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BSISD trustees set date for meeting on tax rate

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
 Staff Writer

Trustees with the Big Spring Independent School District will hold a public forum to discuss the FY 2017-2018 proposed tax rate and upcoming budget.

Big Spring ISD CFO Susan Bryan told trustees during the meeting Thursday night the district has proposed a tax rate of \$1.3995 per \$100 value. That breaks down to \$1.1195 per \$100 value for maintenance and operation and 28 cents for debt service. The public forum will be held on Aug. 10.



Bryan

Based off of non-certified numbers for the district of \$1.59 billion released by the Howard County Appraisal District, Big Spring ISD's current proposed budget has a \$1.4 million deficit. If approved, this will be the second year in a row the district has planned to heavily dip into its fund balance.

To help mitigate the deficit, the district has cut 18 teacher positions through attrition and 21 positions overall. Earlier in the year, trustees approved the outsourcing of its food program as another cost-saving measure.

"One of things I am going to look at seriously is travel," Big Spring ISD Superintendent Chris Wigington said. "We have a lot of our programs do lots of travels, and they do more than UIL (University Interscholastic League) requires them to do, so we are going to look at some of that. That is going to affect some of our programs."

"We are going to do what we have to do," he continued. "Hopefully when values come in, it's not going to be as bad as we think. And we are still looking at some positions. We have some folks who

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Rocking out for the Lord



HERALD photo/Robert Barlow

Downtown was rattling with rock music during the Summer RockFest brought to town by the First United Methodist Church of Big Spring on Thursday at the municipal auditorium. Gold, Frankincense, and Myrrh, an all-sister band, was the first band of the tour's lineup to take the stage and kick off the night.

By **ROBERT BARLOW**
 Staff Writer

Downtown was a bit louder than usual last night, thanks to the bands from the Summer RockFest that was held at the Municipal Auditorium.

For the second time this year, First United Methodist Church of Big Spring brought some rock to downtown by hosting the RockFest.

"On February 18 we had City RockFest, this time they are doing a summer one called Summer RockFest," said Nick Rodriguez, director of missions and outreach, at First United Methodist Church. "They're bringing two new bands: Gold, Frankincense, and



HERALD photo/Robert Barlow

The Protest, featured in the picture above, was one of the heavier bands of the night. However, people in the crowd didn't have a hard time moving to their music.

Myrrh, which is an all-sister band; and then The Protest."

The Christian rock concert featured some well-known names in the

genre, including Random Hero and Seventh Day Slumber.

The concert was free and open to the public, but there was a limited number of VIP tickets for sale which allowed some people to come in early and talk with the bands. The bands answered several questions on topics such as their favorite songs, to why they became musicians.

Rodriguez, who has helped organize both events, intends on keeping the momentum going this next year as well.

"The original plan was just to do it the first time

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Little Joe y La Familia to play benefit Saturday



HERALD photo/Roger Cline
 Dr. Keith Graumann (left) directs the Big Spring Symphony Orchestra as Little Joe and La Familia perform for the crowd Saturday, April 1, 2017, at the Municipal Auditorium. Little Joe y La Familia will be playing at the Howard County Fair Barn Saturday to benefit Victim Services.

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Staff Writer

It's almost Joe time. Little Joe y La Familia, along with Big Spring's A.C. and the Heaters, and the Bowie, Texas-based Monty Dawson Band, will bring their musical stylings to the Howard County Fair Barn Saturday evening in a benefit concert to support Victim Services of Big Spring.

The concert, scheduled to start at 6 p.m. Saturday, is organized by the Coyote

Store in Gail, Texas, said owner Becky Justice. Justice said that the store organizes several concerts each year and always designates one of them as a benefit for a special cause.

"The one that we chose this time was Victim Services, because they serve Borden

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Obituaries

Isidra Ibarra Limon



Isidra Ibarra Limon was born on May 29, 1961, in San Carlos, Coahuila, Mexico. She was born to Nieves Limon and Victorina Limon (Esquivel). She fell asleep in death at the age of 56 at UMC in Lubbock, Texas, on July 8, 2017.

She married her husband, Antonio Ibarra Sr. on Sept. 5, 1981, in San Carlos, Mexico. They moved to Big Spring, Texas, in 1993 where they raised their three loving children.

Isidra was known for her love of family, her generosity, her love of life, and her love and respect for the Bible. She was baptized as one of Jehovah's Witnesses on July 8, 1989. She enjoyed helping people by sharing her love for Jehovah God and providing

a valuable community service in her full-time ministry. Her family and friends in the faith await the fulfillment of John 5:28,29 which Isidra held close to her heart.

Without a doubt Isidra will be dearly missed by many. Her beautiful shy smile and her warm hugs will never be forgotten. As a family, it was a joy to share her with others; please cherish the moments you spent with her.

Isidra is preceded in death by her parents and her sister, Margarita Rostro Limon.

She is survived by her husband; her three children, Lorena Ibarra of Monahans, and Nely Ibarra and Antonio Ibarra Jr., both of Big Spring; two brothers Jose Limon Esquivel and Antonio Limon Esquivel; and her sister Martina Limon Esquivel.

Memorial services will be held at Howard College (East Room) 1001 Birdwell Ln, Big Spring, Texas, at 1:30 p.m. on Sat., July 15, 2017.

Paid obituary

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 77 inmates at the time of this report.

- **MELVIN WILLIAM BIDDLE**, 54, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- **MELISSA CANTU**, 49, was

booked by the DPS on a charge of possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces.

- **MARYBELL CONTRERAS**, 39, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for issuance of a bad check.

- **JAMIE DE-AN DANIELS**, 38, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for two counts of forgery of a financial instrument and

credit or debit card abuse.

- **JEREMY GOMEZ**, 32, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for criminal mischief between \$100 and \$750.

- **CHRISTOPHER LEE VASQUEZ**, 35, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of Donley.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1900 block of Simler Drive. Was person was transported to the Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block of South John-

son. Was person was transported to the Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 000 block of Kiowa Circle.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 100 block of East FM 700.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2400 block of West FM 700. Was person was transported to the Scenic Mountain Medical

Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1500 block of Sycamore. Was person was transported to the Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported on West Highway 80. Was person was transported to the Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Take Note

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

- The Big Spring Salvation Army is holding a fan drive to collect and distribute electric fans to those in Howard County who need one but can't afford it. Those wishing to donate can take new or gently used box or pedestal fans to the Salvation Army headquarters at 811 W. Fifth St. Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

People who need a fan should call the Salvation Army at 432-267-8239 to register and receive the distribution date.

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

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

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

- Seniors and mature adults are invited to a dance on the first, third and fifth Friday of each month at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Dances are from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. with live bands. No alcohol or smoking permitted. There will be a pot luck as well so bring a dish if you want to eat.

Cost has dropped to \$5 per person thanks to a sponsor Marcy House, 2301 Wasson Road.

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

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

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

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

- Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Tuesday of each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact 432-271-2138.

- Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598 meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. (dinner is at 6 p.m.) at 219 1/2 Main St. All Masons are welcome.

- Membership to the Big Spring Native American Association is open to the public. People interested in Native American culture are encouraged to find out more about the organization by calling Richard "Indio" Lesser at 432-935-0125,

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

- The Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Council is in need of volunteers to fill a variety of needs to assist the hospital's patients. Applications to become a volunteer can be picked up at The Chalet, 115 E. Second St., Tuesday through Saturday between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. or at the Big Spring State Hospital Community Relations Department, 1901 N. Hwy 87, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Volunteers can assist with a variety of functions, including The Chalet Resale Shop, various fund-raisers and patient events. For more information, contact Dee Lindsey, Big Spring State Hospital Director of Community Relations, (432) 268-7535 or danielle.lindsey@dshs.state.tx.us

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

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **MARY B. CONTRERAS**, 39, of Portales, NM, was arrested on a warrant from another agency.

- **JEREMY GOMEZ**, 32, of 1800 Main Street, was arrested on charges of criminal mischief between \$100 and \$750.

- **JAMIE DE-AN DANIELS**, 38, of 2412 Neill Road, was arrested on charges of two counts of forgery of a financial instrument and credit or debit card abuse.

- **MELVIN WILLIAM BIDDLE**, 54, of 1102 Sycamore Street, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

- **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 3200 block of South Highway 87.

- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported near the intersection of Scurry and the 4th.

- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the block of 3600 West Highway 80.

- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 1700 block of South Owens Street.

- **THEFT** was reported in the 6600 block of East Robinson Road.

- **MAJOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 2900 block of West Highway 80.

Support Groups

FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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

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

TUESDAY

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

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

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

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

- A six-week course in Wellness and Quality of Life with Chronic Pain will start Tuesday, Jan. 10, at 6:30 p.m. at Spring Creek Fellowship located in the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-517-4840 for more information.

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

WEDNESDAY

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

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

THURSDAY

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

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

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BSISD

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are looking at leaving. And if they leave, we will look at absorbing the positions."

The ups and downs of the oil industry are having a heavy effect on the district's funding. If values are up, the state of Texas decreases its funding to the district and if values drop, the opposite occurs, Wigington said. Unfortunately, for West Texas school districts, the state bases

its funding off of the previous year's values. For example, if Big Spring ISD sees a drop in values for the upcoming tax year, it collects less local tax revenue in January. At the same time, the district will also receive less state funding because the state bases its numbers off of the previous year's higher values.

This type of funding cycle has hit Big Spring ISD and West Texas schools hard, Wigington said. The district has had to hold on in hopes the cycle comes to some sort of balance. If not, the district will have to

look at cutting back on some of its programs.

"We are going to start looking at programs, which programs we can whittle away, but I don't know which program that can be," he said. "If you have one kid doing something, then that benefits that child. It's hard to cut any type of program. Those are the hard decisions that have to be made and decisions I don't want to make, but if it continues the way its going, then we are going to have to do something."

Other business that occurred dur-

ing the meeting:

- The district is currently seeking to fill by August four to six teaching positions.

- The district will kick off the 2017-2018 school year for its employees with its annual convocation at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum located on the Howard College campus. The event is Aug. 7 and doors open at 8 p.m.

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

JOE

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County and five other counties, so we're included in that," Justice said. "They don't operate on state or federal funding; they solely rely on private donations from us, the public. That right there prompted us to decide that this would be a good place for money from a good show to go."

Victim Services is a non-profit organization which provides support and advocacy for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and all other forms of violent crime.

Justice said Little Joe, who performed in Big Spring with the Big Spring Symphony Orchestra in February, was a natural choice for the benefit.

"We know that Little Joe is extremely popular there in Big Spring," she said. "He's got a lot of hometown ties, we felt like that would be a great show. He was absolutely willing to work with us and come out and do that."

The performer jumped at the chance, she said.

"Little Joe loves Big Spring, of course, and when he saw it was an opportunity to help women and children who are from abusive

relationships - or anybody who finds themselves in an abusive situation, Victim's Services are there to help them - when he found out that is what this is going to benefit, he knew he wanted to be on that ticket," Justice said. "We're very pleased to have him."

A.C. and the Heaters, fronted by Big Spring's Adrian Calvio, will take the stage first, Justice said.

"We'll have A.C. and the Heaters come on, they'll play for an hour, and then the Monty Dawson Band will play for an hour. We're going to look at 30 minute transition times," she said.

Established in 1985, the

Coyote Store cafe and local grocery store has served Borden County and the surrounding communities for more than 30 years.

Tickets for the show are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. The event is "B.Y.O.B.," but no glass containers will be allowed. For tickets, call 432-816-4122 or 432-816-2718, or visit the Big Spring Convention and Visitors Bureau at 113 E. Third St. or the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County at 215 W. Third St.

Contact Staff Writer Roger Cline at 432-263-7331 ext. 232, or by email at life@big-springherald.com.

ROCK

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and see how it went. We are thinking about this could be possibly a once or twice a year thing," said Rodriguez. "Jeremy, the guitar player for Seventh Day Slumber, books all the tours for the RockFest, so he reached out to me and asked if I would be interested in bringing (them) back, so I presented it to my church again and they were all for it, very supportive."

Rodriguez went on to say the purpose of bringing these sort of events to Big Spring is to help connect to the youth through a different medium.

"My ultimate reason for it and my passion is to reach out to the youth. It's just a positive influence knowing that you don't have to do this on your own," Rodriguez said. "I think bringing these positive influences through music, everybody loves music and this is a different way to try and reach the youth."

However, Rodriguez says the music is for everyone and "even if you're not Christian, it's still good music to listen to."

Rodriguez went on to state he hopes the event will grow, and hopefully it can compete with some of the other similar concerts in West Texas, giving people in Big Spring something to look forward to.

"I've gotten a whole lot more positive feedback on this one and eventually I would like to either take it outside or take it to a bigger venue, here in Big Spring of course," said Rodriguez. "As long as we get support and the church sees that there won't be an issue, we're going to try and keep it going as much as possible."

Although this is the last event for the year, Rodriguez is optimistic that he will be back at it in the next year.

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Russian-American lobbyist says he was in Trump son's meeting



In this photo taken July 11, 2017, Donald Trump Jr. is interviewed by host Sean Hannity on his Fox News Channel television program, in New York.

By **DESMOND BUTLER**

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Russian-American lobbyist says he attended a June 2016 meeting with President Donald Trump's son, marking another shift in the account of a discussion that was billed as part of a Russian government effort to help the Republican's White House campaign.

Rinat Akhmetshin confirmed his participation to The Associated Press on Friday. Akhmetshin has been reported to have ties to Russian intelligence agencies, though he denies those links.

The meeting has heightened questions about whether Trump's campaign coordinated with the Rus-

sian government during the election, which is the focus of federal and congressional investigations.

In emails posted by Donald Trump Jr. earlier this week, an associate who arranged the meeting said a Russian lawyer wanted to pass on negative information about Democrat Hillary Clinton and stated that the discussion was part of a Russian government effort to help the GOP candidate.

While Trump Jr. has confirmed that Russian attorney Natalia Veselnitskaya was in the meeting, he did not disclose Akhmetshin's presence.

The president's son has tried to discount the meeting, saying that he did not receive the information he

AP photo

was promised. Akhmetshin said Trump Jr. asked the attorney for evidence of illicit money flowing to the Democratic National Committee, but Veselnitskaya said she didn't have that information. She said the Trump campaign would need to research it more, and after that Trump Jr. lost interest, according to Akhmetshin.

"They couldn't wait for the meeting to end," Akhmetshin said.

Jared Kushner, Trump's son-in-law and current White House senior adviser, and then-campaign chairman Paul Manafort also attended the meeting.

Asked about Akhmetshin's participation in the meeting, Manafort spokesman Jason Maloni declined comment. A spokesman for Kushner did not respond to inquiries, nor did Trump Jr.'s attorney. Akhmetshin said the attorney brought with her a plastic folder with printed-out documents. He said he was unaware of the content of the documents or whether they were provided by the Russian government, and it was unclear whether

she left the materials with the Trump associates.

Akhmetshin said the meeting was "not substantive" and he "actually expected more serious" discussion.

"I never thought this would be such a big deal to be honest," he told AP.

The Russian government has denied any involvement in or knowledge of the June 2016 meeting. Asked Friday about Akhmetshin, Russian President Vladimir Putin's spokesman Dmitry Peskov, told reporters: "We don't know anything about this person."

In reports this week, Akhmetshin has been identified as a former Russian counterintelligence officer. He denied ever serving in such a capacity.

"That is not correct," Akhmetshin said. He said he served in the Soviet Army from 1986 to 1988 after he was drafted but was not trained in spy tradecraft.

Akhmetshin said he has not been contacted by the special counsel's office or the FBI

a b o u t the meeting with Trump Jr., but said he is willing to talk to investigators.

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1 John 4:18

The Lord says, "I will rescue those who love me. I will protect those who trust in my name. When they call on me, I will answer; I will be with them in trouble. I will rescue them and honor them. I will satisfy them with a long life and give them my salvation."
Psalm 91: 14-16

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Solomon asks for wisdom

Sometimes a king and his heir served as co-regents; this gave the young man understanding of national and international politics. He gained experience in dealing with outside pressures as well as providing for the needs of his own subjects.

David had not trained Solomon in this way. Solomon was 18 years old and inexperienced when he suddenly became king. His father died soon after.

Solomon had only the advice of three men of David's administration: Zadok the priest, Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah, who was a trusted general in David's army.

Certain men seeking power were held at bay as long as David was king. Now, Solomon's older brother, Adonijah, still sought to be king.

He did not question Solomon's authority directly. He tried subversion! Adonijah asked for the young virgin who had attended King David during his infirmity to be his wife.

Solomon recognized this as a way of gaining the respect and admiration of the people. To possess even part of David's harem would give Adonijah a claim to the throne.

So, Solomon had Adonijah killed. He also ordered the death of Joab, who had once been David's trusted general. Now Joab backed Adonijah.

Abiathar the priest had supported Adonijah's attempt to usurp the throne. Solomon banished him to leave the service of the Temple and remain at his home in another town.

This effectively removed Abiathar from the priesthood of the Lord, fulfilling the word the Lord

had spoken at Shiloh that Eli's line in the priesthood would end.

When King David was on the run, fleeing from his son Absalom, a man named Shimei had run along a cliff shouting down curses on David.

Now Solomon ordered Shimei to build a house in Jerusalem and to never leave that house. "The day you leave and cross the Kidron Valley, you can be sure you will die; your blood will be on your own head" (1 Kings 2:36, 37).

Finally Solomon had established his rule of Israel and Israel had peace. Throughout his life Solomon ruled Israel...from the Euphrates River to the Mediterranean Sea to Egypt.

At this time, the people were still sacrificing to God at high places all over the land. Solomon went to Gibeon and made a great sacrifice to God. He sacrificed a thousand burnt offerings and held a feast for the people.

Afterwards, God spoke to Solomon in a dream, saying that He was pleased with Solomon's reverence and dedication to Him. And God said, "Ask for whatever you want Me to give you" (1 Kings 3:5).

Solomon's only request was for a discerning heart to give him wisdom in governing God's people and to distinguish between right and wrong.

Again God was pleased with Solomon and He gave Solomon great wisdom. Since Solomon had not asked for riches or power for himself, God granted these things also.

Soon afterward Solomon began building the Temple for the Lord Almighty in Jerusalem.

Eunice Filler, author of "Rachael: Porch Swings and Spearmint Tea" and "Filler Up," is a former school teacher with ties to the Big Spring community. Questions? Fillereunice@yahoo.com.



EUNICE FILLER

Church News

Birdwell Lane Church of Christ

Birdwell Lane church of Christ is located at the southwest corner of 11th Place and Birdwell Lane.

This Sunday, Bible Study at 9 a.m. will explore Psalm 1. Morning Worship at 10 a.m. will focus on "Kingdom." Evening Worship at 5 p.m. will examine 2 Timothy 1:15-18.

On Wednesday Bible Study and Devotional are at 7 p.m. Guest speaker will be Lee Wright from Knott, Texas.

Cornerstone Covenant Church

The people of Cornerstone Covenant Church would like to connect with you. You're invited this week to the following events:

Sunday, July 16: This Sunday CCC continues the current series entitled "Punchcard." Find out how you can engage in Biblical fellowship as the congregation continues to dive into God's Holy Word.

Saturday, Aug. 12: The 10th Annual #B2S (Back To School) Picnic. You're invited to the Community Center in Coahoma from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. for food and fellowship. There will be two water slides (one for kids and one for adults), basketball, volleyball, and a variety of other games to participate in.

Sunday, Aug. 20: CCC is excited about the growth of the church. To better serve the church family and community, they will be adding an additional service. Sunday, Aug. 20, at 9 a.m. will be the launching of CCC's first-ever early morning worship service.

Starfish Program: The first phase of the Starfish program is to assist third-grade children by offering character building principles, academic tutoring, and remedial and reinforcement assistance. Pastor Willard has envisioned CCC's Academic Resource Center as the gathering place for this program. Volunteers are needed to help turn this dream into a reality. If you are interested in being a part and are willing and available to serve in this ministry, contact the church office.

Tenth Anniversary Weekend: CCC's 10th Anniversary is coming up in October. To honor this momentous occasion, a special Anniversary Weekend has been planned. The Anniversary Banquet will be Saturday, Oct. 21, at 6 p.m., in the East Room at Howard College Coliseum, with comedian Fred Thomas. Then, Sunday, Oct. 22, guest speaker Pastor James Edwards will bring the Word of God at both the 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. services.

You're invited to join the congregation every Sunday at 11 a.m. and Wednesday at 7 p.m. for worship.

CCC is located at 706 E. 12th St. For office hours or other questions contact the Administrative Office at 432-264-0015, or email Info@cccbigspring.org. You can also visit facebook.com/CCCBigSpring; or www.cccbigspring.org if you would like more in-

formation.

First United Methodist Church

First United Methodist Church is located just off Gregg Street at the corner of Fourth and Scurry in downtown Big Spring.

The usual Sunday morning schedule includes the 9 a.m. Traditions Service, featuring the pipe organ, trumpet, and hymns; followed by Sunday School, and then The Bridge service at 11 a.m., which features contemporary music led by the Praise Team.

When a month has five Sundays, the church's two worship services will join in a combined worship service. On those "Fifth Sundays", Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m., Worship begins at 10:45 a.m., and a churchwide Pot Luck Dinner will be held at noon. The first "Fifth Sunday Celebration" is coming up on July 30. Worship services are broadcast live each Sunday at 11 a.m. on radio station KXCS-105.5 FM.

This Sunday, Pastor Derrell Patterson will preach a sermon from Romans 8:1-11 entitled "It Takes A Personal Touch." The message focuses on how Jesus brings life through his sacrificial death; the law was just not able to bring us that kind of life.

The church's Youth and College Minister, Beau Niewoehner, will preach on Sunday July 23.

The Wednesday Noon Bible Study meets for lunch and a study in Garrett Hall on Wednesdays. The meal is served at 11:50 a.m. for \$5.

For more information on any activity, please visit the website at www.funmcs.com or phone the church office at 267-6394.

First Church of the Nazarene

Summer's not over yet. The Cedar Road campus of NazFamily will start having "Zone," a VBS, every other week starting July 14 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. There will be lots of messy activities for the kids to enjoy. Kids entering first through fifth grades are welcome.

This Sunday, Pastor Cal will continue the series on Philippians, "Letters from Prison." If you are unable to make the service, be sure and tune in on the NazFamily App or on Facebook for the Live Feed.

Also, get ready for July 30. Pastor Cal will announce this Sunday what both campuses of NazFamily will be doing on July 30.

Nazfamily offers two different types of services. Visit either the 118 Cedar Road Campus inside the New Hope Christian School cafeteria for a contemporary setting, or the 1400 Lancaster campus, which is more traditional Sunday Service beginning at 10 a.m. On Wednesday at 6 p.m., the Cedar Road Campus has a meal, Bible study, and children's and youth activities. At 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, the Lancaster campus has prayer and children's and youth activities. Oth-

er small groups meet throughout the week. If you are interested pick up a small group bulletin. For more information contact the church office at 432-267-7015.

Alive in Christ Lutheran Church LCMS

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Alive in Christ is located at 2805 Lynn Drive in the Kentwood neighborhood in Big Spring. Contact the church at 432-264-7818, or by e-mail at aliveinchristtx@gmail.com.

Bible study and Sunday School begin at 9:30 a.m., and Sunday service begins at 10:30 a.m. If you are new to the area or haven't been to church before or in a while, please accept this as an invitation to join us this Sunday.

Bo Vizcaino will present the scripture readings this week.

Tune in to KBYG on 106.3 FM or 1400 AM between 6:45 and 6:50 every morning for a devotional entitled "Morning Meditation Thoughts," sponsored in part by the Lutheran Hour. Also tune in every Sunday morning at 8:30 to listen to the Lutheran Hour.

Blessed Hands Deaf Church

The people of BHDC invite you to worship with them Sunday at 10:50 a.m. or 2 p.m. Pastor Jim Waltherhouse will bring a message from God's Holy Word, and the congregation will offer thanks and praise to the risen Savior, Jesus Christ. Currently, Blessed Hands Deaf Church meets inside First Baptist Church at 705 W FM 700. For more information about BHDC, including Wednesday evening schedule and activities, contact Pastor Jim at jwaltherhouse@gmail.com.

First Baptist Church

"For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him will not perish, but have eternal life" John 3:16.

The people of First Baptist Church invite you to join them Sunday at 10:50 as they come together in worship of the King of Kings, Jesus Christ. Pastor Mark Lindsey continues the sermon series "Follow God," and Sunday's message is titled "Counting the Cost." Drawn from Mark 8:31-38, listeners will ponder Jesus' bold declaration regarding His imminent sufferings, and be compelled to be more mindful of the things of God and His purposes, rather than the things of

Go along to get along

What is truth? Each and every person must come to grips with that question. These days, some will say that truth is whatever seems right to you.

They have no problem with the fact that you may believe something different than they believe. However, when your truth leaves no room for their truth, now we start to have a problem. The same people who, moments earlier, were sitting cross-legged, eyes closed, swaying, holding hands, and singing, "All we are saying is give peace a chance," are, all of a sudden, in your face yelling and screaming because you are an evil, intolerant bigot and deserve to die a horrible, excruciating death. Okay, I've never had this happen to me, but I have seen similar outbursts on the internet (isn't technology wonderful).

You can go around and try to tell people that Jesus was a good guy and he did some good things for people back in the day and he said some good things. If that is as far as you go, then people probably won't get mad at you. It's when you start getting exclusive that people have a problem. And that's the problem with many who profess to be followers of Christ. We "go along to get along." I will say just enough but not too much so people won't get mad at me. After all, Christians are supposed to be all about peace, right?

In Matthew 10:34-36, Jesus says, "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. And a person's enemies will be those of his own household" (ESV).

Jesus makes very exclusive statements. John 14:6, "Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me'" (ESV). His apostles also made very exclusive statements as well. Acts 4:11-12, "This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved" (ESV).

God's word tells people to do things that they don't want to do. God's word also tells people not to do things that they want to do. What are we going to do? Will we do what God wants or will we do what we want to do? What will we tell others? Will we not say anything so we can "keep the peace" at home or at work or even among those with whom we worship?

The sword that Jesus brought was the word of God. Hebrews 4:12-13, "For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account" (ESV).

If I only trust in myself, then I will do what I want to do. When my life is over and I stand before the Lord in judgment and have to give an account for my thoughts, words, and actions (or the lack thereof), will my excuse be that I didn't want to make my coworkers mad at me or upset my family members because the Bible teaches things that they did not believe?

John 3:36, "Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him" (ESV).

Greg Surles is the preacher at Birdwell Lane Church of Christ.

this world and men. Marc Couch will lead worshippers in a selection of music, which will include: "Arise," "How Great is Our God," "Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine," "I Believe in a Hill Called Mount Calvary," and "Bow the Knee." Marc Couch will honor God with the special music offering "Your Mercy." If you are unable to attend, you may join the service through the live stream on the website at fbcbigspring.org.

At 9:30 a.m. each week, Sunday School groups meet throughout the building, with teens, college students, and adults gathering in second floor classrooms. Children come together in the Good News Garage on the first floor before dispersing to grade level classes.

Greeters are available to help you find your class. Come early to enjoy a time of fellowship and some coffee.

At 5:30, everyone is invited to the Summer Sunday night study "I Am A Church Member" by Thom Rainer. It will be held in the Family Life Center, and the study is for everyone age five years and up. Nursery will be available for younger children. A light supper will be provided, followed by a time of worship, then small group discussion of the material. The study is designed so that you can join in at any time.

All area women and men are welcome to participate in Bible Study groups each Monday evening through Aug. 14. Women meet at 5:30 p.m. in the church dining room, and the



GREG SURLES

Reflections: When suicide strikes

Four years ago, Rick Warren's son, Matthew, ended his life with a self-inflicted gunshot. Rick Warren is author of one of the bestselling books of all time, *The Purpose Driven Life*, with more than 20 million copies sold worldwide. Rick and his wife, Kay, have been open about their grief and the long struggle with their son's mental illness that led up to his suicide. Warren's church described Matthew as "an incredibly kind, gentle and compassionate young man whose sweet spirit was encouragement and comfort to many. Unfortunately, he also suffered from mental illness resulting in deep depression and suicidal thoughts."



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Virtually every family has been touched, directly or indirectly, by suicide and its painful aftermath. According to the World Health Organization, almost one million people die of suicide worldwide each year, a rate of 16 per 100,000, up 60 percent over the last 45 years. It is among the top three causes of death for those ages 15 to 44 and the leading cause of death for those ages 10 to 24. More teenagers and young adults die by suicide each year than by AIDS, birth defects, heart

disease, cancer, and influenza combined. Placed in historic context, we may well be experiencing a global suicide epidemic.

Researchers have dubbed Montana, Alaska, New Mexico, Wyoming, Utah, Idaho, and Colorado the "suicide belt" because of their high rates of suicide. Suicide's social stigma coupled with fear, embarrassment, grief, and spiritual misunderstanding may contribute to our inability to address helpful solutions. But, increasingly, churches are seeking ways to help people who wrestle with this deadly emotional illness.

Frank Page, President of the Southern Baptist Executive Committee, lost his 32-year-old daughter to suicide in 2009. His book, *Melissa: A Father's Lessons from a Daughter's Suicide*, was published in 2013. He writes, "Did you ever wonder where God was when you sat up at night asking questions that had no solvable answers? Did you ever doubt His love and goodness? Did you feel abandoned by Him? Deserted? Alone?"

"I understand if you did. I understand if you still do. Suicide is not a situation that lends itself to casual conversations with God. It hurts. And more than that, it seems as though He could have prevented it all if He'd wanted to. At those times when the loss seems the most impossible to bear, at times

when you can't believe what your child is doing or has done to themselves, it can feel like God is nowhere this side of heaven to offer all that comfort His Word so confidently promises.

"But I can tell you by the testimony of Scripture, He is strong enough to weather our hot accusations against Him, patient enough to withstand our desire to seek distance from Him (though such a thing is, of course, theologically impossible), and compassionate enough to feel emotion at the deep, hollow anguish that can often stand between us and our tottering faith."

Whenever we feel despair, we can trust that there is yet hope and a future. Listen to the Psalm, "Why are you in despair, O my soul? And why have you become disturbed within me? Hope in God, for I shall again praise Him for the help of His presence. ... Deep calls to deep at the sound of your waterfalls; all your breakers and your waves have rolled over me. The Lord will command His lovingkindness in the daytime; and His song will be with me in the night" (Psalms 42).

Bill Tinsley reflects on current events and life experience from a faith perspective. Email bill@tinsleycenter.com. Visit www.tinsleycenter.com for more info.

CHURCH

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study is "Finding I Am" by Lisa TerKeurst. Call Courtney at 432-634-0462 or Lindsey at 405-308-3357 for more information. Men meet at 6 in room 210, and the study is "Wild at Heart" by John Eldredge. Call 267-8223 for details.

Summerama continues each Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and is for children going into first through seventh grades. Under the direction of Morgan Metcalf, this Bible-based program is a fun time of activities and field trips which focus on helping kids enjoy their summer while learning about Jesus Christ. Call 267-8223 to find out about signing up your youngsters.

Mother's Day Out also meets Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Contact Tracy Boeker at 267-8223 for information about available openings for your little ones.

Wednesday evening activities begin at 6 p.m. each week. July 19, there will be no youth or children's activities due to many being gone on mission opportunities. Adult Bible study and prayer time, and adult choir practice will meet.

It is almost time for "Backpack Blessings" which means it's time to shop for school supplies...(yes, already!). The church will be handing out the gathered supplies through the Mission Center on Thursday, Aug. 10. Bring your purchased supplies to the church, or give a designated cash donation and the church will buy the school supply items. For more information call 267-8223.

FBC is located at 705 W. FM 700.

First Christian Church

First Christian Church is located at 911 Goliad St. Big Spring. They open their doors at 9:15 for morning fellowship each Sunday. Sunday school is at 9:45 a.m. and Worship begins at 10:50 a.m.

This Sunday, July 16, 2017, the Rev. Sandy Sandlin will preach a sermon called "Focus," which is taken from Colossians 3:1-4. Assisting Rev. Sandlin in worship will be Linda Miracle, who will be the Liturgist. Serving at the Lord's Table will be Shirley Lee and Dan Miracle. Greeters will be Dan and Linda Miracle.

Helping to enhance worship with their music are Choir Director Tara Trowbridge and Music Director Lawrence Thibeault. A few selections they are preparing are, "O How I Love Jesus," "Precious Name," and "Softly and Tenderly."

If you have any questions regarding services or goings on at First Christian Church, please call 432-517-4821 for more information.

Spring Creek Fellowship

Look for the Spring Creek Blessing Box just outside the front doors of the church building. Everyone is

welcome to take what they need, and donations are greatly appreciated. If you are interested in participating in the "Our Daily Bread Food Pantry" ministry, would like to make a donation, or need more information, please contact Kay Elder.

"People Caring for People" is a ministry serving local widows with small projects and "honey do" kinds of things. This ministry has no operating budget, so repairs are made with donations. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, either in a "hands on" way or by donation, please contact Bob Abendshan at 432-528-7397.

The Women's Ministry Bible Study called "Becoming Myself: Embracing God's Dream of You" by Stasi Eldredge. Classes start at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday evenings. For more info contact Adrianna Kocak or Janna Thompson.

The new Connection Group for ladies on Sunday mornings called "Uninvited: Living Loved When You Feel Less Than, Left Out, and Lonely" by Lisa TerKeurst begins July 16.

SCF Kid Connection will meet each month during the summer. More info to come about the July event. Kid Connection will start back up on a weekly basis when school starts.

Carla Mosely is requesting help with funds for a kidney transplant she needs soon. Carla has set up GoFundMe accounts and Spring Creek asks you to consider donating to her cause.

The Men's Ministry is working through a study called "Spiritual Warfare" by David Jeremiah on Thursdays at 7 p.m.

Spring Creek Fellowship's children connection group is in great need of two pre-k thru kindergarten teachers, and another teacher for first and second grade. Dana Tompkins is the teacher for this class, but she could use some help. Contact Donna Wennik for more information.

Spring Creek has set a goal of 90 percent participation in church ministries and will be focusing on two ministries each Sunday morning to get the word out about what is available. Stop by the Connections Table in the garden area to get more information. Join the "90% Club" by getting involved.

The Nursery needs workers on Sunday mornings. If you have a heart for children and would like to give some of your time loving on Spring Creek's smallest members, please contact Donna Wennik.

Parents who want to keep up and share in their children's Sunday Bible Lessons may go to www.springcreekfellowship.com.

org for the information. Just click on "Kid Connect" for past and current lessons.

The Worship Team is fundraising for eight wireless/in-ear monitors. If you would be interested in donating to this fundraiser, please contact Clint Bratcher.

"Let the Morning Bring", a downloadable song as well as a few other songs written and performed by our own Spring Creek Fellowship Worship Team, is on iTunes. If you would like to get these songs, download at <https://itunes.apple.com/us/album/let-the-morning-bring-single/id1176877429>

Men's Bible Study meets on Thursday nights from 7 to 9 p.m. The title of the study is "Ephesians."

Check out the Spring Creek App. With this app you can learn about upcoming events, make tithes/donations, leave messages, send prayer requests, and follow prayer. Search your app store for "Spring Creek Fellowship" and download. Be sure to allow notifications when given the option, those messages are generated by the church office to keep you updated about upcoming events and much more.

Weekly Happenings:

Sunday-8:15 a.m.-Classical Worship Service

9:15-10:15 a.m.-Sunday School/Connection Groups

10:15 a.m.-10:45 a.m.-"Holy Grounds Café" is open with snacks and fellowship.

10:45 a.m.-Noon-Worship Service 5 p.m. Prayer Meeting

8:30 p.m.-"Becoming Myself: Embracing God's Dream of You" by Stasi Eldredge

Tuesday- Noon- Narcotics Anonymous

6:30 p.m.-Pain Management Group

Wednesday- Community Groups-various times and places

Thursday 7 p.m.-"Spiritual Warfare" Men's Bible Study

Friday- 7-8 p.m.- Narcotics Anonymous

Saturday- 7:30 a.m.-Weekly Men's Prayer Breakfast & Fellowship

Spring Creek Fellowship meets at the Spring Town Plaza at 1801 E. FM 700 in Big Spring, Texas. Contact the

church at 432-714-4584, or visit www.springcreekfellowship.org.

"Every Member a Minister"-1 Peter 4:10 NKJV

Crestview Baptist Church

This Sunday morning, Crestview will continue a study in the Epistle to the Hebrews in Sunday School at 10 a.m. The worship service will be at 11 a.m., and Pastor Tom Lassiter will preach from John 16:16-22. Sunday night at 6:30 p.m., Pastor Lassiter will finish a message on "Our Spiritual Exodus," from Colossians 1:13-14. On Wednesday night at 6:30 p.m., he will teach on the subject of "Exclusivism vs. Inclusivism." If you don't know what this means, come and find out. Crestview is at 2305 Gatesville Rd. in Big Spring.

Forsan Baptist Church

This week's message comes from Romans 8:18-39, and is called "Future Glory."

The annual church block party will take place on July 29 beginning at 6 p.m. There will be food, games, bounce houses, and activities for all ages.

Children's activities on Wednesdays have concluded for the summer and will resume when school starts in August. The Bible study geared toward adults on Wednesday evenings at 6 continues throughout the year.

Forsan Baptist Church is located at 201 Main in Forsan. Sunday School begins at 9:50, with worship services at 10:50 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday services begin at 6 p.m. Rides for all youth activities are available if arranged ahead of time. Call the church at 432-457-2342 or Pastor Darren Weaver at 432-213-2348.

West Highway 80 Church of Christ

"Where spirits are fed, souls are saved, and the body is at work."

This week, guest speaker Bro. Anthony C. Fletcher Sr. from Barrett Station Church of Christ will speak for the Summer Gospel Meeting. The theme will be "Moving forward with the Lord" from the book of Joshua 1:1-11. On Sunday, July 16, Sunday morning Bible study is at 9:30 a.m., and Sunday morning worship service is at 10:45 a.m. Evening worship is at 7 p.m. nightly from July 17 through July 19. Everyone is invited.

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Said 3 consecutive days; after 3 days request will be granted.

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Mother says cops took phone after she videoed sons' arrests

DALLAS (AP) — A woman says police in the Dallas suburb of Arlington offered to drop charges against her two teenage sons in exchange for cellphone video she shot that she says shows an officer needlessly pushing her older son to the ground and arresting him.

The Next Generation Action Network, a Dallas-based group that lobbies against police violence, posted the video on its Facebook page Wednesday and scheduled a news conference for Thursday that will include the boys' mother, Latasha Nelson.

Dominique Alexander, a group spokesman, says Nelson alleges that police took her cellphone while making the July 3 arrests and offered to drop the charges in exchange for the video when she went to retrieve her phone. He says the video was backed up to the cloud, which enabled her to let the group post it online.

Man detained after standoff at Dallas apartment complex

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas police say a standoff has ended peacefully with nobody found inside an apartment where someone earlier shot through a front door at officers serving a warrant.

Maj. Jimmy Vaughan says a man believed to have been in the apartment, who exited with several other individuals after the shot was fired Thursday morning, has been detained. Vaughan had no immediate information on charges.

Nobody was hurt. Dallas police say the incident began as officers tried to serve an aggravated assault warrant around 6 a.m. Thursday and someone shot through a door.

Vaughan says police did not return fire. Several people then came out of the apartment.

Officers treated the situation as a barricaded person until tactical officers, after about 5½ hours, entered the unit and found it unoccupied.

Texas plan would tap lottery revenue for teacher bonuses

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick wants to spend \$700 million annually in Texas lottery revenue on bonuses for veteran teachers.

The leader of the Texas Senate said Thursday that the lottery raises about \$1 billion yearly for education. A proposed amendment to the Texas Constitution that he'll support during the upcoming special legislative session would force school districts to use most of that on pay bumps for teachers with at least six years of experience and retirees with 20 or more years' experience.

Gov. Greg Abbott wants to increase teacher pay by \$1,000 annually during the special session, but there's no extra state budget funding.

Small plane crashes after departing Texas airport, killing 2

TYLER, Texas (AP) — Two people are dead after a twin-engine plane crashed into a pasture shortly after taking off from an East Texas airport.

Tyler police spokesman Don Martin says the plane went down Thursday morning within a mile from city-owned Tyler Pounds Regional Airport.

The pilot and a passenger, the only two aboard, died at the scene and authorities have not released their identities.

Martin says one of the victims was from the Tyler area.

He declined to say where the plane was headed and said it's too early to know the cause of the wreck. The Texas Department of Public Safety and Federal Aviation Administration are involved in the investigation.

Oil pipeline rupture in Texas spills 1,200 barrels of crude

BASTROP, Texas (AP) — Authorities say about 50,000 gallons (189,000 liters) of crude oil spilled after a contractor accidentally cut an underground pipeline in Central Texas.

A spokesman for Magellan Midstream Partners, Bruce Heine, says the contractor was conducting maintenance Thursday morning when he struck a fitting on the Longhorn pipeline system, causing the spill at the rural site near Bastrop, about 30 miles east of Austin.

Heine says the spill leaked about 1,200 barrels of crude. He says no one was hurt in the spill.

Magellan, of Tulsa, Oklahoma, has shut off the pipeline and cleanup has begun at the site.

Woman dies after being found in van at Texas care center

AP-TX-State Care Facility-Woman Dies
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Eds: APNewsNow.

BRENHAM, Texas (AP) — A disabled woman living at a state care center has died after she was found inside a van at the facility in Brenham.

Carrie Williams, spokeswoman for the Texas Health and Human Services Commission, says the woman was missing for several hours Tuesday before being found in the van.

Williams says the woman was a resident of the Brenham State Supported Living Center and may have died from heat exposure.

It's not clear if the mentally impaired woman wandered into the van or may have been left inside upon returning from a trip.

Two employees of the center were reassigned from roles directly caring for residents. An investigation into the death is ongoing.

The Eagle newspaper reports that more than 250 people with intellectual and developmental disabilities live at the center.

Face scans for US citizens flying abroad stir privacy issues

By FRANK BAJAK and DAVID KOENIG
Associated Press

HOUSTON (AP) — If the Trump administration gets its way, U.S. citizens boarding international flights will have to submit to a face scan, a plan privacy advocates call a step toward a surveillance state.

The Department of Homeland Security says it's the only way to successfully expand a program that tracks nonimmigrant foreigners. They have been required by law since 2004 to submit to biometric identity scans — but to date have only had their fingerprints and photos collected prior to entry.

Now, DHS says it's finally ready to implement face scans on departure — aimed mainly at better tracking visa overstays but also at tightening security.

It says it won't keep the face scans of U.S. citizens, but privacy advocates are skeptical and say Homeland Security is overstepping its authority.

"Congress authorized scans of foreign nationals. DHS heard that and decided to scan everyone. That's not how a democracy is supposed to work," said Alvaro Bedoya, executive director of the Center on Privacy and Technology at Georgetown University.

Trials begun under the Obama administration are underway at six U.S. airports — Boston, Chicago, Houston, Atlanta, Kennedy Airport in New York City and Dulles in the Washington, D.C., area. DHS aims to have high-volume U.S. international airports engaged beginning next year.

During the trials, passengers will be able to opt out. But a DHS assessment of the privacy impact indicates that won't always be the case. "The only way for an individual to ensure he or she is not subject to collection of biometric information when traveling internationally is to refrain from traveling," says the June 12 document on the website of Customs and Border Protection, which runs the DHS program.

John Wagner, the Customs deputy executive assistant commissioner in charge of the program, confirmed in an interview that U.S. citizens departing on international flights will submit to face scans.

Wagner says the agency has no plans to retain the biometric data of U.S. citizens and will delete all scans of them within 14 days. However, he doesn't rule out CBP keeping them in the future after going "through the appropriate privacy reviews and approvals."

A CBP spokeswoman, Jennifer Gabris, said the agency has not yet examined whether what would require a law change.

Privacy advocates say making the scans mandatory for U.S. citizens pushes the nation



U.S. Customs and Border Protection supervisor Erik Gordon, center, helps a passenger navigate one of the new facial recognition kiosks at a United Airlines gate before boarding a flight to Tokyo, Wednesday, July 12, 2017, at George Bush Intercontinental Airport, in Houston. The Trump administration intends to require that American citizens boarding international flights submit to face scans, something Congress has not explicitly approved and privacy advocates consider an ill-advised step toward a surveillance state.

toward a Big Brother future of pervasive surveillance where local and state police and federal agencies, and even foreign governments, could leverage citizens collected "digital faceprints" to track them wherever they go.

Jay Stanley, an American Civil Liberties Union senior policy analyst, says U.S. law enforcement and security agencies already exert "sufficient gravitational pulls in wanting to record and track what masses of individuals are doing," he says.

Sen. Edward Markey, D-Mass., said U.S. citizens should be able to opt out.

"I intend to closely monitor this facial recognition program to ensure that Americans can say 'no' to being subject to facial recognition and that DHS and airlines are fully transparent with the public about their future plans," he said in an emailed statement.

A network of government databases collects face scans from mugshots, driver's license and other images.

In an October report, the Georgetown center estimated more than one in four U.S. state and local law enforcement agencies can run or request face-recognition searches and federal agencies including the IRS have all had access to one or more state or local face recognition systems.

Bedoya said the images of at least 130 million U.S. adults in 29 states are stored in face recognition databases.

The FBI alone has more than 30 million photos in a single database, and New York state recently announced it would begin scanning the faces of drivers entering New York City bridges and tunnels. Another DHS initiative worrying privacy advocates is TSA's Precheck, the voluntary program designed to speed enrollees through airport security with more than 5 million enrollees.

Participants are not being told the digital fingerprints and

biographical data they submit for background checks when enrolling are retained in an FBI identity database for life, said Jeramie Scott, an attorney with the Electronic Privacy Information Center, a public interest nonprofit. Since last month, trials that let enrollees use a digital fingerprint scanner to speed through TSA security are underway in Atlanta and Denver.

EPIC worries not just about potential governmental abuse but also the vulnerability to hackers. In the 2015 breach of the federal Office of Personnel Management, 5.6 million sets of fingerprint images were stolen.

The biometric exit endeavor will cost billions. That's partly because U.S. airports don't have dedicated secure immigration areas for departing international flights. Domestic and international passengers commingle in the same concourses.

Currently, foreigners arriving in the U.S. submit to photo and digital fingerprint recording but there are no "exit" scans. U.S. citizens are subject to neither; their photos are digitally stored in a microchip in their passports with biographical data.

In written testimony to Congress in May,

CBP said U.S. citizens leaving on international flights cannot be exempted from face scans because 1) It's not practical to run separate boarding systems for citizens and non-citizens and 2) Scanning U.S. citizens' passports will ensure they don't travel on a passport not their own.

"This is a technologically advanced way to check identity as opposed to the 'analog' way it happens now," said DHS spokeswoman Jenny Burke.

Face recognition technology is getting better, but is far from perfect, however. A smile recorded at the gate could, for example, trigger a mismatch when compared to a serious gaze in a passport photo.

Even the most accurate systems fail 5 percent to 10 percent of the time, said Anil Jain, a Michigan State professor. Robert Mann, an aviation consultant in Port Washington, New York, said such a failure rate would be "a non-starter" by slowing the boarding process. Congress last year approved up to \$1 billion over the next decade collected from visa fees to get the program rolling technically. That won't cover the additional border agents needed for gate checks, for starters.

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At 37, Venus Williams looking for a 6th Wimbledon title

By CHRIS LEHOURITES

AP Sports Writer

LONDON (AP) — Even at 37 and with five Wimbledon titles to her name, Venus Williams still has that overwhelming desire to win.

And she's showing it again this year at the All England Club, where she will face Garbine Muguruza on Saturday in her ninth Wimbledon final.

"I'm definitely in the position I want to be in," Williams said. "It's a long two weeks. Now, knocking on the door for a title. This is where I want to be."

Williams has quite a history at the grass-court major, winning her first Grand Slam title in London in 2000. The last of her seven majors came at the same place in 2008.

Shortly after that, in 2011, Williams announced she had Sjogren's disease, an energy-sapping illness that also can cause joint pain. She missed some big tournaments, and made several early exits at the majors.

But she has bounced back, playing some of her best tennis over the last 12 months. She reached the Wimbledon semifinals last year, and the Australian Open final this year.

On Saturday, she'll be playing for the Venus Rosewater Dish for the ninth time in her 20th Wimbledon appearance.

"There's still a lot to be done. I have one more match that I'd like to be the winner of," Williams said. "I have to go out there and take it and play well."

The person on the other side of the net also has experience of playing in the last weekend on Centre Court. The 23-year-old Muguruza played for the title in 2015, losing to Venus' little sister, Serena Williams.

Serena isn't at Wimbledon this year because she is pregnant and taking the rest of the season off. But Venus will likely be checking in with her for some advice ahead of Saturday's match.

"Serena did play her in a final," Venus said. "I definitely will ask her. I'm sure she's going to give me hopefully some things that will make a difference for me in the match."

Muguruza, however, beat Serena to win the French Open title in 2016. And she's expecting the same kind of atmosphere despite the unfamiliar opponent.

"I don't think it's going to be different. A final is a final," Muguruza said. "Only one's going to win. ... The racket has to talk."

Besides her experience on the court, Muguruza will also have some experience behind her off it. She has been working with 1994 Wimbledon champion Conchita Martinez

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Venus Williams of the United States celebrates after beating Britain's Johanna Konta in their Women's Singles semifinal match on day nine at the Wimbledon Tennis Championships in London Thursday, July 13, 2017.

AP photo

Lakers' Lonzo Ball posts triple-double, this time in Adidas



AP photo

Los Angeles Lakers' Lonzo Ball blocks a shot by Los Angeles Clippers' Jawun Evans during the first half of an NBA summer league basketball game, Friday, July 7, 2017, in Las Vegas.

By KAREEM COPELAND

AP Sports Writer

Lonzo Ball had another strong performance in the NBA Summer League, this time in another brand of footwear.

Ball's Los Angeles Lakers defeated the Cleveland Cavaliers 94-83 in tournament play on Thursday. A night after a 36-point, eight-rebound, 11-assist performance, Ball had 16 points, 12 assists and 10 rebounds against Cleveland.

Thursday's winners advanced to the quarterfinal round on Saturday with Portland playing San Antonio, Miami facing Memphis, Dallas against Boston and the Lakers meeting Brooklyn.

Ball created quite a sensation Wednesday when, instead of his own ZO2 shoes, which sell for \$495 under his family's independent fashion line Big Baller Brand, he wore Nike Kobe AD sneakers. Ball kept people guessing Thursday when he jogged onto the court in a pair of James Harden signature Adidas.

"Big Baller Brand, you've got freedom to do whatever you want," Ball said on the ESPN broadcast after the game. "I'm showcasing that."

Ball showed off the gifted passing skills that president of basketball operations Magic Johnson coveted

before the draft. He tossed alley-oop passes, outlets for dunks, kick-outs for jumpers and nifty passes in traffic. It was the third straight game of double-digit assists for Ball.

Fellow first-round draft pick Kyle Kuzma continued his strong summer with 20 points and a nail-in-the-coffin 3-pointer with 1:00 left off an assist by Ball to go up 90-81. The 2016-17 NBA Development League MVP Vander Blue finished with 18 points for the Lakers (3-2).

Point guard Kay Felder carried Cleveland (3-1) with 25 points.

In other action:
SPURS 86, PELICANS 81
Bryn Forbes, the summer league's leading scorer, continued his summer onslaught with 29 points and five assists in the Spurs' victory.

The Spurs guard has been a terror for opposing teams as San Antonio improved to 3-1 in Vegas. Forbes began the day averaging a summer league-high 29.3 points in the first three games after going undrafted in 2016. The former Michigan State Spartan knocked down a crossover, pull-up 3-pointer from the top of the arc to give the Spurs an 81-78 lead with 1:02 remaining in the game. San Antonio never trailed again.

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The Latest: Play in men's semifinals starts at Wimbledon



AP photo

Sam Querrey of the United States celebrates after beating Britain's Andy Murray at the end of their Men's Singles Quarterfinal Match on day nine at the Wimbledon Tennis Championships in London Wednesday, July 12, 2017.

LONDON (AP) — The Latest from Wimbledon (all times local):

1:10 p.m.
Play in the men's semifinals at Wimbledon has started.

Marin Cilic is serving to Sam Querrey in the opening game on Centre Court.

The winner of the match will face either Roger Federer or Tomas Berdych in Sunday's final. Federer and

Berdych will play in the second match on Centre Court.

12:45 p.m.
In search of an eighth Wimbledon title, Roger Federer will play for a place in his 11th final at the All England Club.

The 18-time Grand Slam champion will face 2010 finalist Tomas Berdych in the semifinals Friday on Centre Court.

Federer is 18-6 against

Berdych, but the 11th-seeded Czech quarterfinalist during his run to the final seven years ago.

In the first semifinal match, seventh-seeded Marin Cilic of Croatia will face Sam Querrey. The 24th-seeded American eliminated defending champion Andy Murray in the quarterfinals.

Timely Tim: Tebow hits first pro walk-off HR for St. Lucie

By BILL WHITEHEAD

Associated Press

PORT ST. LUCIE, Fla. — Tim Tebow seems to have found his stroke since getting back to his home state.

Tebow hit the first game-ending home run of his pro baseball career Thursday night, lifting the Class A St. Lucie Mets over the Daytona Tortugas 5-4 in a seven-inning game.

The former NFL quarterback went deep with one out against Cincinnati Reds farmhand Austin Orewiler, smacking a first-pitch fastball over the fence in left field. Tebow was doused with Gatorade and mobbed by teammates when he reached home plate.

"It was fun to celebrate with all the guys," Tebow said.

The 29-year-old Tebow said it was his first walk-off homer since his junior year at Nease High School in Ponte Vedra Beach, near Jacksonville. The former Florida quarterback did not play his senior year in order to focus on football.

"(The high school homer) was for the district championship. That felt pretty good, but this one was special," Tebow said.

It's his third home run in 16 Florida State League games following a promotion from Class A Columbia, and his sixth home run in 80 games

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DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0305345 DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jun 16, 2017 Status/Permit No. 825431 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Jul 21, 2017 Address: Railroad Commission of Texas ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit P. O. Box 12967 Austin, Texas 78711-2967 Fax: (512) 463-6780 Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the CINNABAR OPERATING, LLC, [RRC Operator No. 153510] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 9, Bk. 34 T2S, WADE RR CO Survey, A-517, GARDEN CITY, S. (WOLFCAMP) and JAILHOUSE (FUSSELMAN) Fields, GLASSCOCK County, being 16 miles SW direction from BIG SPRING, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protest should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 (512)463-6751.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Jul 21, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED

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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD:GARDEN CITY, S. (WOLFCAMP)

Lease/Unit Name:MAT-THEW D Lease/Unit Well No.:0906 Lease/Unit Acres:80.08 Nearest Lease Line (ft):329.0

Lease Lines:29.0 F East L, 1300.0 F North L Survey Lines:1300.0 F North L, 1350.0 F West L Wellbore Profile(s):Directional Bottom Hole: BH1

BH County: GLASSCOCK Section: 9Block: 34Abstract: 517 Survey: WADE RR CO Lease Lines:329.0 F WEST L 1040.0 F SOUTH L Survey Lines:1600.0 F NORTH L 1650.0 F WEST L

FIELD:JAILHOUSE (FUSSELMAN)

Lease Lines:29.0 F East L, 1300.0 F North L Survey Lines:1300.0 F North L, 1350.0 F West L Wellbore Profile(s):Directional Bottom Hole: BH1 BH County: GLASSCOCK Section: 9Block: 34Abstract: 517 Survey: WADE RR CO Lease Lines:1040.0 F SOUTH L 329.0 F WEST L Survey Lines:1650.0 F WEST L 1600.0 F NORTH L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows: GARDEN CITY, S. (WOLFCAMP) : Special Rules330/0, 160.0 acres. Optional Rules330/0, 80.0 acres.

JAILHOUSE (FUSSELMAN) : OIL Special Rules467/660, 160.0 acres. OIL Optional Rules467/660, 40.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 11000 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Will Cook, at (682)9909141.

#9429 June 23, 30 & July 7, 14, 2017

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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality



Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision for Municipal Solid Waste Permit

Proposed Permit No. 2392 APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. Glasscock County, 117 E. Currie, Garden City, Texas 79739, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a permit to authorize the Glasscock County Landfill, a Type I AE Municipal Solid Waste landfill. The facility is proposed to be located 1.2 miles southeast of the intersection of RR 33 and RM 461 at Drumright Rd. in Glasscock County, Texas. The TCEQ received this application on July 21, 2016. The following link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided

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as a public courtesy and is not part of the application or notice: https://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610(index.html?lat=32.06469&lng=101.472088&zoom=13&type=r. For exact location, refer to application.

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at the Glasscock County Courthouse located at 117 E. Currie, Garden City, Texas 79739.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ holds a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing. OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments and the Executive Director's decision on the application will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision. A person who may be affected by the proposed facility is entitled to request a contested case hearing from the commission. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

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Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. The Commission may only grant a request for a contested case hearing on issues the requestor submitted in their timely comments that were not subsequently withdrawn.

If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact or mixed questions of fact and law that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application submitted during the comment period.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing, or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. To be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. All public comments and requests must be submitted within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice either electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. If you choose to communicate with the TCEQ electronically, please be aware that your

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email address, like your physical mailing address, will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ's Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 800-687-4040. Si desea informacion en español, puede llamar al 800-687-4040.

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Moss Creek Resources, LLC vs Evelyn Robertson

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

Issued and given under my hand seal of said court at office on this the 25th day of May, 2017

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#9451 July 14 & 21, 2017

Tomorrow's Horoscope



HOLIDAY MATHIS

Neptune's Retrograde Resonates With the Pisces Moon

Neptune's retrograde resonance with the watery Pisces moon reminds us that while a reasonable series of moves can take you from Point A to Point B, an unreasonable one will take you past the alphabet, through the numeric system and beyond the emoji landscape, too. How far do you want to go with that wild imagina-

tion?

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Taking care of your soul is important work, and you're not the only one responsible for it, either. The ones you love and those who love you will pitch in with gusto.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Sure, some mistakes are avoidable. But if you didn't or couldn't, well, it's a useless regret. Anyway, mistakes are for the adventurous, a sign that you're trying something new.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The value of persistence cannot be underestimated today. Every time you are knocked down, get up and try and do and do and try. This is the only way to break through.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your imagination is so powerful that it will not only take you from here to there; it will take you beyond -- to the "theres" that are brought into existence the moment you envision them.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). It's OK not to be right very often. Those who need to be right all of the time are living in a very small bubble of their own certainty. What scale do you choose? Maybe it really is a small world, but the universe is massive.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Mastery demands full attention. The barrier between you and the mastery you seek is atmospheric. There are others who need your attention. To get to the next level, go where there is no competition for your attention.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You don't always know the thing you do that gives value to another person. But once it happens, and that value is exchanged, you'll be onto yet another one of your talents. This one is worth cultivating further.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You experience your thoughts and feelings as separate from the rest, and yet you are

in, of and all about the rest. There is no getting around it. You are part of this whole thing and this whole thing is part of you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Any chance to widen your circle of compassion will be wonderful for you. Yes, it's true that it won't always feel nice. Uncomfortable things will happen in the name of diversity, but diversity always makes us better.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You've exhausted a lot of the excitement supply of your own vicinity. Back to the drawing board. You'll be surprised at what you can see when you ask your mind to come up with a preview of coming attractions.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Every difficulty is an opportunity. No one ever grew up big, strong and wise by having what they needed handed to them on a silver platter. The best people work at it.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). If the enemy is within (and the most formidable enemies always are) then liberating yourself from yourself is the warrior-like task that will both free and alter you.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 14). You're the ringleader of this circus with an extraordinary instinct for coming up with what's next in the grand show. Since you see the big picture with clarity, tend to broad lines and let someone else do the detail work. You'll be adored more than ever in 2018. Just soak it up. Invest and hold on in September. Libra and Taurus adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 12, 23, 27 and 14.

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST:

ARIES: The one who gets most of your love has grown dependent on it and will be jealous if there's competition for it. **TAURUS:** The sweet-

ness of youth can be preserved even though youth itself cannot.

GEMINI: Your thoughtful approach will be most appreciated by other thoughtful people. **CANCER:** To love someone is to vote for that person regardless of his or her chances of winning.

LEO: You'll save the best for last and end on the sweetest note. **VIRGO:** Much will depend on how well you can tell the story. **LIBRA:** Your experience of beauty will have to do with what you've seen and what you've never seen, what you've wished for and what you've never imagined.

SCORPIO: Much rides on the deft conveyance of common courtesy. **SAGITTARIUS:** Don't worry too much about how you're going to carry the conversation. Your tone and your demeanor will speak louder than your words.

CAPRICORN: Relationships are always growing and changing with the emotional weather. Stay aware of the direction the wind is blowing. **AQUAR-**

IUS: Love is: learning the world a loved one inhabits. **PISCES:** Relationship success will be dependent on your inside game, how you talk to yourself and how you react to your own thoughts.

COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: Aries and Cancer aren't the easiest pair, but they will be the most interesting one this weekend as the fire and water combo is sprinkled with attraction dust from the cosmos. Cancer likes the self-assuredness of the Aries mindset and Aries needs the tender loving care that Cancer only gives to favorites. Aries' enthusiasm will inspire Cancer to build a most beautiful and comfortable domestic scene.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker
Bidding quiz

You are the dealer and open One Diamond. Partner responds Three Diamonds (forcing). What would you bid now with each of the following four hands?

1. ♠AQ6 ♥KJ4 ♦KQ732 ♣KJ
2. ♠K8 ♥84 ♦A9863 ♣AJ105
3. ♠K3 ♥1075 ♦AJ92 ♣KQ86
4. ♠AQ8 ♥10 ♦J86542 ♣AK3

1. Four notrump. Partner will normally have 13 to 15 points in high cards and distribution, which puts you in the vicinity of the 33 points generally required to make 12 tricks. A small slam is virtually certain, and a grand slam is possible.

Blackwood is by far the best way of estimating how many tricks you can take. If partner shows two aces by bidding five hearts, you sign off at six diamonds. If he shows three aces by bidding five spades, you bid five notrump next, asking for kings. If he responds six diamonds, showing one king, you bid seven.

2. Four diamonds. After partner's forcing raise, the four-diamond bid shows no extra values. If partner next bids five diamonds, you pass.

But if partner evinces slam interest by cue-bidding four hearts or spades, you will next bid five clubs. This cannot be regarded as a strong bid, as you have already limited your resources by bidding four diamonds.

Over five clubs, the rest is up to partner.

3. Three notrump. This is not a pleasant rebid, considering your heart holding, but it offers the best chance for game, and that is the main consideration.

Five diamonds could be a better contract, but there is no sensible way of finding out. If you were to bid four clubs, you would go past three notrump. Your 4-4-3-2 distribution strongly suggests notrump despite the danger in hearts. If partner passes three notrump, the odds strongly favor making it.

4. Four clubs. With your excellent controls in the side suits, a slam is possible despite your minimum high-card values. Partner may have something like ♠72 ♥AJ4 ♦AK93 ♣Q875, which would give you roughly a 90 percent chance for six.

If partner's response to four clubs is four diamonds, you are entitled to make another slam try by bidding four spades. If partner then bids five diamonds, declining both of your invitations, you would have to respect his wishes and throw in the towel.

Note that Blackwood is not employed here. Learning whether partner has one or two aces does not resolve the question of whether there will be a good play for 12 tricks.

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SEC will roll out impressive group of young quarterbacks

By DAVID BRANDT

AP Sports Writer

HOOVER, Ala. (AP) — South Carolina quarterback Jake Bentley vividly remembers the hit that welcomed him to the Southeastern Conference.

He was throwing a screen pass last season when Tennessee's 6-foot-3, 260-pound Derek Barnett burst through the line and slammed him to the ground.

"That didn't feel too good," Bentley said with a grin Thursday at Southeastern Conference media days.

But Bentley proved to be a quick learner as a freshman, winning four of his seven starts. Now he's part of a group of young SEC quarterbacks that could represent the league's next generation of stars.

Though the SEC always has multiple first-round NFL draft picks, there's been a drought at the quarterback position. The last SEC quarterback taken in the first round was Texas A&M's Johnny Manziel in 2014 — and his brief stint in the NFL was disappointing.

The one recent success from the SEC is Dak Prescott, but he was a major surprise for the Dallas Cowboys after being drafted in the fourth round out of Mississippi State.

It remains to be seen if anyone from the current group — which includes Bentley, Alabama's Jalen Hurts, Georgia's Jacob Eason and Mississippi's Shea Patterson and Mississippi State's Nick Fitzgerald — can turn into the next Cam Newton, Matthew Stafford or Eli Manning.

But the early returns are encouraging, especially as it relates to the upcoming season.

"They have all the talent to be able to do it," SEC Network analyst Greg McElroy said. "And I like the supporting cast that a lot of them have coming back. It's just a matter of if improvements are made during the

offseason and the rapport is developed with the receivers."

"If it is, the offenses in this league could take a significant step forward."

Hurts helped lead Alabama to the national championship game before losing to Clemson. The 6-foot-2, 214-pounder threw for 2,780 yards and 23 touchdowns while also running for 954 yards and 13 touchdowns.

The ability to throw and run is a common theme for the league's young quarterbacks.

Fitzgerald was one of the biggest surprises in the SEC last season, winning the starting job during fall camp before throwing for 2,423 yards and running for 1,375 yards. The 6-foot-5, 230-pounder is extremely quick for his size and once he got going in the open field, he proved very difficult to bring down.

Eason led the Bulldogs to an 8-5 record in both his and coach Kirby Smart's first season. Eason had some ups and downs, but finished with 2,430 yards passing, 16 touchdowns and eight interceptions.

Patterson, the Ole Miss freshman, was forced into action late in the season after senior Chad Kelly suffered a season-ending knee injury. He started just three games, but managed to throw for 880 yards, six touchdowns and three interceptions. He also ran for 169 yards.

His relatively slight 6-foot-2, 200-pound frame and ability to improvise on running plays has drawn some comparisons to Manziel. He said he's studied tape of Manziel to see how he moved in the pocket, but he's especially partial to watching film of Green Bay Packers QB Aaron Rodgers.

"You find yourself doing what they do — without even trying to do it," Patterson said on Thursday at SEC



AP photo

South Carolina NCAA college football player Jake Bentley speaks during the Southeastern Conference's annual media gathering, Thursday, July 13, 2017, in Hoover, Ala.

media days. "But I want to be myself. I don't want to be known as a comparison to anybody else."

Bentley earned the job at South Carolina midway through the season and started the final seven games of the year. He threw for 1,420 yards and nine touchdowns while completing nearly 66 percent of his passes.

Auburn transfer Jarrett Stidham could have a big impact as well. The sophomore threw for more than 1,200 yards as a freshman at Baylor in 2015. He'll be competing with junior Sean White for the starting job.

"Our quarterback

depth has been our Achilles' heel," Auburn coach Gus Malzahn said. "It's been a frustrating deal for everyone. We've got that solved now."

VENUS

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recently.

"I think she's helping me to deal with the stress of the tournament, because it's a long tournament," Muguruza said. "So she just knows how to prepare, how to train, what to do."

"Not that I'm doing something different, honestly. But to have her by my side gives me also this little confidence on having someone that has won before."

Williams and Muguruza have played each other four times before, and the American has won three of them. They have never before played on grass, though.

"It's good that she's

played her before. and that she's beaten her.

So she knows what's to come," Martinez said of Saturday's match. "She just has to play tennis, and not worry about who's favored or who isn't favored. She needs to think about the next point and nothing else."

When Martinez won at Wimbledon for her only major, she beat 37-year-old Martina Navratilova in the final. Williams is the oldest Wimbledon finalist since then.

Age, however, seems to be an advantage for Williams.

"I think it's wonderful to have the opportunity to play well and to be strong and have experience," Williams said. "So I think experience can either work against you or for you. I like to think it's working for me."

TEBOW

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overall in his first season as a minor leaguer.

Tebow has hit safely in 11 straight games and is batting .327 with 10 RBIs with St. Lucie. All

three of his home runs with the Mets have gone to the opposite field.

"The goal is just to stay behind as many balls as I can. See it, let it get deep. When you stay behind it, it goes the other way," he said.

Tebow's high shot cleared the fence about 20 feet inside the

foul pole, thrilling the 2,667 fans — many of whom arrived early to see the 2007 Heisman Trophy winner in action.

The victory capped a doubleheader sweep for the Mets. Minor league teams commonly play two seven-inning games during doubleheaders.

NBA

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Derrick White, the former Division II player who went No. 29 in the 2017 draft, finished with 15 points.

Pelicans (1-4) guard Quinn Cook cooled off with a team-high 16 points and seven assists after averaging 21.8 points in his first four games.

CELTICS 93, WARRIORS 69

The Celtics led from start to finish and simply ran the Warriors off the court with a 20-5 first quarter.

Boston (4-0) didn't play, or miss, the last two No. 3 picks in the draft in Jaylen Brown and Jayson Tatum. Jabari Bird, a 2017 second-round pick, took advantage of the opening with 17 points on 8-for-10 shooting. Ante Zizic, the 2016 No. 23 overall pick, has gained steam as the summer league has progressed. He had a double-double with 14 points and 10 rebounds to go with three blocks. Forward Rosco Allen scored 18 off the bench.

The Warriors (1-4) have been focused on getting extra court time for second-year player Patrick McCaw, who earned rotation minutes with the champs during his rookie season. He scored 20 points on 6-for-13 shooting.

NETS 85, NUGGETS 74

Second-year Nuggets guard Malik Beasley scored a game-high 20 points as Denver (1-4) fell to the Nets (3-1). The 2016 No. 19 pick entered the summer league preparing for a larger role in 2017-18 and averaged 19.3 points in his first four games. Denver, as a whole, struggled to score and trailed by 19 after being dominated in the third quarter.

The Nets got a total team effort Thursday as seven players scored eight points or more. Isaiah Whitehead had a team-high 14 points and veteran Spencer Dinwiddie added 13. Caris LeVert is trying to build on a 26-start rookie year last season, but scored 10 points on 3-for-8 shooting. Rondae Hollis-Jefferson posted nine points and eight rebounds as Brooklyn continues to try to get experience from its young veterans, even if they played heavy regular-season minutes.

HEAT 91, CLIPPERS 84

The Heat (4-1) got big production from the dimin-

utive Justin Robinson in the narrow victory. The 5-foot-8, undrafted guard from Monmouth scored 22 points and handed out six assists. Robinson hit a step back jumper to take an 80-78 lead with 3:38 remaining. The Clippers never lead again as a 10-1 stretch late in the fourth quarter put Los Angeles away.

Okaro White scored a game-high 23 points, including four 3-pointers, and added eight rebounds for the Heat as Gian Clavell chipped in 20.

The 2016 No. 25 overall pick Brice Johnson led the Clippers (3-1) with 13 points while Jamil Wilson scored 11 off the bench and Kendall Marshall added 10.

MAVERICKS 83, KINGS 76

In a matchup between lottery point guards, Dennis Smith Jr. was the one that had fans gasping. The No. 9 pick of the 2017 draft scored 25 points, including 15 in the first half, to lead the Mavericks to victory. Smith also had a near-spectacular dunk that had people talking despite the attempt being missed.

The reigning ACC freshman of the year also had seven rebounds and two assists.

The matchup with No. 5 overall pick De'Aaron Fox didn't last long. Fox, who sat out Wednesday, tweaked an ankle, again, in the first quarter then didn't play in the second half. He was held scoreless in seven minutes.

Johnathan Motley chipped in 15 points for the

Mavericks, but All-Rookie second team selection Yogi Ferrell was held scoreless.

Justin Jackson scored a Kings-high 25 points.

GRIZZLIES 102, SUNS 98

Wayne Selden scored 33 points in 33 minutes while leading the Grizzlies to victory. Teammate Wade Baldwin, the 2016 No. 17 overall pick, added 21 and hit the game-winning layup to take a 100-98 lead with 8.6 seconds remaining.

Mike James scored 32 points for the Suns as the recently signed Euroleague combo guard knocked down 11 of 16 attempts. The 2016 No. 4 overall pick Dragan Bender added 20 points, seven rebounds and five assists. Josh Jackson, last month's No. 4 pick, put up 13 points and eight rebounds for the Suns.

TRAIL BLAZERS 91, RAPTORS 85

Nick Johnson hit a jumper with 1:25 left to give Portland an 85-82 lead and Toronto didn't score again until 14.3 seconds left. By then it was too late as 16th-seeded Trail Blazers pulled off the upset of the top-seeded Raptors.

Johnson scored a team-high 17 points as the 2017 No. 26 overall pick Caleb Swanigan had a double-double with 13 points and 11 rebounds. Lottery pick Zach Collins did not play.

Fred VanVleet scored 31 points in 30 minutes for the Raptors and Jordan Loyd added 17. The 2016 No. 9 pick Jakob Poeltl totaled 10 points and six rebounds in 31 minutes.

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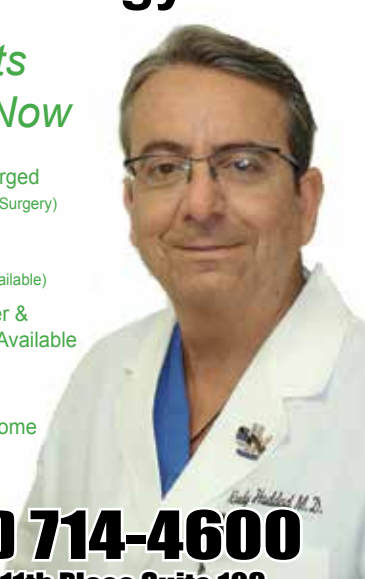
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