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Thank a Veteran: Air Force Veteran finds strength from her time in service

By: West Texas VA Health Care **System Public Affairs Office**

The journey each service member makes during their time in service is different for each person. Each challenge or hardship comes with an opportunity to rise up and grow. This was true for Leandra Hernandez, who served in the air force from 2006 to 2012 as a photojournal-

With a family history of service, having a father who served in the marines, Hernandez felt a change was needed.

"At a young age I knew that military service was the direction I wanted to take," said Hernandez, who now works for West Texas VA Health Care System as a medical support assistant. "I completed a year of college and realized school wasn't for me. I wanted to experience life and felt the best thing to do would be to join.

After finishing basic training and advanced training at the Defense Information School in Fort Meade, Md., Hernandez was stationed at Yokota Air Base in

"That was an experience in itself just being in a different country at 18-yearsold," said Hernandez. "It was my first time away from home."

With less than a month's notice, Her-



Courtesy photo/WTVAHCS

This month's featured veteran is Leandra Hernandez. Thank you for your service.

nandez would deploy to Baghdad by herself. She would face a stressful environment, assigned to a job she hadn't trained

"It was a totally different experience," said Hernandez. "I had been trained to do

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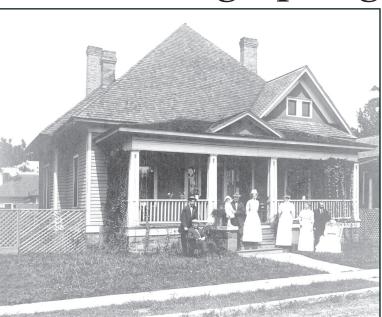
of this Great Nation. The Big Spring Herald stands in support of all Veterans. The above is part of a proclamation presented by the Big Spring City Council in honor of everyone that has served our Country. Please take a moment today to thank

a Veteran. This proclamation was presented by Mayor Larry McLellan on behalf of the Big Spring City Council on Tuesday, April 10th, 2018. God Bless our veterans! If you know a veteran we should

recognize, please send the information editor@bigspringherald.com.

A Moment in Time

Big Spring Pest House



This week the Moment in Time column reflects on the history behind the pest house in Big Spring during the small pox outbreak in 1882.

Editor's Note: The Heritage Museum offers an opportunity to reflect on Big Spring and Howard County history each week. The stories provided are only the tip of the iceberg as to the history that is housed inside the Heritage Museum. For more stories about Howard County stop by the Heritage Museum Tuesday through Saturday. In addition to historical exhibits, the museum is currently highlighting local artists and the artwork they have created.

By TAMMY SCHRECENGOST

Heritage Museum

Shortly after the little village of Big Spring was established, there was a small pox outbreak in 1882. A pest house was established in the old dance hall, according to County Commissioners Reports of 1882. A pest house, plague house,

or fever shed was a type of building used for persons afflicted with communicable diseases such as tuberculosis, cholera, smallpox or typhus. Often used for forcible quarantine. Howard County death records were not recorded until 1903. The first acknowledgement of a small pox victim was made in the County Commissioners report. He was a "Mexican Pauper" and was referred to as the "Small Pox Man".

County funds were granted allowing pay for individuals to

take care of the small pox victims. On November 27th the

county agreed to pay John Jullian \$105.00 for waiting on the

small pox man. This was an extremely good salary and was most likely considered hazard pay. A special officer was named to direct proceedings and maintain guards at the "dance hall." H.F. Rasun was named "Quarantine Master" and was paid an unheard amount of \$10 per day.

Speculation was that the small pox started at the dance hall and therefore the building was turned into a pest house. Food and water was purchased at Fisher store and was delivered to the patients. It was left at the door and taken inside by the Quarantine Master. The expense report reflected that the county spent \$1124.14 on supplies and employees and the

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BSEDC to convene Tuesday at 5:15 p.m.

By AMANDA DUFORAT

Managing Editor

The Big Spring Economic Development Corporation will be having a regular meeting on Tuesday at 5:15 p.m. The meeting will be held in the EDC Board Room, located at 215 W. Third Street.

The meeting will begin with a call to order followed by the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance. Following there will be an opportunity for the citizens to address the Board as part of public comment. Once the public comment section has concluded, the Board members will move into discussion and possible action regarding the 2019-2020 Annual Audit presented by Bolinger, Segars, Gilbert & Moss, LLP.

The Board will retire into Executive Session after routine agenda items are discussed to speak about prospect activity. Once the discussion has concluded the Board will reconvene in open session and take any necessary action re-

sulting from the Executive Session. Before the meeting adjourns for the evening there will be a moment for Board Comment.

- Other agenda items include: · Approval of minutes from January 19, 2021 regular meeting and February 3, 2021 special meeting
 - Director's Report
 - · Approval of January and February investment report and financial

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Obituaries

Doreatha (DOT) J.

McCartney Turner
Doreatha (DOT) J. McCartney Turner, 86, of Big Spring went home to be with her Lord on Friday,



March 12, 2021. A Memorial Service will be held at Myers and Smith Funeral Home & Chapel on Wednesday, March 17, 2021 at 11 a.m. with a Graveside Service following at Trinity Memorial Park. There will be a public viewing on Tuesday, March 16 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Face masks are requested at services and the viewing. Online condo-

lences can be shared with the family at www.myersandsmith.com. Pallbearers will be her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

DOT was born Nov. 15, 1934 in Farmersville, Texas, to Lewis Carroll McCartney and Ethel Mae Mc-Cartney. DOT met and married Ocie A. Turner of Big Spring on Sept. 11, 1954. He passed away Feb. 2, 1992. She married J.L. (Toby) White on Nov. 30, 1994, he passed away Nov. 25, 2006. She married Milton (Mo) Horton April 14, 2009, and he passed

away on Aug. 1, 2020.

DOT was preceded in death by her parents Lewis Carroll and Ethel Mae McCartney, baby sister Buelah Mae McCartney, her husband Ocie Turner, husband Toby White, husband Milton Horton, her son Billy Turner and his wives Lisa and Carol, her sisters Mildred Holeman and her husband Gene, Louella Connor and her husband Marvin.

She is survived by her children: son Robert Turner and wife Wanda, and daughter Brenda Elmore and husband David; seven grandchildren, Brent and Heidi Elmore, Kerri and husband Chris Rosenbaum, BaLinda Turner, Tori and husband Andres Martinez, Kim and husband Kevin Hardin, Misti and husband Jeremy Russell, and Matthea and husband Quinten Little. Great grandchildren Blake, Cole, and Kaylie Rosenbaum; Trinity, Kynz, and Cassidy Gonzalez; Gracie Griffith; Mason and Peyton Russel; Peyton and Laney Elmore; Tristan, Kyle, and Max Martinez; Tristen and Haley, Tara, Reese, Robert, and Lee Hardin; Alessa Little. Great-great grandchildren Gabe and Carson Hardin, and Delena Woods

Memorials are suggested to the charity of your choice in memory of DOT Horton.

Paid Obituary

- 2021 Permian Basin Cotton Conference is set for March 30 at the Martin Community Center, located at 301 N. St. Peter Street in Stanton. The conference will take place from 7:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. and count for three CEUs. Registration can take place at the door or in advance. Masks and social distancing will be required. For more information contact the Howard County Extension office at 432-264-2236.
- Cornhole Tournament benefitting the DAV (Disabled American Veterans) will be taking place at Star Doge on March 27. Registration is from 10 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Food vendors will be on site.
- Back in Motion and West Texas Injury Prevention is hosting a St. Patrick Day Wounded Warrior fundraiser on March 17. There will be brisket plates for sale between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. The meals will be served at 1113 S. Scurry Street.
- AARP Foundation Tax-Aide will offer free income tax preparation every Monday through Mon-

day, April 5, 2021, from 8 a.m. until Noon at the Big Spring Senior Citizen's Center. The Senior Center is located at 100 Whipkey Drive, Big Spring, Texas. The service is available to all taxpayers with moderate to low income. Covid protocols will be observed: masks required, appointments required and no children allowed. Taxpayers need to bring: a photo ID, social security card for every person on tax return; last year's tax return and W-2s and all other proof of income received in 2020. Free electronic e-filing will be available for faster refunds.

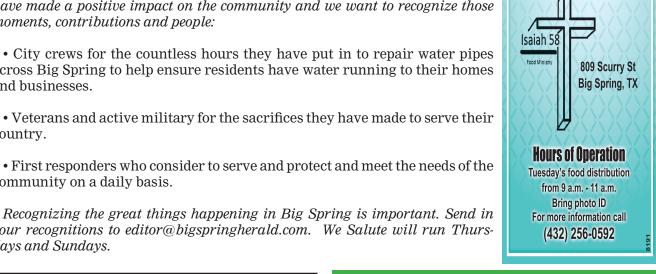
• The City of Big Spring has reopened all indoor rentable facilities as of Monday, February 1, 2021 for normal operations. We still request that individuals holding events and persons attending events adhere to the following: Please wear a mask when not eating or drinking anything; Make sure to wash and/or sanitize your hands regularly; If you are not feeling well, running a fever, or have been exposed please do not attend events.

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· A six-week course in Wellness and Quality

of Life with Chronic Pain will be held at Spring

- Creek Fellowship at the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-517-4840 for more information. · Caregivers Support Group, sponsored by the Area Agency on Aging, meets the second Tuesday of every month at 10:30 a.m. The meetings are
- held at the Senior Citizens Center located at 100 Whipkey Drive. These meetings are open for any caregiver, whether medical professional or family member. For more information, please call Becky Letz at 267-1628.
- Al-anon family group meets at 8 p.m. at 615 Settles.
- DivorceCare is a biblical support group for those facing divorce or separation. Each DVD session features nationally respected experts, such as Christian Counselors and Pastors. Small group discussions and workbook exercises help participants apply the information to their own situations. We cover pertinent issues like: • Will I survive? • How to get out of debt. • How do you know when you are ready for a new relationship? • How to lessen the impact of divorce on your children. Is reconciliation possible? There is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held two times per year on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. The next session beging Sept. 3, 2019. Visit the DivorceCare Ministry of TBC Facebook page for information. You can also call Donna Burcham at 267-6344 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

WEDNESDAY

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Reflections: Living a Useful LIfe

By BILL TINSLEY

Herald Contributing Writer

When I was growing up my father would occasionally put his hand on my shoulder, grin at me with his deep dimpled smile and say, "You're as handy as a pocket on a shirt.'

My father never went to college. He spent his career with Southwestern Bell, who sent him to tech school where he learned electronics and tracked the latest technology of his day, from vacuum tubes to transistors. He died of cancer of the bone marrow when he was 53, just as fiber optics and the microchip were being developed and years before the internet and cell phones. He was a blue -collar worker who grew up in the 1930s and married my mother in 1941.

In his world, few things were as useful as a "pocket on a shirt." He carried his pens in his shirt pocket and a pack of Camel cigarettes, which was common for his generation. When he told me that I was handy as a "pocket on a shirt," he was giving me a high compliment for being useful.

• All City of Big Spring offices have reopened to

the public effective January 19, 2021. We ask citi-

zens to act responsibly and follow all health pre-

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recommend that citizens continue to practice so-

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home if you're sick, and wear a mask when in pub-

West Texas Centers will be hosting the 2021

Mental Health First Aid training classes in Feb-

ruary. Adult mental health virtual class will take

place Feb. 17 from 8:30 a.m. until 2 p.m.; in-person

adult mental health first aid class will take place

Feb. 23, at 3205 Hwy 87 from 8:30 a.m. until 5:30

Over the years I have learned the value of that compliment. Few things are as important in life as being useful. We all want to know that our lives matter, that we count.

Even King David worried about becoming useless in his old age. After all of his accomplishments, he turned his eyes to heaven and made this plea: "But don't turn me out to pasture when I'm old or put me on the shelf when I can't pull my weight," (Psalm 71:9, The Message).

One of Paul's greatest desires was to live life in such a way that he was considered useful to others. To this end, he compared himself to an athlete who endures the rigors necessary for victory. "Therefore I run in such a way as not to run aimlessly; I box in such a way, as to avoid hitting air; but I strictly discipline my body and make it my slave, so that, after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified," (1 Corinthians 9:26-27).

Peter gave us the prescription for living a useful life regardless of our profession or circumstances. "Now for this very reason also, applying all diligence, in your faith supply moral excellence,

and in your moral excellence, knowledge, and in your knowledge, self-control, and in your self-control, perseverance, and in your perseverance, godliness, and in your godliness, brotherly kindness, and in your brotherly kindness, love. For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they do not make you useless nor unproductive in the true knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. (2 Peter

A useful and productive life is not determined by our length of days on the earth, or the extent of our fame and fortune. Each of us can live a useful and fruitful life when we pursue the qualities outlined by Peter with the discipline described by the Apostle Paul. If we do this, some day we will see the smiling face of God and hear his words, "Well done, my good and faithful servant," (Matthew 25:21).

Bill Tinsley reflects on current events and life experience from a faith perspective. His books are available at www.tinsleycenter.com. Email bill@tinsleycenter.com.

Take Note

p.m.; and the final class in the series will take place Feb. 25 from 8:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. virtually.

- Forsan Food Pantry will be open twice a month from 4:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. Families who are in need can pull up to the front doors of the Junior High/ High School and receive a free box of pre-packed meals. If you have any questions or need to pick up a box at a different time, contact Kaci Wash at 432-457-2223 ext 821 or Jenny Sayles at jennysales@ vahoo.com.
- Cub Scouts meet Monday from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at Naz Family Church, located at 1400 S. Lancaster.

· Howard County Republican Club meets the second Monday of each month in the Cactus Room at Howard College. The next meeting will be held in the newly renovated Cactus Room. Everyone is welcome. The meeting takes place at Noon. For more information call 432-213-7628.

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Keith Robert Toomire, 75, died Thursday, March 11, Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Doreatha Turner Horton, 86, died Friday. Viewing will be Tuesday from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM at & Smith Myers Funeral Home with family receiving friends from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Funeral service is Wednesday at 11:00 AM at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial

Theresa Winn, 76, died Friday, February 12, 2021. Family will receive friends at Mvers & Funeral Home on Friday, 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM. Funeral service will be at Myers & Smith Chapel on Friday at 2:00 PM.



Photos courtesy WTVAHCS and Leandra Hernandez

Veteran Leandra Hernandez served in the Air Force from 2006 to 2012 as a photojournalist. She spent time in Japan, and later deployed to Baghdad, Iraq, Hernandez now works for West Texas VA Health Care System as a medical support assistant.

one thing, and then all sudden, I was pulling security. It was difficult because it was a role I wasn't familiar or prepared for."

Faced with a frightening and unprepared environment, Hernandez was able to find friendship and support from soldiers she worked with.

"I met a couple of female soldiers that really helped," said Hernandez. "With a look of fear all over my face, these women really took me and took me under their wing. It was the first time that I felt safe." "It didn't really matter what my branch

I was in, said Hernandez. When I was in uniform, we were all on the same team, and they helped me feel that. It left me feeling like I could do everything they could."

With a new sense of support, Hernandez was able to grow in her role. She found strength from the women around her.

Once her deployment to Iraq was complete, Hernandez said her experiences helped to see herself in a more positive light. She would finish her time in the Air Force stationed at Altus Air Force Base in Oklahoma.

After six years in service, Hernandez found the transition back to civilian life

"I spiraled in a way to where I missed that community and friendships you experience in the service," said Hernandez. "A lot of people didn't understand me. I felt isolated and didn't want to even mention my veteran status."

Hernandez also struggled with PTSD after leaving the Air Force. She was able to find relief from the help of a support dog. She also found strength connecting with other veterans.

"I got involved in an organization called WVN, Women Veterans Network," said Hernandez. "It was through the program where I met a lot of women like me. It was the first time I ever told people about my troubles and struggles.'

The WVN led to Hernandez working for the West Texas VA Health Care System.

"They encouraged me to apply," said Hernandez. "They encouraged me because of the wealth of knowledge I had from serving. They said the things I had been through are what a lot of Veterans have been through, and they're just too scared to say it be that voice.'

Now as a medical support assistant, Hernandez takes joy in the opportunities to help the Veterans she encounters.

"I love being able to recognize the challenges others face and recognize their said Hernandez. "It really helps needs,

when body else has been through

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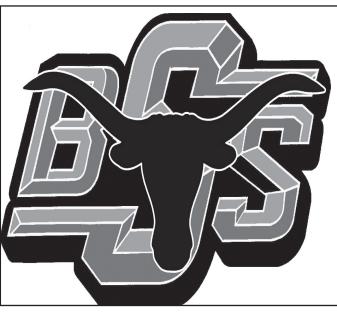
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Local Baseball teams all compete in tournaments over the weekend







Herald Stock Images

By DUSTIN POPE

Herald Sports Writer

All the local baseball teams were in tournament action this past weekend, March 11-13. The Forsan Buffaloes played four games over the weekend, going 1 and 3 in those games. The Coahoma Bulldogs played in three games and went 2 and 3. The Big Spring Steers rounded out the local teams in action, playing in four games going 1 and 3, with the last game being canceled Saturday afternoon for the rain in the area.

The Forsan Buffaloes kicked off tournament play taking on the Ballinger Bearcats. The Buffaloes would put pressure on Ballinger from the opening pitch. Cayden Morgan got the action started with a single to the shortstop. Nolan Park took a walk to keep the inning rolling. Morgan scored the first run of the day for the Buffs on a passed ball. A pitch then hit major Stockton. Sawyer Stallings doubled on a hard-hit ball to centerfield to drive in two more runs bringing the score to 3 to 0 after the top of the first inning. The Bearcats battled back in the bottom of the first, scoring two runs of their own to tighten the game after one inning of play 3

to 2. Ballinger went on to tie the game in the bottom of the third inning, knotting the game at three-all. Forsan answered right back with a one-run fourth inning taking the lead back 4 to 3. The Buffaloes put up three runs in the top of the fifth and added an extra run in the sixth bring the total to 8 to 3, a win the Buffaloes worked hard for. They played a complete game from start to finish. They were led by Sawyer Stalling, who went three for three at the plate, driving in two runs. Cayden Morgan had a productive day himself as he went four for two with three runs batted in.

The Buffaloes, unfortunately, couldn't win another game this weekend, losing to Wall 1 to 7, Seminole 11 to 1. In a very close game, they dropped the final game of the weekend to Herford 6 to 5. The young men battled in every aspect of the game and

Next up, the Coahoma Bulldogs won two of their three games of their tournament. The Bulldogs oped play facing the Pecos Eagles JV team. Coahoma showed no mercy for the younger team as they dominated on their way to a 15 to 2 victory. An 11 run inning highlighted the game to put away the Pecos Eagles. They then took on Regan county in

a close-fought game they ended up dropping 5 to 7. The Bulldogs finished up tournament play beating Kermit 9 to 3. That brings the team record to 8-5 on the season. The Bulldogs are gearing up to start District play on March 22.

The Big Spring Steers had their last tune-up games before they kick off district play this coming Tuesday, March 16, when they travel to Lubbock to take on Lubbock Estacado. Unfortunately, the Steers had a rough weekend dropping three games of their four—the last game against the Brownwood Cubs game got canceled due to severe weather in the area. The Steers have a record of 9-6-1 on the year and will still be a favorite to win District.

All the local teams played hard-fought baseball and showed class both in defeat and in victory. These teams are all learning how to play the game together, and once they get some experience, all of the local teams will be a huge force to reckon with in their respective Districts.

Dustin is the Sports Writer for the Big Spring Herald. To contact him e-mail sports@bigspringherald. com or call 432-263-7331.

Baylor headlines South Region bracket with first No. 1 seed

By AARON BEARD AP Basketball Writer

Scott Drew has built Baylor into a regular NCAA Tournament team capable of making deep pushes into March.

This time, the Bears will have a shot to do it with their first-ever No. 1 seed. Second-ranked Baylor (22-2) headlines the South Region and opens against 16th-seeded Hartford, the America East Conference champion. The Bears had never been higher than a No. 3 seed previously, the last time coming in 2017. Drew has guided the Bears to two regional finals but never to a Final Four in his first 17 seasons.

"It means that people think the accomplishments are worthy of a No. 1 seed, Drew said Sunday night. "It means people appreciate what (players) were able to achieve for the year. So there's always a lot of pride in being able to get a

"It doesn't necessarily guarantee you're going to be successful in the tournament, which we all know. ... Seeding numbers don't matter, it's who plays best in that 40 minutes."

Led by the backcourt of Jared Butler and MaCio Teague, the Bears won their first regular-season conference championship since 1950, though they were upset by Oklahoma State in the Big 12 Tournament semifinals. They finished atop the Big 12 despite a three-week pause related to COVID-19 concerns, followed by struggles coming out of that break that included barely beating an Iowa State team that finished with two wins and its only regularseason loss against Kansas.

The Bears regrouped with three straight wins against NCAA Tournament teams West Virginia, Oklahoma State and Texas Tech, and they enter the tourney ranked third in KenPom's adjusted offensive efficiency (averaging 124 points per 100 possessions).

Baylor was ranked No. 2 in every AP Top 25 poll this season except one, when it spent a week at No. 3.

"I never was one of those kids that imagined to be like the one-hit wonder or what not," Butler said. "For me, I'm excited we're a 1-seed. I feel like we're in a great spot. I don't care if it's a Cinderella story or we're expected to win. Winning is the most important thing."

Here are things to know about the South Region, with all first-round games

taking place Friday:

THE TOP CHALLENGERS

Ninth-ranked Ohio State is the No. 2 seed in the South after losing in overtime to Illinois in Sunday's Big Ten Tournament final. Chris Holtmann's Buckeyes (21-9) started the year ranked 23rd but spent the last six weeks of the season inside the top 10 — peaking at No. 4 for three weeks in February.

"I feel really good about this group," Holtmann said. "But we are climbing, and we are still climbing. And we're trying to stay in the moment as much as

Eighth-ranked Arkansas is the 3-seed, followed by No. 20 Purdue and No. 14 Villanova to round out the top five.

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Fans wanting high-scoring offense should probably tune in for the matchup between Arkansas and 14th-seeded Colgate.

The Raiders (14-1) won the Patriot League title and entered Selection Sunday averaging 86.3 points, led by Jordan Burns' 17-point average. They trail

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only No. 1 overall seed Gonzaga (92.1) in scoring offense while also ranking among national leaders in shooting percentage (49.8%) and 3-point percentage (40%),

The Razorbacks (22-6) are averaging 82.4 points to rank seventh nationally, with Moses Moody (17.4 points) leading the way.

STARTING STRONG

North Carolina coach Roy Williams always has his teams ready for an NCAA opener.

When his eighth-seeded Tar Heels (18-10) face ninth-seeded Wisconsin, Williams will look to improve to 30-0 in first-round NCAA Tournament games. That includes his 15-year tenure at Kansas, as well as his first 17 years at his alma mater.

CONFERENCE WATCH

The Big 12. Big Ten and Southeastern Conference combined to take six of the top seven seeds in the South bracket.

The Big Ten had Ohio State and fourth-seeded Purdue, led by Trevion Williams (15.6 points and 9.0 rebounds). The Big 12 has Baylor and sixthseeded Texas Tech, while the SEC has Arkansas and No. 7 seed Florida.

Further down, the ACC also had two teams with the Tar Heels and No. 22 Virginia Tech, which checked in as a No. 10 seed.

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Notice of Draft Federal Operating Permit

Draft Permit No.: O3747

Application and Draft Permit. WTG Gas Processing, L.P., 211 N Colorado St. Midland, TX 79701-4607, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a renewal of Federal Operating Permit (herein referred to as Permit) No. O3747, Application No. 31016, to authorize operation of the South Feagan 2 Treating Facility, a Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Extraction facility. The area addressed by the application is located 6.7 miles south of Big Spring on US 87, turn west on Ranch Road 33, go 0.9 miles, turn west on Farm to Market 818 go 3.4 miles, turn north on Lease Road and go 0.2 miles to the site on the right in Howard County, Texas 79720. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to the application. You can find an electronic map of the facility

http://www.tceq.texas.gov/a ssets/public/hb610/index.ht ml?lat=32.157777&Ing=-101.537222&zoom=13&type =r. This application was received by the TCEQ on August 12, 2020.

The purpose of a federal operating permit is to improve overall compliance with the rules governing air pollution control by clearly listing all applicable requirements, as defined in Title 30 Texas Administrative Code § 122.10 (30 TAC § 122.10). The draft permit, if approved, will codify the conditions under which the area must operate. The permit will not authorize new construction. The executive director has completed the technical review of the application and has made a preliminary decision to prepare a draft permit for public comment and review. The executive director recommends issuance of this draft permit. The permit application, statement of basis, and draft permit will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ Central Office, 12100 Park 35 Circle, Building E, First Floor, Austin, Texas 78753; the TCEQ Midland Regional Office, 9900 W Interstate 20 Ste 100, Midland, Texas 79706-2636; and the Howard County Library, 500 S Main St, Big Spring, Texas 79720-2729, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The draft permit and statement of basis are available at the TCEQ Website:

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At the TCEQ central and regional offices, relevant supporting materials for the draft permit, as well as the New Source Review permits which have been incorporated by reference, may be reviewed and copied. Any person with difficulties obtaining these materials due to travel con-

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straints may contact the TCEQ central office file room at (512) 239-2900.

Public Comment/Notice and Comment Hearing. Any person may submit written comments on the draft permit. Comments relating to the accuracy, completeness, and appropriateness of the permit conditions may result in changes to the draft permit.

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fected by the emission of

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mitted area may request a

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ing. The purpose of the notice and comment hearing is to provide an additional opportunity to submit comments on the draft permit. The permit may be changed based on comments pertaining to whether the permit provides for compliance with 30 TAC Chapter 122 (examples may include that the permit does not contain all applicable requirements or the public notice procedures were not satisfied). The TCEQ may grant a notice and comment hearing on the application if a written hearing request is received within 30 days after publication of the newspaper notice. The hearing request must include the basis for the request, including a description of how the person may be affected by the emission of air pollutants from the application area. The request should also specify the conditions of the draft permit that are inappropriate or specify how the preliminary decision to issue or deny the permit is inappropriate. All reasonably ascertainable issues must be raised and all reasonably available arguments must be submitted by the end of the public comment period. If a notice and comment hearing is granted, all individuals that submitted written comments or a hearing request will receive written notice of the hearing. This notice will identify the date, time, and location for the hearing.

Written public comments and/or requests for a notice and comment hearing should be submitted to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, or electronically at www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic /eComment/ and be received within 30 days after the date of newspaper publication of this notice. Please be aware that any contact information you provide, including your name, phone number, email address and physical address will become part of the

agency's public record. A notice of proposed final action that includes a response to comments and identification of any changes to the draft permit will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments, a hearing request. or requested to be on the mailing list for this application. This mailing will also provide instructions for public petitions to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to request that the EPA object to the issuance of the proposed permit. After receiving a petition, the EPA may only object to the issuance of a permit which is not in compliance with the applicable requirements or the requirements of 30 TAC Chapter 122.

Mailing List. In addition to submitting public comments, a person may ask to be placed on a mailing list for this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address above. Those on the mailing list will receive copies of future public notices (if any) mailed by the Chief Clerk for

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this application.

Information. For additional information about this permit application or the permitting process, please contact the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Public Education Program, MC-108, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 or toll free at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained for WTG Gas Processing, L.P. by calling Mrs. Elena Hofmann at (713) 983-0112.

Notice Issuance Date: February 26, 2021

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Comisión de Calidad Ambiental de Texas

AVISO DE UN PERMISO FEDERAL PARA OPERACIÓN PRELIMINAR

Permiso Preliminar Número: 03747

SOLICITUD Y PERMISO PRELIMINAR WTG Gas Processing, L.P., 211 N Colorado St, Midland, TX 79701-4607, ha presentado una solicitud ante la Comisión de Calidad Ambiental de Texas (TCEQ, por sus siglas en inglés) para la renovación del Permiso Federal de Operación (en adelante denominado el Permiso) número O3747, Solicitud núm. 31016, para autorizar la operación de South Feagan 2 Treating Facility, una instalación de extracción de petróleo y gas natural. El área a la cual se refiere la solicitud está ubicada 6.7 millas hacia el sur de Big Spring en US 87, girar hacia el oeste en Ranch Road 33, ir 0.9 millas, girar hacia el oeste hacia Farm to Market 818 ir 3.4 millas, girar hacia el norte sobre Lease Road y ve 0.2 millas hacia el sitio a la derecha en la ciudad de Big Spring, Condado de Howard, Texas

de la instalación es proporcionado como una cortesía y no es parte de la solicitud o del aviso. Para la ubicación exacta, consulte la solicitud. http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=32.157777&lng=-

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El propósito de un Permiso

Federal de Operación es mejorar el acatamiento general con las normas que gobiernan el control de la contaminación atmosférica, claramente definiendo todos los requisitos aplicables como están definidos en el Título 30 del Código Administrativo de Texas § 122.10 (30 TAC § 122.10, por sus siglas en inglés). El permiso preliminar, si es aprobado, codifiará las condiciones bajo las cuales el área debe operar. El permiso no autorizará construcción nueva. El director ejecutivo ha concluido la revisión técnica de la solicitud y ha hecho una decisión preliminar para preparar el permiso preliminar para la revisión y comentario público. El director ejecutivo de la TCEQ recomienda la expedición de este permiso preliminar. La solicitud de permiso, la declaración de base y el permiso preliminar estarán disponibles para ser revisados y copiados en la Oficina Central de la TCEQ, 12100 Park 35 Circle, Building (Edificio) E, First Floor (primer Piso), Austin, Texas 78753, y en la TCEQ Midland Regional Office, 9900 W Interstate 20 Ste 100, Midland, Texas 79706-2636; y en Howard County Library, 500 S Main St, Big Spring, Texas 79720-2729.

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By Steve Becker

Famous Hand

North dealer. Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH

- **♦** 10 5 3
- ♥AK762 **♦**532
- WEST **EAST ♦** J 9 8 2 **♥**J983
- **♥** 10 5 4 ♦ J 8 7 6 ♣QJ10853 **♣**K 9 4 2
 - SOUTH **↑** AKQ764
 - ♦ AKQ109

The bidding:

West North East South 1 🔻 Pass 2 🏚 Pass 3 ♥ Pass 4 • 6 🏚 Pass

Opening lead — queen of clubs. Assume you're in six spades and

West leads a club. After taking dummy's ace, what would you do next?

You might start drawing trump, expecting to make seven, but when West showed out, you'd begin to have doubts about even making six. And if you stopped drawing trump in order to test the diamonds by playing the A-K, your worst fears would be realized when East ruffed the second diamond and returned a club. You'd ruff, of course, but could not avoid

going down onc.

You could attribute the result to bad luck, and you'd certainly have a case since your chances of going down are less than 1-in-20. However, close analysis reveals that the contract is ice-cold.

When the deal was played many years ago by Harry Fishbein, he made the slam in a perfectly simple way. He won the club lead with the ace and ruffed a club at trick two.

This innocent play made all the difference between making the slam and going down. When he next played the acc of spades and West showed out, Fishbein cashed the queen of hearts before playing the A-K of diamonds.

The long-range effect of the club ruff at trick two now became apparent when East had to decide whether to ruff the king of diamonds. If he ruffed, he would have to put the dummy on lead whatever he returned, and Fishbein would then be able to discard the 10-9 of diamonds on the A-K of hearts.

When East declined to ruff, Fishbein played the queen of diamonds. and East discarded again. Fishbein thereupon ruffed the nine of diamonds in dummy, establishing his ten, and although East overruffed, that was the only trick the defense could score.

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keep us healthy! Tomorrow's Horoscope

Mercury in Pisces

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Everyone has a difficult job to do. Mistakes are likely to occur that will require your understanding. You'll be appreciated (celebrated even) for your ability to go with the flow.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Today will point out the difference between investing, sacrificing and wasting. If you don't hope to get a return, and you're not taking a loss for the betterment of someone or something else, then it's probably a waste.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The need for glamour is legitimate. Other legitimate needs include, but are not limited to: fun, novelty, thrills, delicious anticipation, adventure flirtation, silliness, frivolity, levity, ridiculousness and hilarity.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Sure, you'd like to be travel-

ing, taking in big events or elaborately designed cities, exhibits and culture. But in the meantime, there are wonders available to you right now. Look up. The sky is a masterpiece.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). So much of your

success will be a function of shifting the focus from yourself to others. When in doubt, you throw the conversational ball back, or you simply allow for silence, which in and of itself can be a lovely gift.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You are the

authority CAP-



you will gladly take guidance from those whose methods have worked. A mentorship is in your future.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Do you get the feeling you'd better prepare for an upcoming conversation? Do you sense something crucial is at stake? You're right. There's something wondrous in it for you, and you'll be glad you were prepared.

SCORPIO (Oct.

24-Nov. 21). Love that is new needs to grow roots before it will sprout. Don't expect to see anything on the surface when you're clearly still in the "water it and hope for the best" stage.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).

Powerful humility is the oxymoron of champions. You show up and people feel your presence though you don't declare it. You're more likely to take a helping role, even the bottom rung, and lead from below.

By Holiday Mathis Ricorn (Dec.



You'll find out some of the trouble you anticipated isn't even a thing. Problems get small once you grow.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). As far as you're concerned, useless things aren't pretty. What's beautiful is functional, and what's functional is beautiful. These are the guiding principles by which

you'll improve your

environs.

PISCES (Feb. **19-March 20).** What you begin today won't be finished tomorrow, but start it anyway. Once it's underway, it will have a force of its own and momentum will be on your side.

DAY (March 15). Being inside yourself, your

TODAY'S BIRTH-

qualities are impossible to fully appreciate. But if you could dance with your own personhood, you'd find yourself witty, wise, graceful and strong -- characteristics that are only getting better this solar journey. Someone new contributes to your

sharper vision and

more ambitious plan. Aries and Gemini adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 2, 29, 4, 44 and 16.

COSMIC QUES-

TION: "I'm unhappy at my current job but am uncertain what to do next. Can sun sign astrology actually tell me where I'll excel and what will make me happy? (I'm a Sagittarius.)"

I believe that any sign

can be brilliant in any

profession. Some professions tend to attract more of one sign- Cancers are often attracted to healing professions, Aquarians tend toward teaching, and Libras are often interested in politics and civil service -- but there are gifted people of every sign in every profession. Where astrology can give you an edge is in your approach to your career. Are you a Sagittarius who is thinking that a job at another company looks more promising than the one you just agreed to do? Get used to it! For your sign, the grass is always greener in front of the office across the street. Accept that it's in your nature to speculate, and then dive into the job you're doing, intent on finding and exploiting its opportunities for adventure, wonder or travel - all the things you need in a position. To find your career edge, check out my book "Rock Your Stars: The Astrological Guide to Having it All."

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SUDOKU

Here's How It Works:

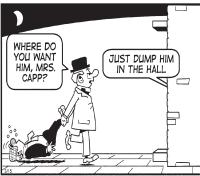
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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This Date In History

Today in History

Today is Monday, March 15, the 74th day of 2021. There are 291 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 15, 1965, President Lyndon B. Johnson, addressing a joint session of Congress, called for new legislation to guarantee every American's right to vote. The result was passage of the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

On this date:

In 44 B.C., Roman dictator Julius Caesar was assassinated by a group of nobles that included Brutus and Cassius.

In 1493, Italian explorer Christopher Columbus arrived back in the Spanish harbor of Palos de la Frontera, two months after concluding his first voyage to the Western Hemisphere.

In 1820, Maine became the 23rd state.

In 1913, President Woodrow Wilson met with about 100 reporters for the first formal presidential press conference.

In 1944, during World War II, Allied bombers again raided German-held Monte Cassino.

In 1964, actor Elizabeth Taylor married actor Richard Burton in Montreal; it was her fifth marriage, his second. (They divorced in 1974, remarried in 1975, then divorced again in 1976.)

In 1972, "The Godfather," Francis Ford Coppola's epic gangster movie based on the Mario Puzo novel and starring Marlon Brando and Al Pacino, premiered in New York.

In 1975, Greek shipping magnate Aristotle Onassis died near Paris at age 69.

In 1985, the first internet domain name, symbolics.com, was registered by the Symbolics Computer Corp. of Massachusetts.

In 1998, Dr. Benjamin Spock, whose child care guidance spanned half a century, died in San Diego at

In 2005, former WorldCom chief Bernard Ebbers was convicted in New York of engineering the largest corporate fraud in U.S. history. (He was later sentenced to 25 years in prison.)

In 2019, a gunman killed 51 people at two mosques in Christchurch, New Zealand, streaming the massacre live on Facebook. (Brenton Tarrant, an Australian white supremacist, was sentenced to life in prison without parole after pleading guilty to 51 counts of murder and other charg-

Ten years ago: The Syrian civil war had its beginnings with Arab Spring protests across the region that turned into an armed insurgency and eventually became a full-blown conflict.

Five years ago: Democrat Hillary Clinton triumphed in the Florida, Ohio, North Carolina, Illinois and Missouri presidential primaries; Donald Trump strengthened his hand in the Republican race, winning in Florida, North Carolina, Illinois and Missouri, but falling in Ohio to the state's governor, John Kasich (KAY'-sihk), while Florida Sen. Marco Rubio ended his campaign after his home-state loss. In a major reversal, the Obama administration barred offshore drilling off the Atlantic Coast. Dallas Seavey won his third straight Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race in a record time of 8 days, 11 hours, 20 minutes, 16 seconds.

One year ago: The Federal Reserve took massive emergency action to help the economy withstand the coronavirus by slashing its benchmark interest rate to near zero and saying it would buy \$700 billion in treasury and mortgage bonds. After initially trying to keep schools open, New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio said the nation's largest public school system would close in hopes of curbing the spread of the coronavirus. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommended that gatherings of at least 50 people be canceled or

Answer to previous puzzle GNED OCT 3/15/21

postponed for the next eight weeks. President Donald Trump called on Americans to stop hoarding groceries and other supplies. Pastors across the United States delivered sermons to empty pews; many religious institutions had started using the Internet to stream their services.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Judd

Hirsch is 86. Jazz musician Charles Lloyd is 83. Rock musician Phil Lesh is 81. Singer Mike Love (The Beach Boys) is 80. Rock singermusician Sly Stone is 78. Rock singer-musician Howard Scott (War; Lowrider Band) is 75. Rock singer Ry Cooder is 74. Actor Frances Conroy is 68. Actor Craig Wasson is 67. Rock singer Dee

Joaquim de Almeida is 64. Actor Park Overall is 64. Movie director Renny Harlin is 62. Model Fabio is 60. Singer Terence Trent D'Arby (AKA Sananda Maitreya) is 59. Rock singer Bret Michaels (Poison) is 58. R&B singer Rockwell is 57. Actor Chris Bruno is 55. Actor Kim Raver is 54. Rock singer Mark McGrath (Sugar Ray) is 53. Rock musician Mark Hoppus is 49.

Country singer-musician Mat Thomas (Parmalee) is 47. Acto Eva Longoria is 46. Rapper musician will.i.am (Black Eye Peas) is 46. Rock DJ Joseph Hahr (Linkin Park) is 44. Rapper Youn Buck is 40. Actor Sean Biggerstaf is 38. Actor Kellan Lutz is 36. Acto Caitlin Wachs is 32.

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Newsday Crossword

ACROSS

- Assist in a crime
- **5** Small sample of food
- **10** Tax form experts: Abbr.
- 14 Speak
- indistinctly 15 Wall-climbing
- plants
- 16 Opera solo
- 17 Mystical glow
- **18** Fishing rods
- 19 Holders of peas
- 20 Advancement in
- one's job 22 Sound of a
- giggle 23 Clumsy people
- 24 Voice of an **iPhone**
- 25 Video game hangout
- 28 Classic alternative to a Snickers
- 31 Entryway
- 32 Not fresh, as bread
- 34 Wedding vow words
- **35** Possess **36** Church steeple
- 37 Actor Cruise or
- Hanks
- 38 Football official, for short
- 39 Pilot's vehicle
- 40 A __ pittance (very little
- money) 41 Newspaper issue
- 43 Turned an offer down
- **45** Fender ding 46 Gasoline and propane
- 48 Important happening

50 Africa or Asia

54 Provide

Snider (Twisted Sister) is 66. Actor

- temporarily 55 Be worthy of 56 Lumberjacks'
- choppers **57** Rodents that
- squeak 58 Serving dish
- **59** Face hider for Halloween
- 60 Kid's vehicle on snow
- **61** More cunning
- **62** CPR experts

DOWN

- 1 "Make it quick," in a memo 2 Indistinct image
- 3 Money in Italy
- 4 Vehicle on
- wheels in a mine 29 Add
- **5** Walk very quietly
- 6 Steer clear of

- 7 Grain storage towers
 - 8 Adolescent
 - 9 Double-curve letter
 - **10** Playful pranks **11** Not legally
 - allowed
 - 12 Personal assistant
 - **13** Postpaid
 - enclosure: Abbr.
 - 21 Ancient
 - 22 Auto wheel
 - 24 Store's reduced
 - price event 25 Like a lot

 - oars
 - 28 Horse's mom

 - 30 Juliet's love
 - **26** Propelled with
 - 27 Belief in oneself

 - decorations to

 - **32** Extend across

36 Mail-drop opening

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33 Baking pan

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- 39 Half a quart
- 40 Identify incorrectly
- 42 Took care of
- 43 Irish ___ (hunting dog)
- Baba and the Forty
- Thieves" 46 Sudden attack
- **47** Join forces
- 48 Shade trees 49 Bride's facial covering
- 50 Mobile phone, for short
- **51** Midterm or final 52 Sparrow's home
- 53 Sounds of
- disapproval 55 Army cops:
- Abbr.

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