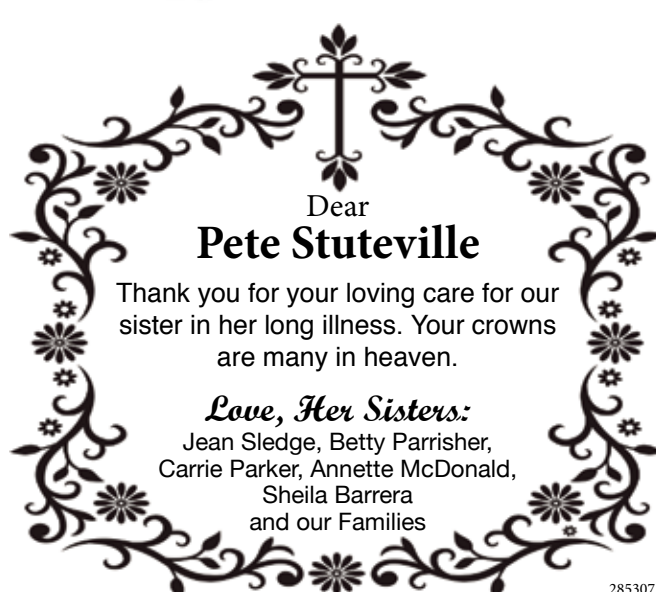


The Big Spring Art Association is hosting their 61st annual Area Wide Art Show May 6 to June 3, 2017 at the Heritage Museum. Entries will be accepted May 6 from 10 a.m. to 2

p.m.

Categories are Oil/Acrylics, Pastels, Photography, Mixed Media, Watercolor, 3D, Sculpture, Pottery, Jewelry, Stained Glass, Graphics, and Charcoal.

Cash prizes will be awarded at a reception June 3 from 1 to 3 p.m. For more information contact Sandee Lockhart at 432-263-4155 or by email bslockhart@live.com.



BIG SPRING STATE HOSPITAL

Big Spring State Hospital offers generous benefits packages, including paid vacation, sick leave and holidays, matching retirement and health insurance. Negotiable shifts.

ACTIVELY RECRUITING:
REGISTERED NURSES
LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSES
PSYCHIATRIC NURSING ASSISTANTS
PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT
NURSE PRACTITIONER, CASE MGR.
DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WORK SERVICES
PSYCHIATRIST, PSYCHOLOGIST
FOOD SERVICE MANAGER
MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR
REHAB THERAPY, UTIL. MGMT.
MAINTENANCE, SAFETY OFFICER
CUSTODIAN, COOK, FOOD SERVICE

To apply online or for more information on jobs and salaries:
<https://jobshportal.hhsc.state.tx.us>
OR CALL (432) 268-7341 or visit us at:

Big Spring State Hospital 1901 N. Hwy 87 Big Spring, TX 79720

BARGAIN MART
Discount Foods
403 Runnels, Big Spring, TX
Sale Starts March 27th **Open Mon.-Sat. 9-6:30** Sale Ends April 1st

THICK & JUICY BEEF PATTIES
6-1/3-LB. PATTIES VIDALIA ONION OR BACON CHEDDAR
\$3.49 32-OZ. BOX

MORNING DELIGHT BISCUITS 6/\$1.00
7.5-OZ. TUBE

DOLE ORANGE PEACH MANGO JUICE 89¢
59-OZ. CTN.

DIANE'S GARDEN DICED TOMATOES
4/\$1.00 14.5-OZ. CAN

TIO SANTI TORTILLA CHIPS 99¢
13-OZ.

PORK CHOPS FROZEN \$1.49 LB.

BAR S BOLOGNA THICK SLICED
69¢ 16-OZ. PKG.

BBB encourages people to tidy up digital devices this spring



Spring is officially here, and we all know what that means: spring cleaning. This month may be a good time to clean out your closet, around the house or have a yard sale — but what about cleaning up your digital life?



HEATHER
MASSEY

Most of us have an online presence, own a mobile device or use a computer daily. Whether it's a status update or photos shared on social media, financial records or personal contacts stored on our digital devices, all of that data could potentially fall into the wrong hands.

According to a recent study, more than 68 percent of Americans store 25 percent or more of their photos digitally. For most, losing these memories to computer malfunctions, viruses or theft can be devastating.

Better Business Bureau serving the Heart of Texas recommends backing up all of your important files. If you're not sure where to begin, start by going through your device and deleting files you don't need, uninstall programs you don't use and clear out your deleted files. But remember, before you start wiping clean your devices, make sure you back up important pictures, music and files to your cloud, computer or external hard drive.

To ensure you're safely managing and tidying up your digital life, BBB offers the following advice:

- Keep software updated. Make sure all devices have the most recent software updates installed. This includes security software, web browsers, document readers, operating systems and any other software you use regularly. Install anti-virus software on your devices and keep them up-to-date.
- Clean up your mobile device. Delete unused apps and keep others updated. Not only will you reduce clutter, you'll have more storage space for data and a longer battery life on your device.
- Create better passwords. Passwords like "123456" or "qwerty" are among some of the most common passwords used by the general population. Longer passwords and those that combine capital and lowercase letters with numbers and symbols provide better protection.
- Declutter your email inbox. Delete emails older than a year, and create and label folders for emails to stay organized. Delete messages in your spam folder and unsubscribe from emails you don't open. Move important messages to an archive.
- Check your privacy settings on your social media sites. Review the privacy and security settings on websites you use to be sure that they remain set to your comfort level for sharing to your friends or the public.

Heather Massey is the regional director for the Permian Basin office of Better Business Bureau serving the Heart of Texas. Heather is available for media interviews and speaking engagements. You can reach her by phone: (432) 563-1880 or email: hmassey@permianbasin.bbb.org.

Thank you banner



Courtesy photo

Elrod's Furniture, 2309 Scurry, was a recent recipient of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce's "We Appreciate Your Investment in our Community" banner.

Permits

Vivian Jones, 2308 Brent Dr., res re-roof, Val: \$11,500, Fee: \$70
 Jim Purcell, 113 Cedar Rd., res re-roof, Val: \$20,000, Fee: \$110
 Joe Ramon Robles, 1207 Dixie Ave., res gas, Val: \$500, Fee: \$32
 Joan Edwards, 1418 Wood St., res re-roof, Val: \$10,000, Fee: \$60
 Gary Faulkner, 706 Tulane (Rear), com elec, Val: \$850, Fee: \$25
 Clifton F. Talbot, 702 Avondale Dr., res gas, Val: \$300, Fee: \$32
 Delbert Aaron Donelson, 1708 Laurie St., res HVAC, Val: \$4,500, Fee: \$45
 Cuthbert Center LLC, 212 N.E. 12th St., com elec, Val: \$1, Fee: \$25
 L.D. Spradling, 1407 Virginia Ave., res HVAC, Val: \$5,800, Fee: \$45
 Alvara Luis Villapando, 1312 State Park Dr., res gas, Val: \$1,500, Fee: \$32
 Moren Rentals, 1314 State Park Dr., res gas, Val: \$1,500, Fee: \$32
 Anthony Ray Ortega, 1101 Mesa Ave., res gas, Val: \$1,500, Fee: \$32
 Karla Rangel, 1103 Mesa Ave., res gas, Val: \$1,500, Fee: \$32
 M. Chavarria, 1105 Mesa Ave., res gas, Val: \$1,500, Fee: \$32
 Limestone Ridge Apartments, 1401 N. U.S. Highway 87 Apt. #1504, com plumb, Val: \$900, Fee: \$30
 Limestone Ridge Apartments, 1401 N. U.S. Highway 87 Apt. #602, com plumb, Val: \$900, Fee: \$30
 Sonny Baeza, 1308 Birdwell Lane, res addition (siding), Val: \$2,500, Fee: \$25
 St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad, com re-roof, Val: \$67,500, Fee: \$332
 Robert D. Miller, 610 Gregg St., com re-roof, Val: \$28,778.50, Fee: \$155
 Robert D. Miller, 608 Scurry, com re-roof, Val: \$15,633.53, Fee: \$90
 Gwendolyn Dale Wines, 2505 Langley Dr., res re-roof, Val: \$2,500, Fee: \$25
 James L. Futrelle, 2515 Hunter Dr., res re-roof, Val: \$2,500, Fee: \$25
 Grace Fellowship Church of God, 603 Tulane Ave., res re-roof, Val: \$12,000, Fee: \$70
 Walter Schlipf, 1204 Frazier St., res addition (carport), Val: \$700, Fee: \$25

Pamela G. Guidry, 1400 Park St., res re-roof, Val: \$3,000, Fee: \$25
 Arthur Joe Dean, 2223 Lynn Dr., res re-roof, Val: \$9,000, Fee: \$55
 Travel Center of America, 704 W. Interstate 20, structure (fence), Val: \$4,500, Fee: \$35
 John Gonzales, 108 E. 15th St. (Rear), res elec, Val: 0, Fee: \$25
 Gary Steven Harris, 551 Hillside Dr., res re-roof, Val: \$5,400, Fee: \$40
 Family Faith Victory Center, 810 E. 11th Place, com re-roof, Val: \$98,000, Fee: \$452
 Robert Emmett Beall, 2806 Crestline Rd., res HVAC, Val: \$6,100, Fee: \$45
 John Womack, 4 Coachman's Circle, res elec, Val: \$2,000, Fee: \$25
 Christopher Reyes, 709 W. 18th St., res gas, Val: \$500, Fee: \$32
 KBST/Professional Building, 608 Johnson St., com re-roof, Val: \$30,000, Fee: \$160
 Abusaab and Companies, 1510 Gregg St., com re-roof, Val: \$10,000, Fee: \$60
 Larry Atkin Bryan Jr., 2611 Crestline Rd., res re-roof, Val: \$26,000, Fee: \$140
 USDA, 302 W. Interstate 20, res gas, Val: \$2,000, Fee: \$32
 Charles A. Peugh, 900 S. Lancaster St., res re-roof, Val: \$5,280, Fee: \$40
 Elaine Puckett Moore, 413 Hillside Dr., res re-roof, Val: \$5,200, Fee: \$40
 Rudy Larocque, 1203 Mesa Ave., res gas, Val: \$1,500, Fee: \$32
 Joe Ybarra, 1315 Mesa Ave., res gas, Val: \$1,500, Fee: \$32
 Timothy Green, 1017 Ridgeroad Dr., res re-roof, Val: \$8,100, Fee: \$55
 Adolph Granato III, 4203 Bilger St., res re-roof, Val: \$6,800, Fee: \$45
 Wes Galloway V, 1702 Laurie St., res re-roof, Val: \$4,855, Fee: \$35
 Michael DeLeon, 404 Father Delaney St., structure (re-build porch), Val: \$800, Fee: \$25
 Andrew Hernandez, 1405 E. 15th St., res re-roof, Val: \$1,000, Fee: \$25
 Leslie Ryan Walker, 2700 Crestline Rd., res re-roof, Val: \$8,000, Fee: \$50
 Andrea Lee Barr, 810 W. 14th St., res elec, Val: \$1,000, Fee: \$25

Public Records

Howard County Justice of the Peace Outstanding IBC Warrants:

Marcus Joe Anderson, 2621 Chanute Dr., Big Spring
 Steve Antoine, 1425 E. 6th St. #19, Big Spring
 Corina Avila, 1800 Winston St., Big Spring
 Katie Cole L. Baker, P.O. Box 3372, Big Spring
 Tammy D. Bishop, 1410 Tucson Rd., Big Spring
 Wayne Richard Buyce, 4042 Morningside Way, Canyon Lake
 Raymond Carroll, 712 E. 17th St., Big Spring
 Gloria Cerna, PO Box 55, Lamesa
 Pedro Chavarria, 1408 E. Sixth St., Big Spring
 Matilda Cortez, 302 N. St. Teresa, Stanton
 Hannah Deaton, 19634 Atasca Oaks Dr., Humble
 Tina Marie Ellis, 4002 Austin Ave., Snyder
 Selena Bethani Enriquez-King, 100 E. Parker, Midland
 Brittany Vanessa Escanuela, 1221 E. 17th St., Big Spring
 Jose Enrique Faz, 509 N. Goliad, Big Spring

Juana Fierro, 406 N.W. 5th St., Big Spring
 William Gene Garner, 704 Rosemont, Big Spring
 Guillermo Gomez, 2107 Morrison, Big Spring
 James Michael Griffin, 303 Butler St. #502, Atlanta
 Christina Nichole Gutierrez, 2809 25th St., Snyder
 Dylan Hammons, 4401 E. 11th Place, Big Spring
 Adela Juarez Hernandez, 908 NW First St., Big Spring
 Matias Hernandez Jr., 620 E. 4th St., San Angelo
 Kaleb Hill, 910 Baylor, Big Spring
 Shatiya Lasha Jenkins, 4590 N. Texas #198, Odessa
 Stephanie Ford Johnson, P.O. Box 483, Coahoma
 Keith James Kochmick, 1003 Stadium, Big Spring
 Aaron Christopher Mack, 2134 Bonham Ave., Odessa
 Ruann R. Martinez, 1005 N.W. 2nd St., Big Spring
 Heriberto Palafox Mora, 1311 Mobile St., Big Spring
 Felicia Ornelas, 538 Westover No. 236, Big Spring
 Nicole Preston, 1605 E. 11th Place,

Big Spring
 Gilbert P. Ramirez, 1614 Settles, Big Spring
 John Roberts, 2208 Alabama, Big Spring
 George Anthony Robinson Jr., 1905 Wasson Rd. #14, Big Spring
 Linda Eva Rodriguez, 2519 Gunter Circle, Big Spring
 Juan Romero, 2504 March Circle, Big Spring
 Veronica Romero, 103 Becker Road, Big Spring
 Yuri Lozano Rubio, 421 Cedar, P.O. Box 173, Colorado City
 Polly Ann Rusk, 4201 W. Highway 80, Big Spring
 Stacie Lyanne Salas, 5102 Wasson Road, Big Spring
 Shane Skaggs, 1 Courtney Place 301, Big Spring
 Joe Anthony Villarreal, 2206 Cecilia, Big Spring
 Linda Cortez White, 6601 E. Robinson Rd., P.O. Box 429, Coahoma
 Tamara Ruth Whitt, 3706 Connley, Big Spring
 Jamie Wiggins, 1905 Wasson Rd. Apt. #28, Big Spring

See **RECORDS**, Page 5C

RECORDS

Continued from Page 4C

Marriage Licenses

Juan C. Vigoa Valdes, 27, and Mariela Bacerio Lara, 24, both of Big Spring.
Thomas Earl Dawson, 51, and Crystale Michelle Marsh, 39, both of Big Spring.
Marcus Torres, 25, and Sandy Lou Lopez, 25, both of Stanton.
Alecc Leigh Herrera, 29, and Hayley Suzanne Lewis, 28, both of Big Spring.
Clinton Lee Martin, 51, and Isabel Miranda, 54, both of Big Spring.

District Court Filings

Cody Ditto vs. Brandi Ditto, Divorce
Vernor Garcia vs Melissa Garcia, Divorce
Citifinancial Servicing LLC vs Charles Lusk, All Occupants, Contract-Consumer/Commercial/Debt
Jimmy Huckeba vs Kimberly Henderson, Divorce
David Dow vs. State of Texas, Writ of Habeas Corpus
Juan Lara vs. State of Texas, Writ of Habeas Corpus
Wells Fargo Bank, NA vs. Becky Winters, Contract-Consumer/Commercial/Debt

County Court Judgements
(The State of Texas is listed as the prosecutor in all county court judgements)

Defendant: Robert Sanchez
Offense: Public intoxication w/3 prior convictions
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$292 court costs, 22 days in jail.
Date: March 13, 2017

Defendant: Johnny D. Turman
Offense: Obstruction of highway
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months.
Date: March 20, 2017

Defendant: Stephanie Banks
Offense: Possession of a dangerous drug
Sentence: \$50 fine, 365 days in jail. Probated 24 months.
Date: March 1, 2017

Defendant: Shon Kyle Harvey
Offense: Criminal mischief
Sentence: \$50 to \$500
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$287 court costs, 30 days in jail.
Date: February 10 2017

Defendant: John Mier
Offense: Criminal mischief
Sentence: \$100 to \$750
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$342 court cost, 30 days in jail.
Date: February 24, 2017

Defendant: Gabriel Soto
Offense: Cruelty to animal-fail to provide
Sentence: \$1500 fine, 365 days in jail. Probated 24 months.
Date: February 28, 2017

Defendant: Donald R. Vanderbilt
Offense: Fail to give ID, Give false/fictitious info
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months.
Date: February 24, 2017

Defendant: Joe N. Garfias
Offense: Posession of marijuana less than 2 ounces
Sentence: \$250 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 6 months.
Date: February 28, 2017

Defendant: Carl Railsback
Offense: Burglary of vehicle
Sentence: \$250 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 6 months
Date: February 6, 2017

Defendant: Juan Diaz Gamble
Offense: Criminal Mischief
Sentence: \$100 to \$750
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$342 court costs, 30 days in jail.
Date: February 24, 2017

Defendant: Ronald W. Stinson
Offense: Theft of property
Sentence: \$100 to \$750
Sentence: \$500 fine, \$292 court costs. Probated 6 months.
Date: February 24, 2017

Defendant: Steven T. Rhoer
Offense: Driving while intoxi-

cated 2nd
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$414.10 court costs, 20 days in jail.
Date: February 28, 2017

Defendant: Drakus D. Armstead
Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces.
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$397 court costs, 20 days in jail.
Date: February 10, 2017

Defendant: Joshua M. Basurto
Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days of jail. Probated 12 months.
Date: February 28, 2017

Defendant: Justyce Small
Offense: Display possess altered operator/drivers license
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 6 months.
Date: February 28, 2017

Defendant: Smokey Oliver
Offense: Display fictitious motor vehicle registration.
Sentence: \$300 fine, \$239 court costs
Date: March 13, 2017

Defendant: Lance J. King
Offense: Theft of property
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$292 court costs, 60 days in jail.
Date: March 13, 2017

Defendant: Kenneth W. Johnson
Offense: Theft of property
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$292 court costs, 60 days in jail.
Date: March 13, 2017

Defendant: Michael J. McNew
Offense: Assault causes bodily injury to family member.
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$292 court costs, 65 days in jail
Date: March 10, 2017

Defendant: Quincy L. Henry
Offense: Theft of property
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$342 court costs, 75 days in jail.
Date: March 10, 2017

Defendant: Brady Baldwin
Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months.
Date: March 10, 2017

Defendant: Jody Dawdy
Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$352 court costs, 10 days in jail.
Date: March 9, 2017

Defendant: Kendell C. Luna
Offense: Racing on highway
Sentence: \$200 fine, \$292 court costs, six months probation. Deferred adjudication.
Date: March 7, 2017

Defendant: Smythia M. Hilario
Offense: Theft of property less than \$50 with previous conviction
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$287 court costs, 22 days in jail.
Date: March 2, 2017

Defendant: Angel E. Hinojosa
Offense: Evading arrest/detention
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$292 court costs, 40 days in jail.
Date: March 2, 2017

Defendant: Arthur Jackson
Offense: Evading arrest/detention
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$292 court costs, 30 days in jail.
Date: March 6, 2017

Defendant: Michael Mendez
Offense: Graffiti, pecuniary loss of \$100 to \$750
Sentence: Probated 12 months.
Date: March 2, 2017

Defendant: Jimetre Post
Offense: Possession of controlled

substance less than 28 grams
Sentence: \$500 fine, \$352 court costs. Deferred adjudication 12 months.
Date: March 9, 2017

Defendant: Lorenzo O. Love
Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months.
Date: March 9, 2017

Defendant: William Ferguson
Offense: Theft of Property
Sentence: \$100 to \$750
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months.
Date: March 9, 2017

Defendant: Joshua Marsh
Offense: Bail jumping and failure to appear.
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$342 court costs, 20 days in jail.
Date: March 9, 2017

Defendant: David E. Williams
Offense: Fail to ID fugitive, give false information
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$292 court costs, 12 days in jail.
Date: March 9, 2017

Defendant: Theresa Galbraith
Offense: Accident involving damage to vehicle less than \$200
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$292 court costs, 2 days in jail
Date: March 8, 2017

Defendant: Stephanie Lynn Gonzales
Offense: Driving with license involved with previous conviction/suspension without final resolution
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months.
Date: February 28, 2017

Defendant: Sabrina Hernandez
Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces
Sentence: \$250 fine, \$352 court costs, Deferred adjudication 6 months.
Date: March 2, 2017

Defendant: Jaime Cuellar, Jr.
Offense: Possession of marijuana between 2 and 4 ounces.
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months.
Date: March 2, 2017

Defendant: Eric W. Cervillos
Offense: Criminal trespass
Sentence: \$500 fine, \$289 court costs.
Date: January 24, 2017

Defendant: Johnny Rodriguez
Offense: Driving while license suspended, with previous conviction/suspension without final resolution
Sentence: \$292 court costs, time served
Date: February 13, 2017

Defendant: Theodore Diaz
Offense: Violation of protective order
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$292 court costs, 90 days in jail
Date: February 21, 2017

Defendant: Theodore Diaz
Offense: Violation of protective order
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$292

court costs, 90 days in jail.
Date: February 21, 2017

Defendant: Valerie M. Garcia
Offense: Criminal Mischief
Sentence: \$750 to \$2500
Sentence: Revocation of probation:\$250 fine, \$342 court costs, 77 days in jail.
Date: February 13, 2017

Defendant: Dana D. Reid
Offense: Driving while intoxicated
Sentence: \$750 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months.
Date: February 16, 2017

Defendant: Aaron Deleon
Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces
Sentence: Revocation of probation: \$500 fine, \$347 court costs, 27 days in jail.
Date: February 13, 3017

Defendant: Ashley Miramontes
Offense: Theft of property \$50 to \$500
Sentence: Revocation of probation: \$500 fine, \$287 court costs, 28 days in jail.
Date: February 13, 2017

Defendant: Taylor Nicole Biedekapp
Offense: Theft of property \$50 to \$500
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months.
Date: February 4, 2017

Defendant: Ryan Heath Sanders
Offense: Driving while license invalid with previous conviction or suspension
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months
Date: February 16, 2017

Defendant: Vincent A. Ossorio
Offense: Evading arrest/detention
Sentence: \$200 fine, \$287 court costs
Date: February 6, 2017

Defendant: Johnny Garcia, Jr.
Offense: Assault causes bodily injury
Sentence: \$500 fine, \$332 court costs. Probated 12 months.
Date: February 2, 2017

Defendant: Ruben Dominguez
Offense: Driving while intoxicated 2nd
Sentence: \$750 fine, \$365 days in jail. Probated 24 months.
Date: February 7, 2017

Defendant: Danny Barbee
Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces
Sentence: \$250 fine, \$352 court costs. Deferred Adjudication 6 months
Date: February 1, 2017

Defendant: Gregory Lynn Cessna
Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces
Sentence: \$750 fine, \$304 court costs.
Date: February 3, 2017

Defendant:William Franks
Offense: Resist arrest, search, transport
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$292

court costs, 30 days in jail
Date: February 6, 2017

Defendant: Tracy Patterson
Offense: Criminal trespass
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$392 court costs, 30 days in jail.
Date: February 6, 2017

Warranty Deeds

Grantor: H C Hocker
Grantee: Kevin Hocker
Property: A tract in SE/4 of Sec. 14, Blk. 33, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: March 7, 2017
Grantor: Matt Alexander
Grantee: Dale Patterson
Property: A tract in Sec. 32, Blk. 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: March 09, 2017

Grantor: Vickie Watson fka Vickie J. Fryar
Grantee: Peggy Huckabee
Property: Lot 32, Blk. 8, Douglas addition No.1
Date: March 7, 2017

Grantor: Jeffrey Todd Land
Grantee: John Redding
Property: A tract in SE/4 of Sec. 46, Blk. 31, T-1-N, T&P RY. Co. Survey, and a tract out of tract 27 in Sec. 46, Blk. 31, T-1-N, T&P RY Co. Survey
Date: March 8, 2017

Grantor: Stanley Don Everett and Kathryn Everett
Grantee: Janet Headding
Property: Real estate at 2507 N Birdwell Ln
Date: March 10, 2017

Warranty Deeds With Vendors' Liens

Grantor: Wendi Jenkins aka Wendi K. Jenkins
Grantee: Kim McLemore and Mitch McLemore
Property: Lot 9, Blk. 18, College Park Estates
Date: March 8, 2017

Grantor: Leslie Kay Elrod aka Leslie Kay Elrod Hobbs, Dba Lke properties
Grantee: Laurie K. Pineda
Property: Lot 8, Blk. 1, Jerald Smith addition
Date: March 8, 2017

Grantor: Robert Neal Henry and Arvil James Henry, joint co-successor trustees of the Arvil W. Henry and Ollie Mae Henry Revocable living trust
Grantee: Christopher M. Bra-tton and Jessica McClelland
Property: Lot 5, Blk. 1, Anderson addition
Date: March 8, 2017

Grantor: Steve Conner and Brenda Conner
Grantee: Jerry Ellis and Mary Ellis
Property: Lot 10, Blk 1, Abernathy addition
Date: March 10, 2017
Grantor: Rebecca Lynn Smith and Angela Kay Billadeau fka Angela Kay Dees
Grantee: Tommy Wegner
Property: A tract of land out of N/2 of Sec. 17, Blk. 25, H&T.C. RR. Co. Survey
Date: March 10, 2017

MYERS & SMITH

Funeral Home & Chapel

Burial Services	Cremation Services	Pre-Need Services	Monuments
			
We can arrange for burial in any cemetery. Services may be graveside, in our chapel, your church, or other location of your choice.	We provide any type of cremation service. Let us assist you in the Cremation Service of your choice.	Pre-planning protects your family both financially and emotionally. Plans can be pre-paid to protect against inflation and price-increase.	We offer a wide selection of monuments in granite, marble and bronze. Personalization also available.

CLASSIFIEDS

BIG SPRING HERALD

710 Scurry263-7331www.bigspringherald.com

Cemetery Lots

Three spaces
1,2,3 of Lot 90
in Garden of Olivet
Asking price is
1,200 or Obo each.
J.r. Cox 979-481-4789

Garage Sales

Moving Sale, Inside The
Brown Cabin
Air Conditioned

western home decor, lamps,
new dishes & crystal wear,
kitchen wear, rugs, queen
bedding & comforters.
Lades shoes 7 1/2 -8
Ladies clothes Med.
Purses, luggage, books, Cd's
& movies on
DVD. Christmas and
Thanksgiving Decor.
Paint & Craft items.
Sewing Machine.
jewelry & bead collection!

All at 2800 N Birdwell Lane
in Big Spring.
9-7 Friday-Sat. Sun.Mon
Until its all sold.
**Priced low to sell
everything!**

Help Wanted



\$1,000 Sign on Bonus Penta
Petro has immediate open-
ings for fuel transportation
drivers in Big Spring. Excel-
lent Pay with benefits. Must
be 23 years of age, possess
CDL/Hazmat/Tanker and
must have fuel transportation
experience. If qualified
please contact Shae at
432.689.0660. www.penta-
petro.com

Freda's Trucking Service
Now hiring experienced
CDL Drivers for vacuum
trucks
Above average wages
Apply at 3128 HWY 137
Lenorah, TX
Joel (432)816-6578
Wallace (432)664-8484
Must pass pre-employment
drug screen
DOT physical required

Help Wanted

**The City of Big Spring is
now accepting
on-line applications.**
*Please apply at
www.mybigspring.com*

Full Time Positions

- Non-Certified &
Certified Police Officer
- Utility Service
Worker
- Park Maintenance
Worker
- Building Maintenance
Worker
- Part Time
Maintenance Worker
- Animal Control Officer
- Water Treatment Plant
Supervisor

For more information call
**Human Resources
at
(432) 264-2346**

AAA Tubing Testing now
hiring for derrick hand . Must
have valid DL & pass drug
test. Full benefit package.
Will train.
Call Jesse (432) 267-7821

Affordacare Urgent Care
Clinic is looking for a full-time
Medical Assistant/LVN. Must
be dependable and have reli-
able transportation. Experi-
ence with all medical office
procedure required. Bi-lin-
gual and Phlebotomy experi-
ence a plus. Salary depends
on experience. We offer med-
ical insurance, paid time off
and holiday pay. Will require
some evenings and week-
ends. Come by 710 S. Gregg
for an application or send
your resume to
affordacare_bigspring@yahoo.co
m.

The **Big Spring Herald** is
looking for an city/govern-
ment reporter to cover local
news in Howard County and
the surrounding area.
An understanding of local
government is preferred as
well as experience with In-
Design and Photoshop. The
ideal candidate will be able to
balance deadlines with mul-
tiple story assignments.
Big Spring is in West Texas,
about 45 minutes east of Mid-
land.
Please send your resume
and samples of your stories
to Managing Editor
Amanda Elston at
editor@bigspringherald.com.

Help Wanted

LAMUN-LUSK-SANCHEZ
TEXAS STATE TEACHERS HOME

Assistant Director of Nursing-
RN (Pharmacy) \$1500.00
Sign on Bonus
MDS Coordinator-RN

We offer outstanding
benefits!
Competitive compensation
Bonus Plan
Paid Vacation
Tuition Reimbursement
Matching 401(K)
Health & Dental Available
Life & Supplemental
Insurances
Team Member
Chaplain Services

Lamun-Lusk (432)268-8387
1809 US-87 Big Spring
79720

Help Wanted

CHICKEN EXPRESS HIR-
ING GENERAL MANAGER:
We are searching for a
proven, energetic, talented,
friendly and experienced indi-
vidual to operate our location.

Job details include ensuring
the best customer service.
Hiring, training, and man-
aging staff. Maintaining
equipment. Handling daily
cash and credit card transac-
tions. Responsible for weekly
food orders.

* Salary base starts \$35 -
40k. More if qualified.
* Incentive based bonuses on
a monthly basis.
* Health Insurance.
* Paid vacation.
* 3 - 5 yrs. experience re-
quired.

Send resume to Chicken-
judge@gmail.com

Help Wanted

LOCAL 30+ Year
Construction Company
seeking experience help.
Need trim, door, cabinet
experience and painting.
General residential and light
commercial.
432-267-2296

Local Established Oilfield
Construction Company seek-
ing motivated Heavy Equip-
ment and Forklift Operators
and Haul Truck drivers.
Must be able to build loca-
tions and work unsupervised.
Please respond to Personnel
P.O. Box 881 Big Spring,
Texas 79721

Mechanic's helper and/or
Mechanic M-F, 8-5. Responsi-
bilities: listen, do as your
told, no job is to menial. You
will work with the owner, a
crotchety old man, one of the
best mechanics around. Ex-
pectations: show up on time,
use good communication, be
clean & wear your pants
pulled up. NO fowl language,
long smoke breaks or being
on your phone. MUST have
valid driver's license. APPLY
IN PERSON-No Phone Calls
306 State St., Big Spring

Need Bob Tail/Transport
Driver for fuel deliveries. Ex-
cellent salary, all medical be-
nefits, retirement plan, vaca-
tion and sick leave. Must
have CDL, hazmat & good
driving record. Come by 1st &
Johnson, Park Fuels/Chev-
ron, Big Spring, (432) 263-
0033

Help Wanted

**BIG SPRING
DQ
Job Fair**

Now hiring full time and part time
team members and
Management positions.

Above average pay and flexible
schedules.

Offering vacation & holiday pay
plus benefits for all DQ
employees.

Interviews offered with
Sylvia & Christian
Thursday, March 9th
2:00 pm -5:00 pm
At the Big Spring DQ Location
1009 Lamesa Hwy
Or apply online now
www.richesondq.com

Pets

**Lost &
Found**

FOUND
Little Brown
Chihuahua
found in Sand Springs
For owner to claim call
432-213-2041



Lost Dog Big Spring \$200
Golden Retriever- Got out of
yard on 3/23. Last seen near
Dennys parking lot. Answers
to Chilly. Please help.
Reward if found.
214-438-7757

Public Notice

COLLEEN BARTON, DIS-
TRICT CLERK
312 SCURRY
BIG SPRING, TX 79720

C.E. (MIKE) THOMAS
ATTORNEY AT LAW
P O BOX 2117
BIG SPRING TX 79720

THE STATE OF TEXAS

West Texas Centers



West Texas Centers

Provider Service Part Time positions this position provides services to persons with intellectual or developmental disabilities. Services range from skills training, to assistance with daily living activities. Services are provided in the home, the community and in a vocational setting. Schedules are flexible. GED or High School Diploma Hrlly \$12.90.

Vocational Services Tech: Responsible for training consumers in work and social related skills, to include habilitation, vocational training and supports to consumers. Staff may share responsibility with other staff or may work independently of other staff to provide daily supervision, care and training of individuals. Required to work flexible hours and may be required to work rotating shifts. \$9.93 hr \$794.31.00 bi weekly \$20,652 annually High School or GED.

Resident Support Tech typically works in a 4 bed HCS residential setting under the general direction of a Provider Services Mgr. The RSST may share responsibility with other staff or may work independently of other staff to provide daily supervision, care and training of individuals in their care. The RSST provides residential services, and may provide day habilitation, and supported home living in compliance with DADS, HCS, TxHml and Performance Contract Standards. Will be required to work possible rotating schedules and flexible hours. High School Diploma or GED \$12.90 hr \$1032.00 bi weekly \$26,832 annually.

Applications available at 409 Runnels or www.wtcmhmr.org.

West Texas Centers



West Texas Centers

Mental Health Part Time Rehab Provider: Employee will perform psychosocial rehabilitation and skills training services to reduce the symptoms of and disabilities of mental illness. Services will be delivered primarily in the community. Bachelor degree from an accredited college or university with a major in social, behavioral or human services. Applicant must live with 70 mile radius of duty site. \$21.84 an hr.

Mental Health Rehab Provider: Employee will perform psychosocial rehabilitation and skills training services to reduce the symptoms of and disabilities of mental illness. Services will be delivered primarily in the community. Bachelor degree from an accredited college or university with a major in social, behavioral or human services. Applicant must live within 70 mile radius of duty site. \$19.79 hr \$1583.08 bi weekly \$41,160 annually.

The Contract Specialist assists in the systematical and efficient contract creation, execution, and analysis for the purpose of maximizing financial and operational performance. The position provides technical assistance to agency staff and contractors regarding contract procedures and monitoring contract deliverables. This position also supports the contract management functions by preparing, reviewing and processing contract documents for approval and signature. The Contract Specialist' role requires close collaboration with various departments, including executive management, clinical operations, project management, account management, business operations and finance. Position requires being able to plan, organize, and prioritize multiple assignments in a fast paced work environment, without compromising accuracy. Position has the ability to work independently and performs proficiently with limited direct supervision. Bachelor's degree in Economics, Business Administration, Accounting or Public Administration or related field. Prior work experience in procurement or contract processes, such as purchasing or contracting. Strong verbal and written skills and ability to convey complex information in a way that others can readily follow. Proficient skills in the use of Microsoft Office products. Experience may be substituted for the degree on a year for year basis Monday-Friday \$40,000-\$50,000 annually DOE.

TCOOMMI Case Manager Position 749: Performs on-going casework activities to assist individuals in gaining access to medical, social, vocational, educational, and other needed services. Serves as primary case manager for clients enrolled in TCOOMMI (Texa Correctional Office on Offenders with Medical and Mental Impairments.) Responsible for service plan development; service linkage; coordination of clinic services; monitoring; advocacy; crisis resolution; and liaison services. Will engage clients in activities designed to reduce the symptoms of and disabilities that result from mental illness and to increase the ability of the individual to function in the community. Identifies and manages the symptoms of mental illness, including monitoring or wellness checks and specific symptom management skills training's. Performs psychosocial rehab and skills training services to assist clients with problem solving and to enable the client to maintain community living. Duties of the position will require frequent interactions with individuals served, their families, and local Probation and Parole officers as well as other community service providers. Caseload to include persons released from the State prison system, ISF facilities and SAFF facilities. Will assist prison releases for the first 90 days after reintegration, working to transition them out of the TCOOMMI program into regular mental health services. Responsible for jail diversion duties as needed including consulting with local jails, judiciary andnlaw enforcement to divert the mentally ill from jails to treatment. Requires flexible hours, involves extensive paperwork, and will require self-directed performance. Must have a valid Texas driver's license. Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with a major in social, behavioral, or human services. Prefer criminal justice experience or education \$19.79 hr \$1583.08 bi weekly \$41,160 annually.

Applications available at 409 Runnels or www.wtcmhmr.org.

ADVERTISING SALES REPRESENTATIVE

The Big Spring Herald is looking for an individual to sell advertising in our retail department. If you like people, are a team player, follow directions, pay attention to detail, have dependable transportation, valid driver's license and liability insurance, and like to make money, we want to talk to you!

We offer an established account list, benefits, paid vacation, and mileage reimbursement.

Apply in person:
710 Scurry
Send Resume:
PO Box 1431
Big Spring, TX 79721
Email Resume:
Advertising@bigspringherald.com
NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE!

234448

Big Spring State Hospital

Big Spring State Hospital offers generous benefits packages, including paid vacation, sick leave and holidays, matching retirement and health insurance. Negotiable shifts.

**ACTIVELY RECRUITING:
REGISTERED NURSES
LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSES
PSYCHIATRIC NURSING ASSISTANTS
NURSE PRACTITIONER
ADMIN. ASST., CLERK
REHAB THERAPY TECH
CFO SUPPORT, TRAINING SPECIALIST
FOOD SERVICE, CUSTODIAN
MAINTENANCE
PSYCHIATRIST, PSYCHOLOGIST**

To apply online or for more information on jobs and salaries:
<https://jobshrportal.hhsc.state.tx.us>
OR CALL (432) 268-7341 or visit us at:
Big Spring State Hospital 1901 N. Hwy 87 Big Spring, TX 79720

BUSINESSES & SERVICES

\$65.60 Per Month

Call 263-7331 to place your ad today!!



AUTO PARTS



Specialize in late model quality Pickup parts

1511 HWY. 350 • (432) 263-5000

Big Spring, Texas 79720

Monday - Friday 8a.m. - 5:30p.m.

CONCRETE

Quality Concrete and Metal Building

Residential and Commercial
Garage • Shed • Carports,
etc.

NO JOB TOO SMALL

CALL

816-6839

CAR FOR SALE

NEED TO SELL YOUR CAR?

CALL 263-7331

Herald Classifieds

HERALD

CARPET CLEANING

Heaven's Best
Carpet Cleaning

100% Guarantee
Spot Removal

Insured • Free Estimates
Commercial and Residential
Carpet • Upholstery • Hardwood
Tile & Grout
Locally Owned & Operated

432-268-3759
Lance Reid
<http://bigspringtx.heavensbest.com/>

TAX SERVICES

FAST CASH

On Income Tax Refund

TAX ASSOCIATES
406 Rannels
(Across from Bargain Mart)

CALL
(432) 264-6134
"Se Habla Espanol"

TEXAS
SPRAY FOAM CO
LUBBOCK FORT WORTH
806-790-5926 882-224-9020
Call Today for Discount
(806) 790-5926

Beat the HEAT

CONCRETE

Amaya Construction

- Slab Curbs •
- Driveways •
- Foundation •

NO JOB TOO BIG
or SMALL

Jose Amaya
432-894-0702

ELECTRICAL

**CROSS ROADS
ELECTRIC**

Richard Moren
Master Electrician License #173630

Texas Electrical
Contractor License #25496
Phone: (432) 264-6261

FENCES

Quality Fence Co.
Jimmy Marquez-Owner

Finest In
Fencing

Wood &
Chainlink

Free Estimates
432-267-3349

FENCES

B & M Fence Co.
VOTED BEST IN BIG SPRING

- Residential • Commercial
- Chain Link • Metal
- Cedar • Dog Kennels

Now Accepting



You Choose Your Payment Plan!!

Free Estimates



Get Our Price & Compare

Robert Marquez - Owner

263-1613

1-800-525-1389

101 NW 2nd St. Big Spring, TX

GENERAL CONTRACTOR

BDA Companies

COMMERCIAL - RESIDENTIAL
ROOFING - CONSTRUCTION

(432) 263-1580

FAX

(432) 263-3711

CELL

(432) 517-0133

ROBERT P. SHAFFER
OWNER

LANDSCAPING

Top Notch Landscaping

Landscape design • Swimming pools
Ponds • Irrigation • Rockscaping
Landscape lighting • Complete lawn care
Pavers • Brick & stone • Patios & walkways
Complete tree service • Retaining walls
Commercial & Residential



(432) 213-0031

Free Estimates

LAWN SERVICE

Mowing, weedeating, haul-
ing, hedge & tree trimmings,
cleanup of lots, alleys &
storage buildings.

**Scoggin
Lawn Service**

Call 267-5460

Cell 816-6150

LANDSCAPING

**RAINBOW
LANDSCAPING**

Yards, Trees, Clean-Up,
Hauling, Garden,
Planting, etc.

Free Estimates
Call Bryan @
(432) 301-5827

SUBSCRIPTION

WOULD YOU
LIKE TO HAVE
THE BIG SPRING
HERALD
DELIVERED?
CALL
432-263-7331

HOME IMPROVEMENT

**ENTRY DOORS/
GARAGE
DOORS/OPENERS**
Remodeling • Contractor
Repaired/Remodeled
Refinishing
Kitchen & Bath Specialist
**BOB'S CUSTOM
WOODWORK**
409 E. 3RD 267-5811

HOME IMPROVEMENT

Gibbs Remodeling

Room Additions,
Drywall Hanging & Finishing,
Bath & Kitchen Remodels, Ceramic
Tile, Installation & Repair.

Free Estimates

All Remodel Needs Of Any
Room In Your Home.
Call **263-8285 or 270-3282**

HOME IMPROVEMENT

**J&J
HANDYMAN**
SPECIALIZING IN
GARAGE DOORS

Complete Home
Remodeling
Cabinets, Porch, Decks,
Garage Doors, Etc.
www.jnjhandyman.com
432-816-0658

HOME IMPROVEMENTS

RS Home Repair

Add On's, Baths,
Kitchens, Carports,
Garages, Garage Doors,
Remodeling, Painting
And Etc.

Call Randy
(432) 816-3030

PLUMBING

Roach Bros. LLC

PLUMBING PARTS & FIXTURES

1200 E. 4th St. • Big Spring, TX 79720

(432) 606-5029 Ofc. • (432) 606-5030 Fax

"All of your Plumbing needs in one Store"

PAINTING

J.P'S

Reliable Residential
Painting
Locally owned, for all
your painting needs

Call
432-212-0543

YOUR AD

This Could Be Your Ad

FOR MORE INFORMATION

CALL 432-263-7331

Herald Classifieds

HERALD

PEST CONTROL



Southwestern
A-1 Pest Control

432.263.0441

Max F. Moore

2008 Birdwell Lane

www.swalpc.com

We Can Save
You Money By Advertising
Your Business In Our
Professional
Service Directory! Call
263-7331
for more information.

HERALD

LAWN SERVICE

BIG SPRING LAWN CARE

Let us do a good job on
your yard work.
Mowing, Edging, Trimming,
Light Hauling, etc.

Call
270-7733

DON'T PAY

to find work before
you get the job. For
free information
about avoiding
employment service
scams, write the
Federal Trade
Commission,
Washington, DC 20580
or call the National
Fraud Information
Center, 800-876-7060.

TREE SERVICE

Larry's COMPLETE

TREE TRIMMING
TREE REMOVAL & LAWNS
FREE ESTIMATES

BBB A+

432-270-8049

TREE TRIMMING

LUPE'S TREE TRIMMING

Trimming trees in Big Spring (and
surrounding areas) since 1980.
For tree trimming and removal.

CALL **Lupe Villalpando**

432-268-6406

432-213-1451

Satisfaction Guaranteed
FREE ESTIMATE

TREE TRIMMING

Monico's Yards & Trees

HERALD READERS' CHOICE 2012
HERALD READERS' CHOICE 2016

Prune Trees, Shrubs, Hedges,
Tree Removal & Mow Lawns
432-270-0485

PLUMBING



Commercial & Residential
Installation & Repair

- Drain Cleaning • Gas Lines • Water Heaters
- Water Leaks • Fixtures

Advance Plumbing

Edward Roach

Master Plumber • M-37359

432-517-0751 Cell

432-606-5029 Ofc

1200 E. 4th St. Big Spring, TX 79720

ROOFING



Palacios Roofing Home Improvement
All Types of Roof Work,
Home Repairs, Ceramic tile, Painting,
Drywall, Concrete Work, Fences,
Additions, Wood Floors.

You Need it — We Do It...
Since 1996 (Licensed & Bonded)
Free Estimates

Alvaro Palacios - Owner

Call 213-0363 or 263-5430

ROOFING

Johnny Flores Roofing & Construction

Shingles, Hot Tar & Gravel.

All type of repairs!

Work Guaranteed.

Specializing in Hot Tar Roofs.

Doctor of Repairs

Free Estimates!!

267-1110

432-466-1102

FOR SALE

Trying To Get Rid Of
Unwanted Items

CALL 263-7331

Herald Classifieds

HERALD

WATER WELLS

Choate Well Service

For all your water well needs.
All major credit cards accepted
Call (432) 393-5231
Family Owned Business For 55 Yrs.

ROOFING

Timmy D's Roofing

Free Estimate
Metal, Shingle, Flat Roofs
Specializing In Metal
Whole Roof or Patch Jobs
Also (Home Remodeling)
Satisfaction Guaranteed
(432) 935-1835

SUBSCRIPTION

WOULD YOU
LIKE TO HAVE
THE BIG SPRING
HERALD
DELIVERED?
CALL
432-263-7331

STORAGE

Reliable Self Storage

- * New Clean Facility
- * Video Surveillance
- * Electronic Gate Access
- * Fenced & Lighted Complex
- * 24 Hr/7 Days A Week Access
- * Easy In & Out Access
- * Moving Supplies
- * Month to Month Rentals

Locally Owned & Operated by
Gary & Glenda Gillihan

1908 Wasson Rd.
(432) 517-4860

The
Big Spring Herald

Visit Our Website
at

www.bigspringherald.com



EQUAL HOUSING
OPPORTUNITY

All real estate advertising in this newspaper is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act of 1988 which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex or national origin, or an intention to make any such preference, limitation or discrimination." This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis.

GARAGE SALE

HAVING A GARAGE SALE

CALL 263-7331
Herald Classifieds

HERALD

HOUSE PAINTING

Free Estimates

Grumpy Old Men House Painting

Our wives want us out of the house!

House Painting
Call **Sonny** at **432-741-5741**
or **Brad** at **254-702-7986**
Facebook
Grumpy Old Men House Painting
Both live in the Big Spring Area

FOR SALE

Trying To Get Rid Of Unwanted Items

CALL 263-7331
Herald Classifieds

HERALD

CONSTRUCTION

*Voted Best In Roofing &
Best In Home Improvement Contractor*

Kenn Construction

- Roofing & Construction
 - Immediate Schedules Available
 - Most Roofs Completed In One Day
 - Custom Kitchen & Baths
 - Hand Crafted Cabinetry & Tile

Big Spring Owned and Operated

432-267-2296

Kennconstr@basin-net.net

HOUSE LEVELING/MOVING

B&B House Leveling & Foundation Repair

LOCALLY OWNED & FAMILY OPERATED FOR 67 Years

Foundation Repair is Our Specialty & Only Work Our Company Does!



If it's not a deep driven steel pier,
it's not a steel pier.
Capable of 90 ft. in depth!

BBB
A+ RATING

The Big Country's only provider
for non-corrosive Steel Piers

- Repairs on Solid Slab, Pier & Beam Foundations
- Void Filling & Mud Jacking
- Landscape Friendly

**LIFETIME TRANSFERABLE
GUARANTEE**

325-675-6613 • Abilene, TX • 800-335-4037

Owner: Rick Burrow



Licensed & Bonded for Home Owner's Protection
Insurance Claims Welcome • Free Inspections • Senior Citizens & Military Discounts



ROOFING

Full Moon Roofing

Insured & Bonded

- ★ LIFETIME Shingles
- ★ Hail Resistant Shingles
- ★ 26 Gauge Metal



Top 50 Companies On Angie's List

Over 230 Complete Roofs This Year

80% Upgrade To metal At No Additional Cost

30 Yrs. Of Doing It Right!

432-267-5478

FREE ESTIMATES

**There's something for everyone in the Big Spring Herald's Classifieds!**

Grandpa sold his sailboat

Mama found the missing piece for her china set...

Papa bought a great used car ...

Little Brother traded his baseball cards for a guitar...

Big Brother found an awesome set of free weights...

Cousin Bill found a great apartment ...

Big Sister found a great new job...

Aunt Sue found a dining room table...

**ALL THIS IN THE
CLASSIFIEDS**

To place an ad in the Classifieds

Call 263-7331

BIG SPRING HERALD

710 Scurry • Big Spring

The Classifieds...
just a click away!



Public Notice

NOTICE OF DEFENDANT:
"You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on Monday next following the expiration of 42 days after this citation was issued, a default judgement may be taken against you."

To: Kurt Johnson

Defendant, Greeting:
You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the Monday next after the expiration of 42 days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday May 8, 2017, before the Honorable 118th District Court of Howard County, at 312 Scurry Street in said County in Big Spring, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 15th day of March, 2017, cause number 51793 in the entitled cause styled

GRACE LACKEY vs KURT JOHNSON

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: Real Property - Other as is more fully shown by the Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

Issued and given under my hand seal of said court at office on this the 23rd day of March, 2017.

COLLEEN BARTON
District Clerk of Howard County, Texas

By: Jury Padron, Deputy

#9338 March 26 & April 2, 9, 16, 2017

Howard County residents may be denied vehicle registration

Howard County will begin denying registration to those residents who owe Howard County delinquent fines or fees beginning April 1st, 2017. Registration will be denied until proof of payment is provided. The "Scofflaw" program, recently given approval by the Howard County Commissioner's Court, adds more teeth in the fight to collect from those who have "scoffed" at their debt, thus the program is termed "Scofflaw". Residents who are denied registration will have the opportunity to pay their court fees directly to the court. Once a valid paid receipt is provided, the customer will be allowed to register their vehicle. Those who choose to not pay their fine and drive with an unregistered vehicle run the risk of further citations and possible arrest if they have an outstanding warrant or unpaid court fines. Those denied registration will be informed of the identity of the court where their outstanding fine or fee resides and the

Public Notice

amount owed. The Scofflaw Program in Texas originated with the 69th Texas Legislature in 1985 to help county governments collect past due traffic fines. The bill was further widened in 1997 to include a variety of county debt, including county taxes and related fees and fines. Registrants who owe delinquent fines and fees in any of the three (3) Justice of the Peace Courts in Howard County as well as the Howard County Clerk's Office can face denial.

#9308 March 1, 5, 8, 12, 15, 19, 22, 26 & 29

NOTICE OF AMENDED APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

LEGACY Reserves Operating LP
P. O. Box 10848
Midland, TX 79702

is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas to amend the permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil or gas.

The Applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Ellenburger & Fusselman Formations

Talbot(Lease) Well Number 3D

The proposed injection well is located 9 Miles North from Big Spring in the Luther, SE (Penn Canyon) Field Howard County.

Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 9700 to 10,277 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY:
Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control Section, Oil and Gas Division, RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS, Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

#9336 March 26, 2017

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION TO SWR 26/27 SURFACE COMMINGLING PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that Diamondback E&P LLC (RRC P-5 # 217012) is filing with the Texas Railroad Commission the following P-17 Application for the Exception to Statewide Rules (SWR) 26 and/or 27 to surface com-

Public Notice

mingle oil and casinghead gas production from leases: Target H 3905WA (DP #820900), Target J 3906WB (DP #820896), Target I 3907WB (DP #820892), Target F 3901WA (DP #812590), Target G 3901WB (DP #822235), Target B 3905WB (RRC Lease #47900), Target D 3904WB (RRC Lease #47951), Ray 3427 A 4WA (DP #315805), and Ray 3427 B 5WA (DP #315807). All wells are in the Spraberry (Trend Area) Field in Glasscock County, Texas. This application is for common separation, common storage and casinghead gas metering by allocation by well test. Production will be allocated by W-10 Tests. Any royalty or working interest owners or offset operators who have not received written notification, please consider this your Notice of Application. If you have objections to the issuance of this permit, you may submit a letter to P-17 Department, Railroad Commission of Texas, P. O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711. Unless the Railroad Commission receives a protest to this application, the Commission may issue a permit within 21 days following the date of last publication.

#9320 March 12, 19, 26 & April 2, 2017

Real Estate for Rent

101 Cedar
Freshly Remodeled
3 bedroom, 3 bath, gameroom and fireplace, Parkhill area, low-maintenance yard, approx. 2400 Sq ft. Background/references required.
\$1975/Month plus deposit
432-816-1815

1BR/1BA 2 miles north of Big Spring on hwy.87 \$180 NICE SIZE ROOM WITH WALK- IN CLOSET. ONE OR TWO FULL SIZE BEDS FURNISHED. ALL BILLS PAID. SATELLITE TV, UTILITIES, AND WIFI. LOTS OF AREA FOR PARKING INCLUDING TRUCKS. 432-517-0383

4002 Parkway
3 bedroom 1 Bath
CHA stove/refrigerator furnished & fenced yard
\$900 Month \$600 Deposit
432-270-5543

4104 Muir. 2 bed, 2 bath, 2 living areas, CH/A. Rental References required. \$900/month, \$900/dep. Prefer non-smoker/ no HUD/no pets. Call 432-270-3849

817 W.8TH 3 bedroom 2 bath, CH/A Rent \$875 Deposit \$600 Call 432-270-5543

Affordable Country Living-OAS- IS RV Park has Spaces & Travel Trailers for Rent, Call 432-517-0062 or 264-9907.

Cozy 1bd/1bath house at 712 Johnson FOR RENT. 500 rent/500 deposit. No utilities paid. Call 213-3757 for more info.

Now renting 1 & 2 bedroom Ponderosa Apartments East 6th Street. Call 432-263-6319

OFFICE SUITE AVAILABLE. 1510 Scurry Suite B Excellent Location. Two Offices with reception area. \$700.00 a month plus security deposit. Call 432-263-5000 for more information

Real Estate for Sale

For Sale
2702 Larry Drive 3 bedroom 2 bath, fenced back yard, 2 car garage.
(213)-260-2716

Home REALTORS

110 W. Marcy
263-1284
Fax: 263-4663

OPEN HOUSE

SUNDAY - MARCH 26, 2017

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

4914 S. HWY. 87

HOSTED BY:

BETTY CARROLL

260460

su | do | ku

Puzzles by Pappocorr

ANSWERS

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

Real Estate for Sale

Home REALTORS

263-1284

HOMES FOR SALE

3804 CALVIN
\$99,900

1313 DIXIE
\$129,900

2809 LAWRENCE
\$146,500

2708 CINDY
\$149,900

6209 MIDWAY RD.
\$155,000

618 COLGATE
\$159,900

3600 PARKWAY
\$159,900

1610 OSAGE RD.
\$179,900

CHARLES SMITH
REALTOR
CELL: 432-466-1613
WWW.HOME-REALTORS.NET

PRICE REDUCED!!

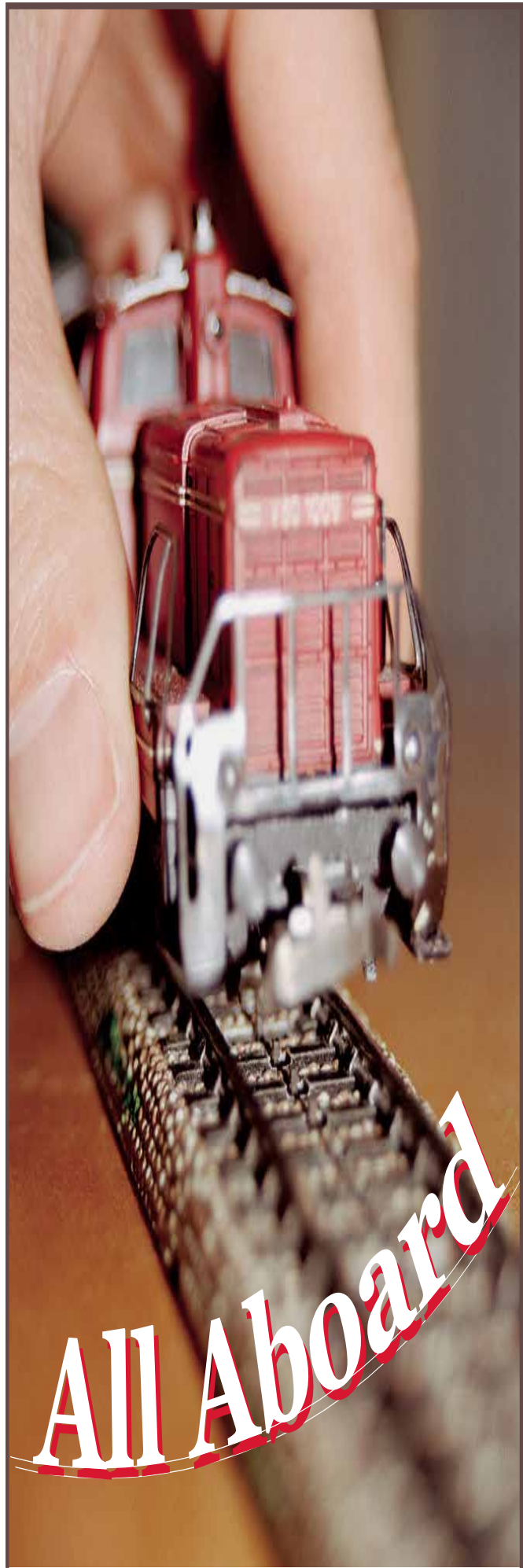


NICE BUILDING LOCATION IN SOUGHT AFTER FORSAN ISD - COUNTRY LIVING WITH CLOSE PROXIMITY TO TOWN! WATER WELL, SEPTIC AND ELECTRIC POLE PRESENT ON THE PROPERTY BUT MUST BE VERIFIED. A PORTION OF THE LAND HAS ALREADY BEEN CLEARED OFF! BUILD YOUR DREAM HOME HERE AND ENJOY THE WILDLIFE! MOTIVATED SELLER! CALL ME TO TAKE A LOOK AT THIS PROPERTY. IT WON'T LAST LONG! CONTACT MIQUE YARBAR AT 432-213-5259 FOR INFO. BROKERAGE: C. LARSON REAL ESTATE

Owner will finance 1801 Nolan Street
3 Bedroom/1 Bath gorgeous hardwood floors, new paint, new spacious kitchen/living area, has utility and storage. \$79,900 5k down \$805 month
Call Patience 432-349-5242

Vehicles

2008 Nissan Frontier \$10,500
Every thing works on this fully loaded 4 door truck. Comes with matching "Snug Top" mounted on the bed. Also comes with 5x8 utility trailer. 432-213-8846 zr2brush@aol.com



Get on the track to success with the classifieds. Many career opportunities are in store!

BIG SPRING HERALD

710 Scurry • 79720

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

It's not over till it's over

West dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

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

The bidding:
West North East South
Pass 1 ♠ Pass 2 ♣
2 ♣ Pass Pass 4 ♣
Pass 5 ♣

Opening lead — king of spades.
Declarer can often take advantage of the opposing bidding to achieve his goal. Take this case where South got to five clubs as shown. West led the king of spades and continued with the ace and queen, East playing the 7-4 to show a doubleton.

Declarer ruffed the third spade with dummy's ten, East discarding a heart. South now had to make the rest of the tricks.

He still had the spade nine, which could not be successfully ruffed in dummy because East would be able

to overruff. He also had a diamond loser to take care of. He could discard one loser or the other on one of dummy's high hearts, but not both.

Declarer realized that he could try a diamond finesse, but he thought there was no chance that this finesse would succeed. It was hardly likely that West, who had already shown up with A-K-Q-10-2 of spades, would have passed originally if he had also held the king of diamonds.

So South instead crossed to his hand with a trump, led the queen of diamonds and went up with the ace after West followed low. He then cashed four more trumps to produce this position:

West	North	East	South
♠ 10	♥ A K 10		
♥ J 7 6	♦ 9		
		East	
		♥ Q 9 8	
		♦ K	
	South		
	♠ 9		
	♥ 5		
	♦ J		
	♣ 6		

South now led his last trump. West had to keep the ten of spades, so he discarded a heart. After dummy discarded a diamond, East had to keep the king of diamonds, so he also discarded a heart, and dummy's A-K-10 of hearts scored the last three tricks.

Tomorrow: Famous Hand.
©2017 King Features Syndicate Inc.

Take Flight

Find your dream job and take flight. Our classifieds have a variety of options for you to choose from.

BIG SPRING HERALD

710 Scurry • 79720
www.bigspringherald.com

Tomorrow's Horoscope



HOLIDAY
MATHIS

Mercury and Uranus
Meet Up

Impressions are formed faster than a snap as Mercury and Uranus line up in impulsive Aries. It's not that people are rash, loving, unkind, wise or prejudiced; it's that the act of categorizing makes the world more manageable. Seeing as this is just how the human brain works, there's no need to take it personally. Detach and strategize.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). The

thing that's going to solve the problem is simply to press on. You may be educated, strong and talented, too, but those things don't make so much of a difference today as does dogged determination.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). If there's something interesting to be found in the situation, you'll find it. Furthermore, the answers given to you by the popular accepted sources will simply not be enough today.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). When ideas clash in your head, sometimes your stomach or other areas of your body will be affected, as well. Sorting it out in your head will help the rest get sorted out, too. It takes time, so be gentle and patient with yourself.

CANCER (June

22-July 22). For so many, listening is no different from waiting to talk. They are missing out. You'll have to work to overcome their attention deficit today. When the information is important, you'll need to repeat it about five times.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The question will arise as to how competitive you should be with the people around you. If you're passive and congenial, it's no fun. But if you're overly intent on winning, it's worse. Be mindful and playful and it will all work out.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Don't underestimate the power of small groups. Even a group the size of two can accomplish much more than a group the size of one. Even though you're very independent,

at your root you're a social creature. Don't forget it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Doing what you're supposed to do is hardly ever enough in the world of being you. You're all about the extras. You want to put originality into everything you do; otherwise, your interest level is low.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You have control over how many new things you'll try, and this is a fine time to try quite a few. There will be much available to you at low or no cost, if you have the time and the curiosity to investigate.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Instead of wondering whether you should give someone the benefit of the doubt, set up the situation differently so you have less at risk and the

other person has a better understanding of how to prove worthy.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Just as soon as you start to get the hang of one thing, you'll be tempted to jump into the middle of another interesting endeavor. Hold back. Think it over. Better to master the first job than to chase every new intrigue.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Alone time is precious, and you shouldn't spend all of it doing diligent work. Goof off. That's what good friends do together; you're learning to be a good friend to yourself.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Follow your whim. If it brings fast fruit, your life is immediately sweeter. If it doesn't, you'll still be richer for the

knowledge. Either way, you've progressed.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 26). An abiding sense of belonging is your cosmic birthday gift -- and one you don't take lightly. You make sure people are better for knowing you, richer for working with you, happier for loving you. April features a restructuring of your priorities and schedule. May brings physical revitalization. July brings the money. Gemini and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 20, 14, 39, 10 and 15.

To write to Holiday Mathis, visit www.creators.com/author/holiday-mathis and click "Contact."
COPYRIGHT 2017 CREATORS.COM

Annie's Mailbox

Up Charge Creek

Dear Annie: I try to be an easygoing husband, but my natural inclination is to get upset about stupid things. This is a flaw that I've been working on, and I have made a lot of progress. However, there is one thing that sets me off, and I don't know what to do about it.

My wife steals my iPhone chargers.

I know it sounds innocent or maybe even cute, but I assure you that it is not. I admit that I am pretty militant about charging my phone. I never overcharge it. I let it get down to zero percent battery, charge it to 100 and then unplug it. I believe that this preserves the life of the battery, and it seems to work. As a result, when my wife renders me chargerless, my

phone battery is on death's door.

What makes things worse is that when I can't find my charger, I have to ask -- usually in an accusatory tone -- my wife whether she has it. Usually, she responds by asking why I'm being such a jerk and either denies borrowing it (completely out of spite) or tells me to chill and not be so rigid about my charger. I've done what I

do best, throw money at the problem. No dice. I've bought her multiple new chargers, but she always misplaces them and uses mine. I've thought about identifying my chargers with a piece of colored tape, but I don't want to come across as an anal control freak. (I am sure I sound like one.)

I know this is not a big deal to most people, but it is to me. I love my wife, but I also love my iPhone and don't want to choose between them. (Mostly kidding.) In all seriousness, how do I keep my phone and marriage fully charged? -- Charged-Up Spouse

randomly with the overwhelming sense that something bad is about to happen. I felt a responsibility to write in and say that the episodes being discussed may be a type of seizure.

I dealt with these same symptoms -- an overwhelming feeling of fear that would start in the pit of my stomach and work its way up -- for over 12 years, undiagnosed. Some days, I had two or three episodes. I started to chart them and concluded they were hormonally connected and increased when I was menstruating.

I visited a neurologist. He told me that my episodes were actually partial seizures caused by estrogen. The condition is called catamenial epilepsy.

Any woman who thinks she may suffer from this condition should log on to the Epilepsy Foundation's website or call its helpline at 800-332-

1000. I would further suggest that they make an appointment with a neurologist for a medical evaluation.

I know this is lengthy, but I hope you can make it work in your column. It is a serious situation that can be controlled by medications and natural progesterone. That college sophomore need not spend her life learning simply to deal with the episodes when there is help available. -- Been There, Done That

Dear Been:

Thank you so much for sharing your story. I'm printing your letter, as it may really help someone.

Send your questions for Annie Lane to dearannie@creators.com. To find out more about Annie Lane and read features by other Creators Syndicate columnists and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate website at www.creators.com.
COPYRIGHT 2017 CREATORS.COM

Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Pilgrimage destinations
- 10 Original "White Christmas" record label
- 15 Focus of a 2012 Supreme Court ruling
- 16 Former fixer-upper
- 17 Lots of ports
- 18 Netanyahu mentor
- 19 It has a campus near Long Island Sound
- 20 Player watching Presidents Races at ballgames
- 21 "___ him who would not be true . . .": *Moby-Dick*
- 22 Poitier, since 1974
- 23 Quails
- 25 Helios alias
- 26 Discharge
- 28 Source of fare information
- 29 What talking heads are paid for
- 32 Short-wavelength shade
- 34 Darwin's American ally
- 35 Physicist collaborator of Hawking
- 36 "I accept the challenge!"
- 37 Grimm story settings
- 38 Told stories
- 39 It's flexed at parties
- 41 Buy or trade follower
- 42 Beset by bugs
- 43 Indefinite ranking
- 46 Cool
- 48 Miniature

- 49 Stock holder
- 51 They would have you "Taste The Feeling!"
- 52 Lake Assad is on it
- 54 Something walked on in fairways
- 55 Showy roles
- 56 Words punctuating a rap
- 57 Sigmoid sofa
- DOWN**
- 1 Good, to Galba
- 2 Bamboo-and-wire gadgets
- 3 Deliciousness
- 4 Mononym on ethnic cosmetics
- 5 Manicure candidate
- 6 Disneyland Paris map word
- 7 Servers of volleys
- 8 Excavated access
- 9 Miltonic poem ender
- 10 Starts Scrabble
- 11 London : Eric :: Helsinki : ___
- 12 Nut-covered appetizer
- 13 Macau characters
- 14 Givens
- 23 What Etna looms over
- 24 Cutting loose
- 26 Proceeded with caution
- 27 Inspiration for Calder
- 28 Grouper predator
- 29 Premiere conducted by Toscanini
- 30 Self-described "greatest athlete to live" (2012)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15									16				
17									18				
19						20			21				
22					23				24			25	
			26	27							28		
29	30	31							32	33			
34								35					
36								37					
38					39	40							
41				42							43	44	45
46			47			48			49	50			
51						52			53				
54						55							
56						57							

SATURDAY STUMPER by Brad Wilber
Edited by Stanley Newman
www.stanxwords.com

Answer to previous puzzle

TUBA	SEMIS	KONA
SHAD	KEENE	AWOL
KUBLAI	KHAN	RIOT
SHEILA	LICENSE	
BARCA	LOUNGER	
SAMS	NEAD	RBI
OXO	AMOS	ENACT
DISPOSE	HADACOW	
ASHEN	LIEU	DNA
REA	RATRACES	
PERSONAL	FOUL	
AMOUNTS	MILDEW	
NOVA	HISPANIOLA	
DJED	EDICT	ETSY
AIDE	MENSA	SEAS

3/25/17

Reflections: The Shack, God's forgiveness, and Heaven and Hell

I read "The Shack" several years ago, shortly after it was published. It was an instant best seller, and I was anxious to read it.

I wasn't prepared for the way it affected me. Toward the end of the book, I was overwhelmed by the powerful message of God's love and forgiveness. I was at home alone, reading in my recliner, my dog sitting at my feet. Without warning, the power of God's love and forgiveness overwhelmed me. I started weeping, then sobbing. I am not sure what it touched within me, but it was a powerful emotional moment. My dog jumped into my lap to comfort me.

So, I was anxious to see the movie. The movie followed the book even



BILL
TINSLEY

though cinema always falls short of imagination. Nevertheless I enjoyed revisiting the portrayal of God as infinitely loving and forgiving. Although the real message of The Shack, it seems to me, is not about God, but about us. We need to forgive one another. We need to stop judging one another. Jesus clearly taught these truths in Luke 6.

But, as we left the theater, I felt disturbed. Something seemed to be missing.

Like most people, I like to think that everyone goes to Heaven, that there is no judgement and there is no hell. This seems to be the message of The Shack: "It doesn't matter how you live, what you believe, or what you do, God forgives all his children and we all go to heaven."

But this isn't the message of the Bible. No one warned us more clearly about judgement and hell than Jesus.

Jesus told the story of a rich man

who lived selfishly and lavishly and a poor man named Lazarus who suffered abject poverty. When they died, the rich and selfish man suffered hell while the poor man went to heaven. Suffering in torment, the rich man begged that Lazarus might be permitted to bring him a sip of water to cool his tongue in his agony.

"But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your life you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus bad things; but now he is being comforted here, and you are in agony. And besides all this, between us and you there is a great chasm fixed, so that those who wish to come over from here to you will not be able, and that none may cross over from there to us.'" (Luke 16:25-26).

We cannot excuse our actions based on how we may have been mistreated by others. We are all ultimately accountable for what we do and what we say. "It is appointed to man once

to die and after this the judgement." (Hebrews 9:27).

We have all sinned. We have all done things we should not have done. We have judged others and we have been angry without cause. We have spoken words that will condemn us when we stand before God. This is why God stepped into the gap and sent His Son, not only to teach us a better way, but to pay the penalty for our sins. "But God demonstrates His own love for us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." (Romans 5:8).

God has made provision for everyone to go to Heaven. But we must accept His offer of forgiveness. "How shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation?" (Hebrews 2:3).

Bill Tinsley reflects on current events and life experience from a faith perspective. Visit www.tinsleycenter.com. Email bill@tinsleycenter.com.

Are you following Jesus or just the crowd?

In Matthew 8:14-17, Jesus is in Capernaum which was by the Sea of Galilee. He had been teaching and the people were amazed by the way he taught. He was also healing people. He did this to show that he and his message was from God. These miracles



GREG
SURLES

bore witness to who he was and is, but they also attracted crowds who just wanted to see the spectacle.

In verse 18, we see the reaction of Jesus to the crowd. He doesn't "put on a show" for them. He leaves. He tells his disciples to get a boat ready. While he was waiting, a scribe approached him and said, Teacher, I will follow you wherever you go (Matthew 8:19). We are not told anything more about this man, but I tend to think that he could have been caught up in the moment.

Jesus' reply is meant to cause the man (and anyone else in the crowd) to think about the why. Why was this man so eager to go everywhere with Jesus? Was it because of the attention and publicity that Jesus attracted? Jesus tells him in verse 20, Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.

Another person who had been listening to his teaching says, Lord, let

me first go and bury my father (Matthew 8:21). In a parallel passage in Luke, another individual is mentioned and he tells Jesus, I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home (Luke 9:61).

Do I truly want to be a disciple, a follower, of Jesus? That is what each of us must decide for ourselves. Do I just follow him while I'm with the "Jesus crowd?" Do I only follow him when it is convenient or comfortable? I once heard a preacher say, "The message of the gospel is meant to comfort the afflicted and also to afflict the comfortable."

Do I only claim to follow Jesus because of my family? How do I think or act when my Christian family is not around? I could keep asking more questions, but I think you get the point. We must be honest with ourselves and answer these and other questions too.

Finally, it's not only about what we are willing to give up to follow Jesus, but it is also about what we are willing to pick up to follow Jesus. Matthew 16:24-26, Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul?"

Greg Surles is the preacher of Birdwell Lane Church of Christ.

Pope OKs sainthood for Fatima siblings, Mexico child martyrs



AP photo

Pope Francis is silhouetted during an audience with Cameroon's President Paul Biya, at the Vatican, Thursday, March 23, 2017.

By NICOLE WINFIELD

Associated Press

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope Francis is making five more child saints: Two Portuguese shepherd children who said the Virgin Mary appeared to them in Fatima 100 years ago, and three Mexican adolescents who were killed for their Catholic faith in the 16th century.

Francis signed the decrees Thursday, raising the likelihood that he might canonize the Portuguese siblings Francisco and Jacinta Marto during his upcoming trip to the Fatima shrine.

In the case of the Mexicans, Francis declared the three Child Martyrs of Tlaxcala worthy of sainthood without having a miracle attributed to their intercession, once again sidestepping the Vatican's typical saint-making process.

The boys, Cristobal, Antonio and Juan, were converted to Catholicism by

missionaries in the early 1500s and were killed by their countrymen. St. John Paul II beatified them in 1990 during his second visit to Mexico.

Francis followed the rules in approving a miracle for the Marto siblings, who died at age 9 and 11 of pneumonia. Church officials declined to detail the miracle in question other than to say it involved the medically inexplicable cure of a Brazilian child.

No date was set for either canonization ceremony, but it's possible that Francis will declare the Marto siblings saints during his May 12-13 visit to Fatima, adding another reason for celebration at the shrine as it marks the centennial anni-

versary of the apparitions.

Just last month, Portuguese church officials wrapped up their saint-making investigation into the Martos' cousin, Sister Lucia, the third shepherd child who reported having visions of Mary. The case now goes to the Vatican's saint-making office, which must decide on whether to declare Sister Lucia lived a life of heroic virtue, the first step in the canonization process.

Francis has followed in his predecessors' footsteps by declaring hundreds of saints and blessed. He has been particularly fond of holding up martyrs and missionaries as models for today's faithful.

NOW AVAILABLE IN BIG SPRING

Kristin Ramirez, MSN, RN, ACNS-BC, Neurosurgery

will see patients monthly in Big Spring.

She will treat conditions including:

- Lower Back Pain
- Leg Pain
- Sciatica
- Arm Pain
- Pinched Nerves of the Back/Neck
- Herniated Discs
- Degenerative Disc Disease
- Carpal Tunnel Syndrome
- Ulnar Nerve Release
- Trigeminal Neuralgia



Kristin received her bachelor's and master's degrees from Angelo State University. She is a board certified adult clinical nurse specialist.

She works alongside Luis Duarte, MD, Neurosurgeon, at the Shannon Brain and Spine Institute in San Angelo. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call (325) 481-2193.

Clinic will be held at **Shannon Clinic, 2503 Gregg St., Unit C** in Big Spring.

For appointments and information call **(325) 481-2193.**

www.shannonhealth.com



Lifetime Friendships Are Formed on Our Porch All Summer Long.



When you have time to sit and chat, you can get to know someone really well. Our senior living community has a picturesque porch, a lovely living and dining area to do just that. Other nice amenities are:

- Spacious apartments
- Scheduled transportation
- Pet friendly
- Housekeeping and laundry
- Chef-prepared meals
- Individualized care plans

Call 432-271-4617 to hear about our pricing specials.

Marcy Place
Senior Living

2301 Wasson
Big Spring, TX 79720
432-271-4617 | ALF #000490

enlivant.com



Mickey vs. the tax man: Disney, Universal fight tax bills

By MIKE SCHNEIDER

Associated Press

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — It takes a lot of land to accommodate Cinderella's castle, The Wizarding World of Harry Potter and Epcot's 11-country World Showcase — and a hefty purse to pay the property taxes on it.

To cut tax bills in the tens of millions of dollars, the specialists at Orlando's famous theme parks have employed methods from the creative — placing cows on undeveloped land and claiming an agricultural exemption — to the traditional — negotiating or appealing to a county board.

Over the past couple of years, however, such tactics aren't quite doing the job: Property assessments and taxes have jumped — and so has the number of lawsuits the theme parks and other businesses have filed against Orange County's property appraiser. That's Rick Singh, who was re-elected to a second four-year term last fall despite the thousands of dollars in donations park officials gave his opponent.

In lawsuits filed last year, the theme parks said Singh's office had failed to use proper appraisal methodology. Walt Disney Parks and Resorts issued a statement describing increased assessments on some of its properties for 2015 as "unreasonable and unjustified."

Beyond such terse statements, officials from Disney, the development arm of Universal Orlando and SeaWorld of Florida are saying very little about an issue they hope to resolve in court.

But they have spoken loudly with their wallets. Groups affiliated with all three companies gave \$19,000 to Singh's Republican opponent. Singh, a Democrat, got only \$5,000 from the groups.

The backlash isn't surprising, said Doug Head, chairman of the watchdog group Orange County Watch. Head said the appraiser's position has traditionally been a cushy post for local politicians waiting to retire, but Singh is one of the first to have substantial professional training.

"He uses professional expertise, and he clearly figured out there is a lot more value than is properly being reflected," Head said. "He did what he needed to do, and people accustomed to the way business was done weren't happy."

Singh said his methods for assessing properties are no different than those of his predecessors — except when looking at resorts and hotels. Then, he considers their income statements and the local "bed tax" paid by hotel customers, which he said his predecessor didn't use. Income isn't considered when assessing theme parks.

"It's a matter of being fair and equitable," Singh said. "If the single mother who is working two jobs has to be held accountable to pay her fair share, so should everybody else."

The importance of the three theme parks to Orange County, which includes Orlando, can't be overstated: The properties owned by Disney, Universal and SeaWorld are valued collectively at about \$10.7 billion. Properties owned by the largest resort and timeshare companies are worth another \$6.3 billion.

The three theme park companies pay 7 percent of the county's property taxes — more than \$135 million last year. That revenue helps to mitigate the impact of hosting 66 million visitors in 86,000 hotel rooms and 15,500 timeshare units every year, and to finance law enforcement, schools, parks and public health programs. Disney also pays property

Poland's WWII museum opens amid an uncertain future

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — A major World War II museum opened in northern Poland on Thursday amid plans by the conservative government to change its content to fit the government's nationalist views.

The Museum of the Second World War in Gdansk is at the center of a standoff between the historians creating it and Poland's populist government, which is seeking a court order to have it closed and then wants to reshape its current multi-national focus.

The museum was initiated in 2008 by then-Prime Minister Donald Tusk.

But the current Law and Justice government, hostile to Tusk, wants to merge it with another museum and make it highlight Po-

land's military effort in fighting the German Nazis and the nation's own tragedy that, they believe, is not well enough known in the world.

The dispute between the museum and the government is to be decided by a court in the coming weeks.

Meanwhile, the government has cut the museum's annual subsidy from the requested 20 million zlotys (\$5 million) to 11.5 million zlotys (\$2.9 million), director Pawel Machciewicz said.

Speaking at the opening ceremony, he said the huge exhibition places Poland's war experience at the center of Europe's and the world's war history. It says out of some 5.5 million Poles killed in the war, over 5 million were civilians.



In this Tuesday, Jan. 31, 2017 photo, cars travel one of the roads leading to Walt Disney World in Lake Buena Vista, Fla. Orlando's top tourist destinations, Walt Disney World, Universal Orlando, SeaWorld and several resorts are in legal battles about how much they're worth with the local property appraiser and tax collector.

taxes to a private government established by the Florida Legislature that provides the Disney parks and resorts with services including utilities, roadways and firefighters.

Property values for the theme parks, resorts and other large commercial properties are set by a team of almost two dozen of the county's seasoned appraisers in what Singh calls "the most complex tax roll in the world" due to the constant growth.

Singh said the appraisers use a "cost approach" when evaluating theme parks. Tax bills go up not just from rising property values but also from new construction, which is constant at the parks.

"What does it cost to improve the land? What does it cost to build this? ... What is the labor cost? Factor in all that and then it depreciates, and that's your cost approach," he said.

But the results are meeting a wall of resistance. Last year, Disney, Universal and SeaWorld filed a dozen lawsuits against Singh's office, the tax collector and the state Department of Revenue. Several other Orlando resorts also have sued.

The companies pay taxes only on their properties' "assessed" values; the "market" values reflect what the properties could be sold for.

SeaWorld is fighting the market and assessed values of its flagship SeaWorld Adventure Park, its Aquatica water park and Discovery Cove, an

animal-encounter park. In a separate lawsuit the property appraiser's office filed against SeaWorld in 2015, Singh's office listed a market value of \$192.5 million; SeaWorld listed it at \$143.4 million.

Universal is disputing the market value of its 20,000-vehicle parking garage, which has nearly doubled in two years, from \$148.6 million in 2014, to \$297 million in 2016. The garage's assessed value only went up 10 percent a year during that time, however, from \$145 million to \$175 million.

Disney is disputing the assessments of properties including four theme parks, 11 resorts and two water parks. An Associated Press tally of all the properties listed in the lawsuit shows that the appraiser gave them a total market value of more than \$5 billion in 2015.

Disney, whose total properties in Orange County have a market value of \$8.2 billion, is not saying publicly what it thinks the value should be. But the company's tax bill from Singh's office jumped from \$84.5 million in 2014 to \$97.2 million in 2015 to \$102.6 million in 2016, an average increase of about 10 percent a year. Those numbers exclude what Disney pays its private government in property taxes.

"Similar to other property owners in Orange County, we have no choice but to take action to dispute these errors by the property appraiser," Disney's statement said.

1512 S. Gregg St.
Big Spring, TX 79720
Tel. 432.263.1931
Fax 432.263.1402
www.hrblock.com

277935

Tax Time Never Felt So Good

Turn this....

Into this....

Tax Associates

406 Runnels, Big Spring, Tx 79720
(432) 264-7515 | (432) 264-6134
Se Habla Español

\$1200 Advanced Loan
Ask For Details

Mon.-Fri. 8-9pm
Sat. 9-6pm Sun. 12-5

Stop by and see Sam Castro

Baby Chicks

NOW AVAILABLE!

Howard County Feed & Supply
701 E. 2nd St. (432) 267-6411

276486

280087