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Early voting begins

By STEVE REAGAN
 Staff Writer

Decision time is here. After months of sitting through a sometimes vitriolic presidential campaign, Howard County voters can begin casting ballots in that and other political races up for grabs in the general election when early voting begins Monday.

Early voting for the Nov. 8 election will begin Monday and run through Nov. 4 in the county elections administrator's office, located on the first floor of the Howard County Courthouse. Voting hours will be 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, except for Nov. 1 and Nov. 3, when ballots can be cast from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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Except for some down-ballot judicial races, there are no county or state contested races for Howard County voters to decide upon, but the biggest race has probably made up for lack of drama elsewhere.

Since the national party conventions this summer, presidential candidates Hillary Clinton (Democrat) and Donald Trump (Republican) have been locked in a political battle that has been heated, to say the least. Other presidential candidates on the ballot in Texas are Libertarian Gary Johnson and the Green Party's Jill Stein.

All the drama surrounding the presidential election is expected to drive up voter turnout, officials say.

"In the last presidential election four years ago, we had a 60 percent turnout,"

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The deadline to turn in a Halloween safe stop or trunk-or-treat event to the Herald is 5 p.m. Please contact Roger Cline at 432-263-7331, ext. 232, or email life@big-springherald.com

DPS: Drug seizure in Howard County

Special to the Herald

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) seized 115 pounds of marijuana on Thursday after a Texas Highway Patrol trooper conducted a traffic stop on a 2005 Chevrolet Suburban in Howard County.

At approximately 9:40 a.m., the DPS trooper stopped the vehicle, which was traveling east on Interstate 20 near mile marker 193 in Howard County, for a traffic violation.

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Big Spring High School brass members practice before heading to the Big Country Marching Festival last week. The band will compete in UIL Regional Marching contest this Monday in Abilene. A strong performance at UIL should qualify the band to move on to Area contest. BSHS band was a state qualifier in marching contest in 2014.



Courtesy photo/
 Tony Claxton (www.tonyclaxtonphotography.com)

Inspection work for north 87 overpass begins Monday

By LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Writer

Travelers may want to find an alternate route this coming week as the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) plans to commence inspection of the north Highway 87 bridge which overpasses the railroad lines starting Monday.

See, **TxDOT**, Page 3A

Hoping to shine

BSHS band heads to UIL marching contest Monday

By LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Writer

The Big Spring High School band will be heading to UIL Regional Marching contest Monday in hopes to earn top marks for its show and another crack at state marching contest.

"They've worked very hard. I think they are prepared," said Rocky Harris, Big Spring High School band director. "All I want them to do is to perform to their best ability. I think we can squeeze a little

more out of them before they are done with this show."

The contest will be held at Abilene Wylie and the band will perform at 6:45 p.m. At stake for this contest is not only bragging rights for bringing home another Division I rating — the top score — but also a chance to advance to area contest, the next step to UIL state competition.

Although the trophy case at the Big Spring High School is getting pretty heaving under Harris' tenure as overall band director at Big Spring ISD, state marching contest berths have proved to be fairly elusive. The band earned a trip to UIL state contest in 2014, the last time a state contest was held for Class 4A schools. Before that, the last time a BSHS band qualified was in 2001 and that was the first time the band made a state showing since the 1988 and 1987 back-to-back state trips.

However, this year's show has already garnered some

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HERALD photo/LYNDEL MOODY
 Amber Nichols browses through some the selection that were available at the Friends of the Howard County Library book sale last Friday morning. The sale continued through Saturday. Proceeds from the fundraiser go toward supporting the county library.

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Steers fall to Stephenville, 52-27

By DREW WILLIAMS
Sports Editor

The Big Spring Steers are on the verge of a winless season after falling to the Stephenville Yellow Jackets 52-27 Friday.

The game started out positively for the Steers. Robert Valencia returned the opening kickoff to Stephenville's 25-yard line, and three plays later found the end zone on an eight-yard touchdown run to give Big Spring a 7-0 lead.

The defense forced a fourth down for Stephenville near midfield on the next possession, and the Big Spring offense got the ball backed up near its own goal line after a punt. On a third and long, quarterback Dylan Cantu was sacked and stripped of the ball, and the Yellow Jackets recovered at the Big Spring five-yard line. Despite efforts from the Big Spring coaches pleading that Cantu's arm was moving forward and should have been ruled an incompleteness, Stephenville retained possession, and quarterback Eossion Jones ran in the first Yellow Jacket touchdown to tie the game at 7-7.

On the ensuing kickoff return, Valencia fumbled and



Tony Claxton photo (www.claxtonphotography.com)

Big Spring's Davian Moore sacks Stephenville quarterback Easton Jones during Friday's game.

gave Stephenville the ball back in Big Spring territory. Jones would score later in the drive on a four-yard touchdown run to give Stephenville a 14-7 lead, and after a Big Spring three and out on the next possession, would score again on a seven-yard touchdown run for a 21-7 lead.

After a short kick from Stephenville, the Steers were able to drive the ball down the field and score on an eight-yard touchdown pass from Cantu to Daniel Luna, making the score 21-13 after a missed extra point.

On the next possession and with under two minutes re-

maining in the first half, Stephenville had the ball in its own territory facing a third and 21. The Yellow Jackets completed a swing pass in the backfield to Krece Nowak, and after breaking through would-be tackles, he ran 59 yards to set his team up with a first and goal situation from

inside the five-yard line. Jones would throw a fade for a touchdown on the next play to give his team a 28-13 lead.

"Third and long, we've got to give one up every game. For whatever reason, there's one third and long we've got to give up a touchdown on. We worked hard on it this week, and we executed third and long all night long pretty well, but we gave up one again. We just got to get rid of that one right there and that would help out. We got people where they were supposed to be, we just have to make some plays," Big Spring head coach Clint Finley said.

With little time and only one timeout remaining in the half, Big Spring was able to complete short passes out of bounds to Luna and Valencia. With two seconds left from the Stephenville 40-yard line, a scrambling Cantu was able to find Leon Mathews, who ran the ball into the end zone for a touchdown. The play was called back, however, due to an ineligible receiver downfield, and Big Spring went into halftime trailing 28-13. Stephenville punted on its

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District 3-4A scores District 2-3A scores District 4-2A scores

Abilene Wylie 56, Snyder 13
Stephenville 52, Big Spring 27
Brownwood, bye

Colorado City 33, Coahoma 6
Idalou 26, Lubbock Roosevelt 0
Stanton, bye

Post 38, Hawley 25
Forsan 27, Anson 24
Stamford, bye

Lady Hawks holding softball tryouts for high school seniors

The Howard College Lady Hawks are looking for new teammates for the softball season.

Howard College head softball coach Kelly Raines and assistant coach Shelby Shelton will be holding open tryouts for the upcoming softball year. The tryouts will be held at 2 p.m.

Nov. 6 at the Howard College softball field. Only seniors in high school may attend.

For more information, or to RSVP, email Shelton at sshelton@howardcollege.edu. Walkups are welcome to try out, and the cost is \$25.

Ex-Texas Tech QB Webb throws five TDs in 20T win over Oregon



AP Photo/Jeff Chiu

California quarterback Davis Webb (7) looks for a receiver during the first half of the team's NCAA college football game against Oregon in Berkeley, Calif., Friday, Oct. 21, 2016.

By JOSH DUBOW

AP Sports Writer

BERKELEY, Calif. — After more than 200 plays, 101 points and 1,086 yards of offense, it was California's defense that stepped up at the end to seal another thrilling game for the Golden Bears.

Matt Anderson kicked a 28-yard field goal in the second overtime and Jordan Kunaszyk ended the game with an interception on the FBS-record 203rd play, giving California a 52-49 victory over Oregon on Friday night.

"It's crazy," Kunaszyk said. "I just remember going into OT, I was like, 'Man, another one of these games.' Every one of our games is close. I wouldn't want it any other way."

This was the sixth straight game for Cal that went down to the closing minutes, including an overtime loss at Oregon State two weeks ago and a home win against Utah the previous week when Cal's defense came up with a late goal-line stand.

Five of those six games featured both teams scoring at least 40 points but the defense delivered when it mattered most. "Our defense's back was against the wall, just like it was against Utah," coach Sonny Dykes said. "Jordan made a big time break on the ball. You could kind

See **CAL**, Page 4B

Forsan gets late TD, first district win against Anson

By DREW WILLIAMS
Sports Editor

The Forsan Buffaloes (1-1 in district) got a huge victory against the Anson Tigers (1-1) Friday, winning 27-24.

Anson took a 24-21 lead into the halftime break, and the score remained the same until a late fourth quarter touchdown by the Buffaloes.

Quarterback Bryce Hergert had a big day in his return from injury, finishing 12-of-23 for 145 yards passing and two touchdowns. He added 51 yards on 16 carries and a touchdown in the running game. Tearell McVae rushed for 183 yards on 32 carries and a touchdown and caught three passes for 65 yards and a touchdown.

Blaze Yeater finished with 33 yards and a touchdown on five catches, and Austin Darden contributed with the Buffaloes' only turnover on an interception.

The game gives Forsan a crucial win in the competitive district 4-2A. It should also give Forsan confidence after a tough game against Hawley in the first district contest of the year. Forsan fell 58-14, and the next week Anson beat Hawley 34-21. The Buffaloes handed Anson its first loss in district play, and will look to do the same against Post next week. Post won 22-14 over Stamford in its first district game, and won 38-25 over Hawley last night.

Forsan and Post kick off at 7:30 p.m. this coming Friday at Post.

Brock Osweiler, Gary Kubiak face former teams Monday night

DENVER (AP) — This is Brock Osweiler's chance to stick it to the team that benched him for their Super Bowl run and Gary Kubiak's shot at sticking it to the organization that canned him in 2013.

The Houston Texans (4-2) and Denver Broncos (4-2) are two division leaders with plenty of defensive chops and playoff plans who have some troublesome early selves Monday night.

Intriguing subplots in-

clude Osweiler facing the team he spurned after spending four seasons as Peyton Manning's long-time backup and presumed successor and Kubiak facing the team that fired him in 2013 shortly after he suffered a mini-stroke.

Kubiak is coming off another health scare, this time a complex migraine, which can mimic a stroke and which sidelined him for Denver's lackadaisical

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By **ROGER CLINE**

Staff Writer

In 1901, Joseph Potton a Big Spring railroad worker, planning for the future, decided to build a retirement home for himself and his wife Mary, and rent it to area families until he retired. The Victorian-style home, designed by the S.B. Haggart and Son architecture firm in Fort Worth, was built of sandstone from the Pecos area and has iron pillars and zinc gable decorations.

Since its construction, the Potton House has been a token of civility in the often rough-and-tumbleweed West Texas landscape.

"[Potton] was a master mechanic for the T&P Railroad. They came here from England, to the United States. They lived in East Texas, and then they eventually moved here to Big Spring," said Tammy Schrecengost, director of the Big Spring Heritage Museum, which oversees the Potton House. "The railroad brought just about everybody here at that time, when Big Spring was first established. They came here in the late 1800s. The railroad provided them a three-story home about where Allan's Furniture is now. The family was raised in that home, and this was to be a retirement home. It only had one bedroom. It was also an investment. In 1901 when it was completed, he rented it out to different people. I know one of those was Mr. Price who was president of First National Bank, and they had a child here in the home. That's the only one I know of that was born in the house."

The Pottons moved into the home in 1912. During a return visit to England, the couple's daughter Lillian, then in her early 20s, contracted diphtheria and died. Although distraught over the death, the Pottons adopted Lillian's six-month-old daughter and brought her back home.

"So there were four children in this house when they moved in, and two sets of adults, and one bedroom,"



Schrecengost said. "So they contacted the designer of the home, the architect, and they designed the upstairs attic area. There's a stairway on the back porch. They designed that as the children's room. So all four children slept up there, and that was their play area, so it was a nice big area that covers pretty much the top part of the house."

The house was definitely an unusual sight in West Texas at the time.

"In 1901 there were houses up and down the street. I think the street was dirt," Schrecengost said. "At that time, so much was centered around the railroad. There were a lot of hotels around the railroad. I've heard a story that, before the Pottons moved in, that some of the railroad men would stay here. Then if they got called out, someone would have to come and knock on the door to get them up because, no phones. I don't even know if anyone had electricity in 1901, because the home was built with oil lamps, and lit that way. It was primitive in 1901, and Big Spring was just getting started. Most of these buildings didn't start going up until 1928,

1929 when the oil boom hit. There was Main Street, and Scurry Street, which seemed to have more homes on it, and then Front or First Street, which faced the railroad tracks."

Mary Potton died in 1914, and Joseph died in 1921.

"Mary Hayden and her husband continued on to live here until they passed away in 1968," Schrecengost said. "After that from 1968 to 1975, they kept the home intact. The grandchildren and children. They would come here sometimes and have lunch because one of the granddaughters worked at the courthouse. So the girls would meet here and visit on Saturdays, and they just kept the home, kept it going you know? When the Historical Society purchased the home in 1975, Polly Mays and a group organization purchased the home through grants and donations, and they set about restoring the home to its original shape. They were able to peel back the paint and find the original Victorian colors that it had been painted. It's a lot more elaborate and intricate than some of the other homes."

The Heritage Museum offers tours of the Potton House by appointment. To arrange a tour, contact the museum at 267-8255.



Top photo by Roger Cline, lower left by Greg Bodin, others courtesy of Big Spring Heritage Museum.

Clockwise from top: Children pose on the steps of the Potton House during the Heritage Museum's recent Potton House Pioneer Pumpkin Patch event; the home's dining room, highlighting the 14-foot ceilings; Kent Ivey and Toni and Greg Bodin pose in period costume in the Potton House's backyard; the Potton family in front of the home.



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Obituaries

Linda Kay Hale Bernhardt



Linda Kay Hale Bernhardt, 65, of Big Spring, died Monday, Oct. 17, 2016, at her residence. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, Oct. 24, 2016, at Nalley-Pickle and Welch Rosewood Chapel. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at the Texas State Veterans Cemetery in Abilene.

She was born April 27, 1951, in Lubbock, Texas, and married George Bernhardt in May of 2000. He preceded her in death March 9, 2016.

Linda was raised in Big Spring, attended Big Spring High School, and graduated from Howard College. She retired after 23 years from the Big Spring Veterans Administration Medical Center as a drug and alcohol counselor. Linda continued helping veterans even after retiring. She was

very loving and uplifting to her family and will be missed by all who knew her.

Survivors include two sons, Russell Jones of Miami, Fla., and Edward Hernandez of Big Spring; one daughter, Kristina Miller of Big Spring; two grandchildren, Krista Shae Coffman and Destiny Skelly; one brother, James W. Hale Jr. of Maysville, N.C.; three sisters, Diane Farmer, Tina Word, and Loretta Norwood, all of Big Spring; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was also preceded in death by her father, James W. Hale Sr.; her mother, Mable Wilson; and a sister, Patsy Horn.

The family suggests memorials be made to a veteran's organization of choice.

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.

Paid obituary

Ruby Jo Wyatt



Ruby Jo Wyatt, 82, died Oct. 19, 2016, in Oklahoma City, Okla., from lung cancer.

No services are planned.

She was born Ruby Jo Bledsoe in Graham, Texas, on July 20, 1934, to Clyde O. Bledsoe and Ruby Mae Bennett. She lived in Edmond, Okla.

A graduate of Big Spring High School, she was retired from the Veteran's Administration Medical Center in Big Spring and was a longtime volunteer for the R.S.V.P. program in Big Spring.

Ruby is survived by her daughters, Jana Hortman and husband Wayne of Edmond, Okla., and Lori Payne and husband Bruce of Bedford, Texas; and by 3 grandsons.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Riley Wyatt.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks for donations to be sent to your local animal shelter or the A.S.P.C.A.

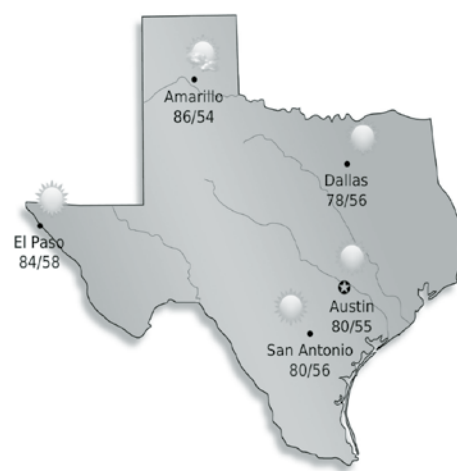
Richard Elmer Willadsen

Richard Elmer Willadsen, 77, of Big Spring died Friday, Oct. 21, 2016, at his home. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home and Crematory.

Local 5-Day Forecast

Sun 10/23	Mon 10/24	Tue 10/25	Wed 10/26	Thu 10/27
88/59 Mostly sunny. High 88F. Winds SSW at 10 to 20 mph.Sunrise: 7:56 AM Sunset: 7:03 PM	85/63 Sunny. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the low 60s. Sunrise: 7:56 AM Sunset: 7:02 PM	81/61 Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the low 60s. Sunrise: 7:57 AM Sunset: 7:01 PM	84/60 Sunny. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the low 60s. Sunrise: 7:58 AM Sunset: 7:00 PM	83/60 Abundant sunshine. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the low 60s. Sunrise: 7:59 AM Sunset: 6:59 PM

Texas at a Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	80	57	Sunny	Kingsville	84	60	Sunny
Amarillo	86	54	P Cloudy	Livingston	77	48	Sunny
Austin	80	55	Sunny	Longview	76	48	Sunny
Beaumont	78	52	Sunny	Lubbock	83	54	P Cloudy
Brownsville	84	66	Sunny	Lufkin	76	46	Sunny
Brownwood	80	51	M Sunny	Midland	85	58	Sunny
Corpus Christi	83	66	Sunny	Raymondville	86	63	Sunny
Corsicana	78	54	Sunny	Rosenberg	78	55	Sunny
Dallas	78	56	Sunny	San Antonio	80	56	Sunny
Del Rio	79	56	Sunny	San Marcos	80	52	Sunny
El Paso	84	58	Sunny	Sulphur Springs	77	54	Sunny
Fort Stockton	86	59	Sunny	Sweetwater	81	58	Sunny
Gainesville	75	53	Sunny	Tyler	76	51	Sunny
Greenville	76	52	Sunny	Weatherford	77	55	Sunny
Houston	79	58	Sunny	Wichita Falls	80	55	Sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	66	42	Sunny	Miami	81	66	Sunny
Boston	63	44	Cloudy	Minneapolis	63	44	Sunny
Chicago	60	45	P Cloudy	New York	52	46	Light Rain
Dallas	78	56	Sunny	Phoenix	98	70	Clear
Denver	82	45	Clear	San Francisco	63	51	M Cloudy
Houston	79	58	Sunny	Seattle	60	49	P Cloudy
Los Angeles	83	59	Clear	Saint Louis	70	52	Sunny

Moon Phases



The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **ELDA MELINA BERNAL**, 46, of 1311 Mobile St. was arrested on charges of littering and

forgery of a check or credit card.

- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 1000 block of North Main Street.

- **THEFT** was reported in the 3600 block of West Highway 80,

the 500 block of East Third Street, and the 3200 block of Parkway Road.

- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 2600 block of Barksdale.

Police blotter

Support Groups

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

- VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

- 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

- VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

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

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

Take Note

- H-E-B is looking for non-profit agencies to set up information tables at the annual Feast of Sharing. Please contact Sandy Stewart at 432-935-1604 to reserve a spot. Feast of Sharing will be held on Dec. 11 at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

- The Western Sportsman Club will hold a Sight-In Day Oct. 29 starting at 9 a.m. The club will furnish targets and sandbags. For directions to the range and more information, call 432-270-5668.

- A benefit for Bethine McNally will be held Dec. 3. Mrs. McNally is a Big Spring ISD employee and wife of the pastor of New Life Ministries C.O.G.I.C. She has been diagnosed with bilateral kidney cancer. The benefit will help support the McNally family in these difficult times, to help with medical bills and daily expenses. The benefit will include live music and food, as well as a silent auction. Anyone wishing to contribute can make a financial donation or donate an item to be auctioned off.

Send donations to P.O. Box 168, Big Spring, or Wells Fargo Account No. 775238120. For more information, contact Tamika Brawley at 325-895-4410 or at mikasmiles325@gmail.com.

- The Salvation Army is taking applications for Christmas assistance for children 13 and younger, and seniors 55 and older. Applications will be taken from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, ending on Oct. 28, at the Salvation Army office building, 811 W. Fifth St. To apply for Christmas assistance for children, parents should bring picture ID, proof of address, birth certificate, and proof of government assistance (food stamps, SNAP, housing, etc.). Those who don't receive government assistance must show proof of income. Seniors do not need to provide proof of assistance or income, but should bring a picture ID showing proof of age. In addition, clothing sizes and a wish for one desired toy or gift should be provided. For more information, contact the salvation army at 432-267-8239.

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Nowitzki, Mavs start chase for elusive playoff series win

DALLAS (AP) — Dirk Nowitzki goes into his 19th season looking to get Dallas into the top four in the Western Conference because the big German believes that is the easiest way to advance in the playoffs.

The Mavericks haven't done that since winning the championship in 2011, which helps explain first-round exits in four of the past five seasons. Dallas didn't make the postseason the other year.

With another retooled roster that added title-winning experience in former Golden State starters Harrison Barnes and Andrew Bogut after more disappointments in free agency, the Mavericks are ready to try again in the pursuit of that elusive playoff series win.

"We'd love to establish ourselves up there," the 38-year-old Nowitzki said. "That means you've got to be consistent. You've got to win those Tuesday night matchups at home that sometimes we end up losing. The West is tough. But I think we're good enough and we're going to fight for it."

Dallas added Barnes on a max contract at four years and \$94 million after the Warriors had to let him go in free agency when they landed Kevin Durant. Bogut's arrival in a trade was essentially for the same reason.

The Mavericks have two players remaining from their championship team: Nowitzki and guard J.J. Barea. And what Barnes considers perhaps the key piece: coach Rick Carlisle, who is back for a ninth season in Dallas.

"You can never have enough championship experience," Barnes said. "We've got some younger guys on the team, a lot of whom are going to play and contribute a lot, so just teaching these guys. Don't try and look to the All-Star break or April and say, 'OK, now I'm going to turn it on.' It's every single day."

Things to consider as the Mavericks push to make the playoffs for the 16th time in 17 seasons:

BACKCOURT CONTINUITY

While Carlisle is dealing with a retooled starting five for the sixth straight season, he does have some backcourt consistency with the return of point guard Deron Williams and shooting guard Wesley Matthews. Williams re-signed after a solid debut with his hometown team last season. "We're big and physical at that position," Carlisle said.

BOGUT'S BUSY SUMMER

The 7-footer from Australia accelerated his rehab from a left knee injury that knocked him out of the last two games of the NBA Finals loss to

Cleveland because he wanted to play in the Olympics. He started fast but faded somewhat as the Aussies fell short of a medal. He doesn't consider summer wear-and-tear an issue this season.

"I think you come in in a little bit better shape than you do in most years because I was only playing three or four weeks ago," he said in late September.

ABOUT THAT YOUTH

Second-year swingman Justin Anderson figures to be the key contributor among a young group that includes forward Dwight Powell and rookie center A.J. Hammons, a second-round pick. While 7-1 Tunisian center Salah Mejri turned 30 over the summer, he's in just his second season.

"They're definitely athletes and we should be able to have a great defensive lineup once I'm out," said Nowitzki, who loves to make fun of his defensive shortcomings.

THE OTHER CURRY

In addition to adding a Golden State flavor, the Mavericks signed Seth Curry, younger brother of Warriors superstar Stephen Curry. The former Duke player got his first chance at decent playing time last season with Sacramento. He shot 45 percent from 3-point range, and the Mavericks are hoping he offers that threat off the bench.



AP Photo/LM Otero

Dallas Mavericks forward Dirk Nowitzki (41), of Germany, is defended by Houston Rockets forward Ryan Anderson during the first half of an NBA pre-season basketball game Wednesday, Oct. 19, 2016, in Dallas.

"I feel like I've played with him the last four years he's been around so much. Just practices, he was with us in camp one year," Barnes said, referring to his time at Golden State.

CHANGE OF PACE

Carlisle figures the starting five will be a plodding group with big guards and aging veterans in the front court. The

pace will change significantly with a second group that includes the speedy Devin Harris and Barea, along with the athletic Anderson and Powell. "Our second unit has virtually never been a mirror image of our starters," Carlisle said. "That's OK. We've made it a positive in the past and we're going to have to do that again."

Duncan-less Spurs eager for another run at NBA postseason

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The San Antonio Spurs responded to their most successful regular season in franchise history with the greatest turnover in Gregg Popovich's two decades with the team.

Tim Duncan's retirement played a large role in the reconstruction, but so did losing in six games to Oklahoma City in the Western Conference semifinals.

Duncan is gone along with veterans Boris Diaw, Matt Bonner and late-season additions Andre Miller and Kevin Martin. While San Antonio added another veteran in Pau Gasol, they also brought in a lot of youth and athleticism as they prepared for life without Duncan, the power forward who led the franchise to five NBA titles in 19 seasons.

"Right now we don't know

what we're going to miss on the floor because we haven't been through the season yet," Spurs forward Kawhi Leonard said. "(But) just knowing he's not here, his personality isn't here. Jokes that he makes during practice, that's the things I'm missing right now."

Duncan will be with the team occasionally as an unofficial assistant coach, but San

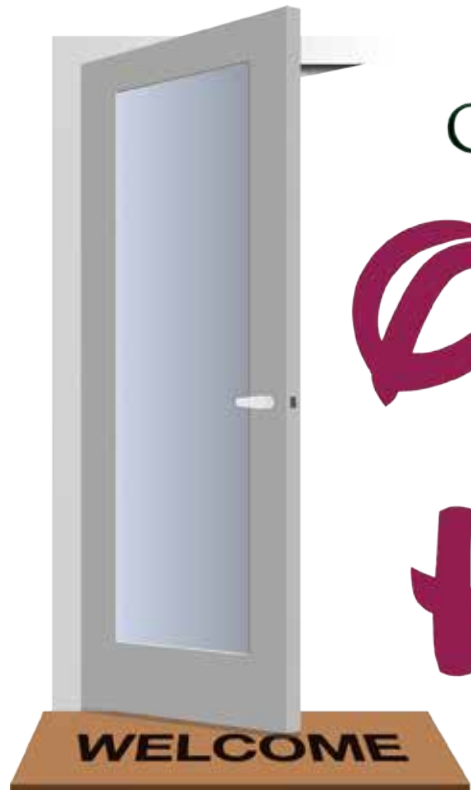
Antonio is placing the team squarely in Leonard's hands. The 6-foot-7 forward finished second in MVP balloting after averaging a career-high 21.2 points and 6.8 rebounds last season. He also was named Defensive Player of the Year for the second straight time.

After spending his first five seasons adding a pull-up jumper and honing his 3-point shooting, Leonard

spent this offseason working on something else: "Just becoming a leader. Just making sure I know what's going on on the floor at every position. Just getting ready to get my mentality of just leading the group this year."

Leonard's evolution as a leader should be aided by Gasol. The 17-year veteran won

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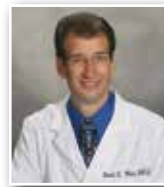
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Wednesday: Breakfast: Sausage roll, apples, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch: Rib patty sandwich, roasted potatoes, mixed vegetables, fruity Jell-O, fruit cup, garden salad, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Baked cheese stick, banana, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch: Meaty macaroni, green beans, veggie cups, garden salad, strawberries, animal crackers, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: French toast, orange smiles, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch: Sloppy Joe sliders, sweet potato tots, twisted applesauce, melon cup, veggie cups, and milk.

Coahoma ISD:

Monday: Breakfast: Mini pancakes or cereal with cinnamon butter toast, chilled pineapples, fruit juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken bites with seasoned fries, chicken spaghetti, Swedish meatball, scalloped potatoes, green peas, romaine spinach garden salad, apples/orange, baked cinnamon apples, rolls.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Breakfast taco or cereal with butter toast, fruit juice, seasonal fresh fruit, milk, salsa. Lunch: Toasted ham and cheese sandwich with Sun Chips, Asian sweet and sour chicken, chicken lo mein, steamed rice, Oriental blend vegetables, glazed carrots, romaine spinach garden salad, fruit slush cup, bananas/oranges, roll, fortune cookie.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Waffle

and sausage or cereal with cinnamon buttered toast, apple cinnamon baked, fruit juice, milk. Lunch: Meatball marinara sub with seasoned fries, home-style pizza, seasoned corn, cucumber chips, romaine spinach garden salad, rosy applesauce, oranges/grapes, chocolate cookie.

Thursday: Scrambled eggs and diced ham with butter toast, cereal with buttered toast, fruit juice, seasonal fresh fruit, milk, jelly. Lunch: Fiesta bar, (2) flour tortillas, ground beef/fajita chicken, cheese sauce, Spanish rice/charro beans, fiesta corn, lettuce and tomato salad, fruit slush cup, bananas/oranges.

Friday: Super donut or cereal with cinnamon buttered toast, chilled mandarin oranges, fruit juice, milk, jelly. Lunch: Mac rib sandwich with French fries, chicken nuggets, turkey and cheese sandwich, steamed broccoli, French fries, burger salad, romaine and spinach garden salad, blushing pears, apples/oranges, rolls.

Forsan ISD:

Monday: Breakfast: Pancake wrap with yogurt, variety cereal with toast, fruit juice, mandarin oranges. Lunch: Chicken sandwich, grilled cheese sandwich w/ tomato soup, seasoned corn, garden salad, fresh fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Blueberry mini pancakes, variety cereal with toast, fruit juice, applesauce, fresh fruit, milk. Lunch: Hot dog, mini corndogs, savory green beans, garden salad, cookie, fresh fruit, milk.

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

Thursday: Breakfast: Breakfast pocket, variety cereal with toast, fruit juice, pears, fresh fruit,

milk. Lunch: Barbecue pork sandwich, SloppyJoe sandwich, pinto beans, garden salad, fresh fruit, milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Dutch waffle, variety cereal with toast, fruit juice, mandarin oranges, fresh fruit, milk. Lunch: Hamburger, fish stick with roll, waffle fries, California blend garden salad, fresh fruit, milk.

Sands ISD:

Monday: Breakfast: Pancakes and sausage or muffin, yogurt, fruit. Lunch: Steak fingers, gravy, mashed potatoes, carrot coins, roll, strawberry cup.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit. Lunch: Pizza, baby carrots, steamed broccoli, chilled pineapple, cookie.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Biscuit, eggs, and sausage or fruit and yogurt parfait, fruit. Lunch: French bread pizza, garden salad, California blend veggies, peaches, pudding.

Thursday: Breakfast: Sausage kolache and yogurt, fruit. Lunch: Chicken quesadilla, seasoned cor, charro beans, salsa, lettuce and tomato garnish, applesauce.

Friday: School holiday

Big Spring Senior Center:

Monday: Chicken and dumplings, green beans, lettuce and tomato, brownie, crackers, milk.

Tuesday: Beef steak fingers with gravy, french fries, mixed vegetables, sugar cookies, Texas toast, milk.

Wednesday: Roast beef, brown gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, fruited Jell-O, rolls, milk.

Thursday: Chicken fajita burrito, Spanish rice, guacamole salad, chips and salsa, tapioca pudding, milk.

Friday: Butter beans with ham, sliced onion, country style greens, angel cake w/ strawberries, cornbread, milk.



Cook and Nichols engaged

Kayla Cook of Stanton and Steven Nichols of Big Spring, Texas will exchange wedding vows Nov. 19, 2016, at the First United Methodist Church of Stanton. The bride-elect is the daughter of Charlotte Cook of Stanton, Texas and Kyle Cook of Breckenridge, Texas. She is the granddaughter of Jim and Bonnie Trimble of Stanton and the late Eddie and Nelwayne Cook of Stanton.

The prospective groom is the son of Martin and Lesli Nichols of Knott, Texas. He is the grandson of June and the late Robert Nichols of Knott and Reg and JoAnne Hyer of Big Spring, and the late Repps Guitar of Abilene, Texas.

Kayla currently works for Kevin Cook Farms and Steven works in operations at Alon USA Refinery. The couple plans to reside in Stanton.

Who's Who in Howard County: Monica Martinez



Where do you work? Howard County Library

Where were you born? Big Spring, Texas

What city do you live in? Big Spring, Texas

Family: Husband, Joe; Children, Anastasia, Sergio, Micaela; Grandchildren, Armando, Aviana, Abraham, Granddaughter of my heart, Briella.

What organizations or clubs are you involved in? Member of Life Church, Energizers from Life Church, LULAC member and newly appointed chaplain.

What are your hobbies? Reading, of course, being with family, church activities.

What's your favorite book? Anything from Francine Rivers, Nora Roberts, Joyce Meyer, Robyn Carr, too many to chose from!

What's your favorite show? Don't watch much TV.

What's your favorite movie? Madea movies.

Where would you visit if you could go anywhere? Hawaii or Colorado.

Glander and Gross wed



Victoria Sloane Glander and Lance Tyler Gross were married Oct. 1, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at Cain's Cove in San Angelo, Texas with Calvery Callender officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mike and Pam Glander of Kermit, Texas. The bridegroom is the son of James and Debbie Gross of Big Spring, Texas.

The bride was escorted by her father. She wore a Pnina Tornai ball gown with a Swarovski crystal bodice with tattered tulle skirt. She wore her mother's diamond jewelry set and her bouquet was orchids, calla lilies, hydrangeas, and succulents with purple alstroemerias.

The bride is a graduate of Kermit High School, has a bachelor's degree, and is now working on her master's in psychology while working at Fastenal company. The groom is a graduate of Big Spring High School and is employed by EP Energy as a pumper.

The maid of honor was Payton Glander, sister of the bride, Michaela Ramirez; also sister of the bride, Omega Calderon, friend of the bride, and Shelby Stanford, cousin of the bride. The flower girl was Hydi Abrego, friend of the bride and groom, and Sariah was the singer and harpist.

The groomsmen were Brandon Gross, brother to the groom, Adrain Abrego, Chris Martinez, Ethan Wright, all friends of the groom, ring bearer was Ryder Gross, nephew to the groom. Ushers were Keaton Martin, friend of groom and Forest Henson, friend of the bride.

Following a reception will also be held at Cain's Cove at Lake Nasworthy in San Angelo, Texas.

After the honeymoon trip to Cozumel, Mexico, the couple will be residing in Big Spring, Texas.



Flores/Shults family welcome Masen Flores

Proud parents Daniel Flores and Crystal Shults of Coahoma, Texas welcomed their new son Masen Danny Flores into the world Oct. 11, 2016.

Masen was born at 8:13 p.m., and weighed 7 lbs., 3 oz. and was 20 inches long at birth.

Crystal is the daughter of Tammy and Scott Shults of Big Spring, Texas, while Daniel is the son of Lou Sherman and the late Daniel Flores of Big Spring.

Baby Masen has an older brother, Noah, to show him the ropes.

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New head librarian search on tap at county commissioners meeting

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

For several months, Howard County has been in need of someone to run the county library. But needing someone and finding the right someone have proven to be two entirely different things.

When county commissioners meet at 4 p.m. Monday in the third floor courtroom of the county courthouse, one of the major issues they will tackle is the search — which to date has been fruitless — for a head librarian to replace Hollis McCright, who resigned earlier this year.

County Judge Kathryn Wiseman said two issues have proved to be stumbling blocks in finding a new librarian — qualifications and money. “We have not attracted a suitable candidate for the library,” Wiseman said. “I suspect it’s because of the limited salary, but there’s nothing we can do about that.”

Because of plummeting property valuations brought on by the decline in the oil industry, officials had to do a great deal of belt-tightening when they crafted the current county budget. And because of that belt-tightening, the county can’t offer any prospective librarians a salary that

would be competitive with other such facilities in the state.

But it’s not just a matter of salaries — head librarians also must possess specific qualifications, such as a degree in library sciences, and have the necessary experience to handle their responsibilities.

Take those two factors, and county leaders face an understandable quandary.

“Johnny Schaeffer has generously served in that position since Hollis left, but it’s not a position he wants,” Wiseman said. “It’s always difficult when a department head is missing ... but either way, we’ve got to start making decisions on what we’re going to do.”

In other business Monday, commissioners will consider:

- Discussion and possible action on placing a temporary water line across the old county airport.
- Permission to place an order for a road reclaimer.
- Pipeline crossings and road maintenance.
- Routine financial and personnel matters.

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 432-263-7331, ext. 235, or email reporter@bigspringherald.com



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H-E-B donated \$36,000 to the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County recently.

Local Masons host open house at Lodge Sunday

Members of the oldest organization in Big Spring are opening up their doors this Sunday to give a tour of their building and answer questions about what Masons are and what services they perform for the community.

The open house is scheduled from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598., 219 Main St.

Members will be available to show the public around and answer questions about the Ma-

sonic Lodge.

Staked Plains is the oldest organization in Big Spring, founded in late 1880.

Its building was constructed in 1904 and contains many historical items, according to Bo Clawson, a Staked Plains member.

The Staked Plains is part of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, the largest fraternal organization in the world.

The Masons trace their origins back to stonemasons during

the days of the Biblical King Solomon.

Today, Masons give more than \$1 million a day to children’s charities worldwide.

Locally, the Staked Plains offers many programs to assist and honor education, including a yearly free breakfast for area teachers, teacher of the year awards for the three area school districts, and a yearly scholarship to an area student.

— Lyndel Moody

Celebration to honor former HC Sheriff set for Sunday

This Sunday from 2 pm to 4 pm at Gale’s Bakery, 2414 Scurry St, Audrey Standard Ware and family invite the public to celebrate the life of Sheriff AN Standard. Gale Pittman’s famous cookies

will be served as well as beverages. Come share memories and stories with family and friends. Sheriff Standard served in the position of Howard County Sheriff for 34 years.

BAND

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accolades. At the Big County Marching Festival recently, the band not only earned a Division 1 for its show but was also named Best in Class. Harris said many of the same schools competing at that contest will be at UIL competition Monday.

Drum majors Danielle Conner and Abby Bryan are leading the marching band. This year’s marching show theme is “Spanish Fantasy” and consists of the following pieces: “Bolero,” “España,” and “Spanish Fantasy.”

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VOTING

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County Elections Administrator Sandra Bloom said. “I’m expecting at least that, and maybe more. Seventy percent may be a reach, but we’re expecting a healthy turnout.”

As has been the case for the past several elections, voters must provide suitable ID before they will be allowed to cast their ballots. If they do not have one of the seven state-approved forms of photo identification, they can sign an affidavit that will allow them to vote, as long as they can provide documentation which includes their name and address, Bloom said.

Questions about suitable identification can be answered by calling Bloom’s office at 432-264-2273.

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TxDOT

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On Thursday, TxDOT contractors were out inspecting the U.S. 87 bridge over FM 700 in south Big Spring.

“The work you noticed on US 87 over FM 700 was actually bridge surveys evaluating the integrity of the bridge,” said Mary Belle Turner, communications officer for the TxDOT Abilene office. “Routine surveys like this one are conducted periodically to

check for any damage or deterioration of a bridge and plan for necessary repairs.”

During the day, TxDOT contractors would close one lane periodically across the bridge causing some traffic backup and delays while crews inspected the bridge.

“Contractors will be conducting these surveys throughout the Big Spring area until Friday,” Turner said. “During this time, drivers could experience some brief delays.”

The schedule of remaining inspections is listed below:

- Monday, US Highway 87 over MoPac Railroad. Inside US Highway 87 northbound and inside US Highway 87 southbound lanes will be closed all day.

- Tuesday and Wednesday: US Highway 87 over MoPac Railroad. Outside Highway US 87 northbound lane will be closed all day.

- Thursday and Friday, US Highway 87 over MoPac Railroad. Outside US Highway 87



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The trooper then discovered 104 bundles of marijuana — totaling 115 pounds — concealed in the vehicle.

The driver Sadid Mu-

hammad, 35, and the passenger Michelle Prince, 34, both of El Paso, were arrested and transported to the Howard County Jail. They were charged with possession of marijuana greater than

50 pounds less than 2,000 pounds, which is a second-degree felony.

Muhammad was also charged with violation of a protective order.

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Luiz Martinez, 55, died Monday. A Funeral service was held at 11 a.m. today at Holy Trinity Catholic Church.

Tony Bernal, 50, died Sunday. A vigil service will be held Sunday at 7 p.m. at Myers & Smith Chapel. A funeral service will be Monday at 10 a.m. at Holy Trinity Catholic Church.

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Harden ready to help Rockets bounce back this season

HOUSTON (AP) — When the NBA season tips off, James Harden will be able to run Mike D'Antoni's famed seven seconds or less offense in games that count.

The question is whether the scheme of Houston's new coach will be enough to help the Rockets bounce back after last year's disappointing season.

"We're very excited about what (D'Antoni) brings ... and the players all fit in with what he's been honing for a very long and successful coaching career," general manager Daryl Morey said.

Harden was second in the NBA with a career-high 29 points per game last season and his 7.5 assists and 6.1 rebounds were also career bests. But his individual improvement didn't translate to more success for the Rockets and they were ousted by Golden State in the first round of the playoffs after reaching the Western Conference finals the year before.

Then Dwight Howard opted out of the last year of his contract to play for Atlanta and Houston didn't make any major upgrades in an offseason that saw other top teams in the West get even stronger.

Harden remains confident that the Rockets will go further than last year and had



AP Photo/LM Otero

Houston Rockets guard James Harden heads to the bench during the second half of the team's NBA preseason basketball game against the Dallas Mavericks Wednesday, Oct. 19, 2016, in Dallas.

a one word answer for what his expectations are for this season.

"Championship," he said. He's excited about playing for D'Antoni and knows that playmakers like him normally thrive in his system.

"That's what he does," Harden said. "He makes really good players better players. He has a formula that has

proven it works."

D'Antoni is giddy about having someone with Harden's ability in charge of his offense, and he's also happy about the players surrounding the star.

"I love them," he said. "I think we have a good opportunity. The biggest thing is we have a lot of shooting and that cures a lot of things."

Houston added a shooter in free agent Ryan Anderson, who led the NBA with 166 3-pointers in 2012, to help spread things out for Harden. He's eager to play with him and joked that he had more open looks in their pickup games this summer than he did in the last four years combined.

"Obviously James is the

focal point of our team and we're pieces built around him," he said. "I was brought here to be a piece to open the floor for him more, to help with shooting. I think we have every gap, every piece filled and also we really like each other and that combination goes a long way."

Some things to know about the Rockets before they open the season on Wednesday against the Los Angeles Lakers:

BEVERLEY'S STATUS

Starting point guard Patrick Beverley's status for the opener is uncertain because of a sore left knee. Beverley has been out since Oct. 2 with the injury and the Rockets haven't provided a date for his return. Beverley, who is one of Houston's best defenders, appeared in 71 games last season and averaged 9.9 points, 3.4 assists and 3.5 rebounds a game. If Beverley isn't ready, the Rockets will look to offseason acquisition Eric Gordon to fill in.

NENE'S ROLE

Houston signed Nene in the offseason, but he is expected to back up Clint Capela at center with Howard gone to Atlanta. The Rockets expect the 16-year veteran to help Capela with the transition from being a role player to a starter this season.

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two NBA championships while with the Los Angeles Lakers.

"One thing that makes me feel a little better with (Duncan's) loss is Pau Gasol," Popovich said. "He is a very intelligent man and he understands how to play and he's played for a lot of good people. That's going to help us in that loss, but having said that, it will take time to get all the new guys to understanding exactly how we play and who goes with whom."

Gasol averaged 16.5 points and 11.0 rebounds for Chicago last season while earning his sixth All-Star appearance. Duncan averaged 8.6 points and 7.3 rebounds in the final season of a Hall of Fame career.

Gasol's numbers will likely drop this season, though, as San Antonio will continue to develop around Leonard and LaMarcus Aldridge.

"It starts with me and L.A. first," Leonard said. "If we win a championship, it's going to be up to us to lead the group."

The duo earned All-Star berths last season while leading San Antonio to a franchise-

record 67 victories. But the Spurs dropped four of five games to the Thunder in the West semifinals and San Antonio knew changes were needed. The Spurs drafted 6-foot-5 point guard Dejounte Murray and brought in 2011 second-round pick Davis Bertans at forward along with signing 7-foot center Dewayne Dedmon along with David Lee.

Some other things to know about the Spurs, who open the season Tuesday night at Golden State:

B A C K G R O U N D NOISE

Aldridge struggled to fit into the team's offense in the first half of last season, but closed strongly to lead the team in rebounding and finish second in scoring. He said he was not bothered by reports San Antonio was willing to trade him.

"(Popovich is) a pretty direct person and this organization is first-class, so if that was the issue, I would have known way before the media knew," Aldridge said. "So, I wasn't worried about it at all."

BIG TWO?

Point guard Tony Parker suffered a drop in scoring for his third straight season, which is a product of the

team's evolution rather than any decline in his game. The 6-foot-2 guard averaged 11.9 points last season, but he had a career-low 1.8 turnovers per game and shot 49 percent from the field. It was the third time in four seasons that Parker has shot 49 percent or better from the field. He also shot 42 percent on 3-pointers, marking the second straight season he has shot over 40 percent on 3s. Fellow veteran Manu Ginobili said he will not decide if this his last season until after it's done.

BOUNCING BERTANS

After averaging 7.9 points and shooting 47 percent on 3-pointers in 15 games for Baskonia in the Euroleague last season, Bertans is averaging 5.4 points and shooting 31 percent on 3-pointers in five preseason games for the Spurs. He has astounded his teammates with his leaping ability es-

pecially after right ACL surgery twice in the past three years.

"I think in the second ACL they put something special in there," Bertans said.

FOUL TROUBLE

Dedmon is expected to be one of the team's primary frontcourt reserves if he can stay on the court. The 7-footer has struggled with foul trouble in his career, averaging 2.1 fouls in just 13.1 minutes per game. He is averaging 3.2 fouls in five preseason games, including fouling out in 22 minutes in San Antonio's preseason opener against Phoenix.

STEPPING IN

Gasol has stepping into Duncan's spot in numerous ways, not just in the starting lineup. Gasol has taken Duncan's spot standing next to Parker and Ginobili during the national anthem and is also handling tip-off duties.



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San Antonio Spurs coach Gregg Popovich watches play during the first half of a preseason NBA basketball game against the Miami Heat, Friday, Oct. 14, 2016.

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Roger's Reviews:
The Accountant



When I was in my early 20s, I worked for a couple of years as a teacher's aide in an elementary school classroom for autistic children. I look back on my time there with fond memories. I loved getting to know each of our seven students and learning to decipher their often cryptic personalities.

This past Monday, I watched the movie "The Accountant" starring Ben Affleck as an autistic adult accountant who makes his living cooking the books for some pretty unsavory characters: terrorist organizations, drug cartels, warlords, etc. He's able to do this because he has developed a certain set of skills that would make James Bond jealous, and he can beat them at their own game.

I was never certain whether Christian Wolff was Affleck's character's actual name, which would have been a rare coincidence. The character, who possesses savant-level math skills, routinely uses the names of famous mathematicians as aliases, including Lew(is) Carroll and Carl Gauss. Christian Wolff is also a famous math whiz of yore. At any rate, throughout this synopsis, I will refer Affleck's character as Christian Wolff as if it were his real name, for convenience sake.

Ok, the exposition of this movie is a little convoluted. Suffice it to say that Christian's dad (Robert C. Treveiler) is a military officer who doesn't believe in touchy-feely ways of raising his autistic child, and so hires all manner of manly men to beat some training into him and his younger brother (Jake Presley). Having thus become a superhero (as you do), Christian is now well-equipped to be the mysterious "Accountant" to bad guys; a fact which does not escape Treasury Department honcho Ray King (J.K. Simmons). King summons treasury agent Marybeth Medina (Cynthia Addai-Robinson) and tasks her with tracking down the shadowy figure (Christian) glimpsed in a series of photos with nasty dudes. Meanwhile, we learn that Christian, in true superhero fashion, is getting missions from a mysterious British female voice (Alison Wright) on a cellphone. The voice advises him to knock off the mayhem for a while and take a nice, legitimate job to throw the fuzz off the trail, see? About this time, Living Robotics Inc. discovers that some of its money is missing, and hires Christian to track it down. Math magician Christian wows Dana Cummings (Anna Kendrick), the non-autistic accountant who discovered the discrepancy, with his human com-

puter skills, and the two quickly fall in love despite Christian's lack of social skills. When a mysterious assassin (John Bernthal) starts offing Living Robotics bosses (Jean Smart, John Lithgow), Christian rescues Dana and, despite warnings from the Voice, begins his own mission to complete the job of finding the missing money, track down the killer, and save Dana from being murdered.

So yeah. It's a kind of silly



movie, all things considered.

I really dislike the premise that subjecting an autistic child to all the things that are pretty universally considered to be bad for them – an abundance of overstimulation, a lack of education specialized for autism, etc. – is not only a good thing, but has the ability to turn a boy who throws an uncontrollable tantrum when he can't find the last puzzle piece into...well...Batman. I think it's a little irresponsible. I don't know that some deluded parent of an autistic child will see this movie and think, "Hey, that sounds like a good idea," but I do think it's a possibility.

Ben Affleck is decidedly not autistic. He pretends to be, in this movie, to varying degrees of success. I did not think he pulled off the crushing social awkwardness that autistic people experience. Instead, he rubbed his leg with a stick and pretended to be a bit shy in a couple of scenes. Not buying it, Daredevil.

Once you get past those hurdles, "The Accountant" actually has a fairly interesting, if a bit standard, story. Simmons is always fun to watch, and Bernthal does a great job as he cheerfully threatens and tortures those in his way for information. It's an okay movie with a couple of non-starters in it, in my opinion. Guess we'll see if Tom Cruise can do better with "Jack Reacher" next week. 5 stars out of 10.

The Accountant

Director: Gavin O'Connor

Writer: Bill Dubuque

Production companies: Electric City Entertainment, Advanced Underwriting Concepts, RatPac Entertainment, Zero Gravity Management
R, 2 hrs 8 min, Action/Crime/Drama, Oct. 14, 2016

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.

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Art Association holds reception for art show opening



Courtesy photo/Bruce Schooler

About 60 people attended the Big Spring Art Association's reception in the Howard College Art Department Oct. 4. Below, Robert Barlow discusses his perspective on art.

Special to the Herald

The Big Spring Art Association's reception on Tuesday, Oct. 4, was a success. It was held in the art department at Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane. There were about 60 people in attendance including the art association members.

Having looked at the works of art, Mr. Amin Tejani, Howard College professor, asked if anyone wanted to share their story or perspective on art.

Robert Barlow shared his viewpoint.

"For me, art has always been about creating. It has been about making something unique, taking things from the past and imagining your future. I have always been a big fan of the methodology of learning the rules like a pro, but breaking them like an artist," he said.

In addition, Bruce Schooler, local photographer and owner of Red Barn Studios, shared his viewpoint.

"My love of photography began when I was in the Navy," he said.

One of the things he stressed was to have the photographs printed off one's cellphone or camera.

"By printing your photos, future generations will see the past," he said.

The Membership Show will last all of October at the Hall Center for the Arts of Howard College.



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Foreign language fluency is a must for dentists

Some of my best friends are dentists. No wonder. I have spent a good portion of my life and income with them. It all started with I was about eight or nine years old and was out chasing my dog Patsy. It was a bad day in several ways. I had been chunking rocks at telephone poles all day and kept missing them. My throws were no good. Finally, frustrated about having to find my dog and my poor rock-throwing average, I got about a foot away from a pole, picked up a round rock about half the size of my fist, took a windup and let 'er go. That rock bounced back and hit me right in my mouth, breaking one of my front teeth. Sensing that the person who feeds her was in trouble, Patsy showed up to give me comfort.

My parents took me to the dentist who said the tooth couldn't be repaired until I was 18. Now this was a long time ago. Today it wouldn't be much of a problem. All my school pictures from the third grade on show me with a broken front tooth. I

sort of got it repaired when I was high school. I didn't think it was a good job. The work was sloppy and the repaired tooth was uncomfortable.

When I was in the Army I got a new pair of front teeth. They were huge. Years later I got some good dental work from a dentist friend. He told me I was a special case because of all the work he did on me. Growing



TUMBLEWEED SMITH

You say you've never heard of Gujarati? According to the list, ten thousand Texans speak it.

up in my dad's grocery store I drank plenty of root beers and ate many peanut butter logs. So I was a good dental client. I've had everything from fillings to implants. I've had jewelry made from some of the platinum and gold in my mouth. One piece is a belt buckle.

Another dentist friend works with the American Dental Association. Over lunch recently he told me the Americans With Disabilities Act requires information in dental offices to be available in the fifteen most com-

mon languages other than English spoken in Texas. My friend said if no one in the office is able to provide the necessary information to a patient who speaks another language, the office can call the American Dental Association and for one dollar and forty-seven cents a minute, the information will be provided to the patient.

I was curious about the fifteen most common languages spoken in Texas besides English, according to the Americans With Disabilities Act, so I looked up the list. Some might surprise you. Topping the list is Spanish, which is spoken by nearly forty percent of the state's twenty-eight million population. Then come Vietnamese, Chinese, Korean, Arabic, Urdu (the national language of Pakistan), Tagalog (Philippines), French, Hindi, Farsi, German, Gujarati, Russian, Japanese and Laotian.

You say you've never heard of Gujarati? According to the list, 10,000 Texans speak it. It is from the Indian state of Gujarat. The CIA says some 5 percent of India, or 55 million people, speak that language. Mahatma Gandhi spoke Gujarati.

No wonder my friend near Houston sold his AM radio station to a man who wanted to program it in oriental languages.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Amelia Earhart in Big Spring

To the Editor:

When I read Tumbleweed's story about his friend, it made me think of the time I went to see Amelia Earhart. When I was a girl, our city airport was located where the entrance to the MacMahon Wrinkle Airport is now located. We lived in the airport addition.

I don't know how I knew that Amelia was going to be at the airport — our old radio or Big Spring Herald (Seems like we could always come up with a dime for the Herald).

I decided that I would walk to the airport to see Amelia — Of course, my brothers, Sonny and Bubby tagged along. It was a long walk for kids.

When we arrived, we stood with another group of people who had come out to see Amelia. Amelia came out with five or six other dignitaries and stood by her plane. She was such a doll, dressed up in aviator jacket, pants and boots. It was too hot for a jacket so it must have been a white shirt and scarf. Her sandy blonde hair was cut in a boyish style. It made us all happy to see her. Her plane was

white and the wings were not too long. The plane had a whirley bird on the top like a helicopter.

I don't recall how we got home, but I'm sure we were tired, hungry, and thirsty. My uncle Elbert Payne worked for Couch Dairy before he moved to California. He told me that he delivered milk to the airport and saw Amelia, Will Rogers, and Wilbur Post. At the time, I didn't know who they were.

Something else I would like to add to this story. When my baby Evelyn was born, a neighbor that I had never met came to visit me and brought me magazines that Joe and Gary had read. Her name was Dorothy Earhart. From her sweet visit we became life-long friends. Dorothy's husband was Glen Earhart. He came with the military, met Dorothy Echols, of Stanton. They married and made Big Spring their home. Glen and Amelia were cousins.

Dorothy and Glen are gone now and I wish that Amelia could have had a long life like theirs.

By the way, Frances Anderson Overton sent word by her daughter, Annette, that she saw the whale.

Marie Hughes
Big Spring, TX

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DAILY PRAYER

May we listen to Your advice, Lord, for our heavenly future.

Amen.

Words can hurt us

The old adage first appeared in an American publication in 1862. Generally, we have gone along with the declaration that sticks and stones can be "bone-breakers." That words are skating by without harmful effects, however, hasn't been true for decades — maybe never. When they first saw the light of day, words weren't assaulting us so often and in so many ways as they are currently.

Yep, words — in addition to sticks and stones — pack powerful punches, too. How about the current exchanges by presidential candidates? I won't go there, given that one of the purposes of this column is to elicit smiles. There's little to smile about these days when political fires are stoked by words often poorly chosen, but boldly expressed. (Many politicians' words, in fact, were whispered — or deleted — not so long ago.)

At least until the national election is history, I heartily recommend looking for "humor nuggets." Nowadays, we have to dig deeper for them. We will do well to keep sharp eyes out—even for messages on old t-shirts, and on pages of books so dusty, dust covers gave up on them decades ago. Today, I am here to help.

Two T-shirt messages worthy of note were spotted during a pleasurable walk recently in the Caribbean. (Better stated, it was a deck walk on Carnival Cruise

Line's Freedom.) One was worn by a veteran husband who might rather have chosen "sleeping in," but he walked anyway. He might even have "seconded the motion" when his wife announced how they'd start the day. The message on his shirt? "We don't need Google. My wife knows everything."

Another t-shirt was a "puzler" for me and others. Walkers halted, noting "La — a" on her shirt. She dared anyone to pronounce her name correctly. I, and others, tried; we all failed. "LaDASHa," she claimed. I always take books along to

band, father and multi-faceted leader, he has a smile almost as wide as the state he lives in. And this proud country boy from Mississippi has made many proud.

Did I mention he also is one of the most courageous people I've known in "all my put together"? And I have proof.

In the book cited earlier, he admitted a gaffe many husbands would have tried to stifle, and certainly never/never/never included among memoirs. (Except maybe for family members.)

Perhaps he deliberated for a time, since it is the next-to-last vignette on the next-to-last page.

It is entitled "What's Cookin'?"

He and Kay now are in their fifth decade of marriage. Randall wrote of arriving home for dinner one evening during the first month following their wedding ceremony in 1975. She met him at the door, tears flowing. "Oh, honey," she said, "The dog ate the meatloaf I cooked for supper."

"I held her tight," he said. "Oh, I'm so sorry. Don't worry, honey. I'll buy you another dog."

A self-described "redneck country boy," Randall wrote that he "blew it — bad, bad, bad." Yep, he's a survivor, but one who always wants to help out when he can. Randall has a scripture suggestion for new hubbies whose marriages may not be quite so solid: "Those who guard their mouths preserve their lives." (Proverbs 13:3a).

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read on cruises. One included this time was I Feel Better All Over Than I Do Anywhere Else. One of four books authored by Dr. Randall O'Brien, it is a compendium of experiences and stories—mostly the former. He's a valued friend who has pretty much "done it all" and is still at it. Dr. O'Brien has more degrees than he has walls for, and is a veteran of the Vietnam War. Revered president of Carson-Newman University in Tennessee, he's one of but few active presidents who remembers Absorbine Sr. He's so much more. A hus-

STEERS

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first possession of the second half, and Big Spring took over at the 30-yard line. On a Valencia run, a Stephenville defender got his helmet on the ball and sent the ball flying for Valencia's second fumble of the game. The ball flew right to another defender, who caught it and ran the other direction for a touchdown to give the Yellow Jackets a 35-13 lead. Stephenville would build its lead to 52-13 before Valencia and Cantu each ran in late Big Spring touchdowns to make the final 52-27.

"It was really just a couple plays. Some of them were kind of weird plays, we'll say it like that. We weren't able to get it done, but I'm seeing a lot of things getting done that we haven't been able to do.

I'm seeing us playing some situations better as a young team, and we're getting better at some things," Finley said. "We've just got to continue to work on getting better, and work on learning the situations of the football game and how to play them."

Cantu finished 15-of-31 passing with 250 yards, three total touchdowns, and one interception. Valencia rushed for 92 yards on 20 carries and had 104 yards receiving, finishing with two touchdowns. Luna contributed with 80 yards receiving and a touchdown on seven catches.

The biggest stat in the game was the turnover differential. Big Spring committed five turnovers and Stephenville had none.

"You're not going to have a lot of success turning the ball over like that. It doesn't matter what level you're at, when you give the team five extra opportunities to score,

and in our territory several times, that puts your defense in a bad situation," Finley said. Regarding Valencia, who fumbled three times, he said the team will "try to build him back up, and teach him how to respond to those bad situations. But the kid is a playmaker."

Big Spring will get its last chance for a win next week when they travel to Brownwood for the final game of the season. The Brownwood Lions are 3-3 and 1-1 in the district after defeating Stephenville 27-13 last week and falling to Abilene Wylie 35-13 the week before.

"We're just going to go out there and work on us, and try to get some things going. We'll try to get better again. We'd like to not turn the ball over so much. That makes a difference," Finley said.

The two teams will kick off at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Lion Stadium.



Tony Claxton photo (www.claxtonphotography.com)
Big Spring quarterback Dylan Cantu scores a touchdown in Friday's game against Stephenville.

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of see it developing. He threw it a tad bit late."

Davis Webb threw five touchdown passes and ran for a sixth to lead the way for the Golden Bears (4-3, 2-2 Pac-12), who snapped a seven-game losing streak to Oregon.

Freshman Justin Herbert threw six touchdown passes and rallied Oregon back from a 20-point deficit in the third quarter but it wasn't enough for the Ducks (2-5, 0-4), who lost their fifth straight game for their longest skid since 1996.

"I feel awful that we couldn't get it done for them, of how they've stuck together and weathered through a lot, they've had a lot of opportunities to splinter and they haven't," coach Mark Helfrich said.

The one positive for the Ducks was the play of the freshman Herbert, who threw for 258 yards, including a 20-yard TD to Jalen Brown in the first overtime, in his second career start.

"He's obviously very hard on

himself with how the end occurred but we should've really never been in that situation," Helfrich said. "I'd do the exact same thing at the end, and trust him to make the play."

THE TAKEAWAY

Oregon: Just 21 months since playing for a national championship, the Ducks find themselves at the bottom of the Pac-12. The collapse has been complete. The defense got torched once again, leaving receivers unguarded for touchdowns and allowing scores on six straight possessions. The offense punted on its first four drives against a Cal defense that ranks near the bottom in all statistical categories. The Ducks were also undisciplined, committing 14 penalties for 134 yards, including personal fouls on back-to-back plays in the first half.

California: Dykes had lost all 12 games to Oregon, Stanford, USC and UCLA as Cal coach before this breakthrough win. But the Ducks aren't the same team they were just a few years ago, taking some of the luster off of it. The Bears were sloppy as well, committing 14 penalties and struggling on defense but pulled out the win behind Webb's strong play and a stel-

lar running game. Tre Watson ran for 154 yards and Khalfani Muhammad had 148.

PLEAD THE FOURTH

Dykes had little hesitation going for it on fourth down against the Ducks' porous defense, converting four straight tries — including two in his own territory — before getting stopped on a fourth-and-1 in the third quarter. The Bears are 15-for-17 on fourth down this season.

RUN GAME

Tony Brooks-James ran for 109 yards on 15 carries for the Ducks, while starter Royce Freeman was held to 10 yards on 15 carries. Freeman said he was healthy after sitting out the second half against Washington two weeks ago with an injury.

UP NEXT

Oregon: The Ducks host Arizona State next Saturday.

California: The Bears have another weeknight game when they travel to USC next Thursday, a fact that drew the ire of Dykes.

"I think everyone in the locker room was tired," he said. "I know I certainly am. We'll be back at it tomorrow. We have a game in six days, which is crazy, absolutely nuts."

TEXANS

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loss at San Diego last week that didn't exactly help him heed his doctor's orders to get some rest.

Both men are trying to keep emotion at bay as they try to beat the teams that gave them their first chance in the NFL to be in the positions they're in now.

"We're facing a good team, that's what I know," Kubiak said. "Obviously, I respect the organization. (Texans CEO) Bob McNair gave me a tremendous opportunity as a coach and I'll always cherish that."

Oswieiler, who signed a four-year, \$72 million contract with the Texans in March, insisted he still has great respect for the Broncos and John Elway even though Denver's general manager didn't make an early push to keep him in Colorado.

"I think we have a great relationship," Oswieiler said. "In fact, I saw John

up in Idaho this summer and we were able to visit for a few minutes, catch up and ask how the family is doing.

"Once again, I have nothing but respect and appreciation for John Elway. He gave me my first opportunity in the National Football League. He stuck with me for four years and really at the end of the day for John, nothing but love, respect and appreciation."

There's plenty more to this game than Oswieiler and Kubiak facing their former teams:

MILLER TIME: Texans RB Lamar Miller scored his first two touchdowns in Houston's 26-23 win over the Colts last week.

He had 178 yards from scrimmage, including 149 yards rushing. Getting the ground game going against Denver could be key because the Broncos lead the league with 21 sacks and forcing Oswieiler to drop back instead of handing off will expose him to big hits from Von Miller, Derek Wolfe and Shane Ray.



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 Gabehart, Gregg & Lucy, 1502 Phillips Rd., Res re-roof, Val: \$10,200, Fee: \$65

Election Day voting scams

Election Day is less than a month away. Early voting will run from Monday, Oct. 24 through Friday, Nov. 4.

While politicians are seeking your support, scammers are busy trying to steal money and identity by pretending to contact you about an election-related issue.

Better Business Bureau serving Central, Coastal, Southwest Texas and the Permian Basin advises voters to watch out for these common election scams before casting their ballot on Nov. 8:

- Campaign fund collections. Be cautious when answering a call that claims to be from a political party representative, election committee or even the candidate themselves. While political groups are exempt from abiding by the National Do Not Call registry, scammers can easily spoof Caller ID and appear like they are calling from a legitimate organization. They may call asking for your vote and then request a donation. To avoid this scam, get the caller's contact information and do your own research. If you decide to support a candidate, look online and find your preferred candidate's campaign number and call directly to ensure you're reaching the right office.

- Voter registration scam. With this scam, people receive a phone call that claims you need to re-register to vote. They will make claims that you have been taken off of the voter list. The caller is seeking personal information, including address, email, and in more serious cases, bank account information and Social Security numbers. Never give out personal information to a suspicious caller. If you are concerned about your voter registration status, contact the Texas Secretary of State. If you believe you have received a call like this, report it to your county clerk.

- Election survey scam. Another popular telemarketing scam that occurs during election season are survey calls. The caller will explain that a survey is being conducted on behalf of a political party, and if you answer all of their questions, you become eligible to win a prize (often cruise tickets or gift cards).

The topic of the survey usually refers to a controversial headline in the news, and the questions are commonly vague. The scam occurs when you are asked to provide personal financial information to pay for taxes or the shipping and handling of the "prize" you've won. Remember, never give out personal or financial information over the phone, especially to someone you don't know. Be suspicious of callers promising prizes, cash or other items if you first pay a "fee."

- Vote by phone scam. Never respond to a phone call, email or text message asking you to vote by phone. This is not possible. You can only cast your vote either by absentee ballot or at an official polling station. Don't respond to these messages — instead, hang up the phone and report it to your county clerk.

Heather Massey is the regional director for the Permian Basin office of Better Business Bureau serving Central, Coastal, Southwest Texas and the Permian Basin. Heather is available for media interviews and speaking engagements. You can reach her by phone: (432) 741-2592 or email: hmassey@permianbasin.bbb.org



Courtesy photo

Chamber of Commerce officials were on hand for a ribbon cutting ceremony to mark the grand opening of Big Spring Fire Extinguisher, located at 1303 Scurry St.

Public records

Howard County Justice of the Peace Outstanding IBC Warrants:

Zechariah Marshall Akin, 1503 Sycamore Apt. A, Big Spring
 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
 Wayne Richard Buyce, 4042 Morningside Way, Canyon Lake
 Vanessa Malu Calderon, 2600 Chanute Dr., Big Spring
 Raymond Carroll, 712 E. 17th 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
 Juana Fierro, 406 N.W. 5th St., Big Spring
 Michael Dean Fleming, 5216 Tremont Ave Apt 901, Midland
 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
 Matias Hernandez Jr., 620 E. 4th St., San Angelo
 Caleb Hill, 910 Baylor, Big Spring
 Ammie Lee Howell, 1507 Hilltop Road, Big Spring
 Matilda Irvin, 407 W. Sixth St., 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
 Caleb Browning Lyle, 1603 Vines, Big Spring
 Aaron Christopher Mack, 2134 Bonham Ave., Odessa
 Ruann R. Martinez, 1005 N.W. 2nd St., Big Spring
 Felicia Ornelas, 538 Westover No. 236, Big Spring
 George Anthony Robinson Jr., 1905 Wasson Rd. #14, Big Spring
 Andy Rodriguez, 1904 Runnels Street, 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
 Kendra D. Tatum, 412 S. Moss Lake Rd., Big Spring
 Joe Anthony Villarreal, 2206 Cecilia, Big Spring
 Ricky Lynn Waltenbaugh, 538 Westover Road Apt. # 133, 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

Marriage Licenses

Joseph Hubert, 48, and Kay Rita Farris, 65, both of Claremore, Okla.
 Gilbert Gandara, 33, and Maria D. Calderon Castaneda, 30, both of Big Spring.
 Michael Troy Sanders, 51, and Taffv Michelle Lea Manhattan,

46, both of Coahoma.
 Luis Eduardo Vazquez, 21, and Rebekah Marie Kelm, 19, both of Big Spring.

County Court Judgments

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

Defendant: Andres A. Duenes Jr.
 Offense: Harassment
 Sentence: \$500 fine, \$337 court costs, 12 months probation. Deferred adjudication.
 Date: Sept. 20, 2016

Defendant: Amber Gutierrez
 Offense: Theft of property \$50 to \$500
 Sentence: \$100 fine, \$337 court costs, 60 days in jail.
 Date: Sept. 28, 2016

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Think pink!



Courtesy photos

Pictured at top, Vivian Gordon, Scenic Mountain Medical Center director of radiology, gives a presentation for Think Pink, an informational lunch-and-learn event held recently by SMMC about early breast cancer detection that was open to the public. Breast cancer is the most common cancer among American women, with an estimated 12 percent developing invasive breast cancer in their lifetime. Pictured above, Manny Negron also spoke about the American Cancer Society.

Breast cancer: know the risk factors and get tested

Breast cancer is the most common cancer among American women, with an estimated 12 percent developing invasive breast cancer in their lifetime. The American Cancer Society estimates that over 246,000 women will be diagnosed with new cases of invasive breast cancer this year.

Several risk factors of the disease are beyond control, but there are some lifestyle changes that can be made to help reduce risk of developing the disease. Additionally, understanding early detection methods and when to get screened can be critical in the survival rates of women who are diagnosed.

Women have a much higher likelihood of being diagnosed with breast cancer than men, however men can develop the disease too. White women are the most likely to develop breast cancer, yet African-American women who develop it have higher mortality rates.

Age is another contributing risk factor of the disease, with most invasive breast cancers detected in women 55 and older. A small percentage of breast cancer cases are considered hereditary and result when certain gene mutations are present,

which greatly increase the risk of diagnosis. Genetic testing can be done in some cases to identify whether or not the mutated genes are present. These are just some of the uncontrollable risk factors of developing the disease.

Some breast cancer risk factors are linked to lifestyle behaviors that can be changed. Drinking more than one alcoholic beverage per day has been shown to increase the risk by almost double. Being overweight, especially after menopause, raises estrogen levels and can also increase risk. Additionally, more evidence is showing that exercising regularly can help to lower risk.

While there is very little known to directly prevent breast cancer, most doctors feel that early detection and regular screenings are the best way to help increase survival rates.

Some symptoms of breast cancer are easy to detect, while others may only be found during screenings. You should contact your physician immediately if you experience any of the following:

- Discharge from nipples, especially blood and/or puss;
- A new lump, particularly if it is painful and doesn't leave after a menstrual cycle;
- Unceasing breast pain;
- Breast infection, which include centralized redness, puss or fever;
- Nipple changes such

as pulling inward, enlargement or itching;

- An asymmetrical breast;
- Skin changes on breast or swelling; and/or
- Lump in the underarm

In general, starting at age 45 women of average risk of developing breast cancer should get mammograms every year until they reach 55. After age 55, women should switch to mammograms every 2 years, unless instructed differently by their doctor. Mammograms are the most common tests of breast cancer, but there are other tools that can be used depending on a woman's medical history. It is important for women to begin discussing risk factors with their doctor early on so the best screening and testing plan can be developed.

For more information about scheduling a screening test, please call 432-264-0602.

Carylon Frerich, PA-C is one of the Family Medical Center providers. She received her training and certification at Texas Tech University Health Sciences. Her office is located in the West Texas Medical Plaza, Suite 200, where she works in conjunction with Dr. Erich Byerly and Dr. Keith Ledford. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 432-264-7180.

*All data provided by the American Cancer Society.

Local wound care center aims to raise awareness of diabetic foot ulcers

Special to the Herald

The Wound Healing Center at Scenic Mountain, a member of the Healogics network, is participating in the Healogics National Diabetes Campaign from October 24 to 28. One of nearly 800 Healogics-managed Centers, Scenic Mountain Medical Center offers advanced therapies to patients suffering from chronic wounds like diabetic foot ulcers. Team members across the nation will dedicate the entire week to visiting local physician offices to provide education on the treatment of potential or existing chronic wounds for people also suffering from diabetes.

There are approximately 29.1 million people living with diabetes in the United States, and nearly 28 percent are undiagnosed. Of those 29.1 million, about 25 percent will eventually develop a foot ulcer. Left untreated, these ulcers can impair quality of life and may lead to amputation. In 2010, 60 percent of non-traumatic lower-limb amputations occurred in adults 20 years and older with diagnosed diabetes.

Early detection and

intervention can help to mitigate the possibility of limb loss. The Wound Healing Center at Scenic Mountain recommends the following to help prevent diabetic foot ulcers:

- Stop smoking immediately
- Comprehensive foot examinations each time you visit your health-care provider (at least four times a year)
- Daily self-inspections of the feet, or have a family member perform the inspection
- Regular care of the feet including cleaning toenails and taking care of corns and calluses
- Choose supportive, proper footwear (shoes and socks)
- Take steps to improve circulation such as eating healthier and exercising on a regular basis

Proper wound care is imperative to healing diabetic foot ulcers. The Wound Healing Center at Scenic Mountain offers a number of leading-edge treatments including Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy, Total Contact Casting (TCC), and Negative Pressure Wound Therapy. These specialized wound care therapies can aid in wound closure, new tissue growth, wound tissue regeneration and much more.

Contact The Wound Healing Center to learn more about diabetic foot ulcers or if you have a wound that will not heal. To schedule an appointment, please call 432-268-5370.



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Cottonseed rebate (paid January 2016) 2015-2016 =	\$1,694,877.26 / \$19.22 bale cash**
Total CASH (paid June 2016) annual meeting 2015-2016 =	\$1,926,574.24 / \$21.85 bale cash
Total net profit Cotton Warehouse 2015-2016 =	\$814,333.52 / \$9.23 bale

Total cash 2015-2016 =	\$4,435,785.02 / \$50.31 per bale
Less grain rebate previous paid (June 2016) =	- \$475,000.00 / \$5.39 bale

Total {Producer} CASH COTTON 2015-2016 =	\$3,960,785.02 / \$44.92 per bale CASH
Total {Producer} Equities issued 2015-2016 =	\$1,248,861.79 / \$14.61 per bale
Total GCC Producer CASH & Equities for 2015-2016 Cotton =	\$5,209,646.81 / \$59.08 per bale*

Dear Member/Producer,
As you can see above our cotton warehouses ended the first operational year quite successfully; with a net profit of some \$814,333.12 or on a net per bale basis of \$9.23 per bale. Board & Management anticipates & wishes to advise all Members & Producers that the net profit of \$9.23 per bale will be returned in the form of: **A TOTAL CASH WAREHOUSE REBATE OF \$9.23 per BALE based upon your GCC 2015 cotton ginning participation/records.**

June 2017 is the anticipated rebate payment, time period.

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-----jeff turner glasscock county co-op st.lawrencetexasu.s.a. / october 10, 2016.

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Defendant: Amber Gutierrez
Offense: Possession of a controlled substance 3 to 28 grams
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$352 court costs, 60 days in jail.
Date: Sept. 28, 2016

Defendant: Jeremy D. Gonzalez
Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 oz.
Sentence: \$500 fine, \$347 court costs, 12 months probation. Deferred adjudication.
Date: Sept. 28, 2016

Defendant: Josue D. Rosas
Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 oz.
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months.
Date: Sept. 29, 2016

Defendant: Kevin Salazar
Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 oz.
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months.
Date: Sept. 29, 2016

Defendant: Laquana R. Gray
Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 oz.
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months.
Date: Sept. 29, 2016

Defendant: Derek P. Ward
Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 oz.
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months.
Date: Sept. 28, 2016

Defendant: Stephen Yanez
Offense: Driving while intoxicated
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months.
Date: Sept. 20, 2016

Defendant: Carl Reed
Offense: Driving while intoxicated
Sentence: \$250 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 6 months.
Date: Sept. 26, 2016

Defendant: Johnny Lee Johnson
Offense: Driving while intoxicated/open alcohol container
Sentence: Revocation of probation: \$750 fine, \$557.10 court costs, 33 days in jail.
Date: Sept. 19, 2016

Defendant: James Russell
Offense: Evading arrest or detention
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$292 court costs, 20 days in jail.
Date: Oct. 14, 2016

Defendant: Crystal L. Coble
Offense: Duty on striking a fixture or landscape more than \$200
Sentence: \$100 fine,

\$332 court costs, 60 days in jail.
Date: Sept. 28, 2016.

Defendant: Devonte D. Anderson
Offense: Theft of property \$100 to \$750
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$342 court costs, 20 days in jail.
Date: Sept. 28, 2016

Defendant: Caleb Lee Robertson
Offense: Unlawfully carrying a weapon
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$297 court costs, 30 days in jail.
Date: Sept. 28, 2016

Defendant: Sergio Mendoza Chavez
Offense: Assault causing bodily injury/family member
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$292 court costs, 30 days in jail.
Date: Sept. 28, 2016

Defendant: Avel Abreo Ramirez
Offense: Resisting arrest, search, or transport
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$342 court costs, 40 days in jail.
Date: Sept. 28, 2016

Defendant: Johnny Lee Juarez
Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 oz.
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months.
Date: Sept. 29, 2016

Defendant: James R. Bowers
Offense: Possession of marijuana less than 2 oz.
Sentence: \$500 fine, \$347 court costs, 12 months probation. Deferred adjudication.
Date: Sept. 29, 2016

Defendant: Daniel C. Weltman
Offense: Resisting arrest, search, or transport
Sentence: \$500 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months.
Date: Sept. 20, 2016

Defendant: Winnie Knox
Offense: Assault causing bodily injury
Sentence: \$100 fine, 180 days in jail. Probated 12 months.
Date: Sept. 12, 2016

Defendant: Johnny Reyes
Offense: Theft of property \$100 to \$750
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$342 court costs, 20 days in jail.
Date: Oct. 4, 2016.

Defendant: Israel Saiz
Offense: Evading arrest or detention
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$292 court costs, 40 days in jail.
Date: Oct. 4, 2016

Defendant: Israe Saiz

Offense: Theft of property \$100 to \$750
Sentence: \$100 fine, \$342 court costs, 40 days in jail.
Date: Oct. 4, 2016

District Court Filings

Katie Land vs. Caleb Land, divorce
Shayna Davis vs. Brian Davis, divorce
Ty Hopper vs. Cynthia Hopper, divorce
Portfolio Recovery Associates L.L.C. vs. Silvia Fitzgibbons, contract-consumer/commercial debt

Warranty Deeds

Grantor: Keith and Gabrielle Rich
Grantee: Kathryn Crenshaw Milch
Property: Lots 4 and 5, Blk. 9, Washington Place Addition
Date: Oct. 6, 2016

Grantor: Tony McNew
Grantee: Scotty McNew
Property: A 30-acre tract in E/2 Sec. 42, Blk. 32, T-2-N, T&P Railroad Co. Survey
Date: Oct. 7, 2016

Grantor: Sharon Wood
Grantee: Bobby Glen Hill and Debra Hill
Property: A tract in SW/4 Sec. 32, Blk. 33, T-1-N, T&P Railroad Co. Survey
Date: Oct. 7, 2016

Grantor: Lazy J. Ltd.
Grantee: Craig Peterson and Terri Peterson
Property: Two tracts in N/2 Sec. 21, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P Railroad Co. Survey; Tract 13-A, a 2.798-acre tract, and Tract 23-A, a 2.785-acre tract.
Date: Oct. 7, 2016

Grantor: David Allen Burcham and Cynthia Ann Burcham
Grantee: Donna Malone
Property: Lots 7 and 8, Blk. 6, Western Hills Addition
Date: Oct. 7, 2016

Grantor: Viola Villa
Grantee: Steven Nichols of Steven Nichols L.L.C.
Property: Three tracts in Blk. 5, Wrights 2nd Addition; Tract 1: N/2 Lot 2 and S/14 feet Lot 1, Tract 2: S/2 Lot 2, Tract 3: N/35 feet of Lot 3.
Date: Oct. 11, 2016

Grantor: Richard Villa
Grantee: Steven Nichols
Property: Three tracts in Blk. 5, Wrights 2nd Addition; Tract 1: N/62 2/3 feet of of Lot 5, Tract 2: S/62 2/3 feet Lot 6, Tract 3: S/31 1/3 feet Lot 5 and N/31 1/3 feet Lot 6.
Date: Oct. 11, 2016

Grantor: Brian A. Turnbough

Grantee: Edith Jackson
Property: A tract in Sec. 37, Blk. 31, T-1-N, T&P Railroad Co. Survey.
Date: Oct. 11, 2016

Grantor: Jimmy Post
Grantee: Clarence Eric Frakes
Property: Lot 6, Blk. 1, Banks Addition
Date: Oct. 12, 2016

Grantor: Traci C. Phillips and Anthon Kael Phillips
Grantee: Dana G. Pierce
Property: Lot 22, Blk. 7, Suburban Heights Addition
Date: Oct. 12, 2016

Grantor: Michael and Stephanie Piercefield
Grantee: Richard and Clarinda Wright
Property: A 3.33-acre tract in Sec. 17, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P Railroad Co. Survey
Date: Oct. 13, 2016

Grantor: Znergen Logistics L.L.C.
Grantee: Linda Rodriguez
Property: A 4.039-acre tract in south part of Sec. 24, Blk. 33, T-1-S, T&P Railroad Co. Survey
Date: Oct. 13, 2016

Grantor: Donald Marvin Craeger and Amanda Craeger
Grantee: Marcellous Weaver
Property: Lot 10, Blk. 10, Earles Addition
Date: Oct. 13, 2016

Grantor: Bonnie Lee Kinard
Grantee: Charles Ray Kinard and Brad Aaron Kinard
Property: Three tracts in Blk. 33, T-1-N, T&P Railroad Co. Survey; Tract 1: An 18.101-acre tract in Sec. 23, Tract 2: A 27.60-acre tract in Sec. 28, Tract 3: A 318.98-acre tract in Sec. 28.
Date: Oct. 13, 2016

Grantor: James R. and Debra Ivie
Grantee: Marcellous Weaver
Property: Lot 16, Blk. 20, Amended Edwards Heights Addition
Date: Oct. 14, 2016

Grantor: The Estate of Hubert Donald Barber, deceased

Grantee: Jason A. Seay-Davidson
Property: Lot 4, Blk. 12, Cedar Crest Addition
Date: Oct. 14, 2016

Grantor: Junior Barber
Grantee: Mickey Barber
Property: Lot 1, Blk. 8, Cole and Strayhorn Addition
Date: Oct. 14, 2016

Grantor: Libby Uribe
Grantee: Dianna Yanez
Property: A tract in Sec. 32, Blk. 33, T-1-S, T&P Railroad Co. Survey.
Date: Oct. 17, 2016

Grantor: Tracy L. Mack
Grantee: Arkose Petroleum L.L.C.
Property: An 8.63-acre tract in NE/4 Sec. 20, Blk. 33, T-1-N, T&P Railroad Co. Survey
Date: Oct. 18, 2016

Grantor: Harvey and Jerene Hocker
Grantee: Zachary Thurman
Property: A 9.41-acre tract in NW/4 Sec. 44, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P Railroad Co. Survey
Date: Oct. 18, 2016

Grantor: Gary Jones
Grantee: KG Butts Properties L.L.C.
Property: Lots 13, 14, and 15, Blk. 60, Original Town of Forsan
Date: Oct. 18, 2016

Grantor: John D. and Melanie Laudermilk
Grantee: Lloyd and Chelsea Wells
Property: Lot 34, Blk. 6 Highland South No. 6 Addition
Date: Oct. 18, 2016

Grantor: Bonnie Lee Kinard, Charles Ray Kinard, and Brad Aaron Kinard
Grantee: Chad Darren Kinard
Property: Three tracts in Blk. 33, T-1-N, T&P Railroad Co. Survey; Tract 1: A tract in SW part of Sec. 27, Tract 2: A tract in SW part of Sec. 24, Tract 3: A tract in NW part of Sec. 27.
Date: Oct. 19, 2016

Grantor: Reta LaRocque aka Rita LaRocque, and Rudy LaRocque
Grantee: Steve G. Hernandez
Property: Lot 11, Blk. 5,

Avion Village Addition
Date: Oct. 19, 2016

Warranty Deeds with Vendor's Liens

Grantor: Randy Weaver
Grantee: MH Lamesa Enterprises
Property: Lots 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12, and the part of Lot 7 east of Highway 87, Blk. 25, Government Heights to Bauer Addition
Date: Oct. 7, 2016

Grantor: SilverLeaf Communities L.L.C.
Grantee: Jonathan S. Gomez and Melinda D. Garcia
Property: Lot 7, Blk. 33, College Park Estates Addition No. 6
Date: Oct. 7, 2016

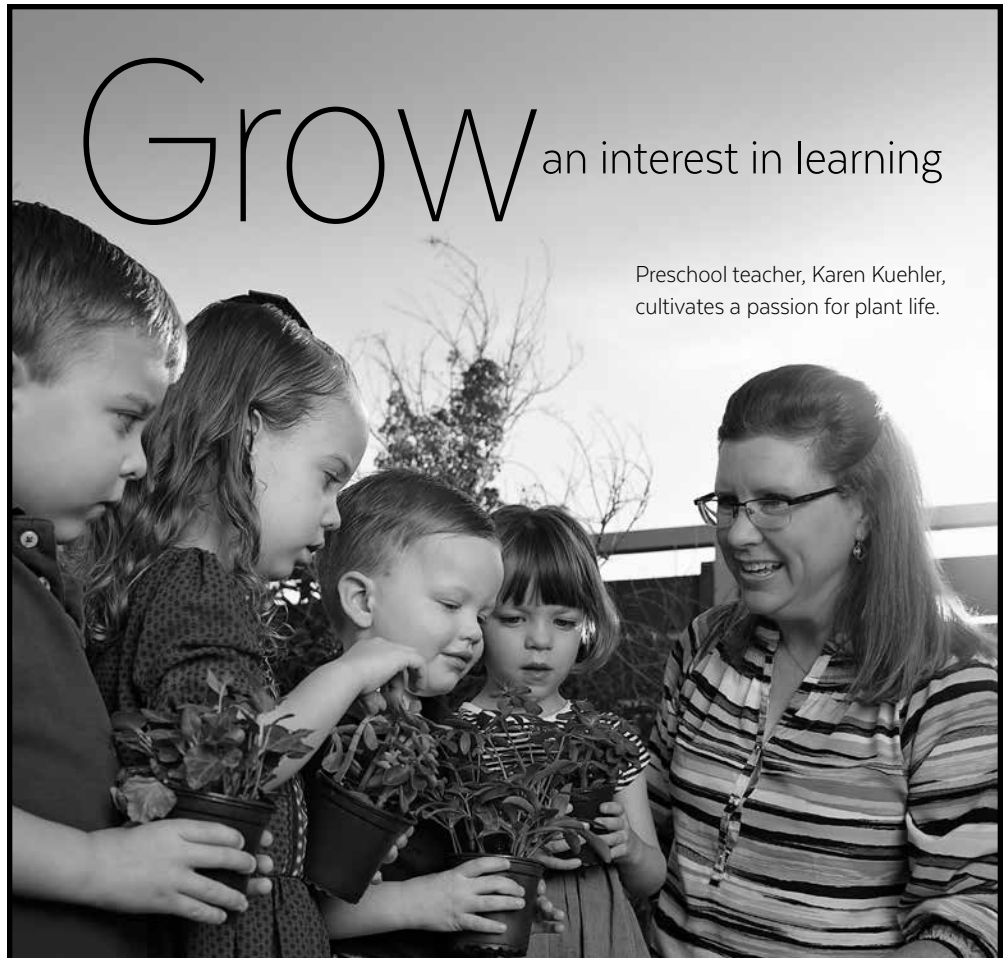
Grantor: Henry Backes
Grantee: Mae Awazu Mayhall
Property: Lot 11, Blk. 34, Cole and Strayhorn Addition
Date: Oct. 12, 2016

Grantor: David J. Shryack, Kimberly K. Shryack Johnson, Bart W. Shryack, Todd Justin Joyner, Patrick Deak Joyner, Chad Jason Joyner, Cody Lee Joyner
Grantee: Joshua Shryack
Property: Lot 3, Blk. 12, Cole and Strayhorn Addition
Date: Oct. 13, 2016

Grantor: Lloyd and Chelsea Wells
Grantee: Vicki M. Green
Property: Lot 15, Blk. 5, Washington Place Addition
Date: Oct. 17, 2016

Grantor: BCBHG Vista Spec L.L.C. by Roger Gearhart, manager
Grantee: Carmelo F. and Jenny T. Trinidad
Property: A 0.61-acre tract in NW/4 Sec. 8, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P Railroad Co. Survey
Date: Oct. 17, 2016

Grantor: Wendy and Joe Bingham
Grantee: Ryan Cole Williams and Heather Duncan Williams
Property: N/50 feet of the NE/4 of Blk. 22, College Heights Addition
Date: Oct. 18, 2016



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Glasscock County

#4415H Currie-Neal "47", drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
12.80 miles west of Garden City
A-914, Section 38, Block 36, T-3-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9162 feet
1100' FSL, 230' FEL of 640.5-acre lease
1100' FSL, 230' FEL of the survey

#4215H Currie-Neal "47", drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
12.80 miles west of Garden City
A-914, Section 38, Block 36, T-3-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 8707 feet
1070 FSL, 230' FEL of 640.5-acre lease
1070' FSL, 230' FEL of the survey

#2815H Currie-Neal "47", drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
12.80 miles west of Garden City
A-914, Section 38, Block 36, T-3-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 8395 feet
1040' FSL, 230' FEL of 640.5-acre lease
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#104H Pecos "SN 43-31 04", drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-173-37294
13.87 miles southeast of Garden City
A-190, Section 43, Block 33, T-5-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9500 feet
200' FNL, 610' FWL of 862.7-acre lease
200' FNL, 610' FEL of the survey

#6H Tom-Mills "48F", drill horizontal, API #42-173-37432
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA
5 miles southeast of Stanton
A-832, Section 48, Block 36, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,100 feet
549' FSL, 1076' FWL of 1,115.2-acre lease
549' FSL, 1542' FEL of the survey

#7H Tom-Mills "48G", drill horizontal, API #42-173-37433
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA
5 miles southeast of Stanton
A-832, Section 48, Block 36, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,100 feet
549' FSL, 1121' FWL of 1,115.2-acre lease
549' FSL, 1497' FEL of the survey

#8H Tom-Mills "48H", drill horizontal, API #42-173-37434
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA
5 miles southeast of Stanton

Pumpjack, widget, drone

By **Corey Paul** —
Odessa-America via AP

The businessmen at the Royal Guardsman Security booth touted their security device as a way for the oilfield to not just catch a crime but prevent it, saving on asset losses and downtime.

The patented device of this San Angelo-based company stood on display with its seven cameras, motion sensors, alarms and other detection gear, all guarded by an electrified steel box topped with razorwire and decorated with giant eyes and various warnings.

"We're actually hoping to revolutionize the way that security and asset and access control are done," said Scott Byrd, the chief technology of the company exhibiting at the Permian Basin International Oil Show for the first time. "In other words, instead of just videotaping it we are trying to deter it first. So you save a lot of money deterring crime, instead of having to videotape and try to solve the crime afterwards."

The biennial oil show is known as a place where companies big and small promote their newest technologies, models, widgets and service packages to the thousands of attendees to flock to the coliseum.

The exhibitors, 744 in total this year, seek to draw in passersby with giveaways ranging from lemonade to underwear and a rifle. More common goodies include

koozies, candy, sucker rods and stickers.

Organizers say that for some of the exhibitors, a single sale can make the whole event worth it.

Gadgets on display ranged from proprietary controls for well equipment to specially made tubes, valves, lap-top mounts, flares and puncture-proof tires. Then there are the latest models of pumping units, drives and other heavy equipment.

Some businesses already established in the Permian Basin used the show to market their technological innovations to the attendees looking for efficiencies to help them trim costs.

In the main barn, Alabama-based Spoc Automation and subsidiary Well Optix touted software allowing oilfield workers to check on production equipment data like pressure and flow from their phones and other remote devices. Sales manager Kimberly Early said the company already has Permian Basin clients and businesses that sell their services but wanted to use the oil show to promote the produce especially as companies look to save money during a downturn, using pumpers as an example.

"If you're a man down, the other men can kind of pick up the slack by planning their day out, knowing what well conditions are before they head out for the day, and they are able to kind of

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News in brief

US rig count up 14 this week to 553; Texas gains 10

HOUSTON (AP) — The number of rigs exploring for oil and natural gas in the U.S. increased by 14 this week to 553.

A year ago, 787 rigs were active. Depressed energy prices have sharply curtailed oil and gas exploration.

Houston oilfield services company Baker Hughes Inc. said Friday that 443 rigs sought oil and 108 explored for natural gas this week. Two were listed as miscellaneous.

Among major oil- and gas-producing states, Texas gained 10 rigs, Wyoming increased by three, New Mexico was up two and Alaska and Utah added one apiece.

Louisiana declined by two rigs and Colorado was off by one.

Arkansas, California, Kansas, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania and West Virginia were unchanged.

The U.S. rig count peaked at 4,530 in 1981. It bottomed out in May at 404.

Let's toast: Striking Jim Beam workers accept new contract

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Striking Jim Beam workers at two Kentucky distilleries have accepted a contract offer, ending a walkout that lasted nearly a week.

United Food and Commercial Workers union official Tommy Ballard says workers approved the proposal on a 204-19 vote Friday and will return to work Monday. The strike began last Saturday when Beam workers at two distilleries turned down a prior offer.

The workers' main complaint with the world's leading bourbon producer was not money but time. The union wanted more full-time workers hired, rather than a greater reliance on temporary workers.

Ballard says the company's newest offer includes a commitment to hire more full-time staff.

With the strike ended, longtime Beam employee Bill Ball says, "Now we can get back to being a family."

\$47 billion offer to create world's biggest tobacco company

LONDON (AP) — British American Tobacco has offered to buy out Reynolds American Inc. for \$47 billion in an attempt to gain a strong presence in the U.S., a lucrative market where sales of electronic cigarettes are booming as traditional smoking fades.

The takeover would create the world's largest publicly traded tobacco company and combine BAT's presence in developing countries, where anti-smoking campaigns are not as strong as in the U.S. and Europe, with Reynolds' almost exclusive focus on the U.S.

BAT already owns 42 percent of Reynolds and sells Dunhill, Rothmans and Lucky Strike cigarettes. Reynolds controls about a third of the U.S. market with brands like Newport, Camel and Pall Mall.

Though smoking in the U.S. is declining, it remains "the largest global profit pool" outside of China, BAT said in a statement Friday. The U.S. is one of the biggest markets for e-cigarettes.

"BAT and Reynolds American have a strong existing relationship, and while cost savings will be relatively modest, the full access this acquisition would give BAT to the U.S. — a lucrative, consolidated market with high barriers to entry — means it makes eminent sense," Shane MacGuill, head of tobacco at Euromonitor International, said by e-mail.

The British company offered Friday to buy the Reynolds shares it doesn't already own for the equivalent of \$56.50 each, 20 percent more than Thursday's closing price. Investors would receive \$24.13 in cash and 0.5502 of a BAT share for each Reynolds share they own. That values Reynolds, based in Winston Salem, North Carolina, at \$93 billion.

Reynolds shares jumped 13.5 percent to \$53.50 in NASDAQ trading.

SharkNinja, Dyson end legal battle over advertising claims

BOSTON (AP) — Two of the most well-known names in vacuum cleaners have ended a two-year legal battle over just how much their products suck.

Dyson, the British technology company known for its upscale vacuums, and SharkNinja Operating LLC, a Massachusetts-based company known for its infomercials and lower-priced vacuums, had sued each other over advertising campaigns in which they claimed their vacuums had significantly more suction or were better at deep-cleaning. Each company accused the other of violating state and federal laws through false and misleading advertising.

A trial was set to begin Monday in federal court in Boston, but late Thursday, the companies filed a notice in court saying both sides had agreed to dismiss their claims. Both companies agreed to pay their own legal fees and costs.

The companies and their lawyers declined to comment on the lawsuits or the decision to withdraw them just before trial.

The battle began after Dyson launched an advertising campaign in 2013, claiming that some of its vacuums had "twice the suction power of any other vacuum" on the market.

The following year, attorneys for SharkNinja sent a letter to Dyson saying it planned to introduce a new vacuum — the Shark Rotator Powered Lift-Away Upright — that would make Dyson's "twice the suction" claim false.

In court documents, Dyson acknowledged that its claim became false once Lift-Away came out, but insisted it took prompt steps to eliminate the "twice the suction" advertising from the market, including spending nearly \$1 million to replace packaging.

McDonald's sales rise 1.3 percent at US stores

NEW YORK (AP) — The launch of all-day breakfast helped McDonald's record higher sales at established U.S. locations for a fifth straight quarter, but the boost from that is shrinking and the company is hoping new menu items and recipe tweaks will keep customers coming back.

McDonald's said sales rose 1.3 percent at established U.S. locations in the third quarter, matching what Wall Street analysts expected. That's down from the 1.8 percent rise the world's biggest burger chain reported in the previous quarter.

Worldwide, sales grew 3.5 percent at established locations, far exceeding the 1.3 percent growth analysts were expecting, according to FactSet.

The company recently added more items to the all-day breakfast menu and is testing a Happy Meal for kids with egg and cheese McMuffins and other breakfast items. It's also tweaking some recipes to appeal to Americans concerned about unappetizing ingredients in their food. Artificial colors, flavors and preservatives were removed from Chicken McNuggets nationwide in August, leading sales of the classic menu item to spike 10 percent, CEO Stephen Easterbrook said in a conference call with investors and analysts.

McDonald's may also be facing increasing competition from customers' kitchens. Grocery prices have fallen, making it cheaper for Americans to cook at home than eat out. Kevin Ozan, the company's chief financial officer, said less expensive groceries "may be impacting consumer behavior." Another hamburger chain, The Wendy's Co., made similar comments recently, blaming weaker-than-expected sales growth on cheaper groceries that kept customers at home. Next week, the parent company of Burger King will report its results.

Canada walks out as EU trade talks founder

BRUSSELS (AP) — Canada walked out of talks Friday meant to save a massive trade deal with the European Union, unable to break a deadlock with a small Belgian region that has been defying multinational efforts to have the pact signed next week.

Fighting back tears, Canadian International Trade Minister Chrystia Freeland said it had been impossible to overcome the differences with Wallonia, a French-speaking region of barely 3.5 million people.

Despite the stunning setback, European officials refused to accept that the pact, which had been agreed on provisionally two years ago, could not be saved. The impasse, however, raises troubling questions about the 28-nation EU's ability to negotiate major international agreements.

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Gas prices up slightly

The statewide gas price average in Texas is now \$2.04 for a gallon of regular unleaded fuel, according to the AAA Texas Weekend Gas Watch.

That price is one cent more than last week and four cents more per gallon than last year. Of the major metropolitan areas surveyed in the state, drivers in Dallas and Ft. Worth are paying the most on average at \$2.06 per gallon while drivers in Corpus Christi are paying the least at \$1.96 per gallon.

The national average price for a gallon of regular unleaded is now \$2.23 which is two cents less than last week and two cents less per gallon than last year.

Prices continue to wobble as areas of the country impacted by Hurricane Matthew work to replenish supply and several refineries across the country address planned and unplanned facility maintenance.

Drivers in the South are enjoying relatively low pump prices with Texas among the states in the region making the list of cheapest markets in the country.

Prices in the Gulf Coast are also recovering from a week long shutdown at a Texas refinery. Portions of the refinery were taken out of service for an unplanned repair.

The Gulf Coast is home to the bulk of U.S. refining capacity, which should keep prices relatively low for drivers, barring a hurricane or another unexpected event.

"Texans are paying an average of \$28 to fill a 14-gallon tank, the approximate size of family vehicle," said Doug Shupe, AAA Texas/New Mexico representative. "That is about \$3 less per tank compared to the national average."

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see where they should start their day and how they should conduct all their checks for the day," sales manager Kimberly Early explained. "All of them have to go to all of the wells. But if you have one that's down, rather than it being down for 12 hours, you can go to that one immediately."

Across the coliseum, representatives of New Pig Energy sought to gauge interest in their well-pad lining with a pending patent as they consider an expansion into the Permian Basin where caliche dominates, said Michael Breslin, who works in business development for the Pennsylvania-based company.

The polypropylene pad lining contains spills and prevents workers from slipping through the entire drilling and production cycle, Breslin said. And the idea is that companies could save on any remediation costs.

"This is more going to keep you in line with regulations," Breslin said, manning the booth donned with piggy banks, pig hats and lining samples. "Out of all the people who stopped here, I've probably got 10 to 15 people I'm going to be contacting back who showed real interest in the product. And we'll go from there."

Outside, the booth of

West Company of Midland, a subsidiary of the land surveying company Landpoint, promoted a new technology-driven service that uses a high-end mapping drone.

To help draw attendees, they also offered a chance to win a free consumer-model drone.

The mapping drone, an eBee, is paired with a GPS receiver and travels a pre-programmed flight plan, using an array of sensors to create maps and 3D models of land in granular detail, said Chad Souter, a vice president for Landpoint.

For now, about 90 percent of the company's surveying work deploys crews to pieces of land to map it on foot, but company officials say using the drone can also be cheaper and faster.

The drone, which can be fitted to detect leaks and emissions, could be used for inspecting pipelines or industrial sites, but also for land development purposes by home builders, among other uses.

"We wanted people to know about this technology and how they could use it in various aspects of the oil and gas business," Souter said, adding they developed some leads and interested some existing customers in using the drone for new projects. "People are able to see this and immediately recognize what it is. And then we just have to basically translate how we use it."

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A-832, Section 48, Block 36, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey
 Total Depth: 10,100 feet
 549' FSL, 1166' FWL of 1,115.2-acre lease
 549' FSL, 1452' FEL of the survey

#2016AH Berry, drill horizontal, El: NA, API #42-173-37425
 Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
 15.50 miles northwest of Garden City
 A-1147, Section 32, Block 35, T-2-S, T&P RR Co. survey
 Total Depth: 8900 feet
 875' FNL, 1708' FEL of 1,280-acre lease
 875' FNL, 1708' FEL of the survey

#2006BH Berry, drill horizontal, El: NA, API #42-173-37426
 Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
 15.50 miles northwest of Garden City
 A-1147, Section 32, Block 35, T-2-S, T&P RR Co. survey
 Total Depth: 8900 feet
 8875' FNL, 1658' FEL of 1,280-acre lease
 875' FNL, 1658' FEL of the survey

#2015AH Berry, drill horizontal, El: NA, API #42-173-37428
 Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
 15.40 miles northwest of Garden City
 A-1147, Section 32, Block 35, T-2-S, T&P RR Co. survey
 Total Depth: 8900 feet
 271' FNL, 2044' FEL of 1,280-acre lease
 271' FNL, 2044' FEL of the survey

#2005BH Berry, drill horizontal, El: NA, API #42-173-37429
 Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
 15.60 miles northwest of Garden City
 A-1147, Section 32, Block 35, T-2-S, T&P RR Co. survey
 Total Depth: 8900 feet
 280' FNL, 1995' FEL of 1,280-acre lease
 280' FNL, 1995' FEL of the survey

#9H Tom-Mills "48I", drill horizontal, API #42-173-37435
 Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA
 5 miles southeast of Stanton
 A-832, Section 48, Block 36, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey
 Total Depth: 10,100 feet
 749' FSL, 1161' FWL of 1,115.2-acre lease
 749' FSL, 1457' FEL of the survey

#10H Tom-Mills "48J", drill horizontal, API #42-173-37431
 Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA
 5 miles southeast of Stanton
 A-832, Section 48, Block 36, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey
 Total Depth: 10,100 feet
 749' FSL, 1206' FWL of 1,115.2-acre lease
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Photos show European Mars probe crashed, may have exploded



AP photo

Italian Space Agency President Roberto Battiston holds a pamphlet reading in Italian 'Colonize Mars, Friday, Oct. 19, 2016, in front of a rendering showing the Schiaparelli Space Module and the planet Mars as they follow during an event organized by Italy's Space Agency, the insertion of the Trace Gas Orbiter into orbit around Mars, and the landing of the Schiaparelli module on the surface of the planet.

BERLIN (AP) — Europe's experimental Mars probe hit the right spot — but at the wrong speed — and may have ended up in a fiery ball of rocket fuel when it struck the surface, scientists said Friday.

Pictures taken by a NASA satellite show a black spot in the area where the Schiaparelli lander was meant to touch down Wednesday, the European Space Agency said. The images end two days of speculation following the probe's unexpected radio silence less than a minute before the planned landing.

"Estimates are that Schiaparelli dropped from a height of between 2 and 4 kilometers (1.4-2.4 miles), therefore impacting at a considerable speed, greater than 300 kilometers per hour (186 mph)," the agency said.

It said the large disturbance captured in the NASA photographs may have been caused by the probe's steep crash-landing, which would have sprayed matter around like a blast site on Earth.

"It is also possible that the lander exploded on impact, as its thruster propellant tanks were likely still full," the agency said.

Schiaparelli was designed to test technology for a more ambitious European Mars landing in 2020. The European Space Agency said the probe's mother ship was successfully placed into orbit Wednesday and will soon begin analyzing the Martian atmosphere in search for evidence of life.

"In my heart, of course I'm sad that we couldn't land softly on the surface of Mars," ESA chief Jan Woerner told The Associated Press. "But the main part of the mission is the science that will be done by the orbiter."

Woerner said engineers received a wealth of data from the lander before the crash that will prove valuable for the next attempt in four years' time. He described the mission as "a 96 percent success."

Still, the crash-landing was a painful reminder of how hard it is to put a spacecraft on the surface of the red planet.

Its resting place was photographed by NASA's Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter, which also spotted Europe's last ill-fated mission to the surface of the planet. The Beagle 2 probe landed on Mars in 2003 but failed to deploy its solar panels properly, preventing it from functioning.

There have only been seven successful robotic landings on Mars, all by NASA. The last landing was in 2012, when the Curiosity rover touched down in a Martian crater.

Landing on Mars is notoriously difficult because of the planet's thin, dusty atmosphere. Inbound spacecraft hit the atmosphere at 12,000 mph (19,300 kph) and have only minutes to slow down and land.

With the loss of Schiaparelli, only two spacecraft are currently roaming the Martian surface — Curiosity and Opportunity, which landed in 2004.

ESA said that, according to what its scientists have been able to piece together so far, Schiaparelli suffered problems during the last 50 seconds of its descent through the harsh Martian atmosphere.

The picture taken by NASA's orbiter shows two features that weren't visible on the surface when the spacecraft photographed the area in May. The first is a bright spot of about 12 meters diameter, likely to be Schiaparelli's parachute, ESA said.

The second was described as "a fuzzy dark patch roughly 15 by 40 meters in size and about 1 kilometer north of the parachute" and is likely to be the lander.

"These preliminary interpretations will be refined following further analysis" and a high-resolution picture in the coming days, the agency said.

While Schiaparelli was able to beam back some 600 megabytes of data before the crash, scientists won't get any of the close-up photos the probe took during its descent. Those were meant to be transmitted after the landing.

ESA said the other part of the ExoMars mission — the Trace Gas Orbiter — was "working very well and will take science calibration data during two orbits in November."

The spacecraft will then descend to an altitude of about 400 kilometers and begin its study of Mars next year. The orbiter is also going to act as a radio relay for the next stage of the ExoMars mission and other future attempts to land on the planet.

Rodriguez named editor of Texas Speech Communication Journal

Dr. Leslie Y. Rodriguez, an assistant professor of communication at Angelo State University and Coahoma High School graduate of 1996, has been named the new editor of the Texas Speech Communication Journal, the official publication of the Texas Speech Communication Association (TSCA).



Rodriguez

Rodriguez was elected to the editor post, which is also a position on the TSCA Executive Board, at the TSCA Annual Conference held Oct. 6-8 in San Antonio. As editor, she will have complete oversight of the Texas Speech Communication Journal, which is published annually in print each fall and online each spring. Her duties will include deciding on a theme and calling for papers and book reviews to be submitted, setting up an editorial board of TSCA members to review submissions, tracking, formatting, and submitting papers and reviews for publication, contracting for and overseeing printing and mailing, and posting and online version of the journal.

An ASU faculty member since 2011, Rodriguez is also an alumna, having

earned her ASU bachelor's and master's degrees in communication. She also taught previously at the Park University branch at Goodfellow Air Force Base and at Pearl River Community College in Hattiesburg, Miss. She holds a doctorate in communication studies with specializations in both organizational and interpersonal communication from the University of Southern Mississippi.

In addition to her teaching duties, Rodriguez has presented research at various professional conferences and published articles in industry journals. She has also served as a peer reviewer for the Western Journal of Communication and the National Communication Association (NCA). In addition to the NCA and TSCA, she is a member of the Southern States Communication Association, Texas Association of Chicanos in Higher Education and Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities.

The TSCA is the largest state professional communication association in the U.S. It is open to any communication educators, students and consultants, as well as anyone interested in learning about the field of speech communication.

A native of Howard County, Rodriguez's parents are John and Irene Dominguez of Sand Springs and Martin Rodriguez, also of Sand Springs.

Unemployment rates rose in 3 of 8 US swing states last month

WASHINGTON (AP) — Unemployment rates rose in three of eight U.S. swing states last month, fell in two and were unchanged in the remaining three. The Labor Department said Friday employers cut jobs in four swing states and added them in three, with job totals flat in New Hampshire. The figures reflect broader trends that were evident in the national jobs report issued earlier this month: Hiring has slowed from last year's healthy pace to a still-decent level. And more Americans are searching for work, apparently encouraged by the steady job gains of the past several years. That has pushed up the unemployment rate, as not all immediately find work. For example, Michigan added 5,400 jobs in September, though its unemployment rate rose to 4.6 percent from 4.5 percent. That's because the number of people working or looking for work increased by about 14,000 last month.

The unemployment rate rose to 4.7 percent last month from 4.6 per-

cent in August in North Carolina, and ticked up to 4.8 percent from 4.7 percent in Ohio. The rate fell sharply to 5.8 percent from 6.3 percent in Nevada, and to 2.9 percent from 3 percent in New Hampshire.

The jobless rate was flat in September in Florida, Iowa and Pennsylvania. Florida, Michigan and North Carolina added jobs last month, while employers cut back in Iowa, Nevada, Ohio and Pennsylvania. Nevada's rate fell in part because some of the unemployed actually stopped looking for work.

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Howard County

#3AH Elrod-Antell Unit "A 11-02", drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
4.50 miles northeast of Knott
A-323, Section 11, Block 33, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,000 feet
1390' FNL, 1516' FWL of 442.14-acre lease
300' FSL, 1516' FWL of the survey

#2AH Clark Unit "24-13", drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
6.50 miles southeast of Vealmoor
A-1105, Section 24, Block 33, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,000 feet
350' FSL, 335' FEL of 426.57-acre lease
350' FSL, 1020' FWL of the survey

#2016 Guitar Trust Estate "D", drill, El: NA
Varel (San Andres) Field
8.75 miles northwest of Big Spring
A-565, Section 16, Block A, Bauer & Cockrell survey
Total Depth: 3650 feet
2409' FSL, 699' FEL of 520-acre lease
256' FNL, 699' FEL of the survey

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#3601 Morgan Ranch, API #42-227-38030
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, new well, El: NA
4.55 miles northwest of Forsan
A-1290, Section 36, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey
913' FNL, 2164' FEL of the survey
Latitude 032.1899117, Longitude -101.3697328
Total Depth: 9746 feet. PBD: 9555 feet. Logs: none
Daily Potential: 317 Bbls 46.5 gravity oil w/ 744 BWP
Pumping. GOR: 1858
Spud: 5-04-15. Completed: 6-21-15. Pay: NA
7-5/8" @ 5851 feet w/ 751 sx.; 5-1/2" @ 9730 feet w/ 465 sx.
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#3401 Morgan Ranch, API #42-227-37660
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, new well, El: NA
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Greek shipping
companies fined \$1.5M
for pollution, cover-up

By GENE JOHNSON

Associated Press
SEATTLE (AP) — A federal judge in Seattle on Friday ordered two companies owned by a Greek shipping magnate to pay \$1.5 million after a jury found that a cargo ship deliberately pumped oil-polluted water into the ocean, then repeatedly lied and falsified records in an effort to deceive inspectors with the U.S. Coast Guard.

Authorities hailed the sentence Friday as a rare success in holding corporate defendants accountable for pollution on the high seas, an offense they describe as notoriously difficult to detect and prove.

U.S. District Judge John Coughenour said he was troubled by the actions of Gallia Graeca LTD and Angelakos (Hellas) SA, which are part of a family of companies ultimately owned by Greek shipping magnate Evangelos Angelakos, and wanted to send a message "that will resonate with other parties in this industry and cause them to pause when they think about creating a corporate culture that encourages deception."

The vessel, the Gallia Graeca, arrived at the Pier 86 grain terminal on Seattle's waterfront from China in October 2015 to pick up a \$20 million shipment of soybeans. When Petty Officer Daniel Hamilton came aboard to conduct a general inspection, several things seemed off, he said Friday after

the sentencing. Valves were misaligned, oil appeared where it shouldn't have, and a device called the oil-water separator did not appear to have been maintained.

"Every step I went further, another red flag would come up," he said.

Ultimately, prosecutors discovered that 5,000 gallons of oil-fouled bilge water had been dumped at sea, but that inspectors were presented with an official log book showing no such discharges. Furthermore, when engineers demonstrated the operation of the oil-water separator for the Coast Guard, they did so in a manner designed to trick the inspectors into believing it was working.

In recommending a total fine of just \$100,000, George Chalos, a New York attorney for the companies, argued that the misconduct was committed by rogue employees without the knowledge or approval of management, and that the companies stood to gain nothing by falsifying the records. The companies had no prior criminal history and are committed to protecting the environment, he said.

But the U.S. Attorney's Office, which recommended a \$3 million fine, said shipping company executives had been in touch with the vessel's engineers about how they should present the log book to the Coast

See, **FINE**, Page 10ABone fragments found along
pipeline path not from human

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — North Dakota's medical examiner says two bone fragments found along the path of the proposed Dakota Access pipeline were not from a human.

The discovery Thursday came several weeks after the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe says it has found several sites of

"significant cultural and historic value" in the area, where protesters and private security clashed in September over construction.

Dr. William Massello says in a memo obtained by The Associated Press that the bones were from a "horse, cow or deer."

The bone fragments

were found Thursday during a tour with government officials and people from Energy Transfer Partners, as well as tribal members.

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COLLEEN BARTON District Clerk of Howard County, Texas

By: Jury Padron, Deputy

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THE STATE OF TEXAS: CAUSE No. 51083

TO: Humberto Estrada and All Whom it May Concern,

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Michelle Snuggs, MD, Chief Radiologist, Shannon Women's Imaging Center

Odessa women create pillows for breast cancer patients

By Ruth Campbell

Odessa-American via AP

A group of women from Eisenhower Church of Christ is making life a little more comfortable for those who have undergone breast surgery with handmade heart-shaped pillows.

Devida Montgomery said band of 12 to 15 women has been making the pillows for about five years. It started when one of their members, Estella Morolez, went for treatment for breast cancer in Houston. After she had her surgery, Montgomery said they gave her a little heart-shaped pillow that could be placed under her arm.

Montgomery said she loved the pillow and thought it would be a good idea if some of the church women could make them. The women organized and decided to meet once a month.

"At first we bought material, then we contacted the other churches and they had material to donate and the ladies here in the church donated material to get started, so we just started to make the pillows," Montgomery said.

Morolez moved to Alaska, but Montgomery said when she found out the women were making the pillows, she was happy. "We've been doing it ever since. At first, we were meeting the second week of every month to work on them. We would actually cut the material out and then we would divvy them out to the ladies that sewed and they would sew them up and we would collect them. Then on a certain time, we would come and stuff them."

Montgomery said she contacted Lorita Kelly from Medical Center Hospital and asked her if she would like the pillows.

"She was elated. She said, 'Yes, definitely,'" Montgomery recalled.

The first batch included 175 heart-shaped pillows, so many that Montgomery said Kelly had to store them at her home. After that, the group worked out a system where they turn out about 100 to 125 pillows a year.

After the group gives the hospital the finished pillows, the women start cutting and sewing and they save the shells so when the hospital gets

low, usually about two weeks out, the group comes back together and stuffs them and hand sews them up, she said. Material is kept on hand for future pillows.

Montgomery said they usually go for pink, but they also keep men in mind with plaid or brown. There also are Christmas-themed pillows.

"We've given all the women here in the congregation a pillow that needed one and then the rest of them go to the hospital," Montgomery said. The group has received letters from all over from people who have loved the pillows. She added that one woman sent \$100 as a thank-you, which she didn't have to do. Any funds received go back into the pillows.

The letters are posted or read to the congregation. Montgomery said she has sent the pillow pattern to someone so she could pass it on to a friend whose church was going to start making pillows.

"We want to do this ...," Montgomery said. "We love it because we've seen so many of our ladies here, what they go through is horrendous. ... It just makes us feel good that we can do something just to show that we're thinking of them."

Debbie Marrs, one of the women who helps make the pillows, said there is a great need for them. She said they also give them to women who have had biopsies.

"We do something so minor, but it gives them a lot of comfort and that's a good thing," Marrs said.

"We have patterns for the men, too. They love their pillows. They're extremely comfortable ...," Marrs added.

Jackie Freeman, Medical Center Hospital oncology navigator, said she takes educational information on diagnosis and treatment to women who have undergone a biopsy or just found out they have breast cancer.

But the pillows mean the most, Freeman said. "They were made by somebody by hand and with love. ... Just knowing that somebody cares and that they've taken the time to do that for them, that means more than anything else to them."

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By **KATY DAIGLE and JULHAS ALAM**

Associated Press

DHAKA, Bangladesh (AP) — The U.N. agency devoted to preserving world heritage has joined environmental groups urging Bangladesh to halt plans for a massive coal-fired power plant near ecologically sensitive mangrove forests on the coast. UNESCO says it poses a “serious threat” to a region that protects the nation from flooding and holds one of the world’s last populations of wild tigers.

Bangladesh countered on Thursday that the concerns were misplaced, and that it would continue with construction as the 1.3-gigawatt Rampal power station was

crucial for expanding electricity capacity in a country where only six out of 10 people have access. It said the report released this week by UNESCO and the International Union for the Conservation of Nature ignored government assurances that the plant would be safe.

“They have prepared the report from their own point of view. Our concerns have not been included,” said Nasrul Hamid, the country’s junior power minister.

The \$1.8 billion project — approved in 2012 under a joint venture between the Indian and Bangladeshi state power companies — calls for building what would be Bangladesh’s largest coal plant just 65 kilometers (40 miles) from

the low-lying delta region called the Sundarbans, comprised of about 200 islands at the northern fringe of the Bay of Bengal.

The Sundarbans, formed over millennia as rivers deposited silt carried down from the Himalayas, is teeming with wildlife including a few hundred endangered tigers and endangered species of river dolphins.

It is also home to some 13 million impoverished Bangladeshis and Indians, who are mostly off the electricity grid and would not benefit directly from the project.

Most of the Sundarbans region is located in Bangladesh, with a third falling within India. For both countries, the vast network of islands

and mangrove forests acts as a barrier against cyclone winds, storm surges and fast-rising seas that threaten to swamp inland areas — including the densely populated cities of Dhaka and Kolkata.

For years, environmental groups have lambasted the plans as a threat to an ecosystem so unique it is listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

In a 35-page report, UNESCO and the IUCN agreed and called for the project to be scrapped immediately “and relocated to a more suitable location where it would not impact negatively on the Sundarbans.”

The report raised concerns about pollution, acid rain and potential damage from

the dredging needed to make way for coal-carrying ships to reach the plant from the bay.

It also said that the threat to the region’s freshwater supply was of “utmost concern” and “required urgent, immediate attention.” With upstream dams and heavy demand for agriculture, the amount of freshwater that reaches the bay — and protects against saltwater incursion — has already fallen drastically, experts say.

Earlier this month, Bangladesh offered a response to UNESCO’s preliminary report, saying it would continue construction with the latest technologies and following international guidelines to ensure it did not harm the Sundarbans.

OIL REPORT

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Daily Potential: 1,139 Bbbls 39.7 gravity oil w/ 1,356 BWPD
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Guard. The companies’ motives were to try to avoid being detained in Seattle for environmental noncompliance so the valuable soybean shipment could depart on schedule, assistant U.S. attorneys Seth Wilkinson and Matt Diggs argued.

Prosecutors also suggested — and the judge concurred — that a corporate official lied on the witness stand when he claimed to have personally performed the lowly task of cleaning the oil-water separator just before the vessel sailed.

In June, the jury convicted the companies, along with the vessel’s chief and second engineers, of charges related to pollution, falsification of records and fraud. The engineers

each received 10 days in jail.

Prosecutors noted that deliberate dumping of oil at sea is a leading killer of seabirds.

The Coast Guard annually refers about a dozen cases of high-seas pollution to the Justice Department, but it’s relatively rare for prosecutors to be able to document the discharges or cover-ups in a way that enables them to hold corporations — in addition to individuals — criminally liable.

In the Northwest, about one in every five foreign-flagged ship that docks in port is inspected by the Coast Guard. Of 2,200 inspections in the last five years, the Gallia Graeca is just the second that resulted in criminal prosecution, Capt. Brian Gilda, the agency’s top environmental officer in the Northwest, told the judge.

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ISSUED and given under my hand seal of the said Court at Big Spring, Texas this the 28th day of September, 2016

Attorney for Petitioners or Petitioner:

Joshua Hamby
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#9197 October 2, 9, 16 & 23, 2016

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#9212 October 21 & 23, 2016

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker
First things first

South dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

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

The bidding:
South 1♥ West 2♥ North 2♥ East 4♥
Opening lead — queen of spades.

Whenever declarer is playing a suit contract, he is faced with the questions of whether or not to draw trumps, whether or not to take certain finesses, whether to try to establish a long suit, and so on.

Some or all of these things might have to be done, but the order in which they take place is usually of prime importance. Timing often spells the difference between the success or failure of a contract.

Take this case where South was in

four hearts and West led a spade. He won with the ace and immediately led the jack of trumps and finessed, losing to the queen. Back came a spade to South's king. Eventually, he lost four tricks — a spade, two hearts and a diamond — and went down one.

Declarer failed to make the contract because he did not get his priorities in order. By tackling trumps at once, he in essence pinned all his hopes on limiting himself to one trump loser.

South should have seen that he could afford to lose two heart tricks and still make the contract, provided he escaped the loss of a spade. This could have been achieved by leading the king of diamonds at trick two. After the defense took the ace, dummy's third diamond would provide a parking place for South's spade loser.

Even if the king of diamonds was allowed to win, a diamond continuation would establish dummy's third diamond as a trick. In that case, the jack of clubs would serve as the entry to dummy for the discard.

In most suit contracts, declarer plays trumps at once. But when there is more urgent work to be done, as in this deal, declarer should delay trump extraction until a more propitious time.

Tomorrow: Famous Hand.
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Tomorrow's Horoscope



HOLIDAY MATHIS

Mirror Moon

Your eyes cannot look at themselves directly. If they could, you would feel a physical and spiritual rush of love and acceptance for the being you are. The mirror isn't the same, but it's one place you can practice giving yourself love, attention, gentleness or a pep talk. There's power in this as the Leo moon angles Saturn, Pluto then Mars.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). There's a certain ease in the way you talk to people, and they'll let down their guards. Ironically, your casual delivery takes a lot of work. The casualness is only achieved through practice.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You know

what you're into and what you're not at all interested in, and these are the guardrails that will keep you on track today. By simply following your attractions and fleeing your aversions, you'll do quite well.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You'll be invited into a realm of intrigue. How far do you want to go with this? Your sign-mate Salman Rushdie suggested that to understand just one life, you have to swallow the world.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Whose company do you crave? That's the question these days, as your social needs have shifted into a totally different place than they were this time last year.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You know what you know about the people. You can tell when they are hiding something and, even better, whether that something is interesting enough to warrant an information hunt.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You go about your business in a very clean and

orderly way. This is a talent of yours, though an under-celebrated one. You'll get your day in the sun, even though it's not something you're very worried about now.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Life doesn't have to be complex and dramatic. The ones who can explain the big ideas simply -- they are the ones to study, add to your team, befriend and never let go.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). What's happening now is a lot of milling around and not enough leadership. Go on and tell them what you want them to do. They may like your ideas, or they may resist them, but having ideas is better than not having them.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). There's a tinge of recklessness in the mood. It's something to watch. The ideas that are spawned here are truly fun, comical, and even wise, at least in their theoretical form. Think twice, though, before you act on them.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).

Could being busy really be a form of laziness? If you're busy doing things that don't challenge you, it might be. It's better to relax up for your greatness than to waste energy on meaningless things.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Because of your generous spirit, you sometimes over-estimate what others are offering you and under-estimate your gifts to the world. You have something valuable to give. Don't discount it.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). When the inexplicable happens right next to the ordinary, you're not quite sure how to take it. Is this supernatural interference? Is it a once-in-a-lifetime type of occurrence? Or could this possibly be the new "normal"?

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 23). Your intuition is stellar as always this year, but the difference is that you're learning to trust and follow it, even when it's not giving you what you'd most like to hear in the moment. With this maturity comes outstanding

luck. First it's personal in November, and then it's financial in December and far into 2017. Leo and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 7, 20, 14, 3 and 19.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: It's frustrating when the things that you think will make you happy and fulfilled seem to be at odds with the things that will make you a better human being. This could be a sign that there is a third or fourth choice you haven't considered yet. Open up your field of research. Ask more questions. Find yourself a mentor, and use this person as your mirror and your model. When we seek out someone we respect and begin to do as he or she does, we learn, by comparison, where our deficits lie. We see how we are lacking or how we are just different from the way we wish to be. We get to the truth of where we're at while moving toward where we want to be. Through mimicry it's possible to pick up those same character qualities and

abilities we respect and admire. Maybe your mentor is alive and accessible or maybe it's someone who wrote his ideas in a book you can study. All you have to do is check that book out of the library, and you'll be on your way. Do it this week while the sun in Scorpio lines up for a power conjunction with Mercury. "Without a ruler to do it against, you won't make the crooked straight." -- Seneca

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Ryan Reynolds will star with Samuel L. Jackson in the action-comedy "The Hitman's Bodyguard." Born under the sign of transformation, Reynolds has played many transforming characters, such as Deadpool, the Green Lantern and more. He actually has quite a great deal of magnetic Scorpio energy running through his chart, including Scorpio natal sun, moon, Mars and Uranus.

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Annie's Mailbox

You're Worth More Than Your Estate

Dear Annie: I am 90 years old and, considering my age, in fairly good health. My wife of 60 years died seven years ago. Almost all of my wartime buddies are gone, as well as my high-school friends. I live in relative comfort in a retirement home. My two grown children live far away, but thanks to the internet, we keep in touch almost weekly. Thanks to a rather frugal life and some investments, I have no money problems. The problem is that as of late, I am obsessed with the thought, which tends to keep me awake at night, that it is my parental duty to die as soon as possible so as not to deplete the inheritance any further. Assisted suicide is out of the question, so that leaves the illegal type. The thought itself does not bother me, as I feel that I have lived a most interesting and exciting life -- well above the average -- but this is the end. So what do I do? -- To Be or Not to Be

Dear TBNB: Please, keep being. You've worked hard all your life to be able to live out a comfortable retirement and watch your grandchildren grow. Your purpose in life was never merely to provide financially for your family members; it was to support them in every sense of the word. That's still

true now.

Your great example of love, selflessness and a 60-year marriage -- that is the inheritance that really matters, the gift you've already given your children and grandchildren. Your presence in their lives means so much more to them than money ever could. Imagine the heartache they would feel to know you took your own life. If your savings have dwindled by the time you pass away, so what? You are so much greater than the sum of your assets, and I'm sure that if your family members knew you were feeling this way, they would tell you the same thing.

If you find yourself consumed with persistent thoughts of suicide, call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 800-273-8255.

Dear Annie: I was recently married and had a big, fancy, expensive wedding. I limited guests to close friends,

relatives and just a few "friends" from work. The cost per plate was \$125.

Here is the problem:

One of the "friends" from work I invited was with her on-again, off-again boyfriend at the time. After receiving her invitation, she asked me at work whether she could bring him. I was a little put back, as it was an expensive wedding and I had not originally included her boyfriend because they were not in a committed relationship. Being put on the spot, I told her she could bring him.

Well, the wedding came, and they both came, ate, drank at the free open bar and danced.

After our honeymoon, my husband and I opened all the cards and gifts. There was nothing from her, not even a card. I double-checked and triple-checked just to make sure I was not missing a card from her.

It's not that I was expecting a present,

but I thought it rude and unusual for a guest to not even bring a card. I never said anything to her about it but rather stayed cool toward her afterward.

The question is: Should I have said something to her about it? Is this the new norm, to come to an expensive wedding and not even bring a card? -- Wonder-

ing in Upstate New York

Dear Wondering: Traditional etiquette holds that guests have up to one year after a wedding to send a gift, although ideally they should send their gifts within two months. It's very possible that your gift will arrive any day now, so warm back up to your co-worker.

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- 11 Cant
- 15 World Series events
- 16 Make glacial progress
- 17 Item in ads with Lucky the Leprechaun
- 18 Land with a harp on its coat of arms
- 19 Aim-endorsing org.
- 20 Functions properly
- 21 Sight on a trip down the Bosphorus
- 23 Superhero concealer
- 24 Place to chill, ironically
- 25 The Road to Wealth author
- 28 Ham hobby
- 30 Doesn't curb one's enthusiasm
- 33 Calendar watch letters
- 34 Sandbags, essentially
- 35 Frankenstein inspiration, possibly
- 36 Serengeti weapon
- 37 Marseille-to-Cannes direction
- 38 Copenhagen premiere of 1879
- 40 Movie-serial recurring roles
- 42 Work sites for stained-glass installers
- 43 Tums down
- 44 Spartan
- 46 Pete's conqueror in the 1992 US Open
- 47 Headed downward
- 48 Brown-bag staple
- 51 Have no industry
- 52 Band on the soundtrack of The Hunger Games
- 55 As soon as
- 56 Himalayan
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- 58 Free Soil Party issue
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- 22 Daily mover of many millions
- 23 Military rainwear
- 24 Light golden-brown
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- 26 Bit of paste
- 27 Succeeds at mediation
- 28 Shallow channels
- 29 Character makeup
- 31 Coiner of "sellyfish" and "nectaced"
- 32 They're essential to some exit strategies
- 36 Dickinson's percher "in the soul"
- 38 Paranormal field
- 39 The ultimate in knots
- 41 No longer a threat, perhaps
- 44 Something shifted in debate
- 45 Adjuncts
- 46 Lose momentum
- 47 Hustle
- 48 Layout measure
- 49 Floorboard fixer
- 50 Fighters, for instance
- 53 Agua que fluye
- 54 Word in the etymology of "fief"

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Wonder Woman named a special UN ambassador, despite protests

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The United Nations celebrated Wonder Woman's 75th birthday on Friday by naming the comic book character as its new Honorary Ambassador for the Empowerment of Women and Girls, despite frustration from both inside and outside the world organization that the spot should go to a real — and less sexualized — woman. The carefully choreographed ceremony was marred by some 50 U.N. staffers protesting by the visitor's entrance to the U.N. who then went inside the Economic and Social Council chamber and silently turned their back to the stage during the opening speech, some with their fists in the air.

U.N. staffer Cass Durant, who held a sign saying "Real Women Deserve a Real Ambassador" said the protesters "don't think that a fictitious comic book characters wearing basically what looks like a Playboy-type bunny outfit is really the right message we need to send to girls or even boys for that matter."

The super heroine's image will be used by the U.N. on social media platforms to promote women's empowerment, including on gender-based violence and the fuller participation of women in public life (using the hashtag WithWonderWoman). The push, hoping to reach young people, is backed by DC Entertainment and Warner Bros., which produce both comics and films featuring Wonder Woman.

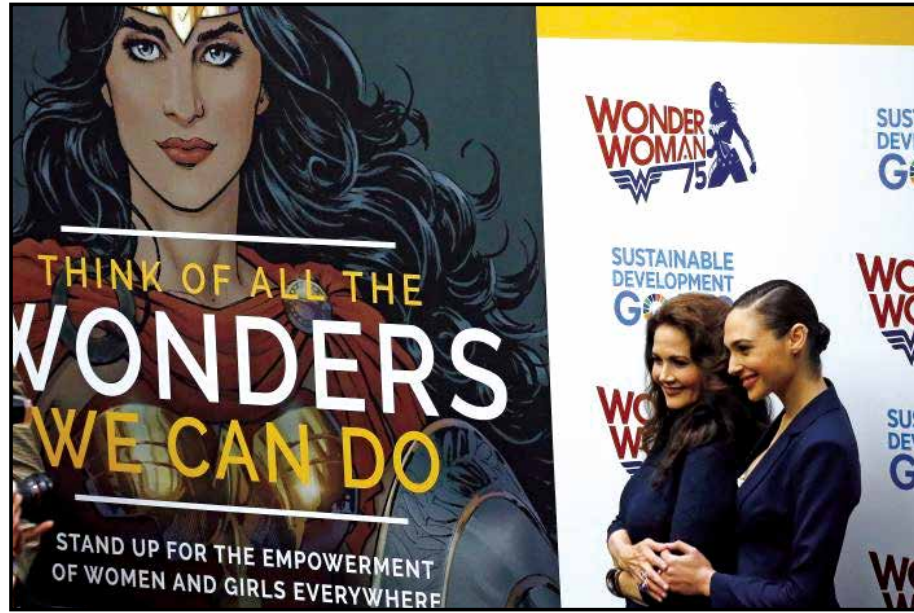
But an online petition, started by U.N. staffers, asked the Secretary General to reconsider the appointment, saying "The message the United Nations is sending to the world with this appointment is extremely disappointing." As of Friday afternoon, it had more than 1,100 signatures.

Honorary ambassadors — as opposed to goodwill ambassadors like Nicole Kidman and Anne Hathaway — are fictional characters. The U.N. previously tapped Winnie the Pooh to be an honorary Am-

bassador of Friendship in 1998 and Tinker Bell as the honorary Ambassador of Green in 2009. But the protest on Friday seemed to unnerve many of the U.N.'s press officers.

The Friday event brought together actress Lynda Carter, who played Wonder Woman in the 1970s TV series, and Gal Gadot, who has taken on the role in the forthcoming "Wonder Woman" film, as well as Girl Scouts and U.N. staffers' kids who skipped school, with one girl wearing a full Wonder Woman costume, complete with head piece. Diane Nelson, president of DC Entertainment, gave a speech in which she argued that stories — even comic book stories — can "inspire, teach and reveal injustices."

Carter, who gave a moving speech about how Wonder Woman embodies the inner strength of every woman, was the only one to acknowledge the protesters in her remarks, saying "Please embrace her," she said. "To all those who don't think it's a good idea, stand up and be counted." As for Gadot, she said after the event that, "I'm the kind of person who always looks at the half-full glass. I care for the people who care and I'm here for a wonderful cause today." She added, through a thin smile: "That's all what my focus is."



AP Photo

Lynda Carter, left, and Gal Gadot, both of whom have portrayed Wonder Woman. The fictional Amazon princess was named "Honorary UN Ambassador for the Empowerment of Women and Girls" Friday, prompting protests from those who believe the appointment should have gone to a real woman.

But among those thinking the glass was half empty was Shazia Z. Rafi, managing director of the consulting firm Global Parliamentary Services. She argued that the choice of Wonder Woman was tone deaf at a time when real women are fighting against sexual exploitation and abuse.

"I think it's a lot of rubbish that you can appoint a cartoon female to represent gender equality in this day and age, even if it is to reach younger women,"



Neil

Rocker Vince Neil pleads guilty in Las Vegas battery case

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Motley Crue frontman Vince Neil has pleaded guilty to misdemeanor battery for a sidewalk scuffle involving a woman outside a Las Vegas Strip resort in April.

Defense lawyer Richard Schonfeld said Friday the plea was submitted in writing Thursday in Las Vegas, and the 55-year-old rocker didn't appear in court.

The judge fined Neil \$1,000 and ordered him to undergo impulse control counseling and stay out of trouble for six months.

Schonfeld says Neil is glad to put the case behind him.

The case came to light after bystander video surfaced showing actor Nicolas Cage physically restraining Neil last April 7 outside

the Aria casino-hotel.

Cage wasn't charged with a crime.

Neil was accused of grabbing the woman and pulling her to the ground.

Motley Crue is known best for hard partying, famous girlfriends and 1980s-era hits like "Girls, Girls, Girls" and "Dr. Feelgood."



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Tom Hanks sees US election warning in thriller 'Inferno'

LONDON (AP) — Embedded within the manic action of "Inferno," the latest big-screen adaptation of a Dan Brown thriller, is a warning about the dangers of seeking simple solutions to complex problems. Star Tom Hanks says it's a theme with echoes in the current U.S. presidential race.

"Inferno" sets Hanks' polymathic professor Robert Langdon on the trail of a deadly plague concocted by billionaire scientist Bertrand Zobrist (Ben Foster) out of a sort of warped humanitarianism: He plans to end war, poverty and famine by wiping out half the world's population.

Hanks says the belief that there's a "one-step answer to all problems" is alarmingly relevant.

"Down through history there's been an awful lot of people who say: Here's what the problem is, here's what it was caused by, and all you have to do is my suggestion, there's an easy way in order to make it go away," Hanks said.

"It's very simplistic, it's very reactionary. It's almost like a fundamental embracing of a brand of ignorance," he added. "But I think it's part of the political discourse."

Hanks clearly has the contest between Trump and Clinton in mind.

America, he says, needs "vision and leadership and scope, as opposed to one-stop shopping fixes all."

"I'm not a political activist, nor am I a political animal, but I will say: Look, I'm going to vote for her, because I think this is a marathon in order to solve not just the most obvious problems, but the ones that are coming down the pipe."

Political discussion over, Hanks happily reverts to talking about Dan Brown's mega-successful mix of medieval conspiracies and modern-day skullduggery.

In his third screen outing as Langdon, Hanks is sent on a high-stakes treasure hunt centered around the life and works of Dante Alighieri, whose "Divine Comedy" created a teeming vision of hell that has influenced artists and writers for 700 years.

He's joined by Felicity Jones' brainy medic Dr. Sienna Brooks as ally and intellectual sparring partner.

Hanks, who played Langdon in "The Da Vinci Code" and "Angels & Demons" — both directed by Ron Howard, as is "Inferno" — says he still finds pleasure in making the border-hopping thrillers. "Inferno" scurries from Florence to Venice to Istanbul, wreaking havoc in some of the world's most beautiful historic buildings.

"Making movies is by and large a pretty fun enterprise, except when you have to be cold or up late or wear a fake beard or something," said Hanks, after more than three decades in the business still the most affable of Hollywood stars.

"But these are rather special. The team has been together since the first one. We get to go to amazing places:

London, Paris, Rome, Venice. Which is a lot better than, say, going to Sony Studios in Culver City, California."

For the viewer, the movie offers the pleasures of a good old-fashioned caper — Hanks likens it to a scavenger hunt — in which the characters must decipher a string of clues in a race against time.

"Time and distance are actually characters in all of these films," Hanks said over the phone from a rainy Florence, Italy, where the movie had its world premiere.

"We only have so much time and how do you get from Florence to Venice? Turns out the fastest way is the train, so we jump on a train and we actually shoot some of the movie while we're going from here to there," he said. "Ends up being one of the advantages of it not being a computer-generated story — these are movies that we shoot in real places."

For the actor, there's also the pleasure of absorbing large quantities of information so his character can dispense goblets of exposition and expertise about everything from Dante's death mask to the nine circles of hell.

"It makes you a really great dinner companion," Hanks said.

"For a guy who really only had a couple of years of junior college — and none of it was spent in art history class — I end up learning an awful lot about art history."

Howard has assembled an international cast that includes Sidse Babett Knudsen (star of Danish political drama "Borgen") as an ambiguous World Health Organization boss, France's Omar Sy ("The Intouchables") as one of her agents, Romania's Ana Ularu as a mysterious assassin and Indian star Irfan Khan as an amoral international fixer.

Hanks said the diverse cast comes from Howard's simple desire to fill the movie with interesting actors.

"So more cultures are represented, and both genders, and that just ends up being perfect and organic for our story," he said.

"Inferno" opens in the U.S. on Oct 28.



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Final debate is third most-watched presidential match ever

NEW YORK (AP) — The final faceoff between Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump reached 71.6 million television viewers, meaning two of the three most-watched presidential debates in history occurred during this campaign.

The debate from Las Vegas, moderated by Fox News Channel's Chris Wallace, exceeded the 66.5 million people who watched the second debate. The first time these two candidates met on stage in September, the audience of 84 million set a viewership record, the Nielsen company said.

The 1980 debate between Jimmy Carter and Ronald Reagan, the only time they met that fall, was seen by 80.6 million people. That

was the only previous debate to compare to this year's matchups in popularity.

By contrast, both of the debates that Clinton's husband Bill had while running for reelection in 1996 against Bob Dole reached a little over 36 million people.

NBC may have been responsible for Wednesday's debate passing the one moderated by Anderson Cooper and Martha Raddatz in popularity. The network didn't televise the second debate, showing an NFL football game instead, but was back this time.

Wednesday's third debate had a subdued, substantive start with more fireworks as the evening went on. TiVo reported that the moment Donald Trump talked about

how "nobody has more respect for women than I do" — and Wallace had to shush some audience members from laughing — was when more viewers stopped and re-wound to take a second look than any other.

During the debate, the Republican candidate was mentioned in 3.9 million tweets, while his Democratic rival was mentioned in 1.9 million, Nielsen said.

With Wallace as the sole moderator, Fox News Channel led all networks with 11.3 million viewers during the debate. ABC had 11 million, NBC had 10.4 million, CBS had 10.1 million, CNN had 8.7 million, Fox broadcasting had 6.6 million and MSNBC had 5.5 million, Nielsen said.

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