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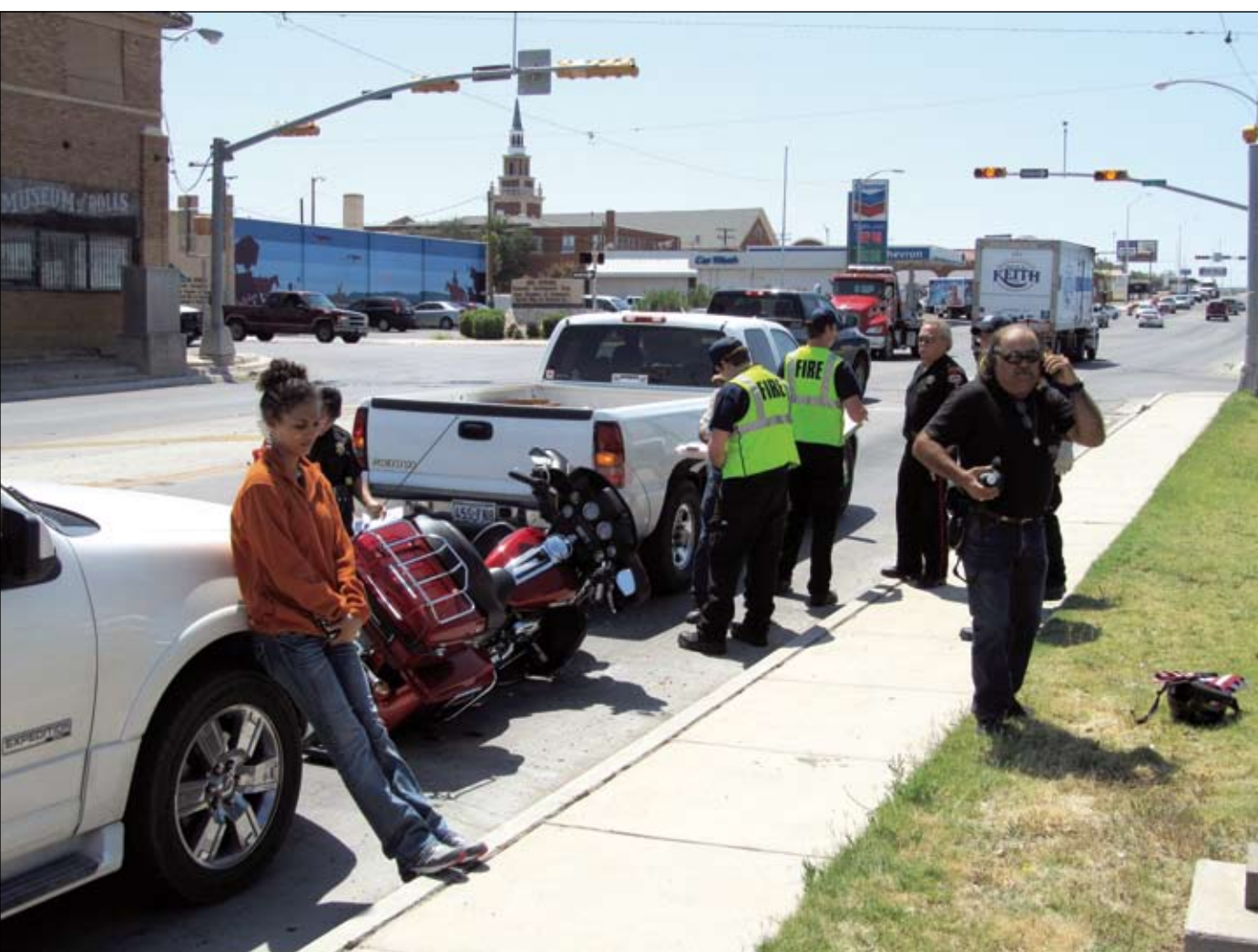
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Emergency responders were called to the 100 block of Gregg Street just after noon Tuesday following this traffic accident involving a pickup truck and a motorcycle near the intersection of Third Street and Gregg. According to witnesses at the scene, no major injuries were reported as a result of the accident.

Plains Trail conference coming here

By **AMANDA MORENO**
 Staff Writer

Heritage and history will be coming to Big Spring with the Texas Plains Trails Roundup on Aug. 9 and 10 at the Dora Roberts Community Center.



McDonald

The conference will begin with a mixer Thursday evening from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Registration fee, which will include a tour around Big Spring, is \$25. Some of the places on the tour list are the Hangar 25 Air Museum and the Heritage Museum. Other sites around the community will be featured as well.

The cost for the conference, which includes meals, is \$50 per person. The conference will include different speakers and bring focus to new marketing trends, social media, partnership building and telling the story of the region.

"This is something for everyone to attend, but we are really encouraging chamber and museum directors, historical committee members, civic leaders and anyone else involved with regional tourism," Deborah Sue McDonald, Texas Plains Trail Region executive director, said.

The conference schedule will be from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Aug. 9 and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Aug. 10.

The Texas Plains Region is one of 10 trails under the Texas Historical Commission Heritage Trail program. The region covers 50,000 square miles and 52 counties.

"Our mission is to promote tourism and increase visitation to our region," McDonald said. "We are hoping people will leave with renewed enthusiasm to take back to their communities."

The conference is open to the public. For more information, call 806-231-3479 or email txplainstrail@yahoo.com.

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Water use down so weekly hours go up

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
 Staff Writer

Municipal water customers in Big Spring will get an additional two hours to water their lawns beginning this week. City manager Gary Fuqua announced Tuesday night water consumption has fallen well below limits set by the local water district.

According to Fuqua, the Colorado River Municipal Water District recently set the city's water consumption limit at 6.3 million gallons per day.

"When CRMWD set the 6.3 million gallon limit, we weren't quite sure how that was going to impact our water customers," Fuqua said. "However, since then, customers have used an average of 3.7 mil-

lion gallons a day, which is well below the limit the water district set. That's what led us to decide we could give them an additional two hours to water."

Previously, city water customers were on a two-hour-a-week limit for outside water use.

However, Tuesday night's

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Freedom Parade on tap for July 7

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
 Staff Writer

COAHOMA — The city of Coahoma will have the final patriotic word this Independence Day holiday, as the small West Texas hamlet gets ready to present its annual Freedom Parade on Saturday, July 7.

According to Coahoma Mayor Warren Wallace, the parade will kickoff in the Coahoma High School Stadium

parking lot, located adjacent to First Street.

"This year we'll be doing the judging a little bit different than we have in years past," Wallace said. "This year we'll actually do the judging before the parade begins, so the parade entries will need to be in place and ready to be judged by 9:20 a.m."

"In previous years, folks needed to leave directly following the parade for plans with family members, which sometimes made judging difficult. We're hoping by doing the judging beforehand, we'll be able to eliminate those problems and move things along more quickly."

Wallace said the parade — to get under way promptly at

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The Coahoma Freedom Parade will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 7 with lineup at the football stadium.

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Obituaries

Bennie Maurine Pittman



Bennie Maurine Pittman, 58, was born Jan. 18, 1954, and went to meet her heavenly father June 24, 2012, so she could play that white baby grand piano in heaven. She started her battle with leukemia February 2011 and continued to fight until God called her home. She was at Baylor Cancer Hospital, Dallas, where she touched the lives of many doctors and nurses.

Funeral services for Maurine will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, June 28, 2012, at First Baptist Church of Big Spring with the Rev. Mark Lindsey, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 27, 2012, at the funeral home.

Maurine was a senior vice president of the Big Spring Education Employees Federal Credit Union for 18 years. She and Gale are members of the First Baptist Church of Big Spring and Maurine was a member of the Kiwanis Club. She enjoyed playing the piano at the VA Hospital until becoming ill. She also loved singing and playing the piano at churches in the community.

She is survived by her husband, Gale Pittman of Big Spring; her daughter, Desire Freshour and husband David of Big Spring; three grandchildren, Cody, Iris and Eric; her sister, Carolyn Chapman of Big Spring; two brothers-in-law, Randy Pittman and wife Cindy W. of Midland and Dale Pittman and wife Kay of Big Spring; her father-in-law, Dearn Pittman of De Leon; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father, Ben H. Wiggington Jr.; and her mother, Iris Wiggington.

The family would like to express their gratitude for the support and prayers from the community.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Twice Blessed House Foundation, 2732 Gaston Ave., Dallas, Texas 75226.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

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Janie Jeffcoat



Janie Jeffcoat, 67, of Midland died Tuesday, June 26, 2012, in a Midland hospital. Graveside funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, June 28, 2012, at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park with the Rev. Jim Binnix officiating.

She was born Jan. 6, 1945, in Big Spring, Texas. She was a homemaker, a devoted mother and a Baptist.

Survivors include two sons, Joe Don Lilly and wife Susan and Jeffery Lilly, all of Midland; one daughter, Janna Inge of Midland; her mother, Loray Jeffcoat of Stanton; one brother, Alvis Jeffcoat and wife, Beverly of Sand Springs; and four grandchildren, Brandon Lilly, Martin Lilly, Katelyn Inge and Kenslea Inge.

She was preceded in death by her father, James Jeffcoat.

The family suggests memorials be made to a favorite charity.

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Thomas McLain Spell Jr.

DAINGERFIELD - Thomas McLain (Papa Tom) Spell Jr., 81, died Sunday, June 24, 2012, in Fort Worth, Texas.

Visitation will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, June 28, 2012, at Nail-Haggard Funeral Home, Daingerfield. Services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, June 29, 2012, at the Daingerfield Church of Christ with Tim Gibbs, Norman Miller and Andy Spell officiating. Burial will be held in Oakwood Cemetery in Jefferson under the direction of Nail-Haggard Funeral Home in Daingerfield.

He was born Dec. 7, 1930, in Stephenville, Texas, to Thomas and Viola Spell.

He went to public schools in Stephenville and attended Tarleton State University before joining the Army in 1951. He later received his bachelor's degree and master's degree from North Texas State University. On Sept. 16, 1955, he married Martha Ogburn Spell.

He served school districts in Era, Forsan, Weslaco, Progresso and Coahoma as coach, principal and superintendent. He was a long-time member of the Lions Club. Tom and Martha were member of Daingerfield Church of Christ.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents, Tom and Viola Spell; and two sisters, Hildegard Fortenberry and Jean Spell.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Martha; daughters and sons-in-law, Kirsten and Forrest Herndon, Leigh and Dan Hockenbrough, Tracey and James Howard; son and daughter-in-law, Andy and Cheryl Spell; sister, Gloria Spell; eight grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and nieces, nephews and cousins.

Donations can be made in Tom's name to, Arms of Hope Ministries, 21300 Hwy. 16 N. Medina, TX

Eugene Coleman



Eugene Coleman, 68, of Midland died Sunday, June 24, 2012, in Howard County. Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 27, 2012, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel with Pastor Joe Russo, of Stonegate Fellowship officiating.

Eugene was born Feb. 5, 1944, in Big Spring, Texas, and married the love of his life and high school sweetheart, Brenda Woods on Nov. 21, 1962, on the farm in Knott.

He loved being outdoors, fishing and hunting and coaching his sons. He was very patriotic and proud of his country. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War and was a Purple Heart recipient. He had an uncanny way of always guessing his own Christmas presents but made sure that any gifts he gave were very special surprises, no matter the occasion.

Poppa, as his grandchildren called him, could fix anything with a little duct tape and super glue. His sense of humor and ability to make people laugh will be greatly missed.

Survivors include his wife, Brenda Coleman of Midland; one daughter, Heather Bothe and husband Bo of Houston; two sons, Blaine Coleman and wife Tammy of Midland and Craig Coleman of San Marcos; five grandchildren, Hadlea, Harrison, Hannah Bella and Hollyn Bothe of Houston and Skye Marie Coleman of Midland; and one sister, Wanda Sue Austin and husband Bill of Granbury.

He was preceded in death by his parents, George Leonard and Johnnie Sue (McAneer) Coleman.

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Coy Lee Mitchell



Coy Lee Mitchell passed away Sunday, June 24, 2012, at home in Odessa, surrounded by the memories of 68 years of life and love under the dusty skies of West Texas. His wife, Dorothy McCollum Mitchell, was with him as he peacefully slipped away from this world after a long health battle.

Coy was born in Big Spring in November of 1943. His mother, Jessie Pearl Mitchell, raised him to be proud of his West Texas roots after his father, Guy Lee Mitchell, died when he was just five years old. Coy loved baseball, good times with friends and Texas A&M. He loved it so much it took him 10 years to graduate with an electrical engineering degree.

His time at A&M came with starts and stops and a tour of West Texas thanks to Southwestern Bell. While climbing poles for the phone company, he fell in love with a good woman from McCamey and married her Jan. 1, 1966. Dorothy was his "new beginning" that lasted 46 years. He had a son, Guy Lee, who he named for his father. After college graduation from A&M, he went home for a job at Cosden Refinery in Big Spring.

Coy and Dorothy welcomed a second son, David Lee, and finally settled in Odessa. Coy was a professional engineer who worked for Hubbard Electric, built his own consulting firm and eventually joined Saulsbury Engineering. He retired in 2008 to travel and enjoy his friends and family. He loved the mountains of Colorado and watching the whales off the coast of Massachusetts, but he always came home to the open skies of West Texas, where the sunsets are free.

He is survived by his wife, his two sons, his mother-in-law, Mrs. D.D. McCollum of Mason, Texas, and many friends who loved his stories and quick wit.

Family and friends will gather at 2 p.m. Thursday, June 28, 2012, at Frank Wilson funeral home in Odessa for a service to remember Mr. Mitchell.

In lieu of flowers please make a donation to the West Texas charity of your choice.

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Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. Tuesday and 7 a.m. today:

- CHARLIE LEON RHODES, 24, of Arkansas, was arrested Tuesday on charges of bribery, failure to identify - giving false information and accident involving damage to a vehicle - more than \$200.

- MICHAEL ANGELO DORADO, 21, of Seminole, Texas, was arrested Tuesday on two warrants from

other agencies.

- ROBERT KEITH THOMPSON, 23, of 4617 Ash Rd., was arrested Tuesday on warrants for expired motor vehicle inspection certificate, expired registration, failure to maintain financial responsibility (two counts) and failure to appear (two counts).

- JERRY MITCHELL MARCON, 20, of Snyder, Texas, was arrested Tuesday on charges of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle (two counts).

- DONTAE CARR, 30, of 3225 Cherokee, was arrested Tuesday on warrants for failure to appear (two counts), no driver's license - when unlicensed and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

- ROBERT RUBEN SANCHEZ, 48, of 1023 Stadium, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of public intoxication.

- EURVIN JAMALL WINTERS, 24, of 1900 Martin Luther King Blvd. (Apt. No. not provided), was arrested Tuesday on a charge of criminal trespass.

- TYREE MAURICE WILLIAMS, 27, of 505 Union was arrested Tuesday on warrants for assault causing bodily injury, unlawful restraint, driving while intoxicated and possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.

- TOMMY HUDGINS, 49, of 1408 Stadium, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of injury to an elderly person with intent to cause bodily injury.

- JORGE LUIS GOMEZ, 21, of 508 State, was arrested Tuesday on warrants for resisting arrest, search or transportation and bail jumping - failure to appear.

- KAMEO TREVON HOLLOWAY, 18, of 710 E. 17th St., was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.

- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1400 block of Princeton.

- THEFT was reported:

- In the 300 block of Golf Course Road.

- In the 3300 block of E. FM 700.

- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported:

- In the 400 block of E. Fourth Street.

- In the 800 block of Settles.

- In the 2800 block of Macauslan

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 76 inmates at the time of this report.

- CODIE COY MAY, 33, was booked into the county detention center by the Martin County Sheriff's Office on a charge of public intoxication.

- TYREE MAURICE WILLIAMS, 27, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for assault causing bodily injury, judgment/sentence for unlawful restraint and judgment/sentence for driving while intoxicated.

- TOMMY NEIL HUDGINS, 49, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of probation revocation for injury to an elderly person.

- JORGE LUIS GOMEZ, 21, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for resisting arrest, search or transportation and judgment/sentence for bail jumping - failure to appear.

- KAMEO T. HOLLOWAY, 18, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.

- ROBERT KEITH THOMPSON JR., 23, was booked into the county detention center Tuesday by the BSPD on municipal warrants for expired motor vehicle inspection, failure to maintain financial responsibility (two counts), displaying expired registration and failure to appear (two counts).

- JERRY MITCHELL MARCON, 20, was booked into the county detention center Tuesday by the BSPD on charges of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle (two counts).

- DONTAE RENELL CARR, 30, was booked into the county detention center Wednesday by the BSPD on municipal warrants for failure to appear (two counts), no driver's license and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

- ROBERT RUBEN SANCHEZ, 48, was booked into the county detention center Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- EURVIN WINTERS, 24, was booked into the county detention center Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of criminal trespass.

- YENISSIA RAMERIZ VIERA, 27, was booked into the county detention center Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- ALYSSA CRISELDA LOPEZ, 23, was booked into the county detention center Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- VALERIE MIRAMONTES GARCIA, 27, was booked into the county detention center Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- JASON RANDALL PORTER, 24, was booked into the county detention center Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- DIMITRI ANDREW LEOS, 20, was booked into the county detention center Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of minor in consumption of alcoholic beverage.

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State briefs

Corpus Christi to spend more on beach improvements

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — Leaders of a South Texas city have agreed to spend \$425,000 more to improve beaches and add an entryway arch.

The Corpus Christi City Council on Tuesday approved the emergency funding as part of the \$1.8 million beach upgrade. The plans also include a sidewalk extension and a public bathhouse.

The Corpus Christi Caller-Times (<http://bit.ly/Mw2m2q>) reports most of the voter-approved improvements have been delayed because of higher costs.

City engineer Dan Biles says contractors did not anticipate the additional utility work needed for the \$625,000 archway. The original cost was estimated at \$200,000. The entryway, which is envisioned at 24 feet high and 90 feet long, should be completed by November.

The additional cost will be paid from capital improvement funds set aside for 2008 bond items.

DFW-bound American jet diverts to Amarillo

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) — An American Airlines jet bound from California to Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport diverted to Amarillo with engine trouble.

Airport officials say nobody was hurt Tuesday night on Flight 1498 from Santa Ana, Calif.

A spokesman for Rick Husband Amarillo International Airport says the pilot of the Boeing 737 reported one of the two engines failed. Patrick Rhodes told the Amarillo Globe-News that the plane carried 167 passengers.

Arrangements were being made to get the passengers to DFW airport.

A message left with Fort Worth-based American was not immediately returned Wednesday.

Suspect in Texas fraud returned from Nigeria

HOUSTON (AP) — A man sought since 2009 in a \$45 million health care scam investigation has been arrested in Nigeria and returned to Texas.

Federal prosecutors say 45-year-old Godwin Chiedo Nzeocha arrived in Houston on Wednesday. The defendant is a native of Nigeria who's a naturalized U.S. citizen.

The fraud investigation involves City Nursing Services of Texas Inc.

Nzeocha in October 2009 was charged with 39 counts of health care fraud, conspiracy to commit health care fraud, three counts of mail fraud and three counts of money laundering.

The defendant allegedly signed documents as a physical therapy provider when he wasn't quali-

fied. Allegations were also raised about cash payments to recruiters who provided Medicare patients to City Nursing.

Five people have been convicted in the health care fraud investigation.

Gunman killed by Fort Worth police made threat

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Police say a man fatally shot by an officer outside a North Texas hotel allegedly had taken a guest's laptop computer.

The Fort Worth officer who shot and killed 34-year-old Derek Ternes of Bismarck, N.D., was on paid administrative leave Wednesday.

Police early Tuesday responded to a hotel manager's call about a parking lot fight and a guest shot. Police confronted Ternes, who refused to put down his weapon and opened fire.

Sgt. Pedro Criado (kree-AH'-doh) says an officer returned fire and killed Ternes. No officers were hurt.

Criado says the license plate on the gunman's vehicle linked Ternes to a previous threat to get into a shootout with police.

The wounded guest was in critical condition when transported to a hospital.

Texas bomb plot defense presents no evidence

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) — Defense attorneys for a Saudi man accused in a plot to bomb Americans made quick work of their case: They rested without calling any witnesses or presenting any evidence.

Closing arguments in the federal trial of Khalid Ali-M Aldawsari in Amarillo are expected Wednesday morning.

The 22-year-old former Texas Tech chemical engineering student faces up to life in prison if convicted of attempting to use a weapon of mass destruction. Prosecutors say he had long-planned an attack, amassing nearly all the necessary materials and creating a target list that included former President George W. Bush's home in Dallas.

Prosecutors capped three days of testimony Tuesday by playing a recording of Aldawsari saying he'd get "maximum satisfaction" and would be "smiling" after carrying out a terror attack in the U.S.

Defense attorneys contend he never took the necessary "substantial step" because he didn't make a bomb.

Federal agents secretly searched Aldawsari's apartment and hid microphones therein that they say captured him speaking out loud the night before his Feb. 23, 2011, arrest. Authorities said that Aldawsari was alone when he was recorded.

In the recording, Aldawsari is speaking as if he's someone else commenting on a terror attack that

he carried out. He says the perpetrator of the terror attack would be "smiling" and getting "maximum satisfaction" from the destruction caused.

Aldawsari says Americans deserved the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, and must die "because you people deserve it" for causing the deaths of others.

"This is the ideology he follows," Aldawsari says on the recording, speaking about himself.

Houston woman indicted in slaying, baby abduction

CONROE, Texas (AP) — A Houston woman accused of killing a mother and snatching her newborn son has been indicted on a capital murder charge.

Verna McClain is being held without bond Wednesday in the Montgomery County Jail. She was indicted Tuesday.

Prosecutors have not said whether they will seek the death penalty against the 31-year-old licensed vocational nurse. McClain has been in custody since she was arrested hours after the April 17 slaying.

McClain is accused of shooting Kala Golden-Schuchardt to death outside a baby clinic in suburban Spring and abducting Golden-Schuchardt's days-old son. The baby was found safe with a relative of McClain.

Investigators say McClain had a miscarriage and was desperate to find a baby to pass off as her own to family and friends.

Twins, 4, die, found in pool

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Police say 4-year-old twins have died after being found unresponsive in the swimming pool of a North Texas house.

Arlington police say the boys died Tuesday night in an apparent accidental drowning.

Police spokeswoman Tiara Ellis Richard said Wednesday that the children's father discovered the youngsters in the pool. The boys were transported to an Arlington hospital, where they were pronounced dead.

Police say the twins and their family were visiting relatives at the home.

Woman dead, man hurt in ambush at Houston complex

HOUSTON (AP) — Police say an ambush at a Houston apartment complex has left a woman dead and a man wounded.

Police say no one has been arrested over the gunfire early Wednesday.

Police say two men wearing masks approached a car that was leaving the complex. Investigators say both people in the vehicle were shot.

Investigators say the woman died at the scene.

WATER

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changes will place municipal water customers on a four-hour-a-week schedule for outdoor watering, according to Fuqua. The restrictions allow residential customers whose address ends in an odd number to water their lawns from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Tuesdays, while residential customers whose address ends in an even number are allowed to water from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Thursdays.

Commercial establishments are currently allowed to water in accordance with the Drought

Contingency Plan for a four-hour period Wednesdays between 6 a.m. and 10 a.m.

Fuqua attributes the increase in effectiveness of water conservation to citizens taking the drought more seriously.

"We're certainly seeing a better level of water conservation from the citizens right now than we were this time last year, there's little doubt about that," Fuqua said. "I think you have to attribute that to more citizens taking this seriously.

"I think there are more water customers out there right now who are like me and have pretty

much given up on their lawns and are just trying to keep their trees alive right now. It's a tough situation to have to face, but it's simply the reality we have to face right now."

Also during Tuesday night's meeting, the council approved first reading of an ordinance providing for the issuance of a specific use permit to M.U.G.S. Properties LLC for construction and operation of a nursing home facility located on 10 acres of property near the corner of Alamesa and Wasson.

The council heard at least one complaint regarding the proposed

construction during a public hearing on the project from a local resident concerned about noise created by the nursing home. However, the project designer agreed to construct a privacy fence on the property.

The permit was approved on a unanimous vote.

Also approved during the meeting:

- Final reading of a resolution authorizing continued participation with the steering committee of cities served by Oncor and authorizing the payment of 10 cents per capita to the steering committee to fund regulatory and re-

lated activities related to Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC.

- Awarding of a bid for wastewater treatment plant SCADA improvement as part of the 2012 Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Project.
- Awarding of a bid for crack-seal of runway 624 at the McMahon-Wrinkle Airport, using RAMP funds.
- First reading of an ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of combination tax surplus revenue certificates of obligation; levying an annual ad valorem tax for the payment of the certificates; approval of an official statement;

and enacting other provisions related to the 2012 Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Project.

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FREEDOM

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10 a.m. — will make its way down First Street to the North Service Road, then back up Sixth Street, returning to the original staging area at the stadium parking lot.

"The locals bring all kinds of vehicles, from tractors, trailers, golf carts to horses," Wallace said. "Just about anything else you can think of. It's a lot of fun for everyone in the family and it's a great way for local residents to show their patriotic spirit. The people of Coahoma aren't the least bit shy about showing their support for the red, white and blue and that's one of the things the Freedom Parade is about."

Wallace said the colors will be presented by the Howard County Volunteer Fire Department.

with patriotic music provided by a band.

"They are a country and western band who perform music honoring the men and women of our military," Wallace said. "I had a chance to hear some of their recordings the other day and they are really good. I think everyone will really enjoy their music. I know I'm really looking forward to hearing them play."

Once the parade has made its way through the city of Coahoma, Wallace said area residents will have the opportunity to gather and enjoy each other's company at the city's park.

"There will be volleyball, washers and other games for folks to play. They won't be competitive, mind you, just for fun," Wallace said. "We'll also take time to recognize the parade marshals, as well as our Coahoma Citizen of the

Year, Loma Jean Wynn.

"Also, the Coahoma Lions Club will be on hand selling hamburger plates for \$5 each. Each includes a burger, chips and some sort of dessert. We'll also be recognizing our local firefighters for what they have done for the community, as well as our soldiers and veterans."

According to Quail Dobbs, who is assisting in coordinating the parade, marshals for the parade will be Clois Snell, Ovis James, Ralph Matteson and Dennis Greenfield.

Wallace said the Freedom Parade is something he and the rest of the city's residents look forward to each summer.

"It's a chance for us to show our patriotism, which is something we don't always do often enough," Wallace said. "We look forward to it every year. We hope to see everyone in the community — and those from the surrounding communities, as well — come out and join

us as we celebrate our nation's Independence Day."

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A salute to our first responders

As we travel about town each day running errands, picking up kids, going to work, we often hear the sirens or see the flashing lights of an ambulance or fire truck rushing to the aid of someone in trouble. When this happens, I can't help but recall one of the earliest "first responders"—the Samaritan in the Bible, found in Luke 10:

But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper. 'Look after him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.'

The Samaritan's story is really about two critical aspects of emergency medical response — caring for the victim and the payment of that care.

We support our EMS, either through the municipal fire department or as a separate publicly supported entity in county jurisdiction or volunteer unit. Typically, emergency services are funded at least in part through city and/or county property and sales taxes. But ambulance service, at least in major metro areas, is almost always a huge financial drain. EMS personnel are highly skilled. The units are expensive vehicles to operate and maintain, and, frankly, they are badly utilized by the public. Too often, ambulances and first responders are summoned for trivial health concerns: that's wasteful and it may endanger other lives.

I cannot drive an ambulance or perform CPR, but I do the best I can at my job so our EMS heroes are able to have the latest equipment and training that helps them save lives.

It's a matter of fact that most of us take our Emergency Medical Services for granted — even though 36 million patients were cared for by EMS professionals across the U.S. in 2011. It is hard for us to imagine that we ourselves or those we love will require emergency medical aid — and I pray that is so for all readers of this article. But it is unimaginable that we would not have EMS in our cities, that we could be so vulnerable.

Importantly, these professionals will place themselves — like their firefighter and law enforcement counterparts — in harm's way without a thought except doing their best to save a life. And save lives they do — like never before. In 1971, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration published "Accidental Death and Disability: The Neglected Disease of Modern Society." That report frightened a lot of people and ushered in a new era of pre-hospital emergency care.

Today, odds are that someone stricken with a heart attack or stroke, involved in a serious wreck or any sort of residential or commercial accident will survive through the "golden hour" — that period from the incident onset to arrival in a hospital emergency setting.

The trained paramedic today has an array of skill sets and advanced tools for resuscitation and stabilization; typically, these first responders can begin communication with emergency physicians at the hospital even before they begin transport so that the right team is in place upon arrival.

I return to the Samaritan's reimbursement to the innkeeper. Yes, emergency medicine is expensive — and a very necessary part of that expense is ambulance utilization. As a public, we need to use emergency services more appropriately.

As emergency responders, the providers need to receive adequate and timely reimbursement so their life-saving work can continue, every hour of every day.

Christopher Turner is a Texas native with a master's of healthcare administration degree from Texas State University. Christopher has 14 years of experience as a medical professional and is an active member of emergency medicine organizations across Texas. In 2006, he started Emergicon, LLC, an ambulance billing company.



CHRISTOPHER TURNER

Enjoy conversation with anyone

Enjoy conversation. Anyone who associates with me knows that I will basically visit with anyone, anywhere, and anytime. I have made a lot of acquaintances standing in checkout lines and sitting in restaurants, some of which have become lasting friendships. I have probably irritated some folks along the way also because, as hard as it is for me to grasp, some folks just don't like to talk.

One of the reasons conversing with other humans is so enjoyable to me is because I am fascinated by the English language and I am constantly listening for new and exciting words. Our verbal expressions are so powerful and effective in communicating specific thoughts and feelings. Words, along with facial and bodily expressions, make us humans absolutely extraordinary and unique from all other beings in the matter of communication.

I have been told that unless it is your primary language it is very challenging to learn. I can believe that because, even for those of us who have known it as our main language, it throws us some curves sometimes. There are approximately 994,638 words in our beloved tongue and that is prodigious to say the least. I figure I know about 2% of them so I have lots of room for vocabulary expansion. Actually, I think I just added a new word to that database.

There are about 7 times more words in the English language than in French (500,000 against 70,000). The majority of the people only know from 15,000 to 30,000 words, and even good writers rarely know more than 50,000 words. This gives an idea of the huge diversity of vocabu-

lary and nuances available to users of English.

One of the things that make it challenging is the incredible number of those words that are homonyms, or words with multiple meanings. When a word can mean several things it has the potential to be problematic in reading or speaking.

Then it gets even trickier when the same word can be either a noun or verb. Take the word "crane" for instance. That bird is a crane. They had to use a crane to lift the object. She had to crane her neck to see the movie.

What about "rose"? My favorite flower is a rose. He quickly rose from his seat. If I told you I went to the bank do you know if I went to a financial institution or down to the river? If I said I found a bat in my yard what would you think? Get the idea? These little distinctions are part of the beauty of it all and conversations can be very interesting when those homonyms keep popping up.

Then you get to the homophones, which present a whole new situation.

When homophones are used in conversation things can get complicated.

When we speak these words we know what we mean but does the hearer? Misunderstanding the spoken meaning of words like pale/pail, ate/eight, alter/altar, band/banned, buy/bye/by, red/read, blew/blue, boar/bore, foul/fowl, and genes/jeans can liven up a conversation in a hurry.

Homographs are fun too. These are words spelled the same but having completely different meanings or applications. For instance, read: She is going to read the book later./He read the book last night. bass: I caught a bass./His voice belongs in the bass section. minute: That is only a minute problem./Wait a minute.

No matter how many words we know they are only valuable when we use them in a way that

accurate communication takes place and that's where it can be a little tricky. Different areas of the country adopt words to mean what fits their needs while it can mean something entirely different in another geographical locale. There are rules and very few people honor them and the result is an inventive, creative and expressive language we call English. There is a form of English learned in textbooks and another much more interesting English spoken by us Englishers out there on the street.

The English language, perhaps more than any other, allows for the meaning of words to change dramatically over time.

The answer lies in the fact that English is an invaded language, which means it has been influenced by many other languages over its long history. Words which now look the same might have come from entirely different sources. Some words might have started from the same source but gradually acquired different shades of meaning between, say, the 13th and 16th centuries.

Another factor is involved. As years go by, and different words are coined or adopted from other languages or cultures, the way they are pronounced might shift and change in emphasis or application.

English may not be the most expressive or romantic dialect on the planet, but it is fun to have a way to communicate with each other and hopefully the next time you are playing Scrabble or Words With Friends you will be the superbly articulate peerless conquering vanquisher.

You may not agree with anything I've said, but I column as I see 'em.

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Arizona can't do it and the those in Washington won't take action

President Barack Obama hailed the Supreme Court's 5-3 decision Monday that struck down most of Arizona's 2010 immigration law. In a statement released by the White House, however, the president said that he remains "concerned about the practical impact of the remaining provision of the Arizona law that requires local law enforcement officials to check the immigration status of anyone they even suspect to be here illegally."

All eight voting members of the Supreme Court upheld this provision, which requires that Arizona cops try to determine the immigration status of individuals who have been stopped for reasons not involving immigration.

Even though federal law requires legal immigrants to carry identification papers with them, open-border types have dubbed the Arizona provision "show me your papers."

Even though the Arizona law requires that race not be a factor in any police actions conducted under the law, MSNBC's Chris Matthews calls that section of the law "the requirement that cops stop people because they look a certain way."

Quoth the president, "No American should ever live under a cloud of suspicion just because of what they look like."

No matter how much Arizonans improve the law, the left will maintain that it is about race and race alone.

The irony is that Obama has been a strong booster of the Secure Communities program, introduced by President George W. Bush, operated under U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and expanded under this administration. The program forwards fingerprints taken by local law enforcement to ICE, where officials check to see whether arrestees are in the United States legally.

Obama is happy to have local law enforcement check on the immigration status of people it arrests, as long as only his feds make the decision over what to do — or not do — about it.

"A patchwork of state laws is not a solution to our broken immigration system," Obama intoned in his statement.

That's Phony, Part 2. "The White House hasn't sued San Francisco," a self-proclaimed sanctuary city, noted Jon Feere, legal policy analyst for the pro-enforcement Center for Immigration Studies, "but it's going after states that are trying to uphold the law."

I asked the Department of Justice to explain the administration's scruples on Arizona-sanctuary-cities to me in 2010.

A spokeswoman replied: "There's a difference between a state or locality saying they are not going to use their resources to enforce a federal law, as so-called sanctuary cities have done, and a state passing

its own immigration policy that actively interferes with federal law.

That's what Arizona did in this case, and we believe it is an unconstitutional interference with the federal government's prerogative to set and enforce immigration policy."

Or, in this case, not enforce immigration policy. Clearly, the president objects only when states seek to bolster immigration law, not flout it.

As dissenting justice Antonin Scalia reasoned, "the sale of illegal drugs, for example, ordinarily violates state law as well as federal law, and no one thinks that the state penalties cannot exceed the federal."

Now, there is a case to be made for the argument that letting states enforce federal law can, as Justice Anthony M. Kennedy wrote for the majority, "undermine federal law." But it's a case best made by those able to ignore the administration's selective umbrage. What Obama is really saying: "Move over, Arizona."

Only I have the right to undermine federal law."

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Martha Vierra is retiring after many years of working at the library. There will be a retirement reception for her, Friday from noon until 2 p.m. at the library. Please come and wish a happy retirement as she enters a new phase of her life.

Tatum O'Neal was undeniably a Hollywood "brat." Brought up by two golden Hollywood stars, she grew up under a spotlight, too fast and way too soon — surrounded by people who loved her, but did not know how to mother and father a child.

In "Found: A Daughter's Journey Home" (791.430 ONE T), she chronicles the challenges and joys of being a single mother to three grown children, an ex-wife, a working actress and a woman who has lived her life in the public eye for the better part of 45 years. She speaks frankly about the persistence it took to beat her addictions to drugs and alcohol, and the hard work of staying clean and sober, including dealing with the deep emotional void that illicit substances falsely promised to fill.

"One Shot at Forever" (796.357 BAL C) by Chris Ballard, a sportswriter from Sports Illustrated, is sort of a fairy tale/every man's story overcoming immeasurable odds you read about. Stories about a toddler saving his mother by calling 911 as she lays in diabetic shock, or perhaps a cat waking up the family to warn them of the house being on fire in the middle of the night; each of these stories resonate with people's hearts. This story however, is about baseball. In 1971, a small-town high school baseball team from rural Illinois, playing with hand-me-down uniforms and peace signs on their hats, defied convention and the odds. Led by an English teacher with no coaching experience, the Macon Ironmen emerged from a field of 370 teams to become the smallest school in Illinois history to make the state final, a distinction that still stands. There, sporting long hair, and warming up to Jesus Christ Superstar, the Ironmen would play a dramatic game against a Chicago powerhouse that would change their lives forever. Remember, this is small town Illinois, where barbers still give kids a burr haircut (I remember that.). I was a junior in high school then.

The situation in Afghanistan is still fraught with instability and backstabbing from all sides. Hamid Karzai is president there and

will step down in 2014 and his government is regarded as one of the most corrupt with the Karzai family tentacles in every part of the economic "pie." Fawzia Koofi is the first woman to be elected to the parliament of the Af-



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ghanistan government. In her book, "The Favored Daughter: One Woman's Fight to Lead Afghanistan Into the Future," (328.581 Koo F) her life story is amazing. The 19th daughter of a local village leader in rural Afghanistan, Koofi was left to die in the sun after birth by her mother. But she survived, and perseverance in the face of extreme hardship has defined her life ever since. Despite the abuse of her family, the exploitative Russian and Taliban regimes, the murders of her father, brother and husband,

and numerous attempts on her life, she has risen to become the first Afghani woman Parliament speaker. Here, she shares her amazing story, punctuated by a series of poignant letters she writes to her two daughters before each political trip — letters describing the future and freedoms she is dreaming for her daughters and for the people of Afghanistan.

I have a cartload of audio books on CDs to go through. Check the New Book Binder for a complete list. If you email me at director@howardcountytexas.com, I will be glad to send you a list of them. First one that comes to hand, is P.D. James' "Death Comes to Pemberly" (AUCD F JAM P). This is, of course, a mystery since P.D. James has written it. Wickham has been murdered and it becomes Darcy and Jane's responsibility to find out who the murderer is. (I think we have the print version also). Jeffrey Archer's "Only Time Will Tell" (AUCD F ARC J) is the intro in the Archer's Clifton Chronicles that will take you from World War I to the outbreak of WWII to it seems, current times.

Other titles in AUCDs are Karen Robards' "Sleepwalker" (AUCD F ROB K); "The Book of Jonas" (AUCD F DAU S) by Stephan Dau; Harlan Coben's "Stay Close" (AUCD F COB H) — we have the print version and Adriana Trigiani's "The Shoemaker's Wife" (AUCD F TRI A).

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Hollis McCright is director of the Howard County Library.

Liquor companies target women in ads

By MICHELLE LOCKE

For The Associated Press

Maybe it's the ad's strikingly handsome spokesman dressed in fireman's gear. Maybe it's the fact that his shirt has a winsome habit of disappearing, revealing sculpted pecs. Maybe it's the beret-wearing kitten he chats with. In French.

Whatever the reason, you don't have to watch Sauza Blue Tequila's latest YouTube video long before realizing this is not exactly your father's liquor ad. Or your boyfriend's.

With millions of views, the "Make it with a Fireman" video launched this year has caused quite a stir. Brand officials say social media mentions of Sauza are up and the adorable blue-eyed kitten costar has built a fan base of its own.

On a broader scale, the ad reflects a slight shift in spirits marketing as some producers look beyond traditional male-oriented campaigns.

"Companies are realizing that women comprise a very heavy percentage of the cocktail-drinking community and I believe they are starting to speak more directly to women without the fear that they're going to alienate the male base," says Allison Evanow, one of the relatively few female executives in the spirits industry as founder and CEO of Square One Organic Spirits in San Francisco. "There's more advertising that is either targeted to women or at least is not quite as male-dominated."

For Sauza, the decision to engage female consumers was prompted by data showing that a good chunk of tequila sold is being consumed in margaritas. And those margaritas are being consumed by women. "So you just look at that and you go, 'Wow! We should really be talking to this demographic,'" says Kevin George, chief marketing officer for Beam Inc., which owns Sauza.

Sauza's all-digital campaign started with suggested recipes for ladies nights in or out, and this year they looked at ways to deliver that message in a new context, hence

"Companies are realizing that women comprise a very heavy percentage of the cocktail-drinking community and I believe they are starting to speak more directly to women without the fear that they're going to alienate the male base. There's more advertising that is either targeted to women or at least is not quite as male-dominated."

Allison Evanow, CEO, Square One Organic Spirits

the fireman ad created by Euro RSCG Chicago.

Striking the same tongue-in-cheek note as the Old Spice TV spots featuring Isaiah Mustafa, "The Man Your Man Could Smell Like," the Sauza YouTube video is a mash-up of female appeal — Firemen! Kittens! — and aims to be just over-the-top enough to let women know they're in on the joke.

More ads are planned in the Sauza campaign. Meanwhile, the company has other brands with a feminine touch, include Red Stag Bourbon, launched in a black cherry flavor in 2009 and in honey tea and spiced versions this year, along with Skinnygirl Cocktails and Courvoisier Rose.

"Marketing spirits to women is something that we think is a big opportunity," says George.

Also reaching out is Campari America, for-

merly known as SKYY Spirits, and home to a number of brands, including Yamazaki Japanese Single Malt Whisky and Wild Turkey. The company has created a "Women & Whiskies," campaign, a group and event series intended to give women a forum to enjoy and learn more about whiskies and cocktails.

On the consumer side, women have shown their interest in the spirits world, forming groups such as Ladies United for the Preservation of Endangered Cocktails, which has chapters in several major cities.

Kiki Braverman, co-founder of the San Francisco chapter of LUPEC, has seen the Sauza ad and liked its humor and originality. "I LOVE that a guy is the sex object," she says. Still, Braverman, who runs the microbrand Pur Spirits featuring spirits from her native Germany, would like to see advertising go further.

"What about women like me? Professional women with families who neither party the night away nor dream of being rescued by a 22-year-old fireman, but who really do enjoy a good drink with their meal — and who actually have money to spend?" she asks.

At Square One, the company doesn't specifically market to women, but Evanow says consumers tend to be aware that the company is 97 percent female-owned (by Evanow and her sister; the other 3 percent include Evanow's husband and brother). "I feel like we have a combination of the 'Go, girls! Women Breaking Barriers in a Male-dominated Industry' message along with the cocktail," she says.

Evanow expects to see more women of spirits. "I feel like the female palate is changing," she says. "Women, as they start to get older, are starting to drink drier and less sweet, starting to incorporate more botanical and aged spirits into their repertoire," she says.

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Flores family fundraiser set Saturday

Herald Staff Report

A fundraiser for Luis and Lupe Flores, who lost their home and business (El San Luis Bar) in a fire earlier this month, will be held Saturday at the Hog Heaven Party Barn, 3910 W. Highway 80.

Brisket plates will be available from 11 a.m. to 4

p.m. for \$7.

A dance, featuring Sierra, Juan Pantoja Y Carabina 30-30, Los Madurgadores and DJ Loco, will be from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. and is \$6 per person or \$10 per couple.

Menu to go, with all the trimmings, will be sold at the dance for \$7.

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News in brief

Syria: Gunmen attack TV station, killing 7 employees

DAMASCUS, Syria (AP) — Gunmen raided the headquarters of a pro-government Syrian TV station early Wednesday, killing seven employees, kidnapping others and demolishing buildings, officials said. They denounced what they called a "massacre against the freedom of the press" and held it up as an example of rebel atrocities.

Al-Ikhbariya is privately-owned but strongly supports President Bashar Assad's regime. Pro-government journalists have been attacked on several previous occasions during the country's 15-month uprising, although such incidents are comparatively rare.

Rebels deny they target the media. The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights activist group confirmed the raid and the deaths of several employees, but had no other information.

Information Minister Omran al-Zoebi told reporters that gunmen stormed the station compound in the town of Drousha, about 20 kilometers (14 miles) south of the capital Damascus, placed explosives and then detonated them. He said the attackers killed seven people and kidnapped others.

"What happened today is a massacre, a massacre against the freedom of the press," al-Zoebi said in comments broadcast on state-run Syrian TV. "They carried out a terrifying massacre by executing the employees."

Matt Sandusky's birth mother: Court system ignored concerns

Nearly two decades before Matt Sandusky's blockbuster allegation that he was sexually abused by his adoptive father, his biological mother raised questions about their relationship.

Debra Long fought the court system over her son's placement in the home of the famed Penn State assistant football coach, who was convicted Friday of sexually abusing 10 boys.

Her objections, which she discussed in a December interview with The Associated Press, add a new dimension to the grim trial testimony that illustrated how Sandusky wooed the victims he culled from his charity for at-risk youth.

Prosecutors said Sandusky used gifts, trips and access to Penn State's vaunted football program to attract and abuse vulnerable boys he met through the charity, The Second Mile.

"If they'd have listened, these boys didn't have to be abused," Long said. "They would have found the problem back then, and a whole lot of kids wouldn't be victims now."

Nora Ephron, successful in movies and journalism, dies at 71

NEW YORK (AP) — Nora Ephron, the essayist, author and filmmaker who thrived in the male-dominated worlds of movies and journalism, has died. She was 71.

She died of leukemia Tuesday night at New York Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center, her family said in a statement.

"She was so, so alive," said her friend Carrie Fisher. "It makes no sense to me that she isn't alive anymore."

Born into a family of screenwriters, Ephron was a top journalist in her 20s and 30s, then a best-selling author and successful director. Loved, respected and feared for her devastating and diverting wit, she was among the most quotable and influential writers of her generation.

She wrote and directed such favorites as "Julie & Julia" and "Sleepless in Seattle," and her books included the novel "Heartburn," a roman a clef about her marriage to Washington Post reporter Carl Bernstein; and the popular essay collections "I Feel

Bad About My Neck" and "I Remember Nothing."

Oklahoma congressman loses to tea party newcomer

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Republican divisions resurfaced in congressional primaries, with five-term Rep. John Sullivan falling to a tea party backed opponent in Oklahoma while Utah Sen. Orrin Hatch easily defeated another candidate backed by the insurgent group. It was Hatch's first primary challenge since his election to the Senate in 1976.

Jim Bridenstine, a Navy pilot and the former director of a Tulsa space museum, defeated Sullivan on Tuesday, making him the fourth incumbent congressman to lose in primaries this year. Bridenstine labeled Sullivan a career politician and criticized his votes to rescue financial firms during the height of the 2008 economic downturn and to increase the debt ceiling last year.

Sullivan seemed to be caught off guard by the closeness of the race. He had won his five previous elections with an increasingly larger percentage of the vote.

Hatch, 78, had been bracing for a tough re-election battle, but he breezed to victory. Former state Sen. Dan Liljenquist, who survived a 2008 plane crash in Guatemala that killed 11 of 14 on board, won just enough support at the state GOP's nominating convention to advance to the primary.

Queen, former IRA commander plan symbolic first meeting

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — Queen Elizabeth II and a former Irish Republican Army commander are about to meet for the first time in a symbolic milestone for Northern Ireland's peace process, but journalists wanting to record the moment are being kept at bay.

The Wednesday's event will feature a handshake between the monarch and Martin McGuinness, whose Irish nationalist party Sinn Fein long has refused all contact with British royals. McGuinness is the senior Irish Catholic in Northern Ireland's 5-year-old unity government.

British officials say only two photographers are being admitted to record the occasion.

The queen is coming to Belfast as part of United Kingdom-wide celebrations of her 60th year on the throne. She is scheduled to see the city's Titanic exhibition and attend an open-air party involving 20,000 locals at Stormont, the hilltop base for the power-sharing government.

IRA die-hards opposed to the group's 2005 decision to renounce violence and disarm sought to express their disapproval of the queen's visit before she arrived.

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Sylvia Strikes a Telling Blow

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Opening lead — ?

Sylvia hadn't the vaguest idea about opening leads when she started to play at the club. She had become a member shortly before the regulation was passed requiring applicants to meet a certain minimum standard of skill. This was most fortuitous for Sylvia, because she was so deficient in most areas of the game that she never would have made the grade otherwise.

Despite her shortcomings, however, Sylvia did succeed in adding some life to the game by virtue of the

fact that her inexperience, combined with the unusual workings of her mind, would occasionally bring her an unexpected triumph. This in turn would cause the membership to buzz with excitement over her latest exploit.

Consider this deal, which occurred early in her career. She had just finished playing the preceding rubber with South — one of the club's finest players — as her partner, and he had not yet fully recovered his equilibrium when this hand was dealt.

Sylvia was West and was on lead against four hearts. Most players would probably have led the ten of diamonds with her hand, but Sylvia had not yet come to understand the advantages of the top-of-a-sequence lead.

Instead, Sylvia led the jack of clubs! With any lead but a club, South would have romped home with 13 tricks, but against this inspired lead, South found he was up against more than he could handle.

He covered the jack with the queen, and East took the king and returned a club. Sylvia scored the ace and nine, and then, apparently unaware that the deuce was the only club left, led it. East ruffed with the jack of hearts, after which poor South could not avoid losing a trump trick for down one!

Tomorrow: Haste makes waste.

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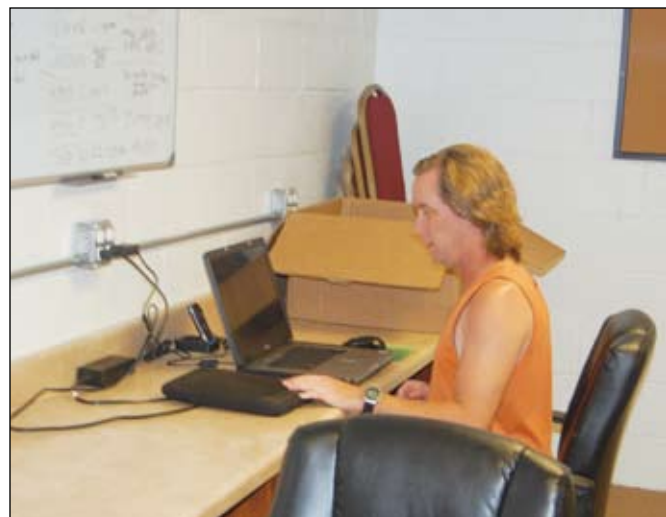


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Members of the Big Spring Amateur Radio Club took part in the national Field Day event in order to check their equipment so that in the case of an emergency they would know all equipment is working properly.

Pictured at left is Brad Hyde manning one of the radios. Pictured bottom left is Bucky Garner taking his shift on the radio during Field Day.

Below is Sonny Tant preparing some of the equipment before Field Day kicked off. Pictured at bottom right is Paul Johnson getting things prepared on the computer for the national event. At right, Allen Nichols tests one of the radios.

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One picture is of John Wayne at the historic spring and the other is of Elvis Presley at the Howard County Courthouse. The picture of John Wayne is on display at Allan's Furniture, 202 Scurry St., and the picture of Elvis Presley is on display at Christy's Hair Studio & Spa, 100 E. 3rd St.

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Darvish picks up 10th win as Rangers top Tigers



STEPHEN HAWKINS

AP Sports Writer

ARLINGTON, Texas — Yu Darvish is feeling right at home in Texas, where he's already done something only one other major league pitcher has accomplished in the past half-century.

The Japanese standout has won his first seven career home starts after the Rangers' 7-5 victory over the Detroit Tigers on Tuesday night. Overall, he matched the American League lead with his 10th victory less than halfway through his first season in the majors.

Darvish (10-4) struck out 10 in seven innings for his fourth double-digit strikeout game. After giving up two runs the first four batters, he settled down and got into a nice groove — something he has already done a few times with the Rangers after sluggish starts.

"It seemed like the longer the game went, the better he got," manager Ron Washington said. "He was trying to get rhythm again those first few innings. They put some runs on the board, but we came back and answered, and he continued to pound the strike zone. All of a sudden his fastball was crisper, his breaking ball was crisper."

The Rangers said, according to Elias, the only other pitcher in the past 50 years to win his first seven career home starts was Carlos Perez for the Montreal Expos — eight in 1995.

Kenny Rogers is the only other pitcher to win seven consecutive starts at Rangers Ballpark at any point.

The only walk Darvish allowed was Austin Jackson's to start the game, though the big right-hander hit Miguel Cabrera in the left ear off his helmet with a 92-mph fastball before Prince Fielder's double quickly put the Tigers up 2-0.

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AP photo
Japanese sensation Yu Darvish recorded 10 strikeouts and picked up a league-tying 10th win just halfway through his debut season with the Rangers on Tuesday with a 7-5 victory over the Tigers.

Astros' big inning costs Wells, Padres

KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — Considering he hadn't pitched in the majors in almost three years, San Diego starter Kip Wells was having a decent night through four innings Tuesday against the Houston Astros.

But things got wild in the fifth and it ended up costing the Padres.

J.D. Martinez hit a two-run homer, Jed Lowrie added a solo shot and the Astros held on for a 5-3 win.

Wells (0-1) became the 13th different starter in San Diego's revolving-door rotation by making his first major league appearance since 2009. Signed to a minor

league deal May 7, Wells yielded seven hits and five runs — two earned — in five innings.

"In general, I feel like I didn't really change my agenda or pitch selection or my effort level even in the last inning," Wells said. "At times, you have a tendency, at least for me, when the pressure gets on and guys in scoring position, to try to do more and that can backfire on you more than you think because you tend to leave pitches up."

San Diego manager Bud Black said Wells' stuff was pretty good, but he was a bit erratic at times.

"His fastball had some movement to it," Black said. "He had some arm-side sink. When it was down in the zone, it stayed pretty true. Other times it would cut.

He had a good hard slider and worked a couple of curveballs."

The 35-year-old Wells hadn't pitched in the majors since Oct. 1, 2009, when he allowed five runs in two-plus innings of a 13-0 loss to St. Louis with the Reds. He was called up from Triple-A Tucson for Tuesday's start.

Lowrie started the fifth with a single and went to third on an error by Wells, who overthrew second base on Brian Bogusevic's one-out comebacker.

The Astros took a 2-1 lead when Lowrie scored on a wild pitch before Chris Johnson's run-scoring single, which extended his hitting streak to seven games.

Then came Martinez's 10th

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Tiger on track to break Snead's record

DOUG FERGUSON

AP Golf Writer

BETHESDA, Md — Halfway through the season, Tiger Woods has made it clear that he is hitting his stride in pursuit of a major record.

Just not the majors record.

Not yet, anyway.

Woods has been stuck on 14 majors for the past four years, and he hasn't even cracked the top 20 in the past three he played.

Before he can think about Jack Nicklaus and his benchmark of 18 professional majors, the percentages suggest that Woods has a better shot at first getting to a record that is no less impressive, even if it doesn't get nearly enough attention — Sam Snead and his 82 wins on the PGA Tour.

Woods won by five shots at Bay Hill and rallied from four shots behind to win the Memorial, pushing his career total to 73 wins, tied with Nicklaus for second place. He has nine more chances this year to move closer to Snead, compared with two more majors to end his drought and make some headway on Nicklaus.

All anyone talks about — all Woods really has thought about since the 1997 Masters — is Nicklaus and the majors.

As for Snead's record?

"I was aware of it, but at the time, everyone focused on Jack's record," Woods said Tuesday. "But as I delved more into the game and was probably in high school, I started understanding Sam's contributions to the game of golf and his consistency. The fact that he won at age 52, when he won Greensboro, and to do it for that long

is amazing. Truly amazing."

Nicklaus won 14 times in the first 58 majors he played as a pro, same as Woods. Snead compiled 82 wins over 30 years. Woods has 73 wins in 16 years.

An argument can be made that Woods' 73 wins are more impressive than his 14 majors in relation to the record book.

"I don't think Snead gets his due on that record," two-time U.S. Open champion Curtis Strange said. "It speaks to longevity and talent. I think Sam could be the best player of all time. There's a hell of an argument for that. Certainly, Jack is the greatest champion of all time. But Sam's record doesn't get his due. In the Nicklaus era and forward, we've give the majors so much PR. When we talk about majors, we discount the other wins. We talk about how much harder the majors are to win.

"Sometimes, that's not necessarily true."

Golf now revolves around the majors. Those are the championships everyone remembers. That's where history is made. That's how greatness is measured.

But total wins should not be looked upon any less importantly. Remember, it took Nicklaus only 11 years to break Walter Hagen's record of 11 professional majors. In four decades, he could only get within nine tour wins of Snead's record.

Still, most everyone would agree that majors are what matter.

Even if the courses for the odd major might be easier, the pressure of playing for history takes a toll.

BCS gets boot in favor of playoff

RALPH D. RUSSO

AP College Football Writer

WASHINGTON — The best way to determine a major college football champion seemed so obvious to so many for so long. Just have a playoff.

Now the people in charge of making that decision are on board, too.

Come 2014, the BCS is out. Playoffs are in.

A committee of university presidents approved a plan Tuesday for a four-team playoff put forward by commissioners of the top football conferences.

For years, the decision-makers had balked at any type of playoff because they said it would diminish the im-

portance of the regular season. If only two teams had a chance to win a championship in the postseason, even one loss could be too many.

That made for some high stakes regular-season matchups. As recently as 2008, Southeastern Conference Commissioner Mike Slive proposed the type of plan adopted Tuesday, and it was quickly shot down.

Four years later, minds changed.

"It's a great day for college football," BCS Executive Director Bill Hancock said. "As soon as the commissioners realized they could do this and protect the regular season, the light went on for everybody."

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Rangers' RHP Lewis on DL with tendinitis

ARLINGTON, Texas

(AP) — Texas was

the last team in the majors to make a roster move this season, going more than six weeks before having to use the disabled list.

In the last five weeks, the AL West-leading Rangers have averaged about a pitcher a week going down.

Right-hander Colby Lewis went down on Tuesday, going on the 15-day disabled list with tendinitis in his right forearm. He is the

third starter from the opening-day rotation out of the lineup, along with a reliever and another pitcher hurt in his first start of the season after moving from the bullpen.

"It's just something that every club deals with, we just waited a little while longer before we dealt with it," general manager Jon Daniels said. "I feel good that all of these guys are in relatively good spots and should be able to bounce back."

Lewis started feeling tightness in his forearm in the last two innings of his June 17 start against Houston, when he allowed only three hits and a run over seven innings in a victory. He felt fine in the early stages of Saturday's game against Colorado.

"Then it just kind of came on and progressively got tighter as the game went on," said Lewis, who gave up 12 hits and eight runs in four innings.

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home run of the season to push Houston's lead to 5-1.

"Obviously, from an individual standpoint, you see that you shot yourself in the foot a little bit," Wells said about the error. "The home run that Martinez hit, the pitch was a decent pitch. It was down and middle in. It wasn't just a cookie, but I would have liked to have not cashed myself in for more runs."

Houston starter Jordan Lyles (2-4) allowed six hits and a run in 6 1-3 innings to break a three-game losing streak and earn his first victory since June 3.

The game was tied at 1 after Will Venable and Lowrie exchanged solo homers in the third.

Venable hit a ball that bounced off the top of the wall in right field and back onto the field for what was first called a triple to start the inning.

The play was reviewed and Venable had his sixth homer to put San Diego up 1-0.

Lowrie evened things up with his team-leading 14th home run to start the Houston third. The ball dropped into the Astros bullpen in right-center, where reliever David Carpenter had to scramble to avoid being hit by it.

Wells said he tried to be a little more aggressive after Lowrie's home run.

"I can't really say that I kick myself a whole lot for most of the pitches

other than the fielding error on my part, which was unfortunate," Wells said.

"For the most part, I feel like I kept the ball down. I didn't get away too much from sinkers."

That wasn't the only action of the night for Carpenter, who allowed a single and a walk before being replaced by closer Brett Myers with one out in the ninth. Chase Headley's two-run single with two outs got San Diego within 5-3.

John Baker's single sent Headley to third before Myers plunked Everth Cabrera to load the bases.

Myers escaped the jam and got his 17th save when Alexi Amarista grounded into a force out.

"It was a spirited rally," Black said.

"We had the bases loaded. We had the winning run on first base. We were down four runs in the ninth with Myers in the 'pen and we get it to bases loaded with the winning run at first. Alexi hit the ball on the nose, just not out of the range of the shortstop. Good comeback."

Houston's offense has come alive in the last four games, piling up 10 homers and 27 runs, after scoring just one run in the previous three games combined.

Lyles got into trouble in the second when Baker reached on an error by Johnson with one out before consecutive singles by Cabrera and Amarista loaded the bases.

But Lyles retired the next two batters to work out of the jam.

RG3 on extortion: 'There's vultures out there'

BEREA, Ohio (AP) — The rookies, their lives filling with more responsibility by the minute, have listened carefully to the personal stories of success and failure from former NFL players.

The overriding messages: Control your destiny. Don't make our mistakes.

On Monday, a former Baylor basketball player was arraigned in Waco, Texas, on federal extortion charges for allegedly threatening to release "derogatory information" about Robert Griffin III unless the Heisman Trophy winner paid him a "substantial sum" of money.

According to court documents, Richard Khamir Hurd, 25, contacted a representative from a St. Louis agency, threatening to publicize derogatory information about a client unless he was paid. The representative is identified in documents only by the initials B.D. Griffin's agent is St. Louis-based

Ben Dogra.

"You've got to be careful who you trust," Griffin said. "There's vultures out there, people who are looking to climb on top of all your money."

The extortion case appears to be a small bump for Griffin, who has already been named Washington's starter.

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The move completes a six-month process for the commissioners, who have been working on a new way to determine a major college football champ after years of griping from fans. The latest configuration is certain to make even more money for the schools than the old system — and it still won't satisfy everyone. Some will think it's too small and, yes, there are some who liked things just the way they are.

Nebraska Chancellor Harvey Perlman was the most notable holdout. He had said that he preferred the status quo or a tweak of the Bowl Championship Series. Perlman said the playoff still wouldn't be his first choice, but he was not going to stand in the way of progress. After the commissioners presented their proposal to the presidents, it took the CEOs about an hour and a half to come to a decision.

"This is the package that was put forth and we will strongly support it," Perlman said.

Instead of simply matching the nation's No. 1 and No. 2 teams in a title game after the regular season, the way the BCS has done since 1998, the new format will create a pair of national semifinals.

The BCS has been a constant target for criticism. Lawmakers

have railed against it. A political action committee was formed dedicated to its destruction. The Justice Department looked into whether it broke antitrust laws. Even President Obama said he wanted a playoff.

Now it's a reality.

No. 1 will play No. 4, and No. 2 will play No. 3 on Dec. 31 and Jan. 1. The sites of those games will rotate among six bowls. The Rose Bowl in Pasadena, Calif., is guaranteed a spot, and the to-be-determined site of the newly formed bowl created by the SEC and Big 12 is likely to be another, Slive said.

The other current BCS bowls — the Orange, Sugar and Fiesta — are not yet guaranteed spots in the rotation, but will get first crack at bidding for them. The Cotton Bowl, played at the \$1.1 billion Cowboys Stadium in Arlington, Texas, has long wanted to be part of the BCS and will no doubt push to be a part of the rotation, possibly as host to the Big 12-SEC game.

The winners of the semis will advance to the championship on the first Monday in January that is six or more days after the last semifinal. The first "Championship Monday" is set for Jan. 12, 2015.

The site of the title game will move around the way the Super Bowl does, with cities bidding for the right to host.

The teams will be selected by a committee, similar to the way the NCAA basketball tourna-

ment field is set. The men's tournament has 68 teams, and 37 at-large bids.

The football committee will have a much tougher task, trying to whittle the field down to four. This season, 125 schools will play at the highest level of college football.

Among the factors the committee will consider is won-loss record, strength of schedule, head-to-head results and whether a team is a conference champion. The selection committee will also play a part in creating matchups for games at the four sites that do not hold a semifinal in a given year.

No one has put a hard number on it yet, but this new format figures to more than double the TV revenue of the current BCS and Rose Bowl contracts.

Those pay out about \$155 million annually.

The commissioners want to lock in this format for 12 years with a television partner. The current BCS deal with ESPN runs through the 2013 season. The new format will be presented to potential TV partners in the fall, starting with ESPN.

While lower divisions of college football already have a playoff, the highest level has for decades used bowls and polls to determine its champion. Those days are coming to an end.

"A milestone that's good for college football," Atlantic Coast Conference Commissioner John Swofford called it.

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Darvish threw 113 pitches on a night when the game-time temperature was 103 degrees, and finished strong. He retired the last seven batters he faced, striking out the last two.

"That's one of the top high-level lineups in the league and I was looking forward to facing these hitters," said Darvish, who didn't feel over-

whelmed by the heat either. "My teammates still tell me it's not as hot as it's going to get. ... Even though it was hot, I didn't feel too uncomfortable."

The AL West-leading Rangers went ahead to stay with a four-run fourth. They were up 5-3 after consecutive RBI singles by Yorvit Torrealba and Brandon Snyder — the Nos. 8 and 9 batters in the lineup.

Josh Hamilton later homered for the second night in a row, his leadoff shot

in the seventh was his 24th of the season to match Toronto's Jose Bautista for the major league lead. Hamilton has a majors-best 67 RBIs.

Prince Fielder drove in four runs for the Tigers, including a two-run double in the first.

Three innings later, when the temperature was still in triple digits, Fielder hit his 12th homer to make it 3-1.

"We did a decent job against Darvish. If you can get five runs off him you're doing pretty well," Tigers manager Jim Leyland said. "He has good secondary pitches. He looks like a breaking-ball pitcher."

Drew Smyly (2-3) was activated from the disabled list to start after being out since June 11 with a blister on his left middle finger. The lefty struck out three while allowing six runs and eight hits over 4 2-3 innings.

Ian Kinsler led off the Texas first with his first homer since June 8.

Adrian Beltre had a one-out infield single in the fourth and scored on Michael Young's triple to left-center. Nelson Cruz followed with an RBI single and then stole second base before Torreabla's hit. Cruz scored the tiebreaking run when he slid around catcher Alex Avila's swiping tag attempt and a bat to reach out and touch the plate.

Joe Nathan worked a perfect ninth for his 17th save in 18 chances. Mike Adams escaped trouble in the eighth,

when the first two batters reached before deep fly balls by Cabrera and Delmon Young sandwiched an RBI grounder by Fielder.

Darvish joined teammate Matt Harrison and Tampa Bay left-hander David Price as the American League's only 10-game winners.

It was Darvish's last start before the All-Star rosters will be announced Sunday.

"A job of a starting pitcher is quality starts and keeping the team in the game," Darvish said. "It's been iffy at times, but I just think overall being able to do that, the result is that I got those wins. Overall as a starting pitcher, I think I am doing my role, that job."

But Darvish had a bit of a rough start, even though Detroit scored three fewer first-inning runs than the previous night.

Cabrera dropped to the ground and was sprawled out in a sitting position when he looked toward the mound after getting hit in the head. A trainer came out and checked on Cabrera, who appeared a bit dazed as he got up and walked toward first base. He then scored from first on Fielder's drive into the left-center gap.

"He has a good fastball, and he's sneaky with his delivery. He has a plethora of different pitches," said Quintin Berry, who had an RBI single for the Tigers. "We got a couple of runs early and felt good about it."

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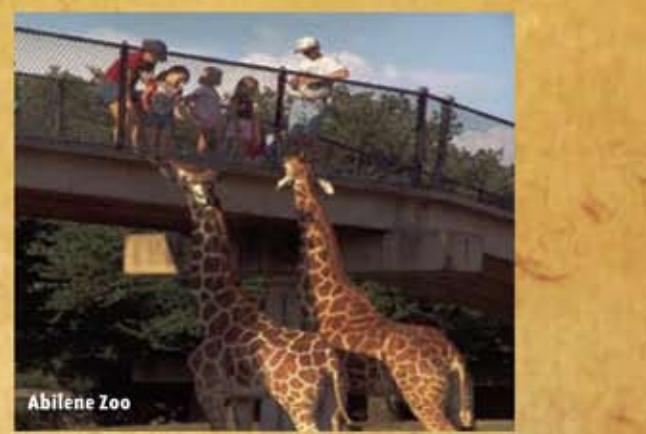
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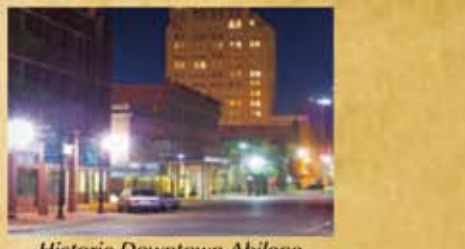
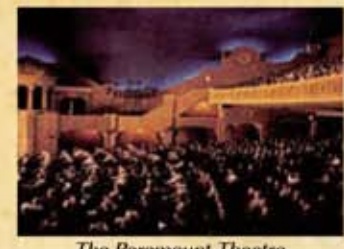
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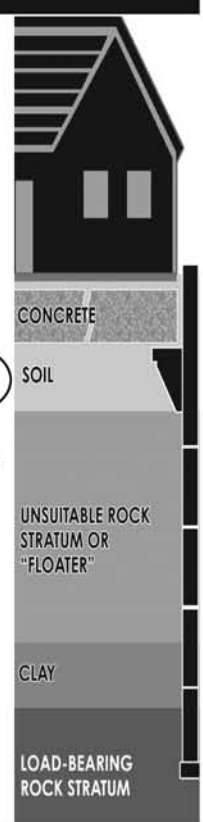




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There's no place like home for pets

(Family Features) — For cat parents, feline companions are a major part of the family.

While outdoor cats are susceptible to wandering far from home, even indoor cats may find the outdoors alluring and can quickly sneak right past their owners via an open door or window.

In fact, according to the National Council on Pet Population Study and Policy, 2.5 to 3.5 million lost cats end up in shelters annually.

A lost cat can be very stressful, but there are simple cat care tips to help ensure your cat returns home safely if lost:

Play the protective pet parent

Take these steps to ensure your cat can be properly identified if away from home:

• **Tag your cat** — Make sure your cat wears an I.D. tag containing your

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more likely to acclimate.

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• **Take photos** — Keep on file photos of your cat from several angles, including close-ups of their faces or any markings, such as spots or stripes.

What to do if your cat gets lost

Cats have minds of their own, and their curiosity can lead them astray.

Start with the following actions to help find your lost pet:

• **Call your neighbors** — Especially for indoor cats, the backyard itself can offer a wide-range of interesting and new items to explore, so there's a good chance your cat

hasn't gotten very far. Make sure you have the phone numbers of neighbors on your block so you can contact them to help keep a look out.

• **Call your local shelters and veterinarians** — If someone in your neighborhood finds your cat, they may take your pet directly to the nearest shelter or veterinarian. Call ahead to give local pet care providers a heads-up that your cat is missing and consider giving them a flyer with photos and your contact information so they can alert you immediately. In addition, you can hang up flyers throughout the community.

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Annie's Mailbox ®



KATHY MITCHELL
MARCY SUGAR

Dear Annie: I've been a stepmother to two lovely girls, now 12 and 17, since they were very young. My husband gladly pays child support on time without fail. The girls have different mothers who raise their children in opposite ways, yet in both cases, it's rare that the child support actually reaches the child.

The amount of child support each mother receives is fair, but is being used incorrectly. The girls continuously need clothes, shoes, haircuts, coats, money for school activities, you name it. It's like my husband is paying child support twice for each child.

My question is this: If the conversation falls on deaf ears with both mothers, is it OK to explain the financial situation to the girls? My husband doesn't want to

talk money with them, and I don't want to badmouth their mothers, but I'm tired of being broke. What's my role? — *North Carolina Stepmom*

Dear Stepmom: To be supportive. Do not involve the children in your dispute over child support. This is not their fault, and they shouldn't be put in the middle of unhappy parents. If your husband feels the support payments are not being used to cover the girls' necessities, he needs to document what he spends for these things and then talk to his lawyer and ask that the support payments be reduced.

Dear Annie: I am a 28-year-old mother of two beautiful children. I have an aunt who suffers from various conditions, and over the years, she has been put on several medications. Three years ago, her oldest son died in a car accident. Her middle child recently had a bout with cancer. Things have not been easy. I have watched her

physical and mental health spiral downward. Some days she's fine, and other days she never leaves her bed.

My kids have a hard time understanding what she says, and sometimes she babbles on about nonsense and odd things. How do I get my family some help? — *Fighting for My Family*

Dear Family: Please tell your children that "Aunt Bee" is not well, and teach them how to be tolerant and compassionate. If she is taking a variety of

medications and is babbling and talking nonsense, it is very possible that she is overmedicated or needs to check the dosages and interactions. Whoever is in charge of her medical care should address this with her doctor. If no one is in charge, please offer to make an appointment and accompany her, and ask whether it's OK to speak to the doctor on her behalf. She also sounds like she could benefit from grief therapy. Bless you for caring enough to handle this.

Dear Annie: I think you missed a major point in the letter from "Bride-To-Be," whose future mother-in-law wanted her to ask a cousin to be a bridesmaid.

Bridesmaids are the bride's decision. If she lets her future mother-in-law get her way now, think what she could do in the future. The mother-in-law was rude to make the suggestion in the first place, and she should apologize. The

fiance ought to put his foot down now and not let his mother dictate what his future wife should do. I say nip it in the bud. — *Omaha, Neb.*

Dear Omaha: A lot of readers agree with you, but we don't. A wedding is a time to blend families together. A considerate bride will include members of her future husband's family in her wedding party, especially if both her fiance and his mother would like it. Mom may turn out to be a bully — it's too early to say — but the bride's default position should not be "no" to every single request simply because she is afraid Mom will overstep. When Mom doesn't respect boundaries, it's fine to say so. But otherwise, there is nothing wrong with occasionally accommodating someone your spouse loves. It shows maturity and grace.

Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column.
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

The partner-oriented Libra moon has a folksy suggestion straight from the 1955 songbook of songwriting duo Sy Miller and Jill Jackson: "Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me." Miller and Jackson, who happened to be husband and wife, remind us that world peace begins with your nearest and dearest.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You'll have luck in group endeavors and highly structured arrangements. You'll be able to apply what you learn almost immediately. You'll unknowingly exert your influence on those with whom you come into casual contact.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Being a trusted friend sometimes means you have to warn the one who is getting off track. You'll do what's right and necessary. It may be years before this is properly appreciated.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Your role as the friendly one who brings people together will be

highlighted. Avoid elitism in any form. In social arenas, break up the cliques by talking to outsiders.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Complex issues arise, and the easy answers won't feel correct to you. Writing about what you believe and why is one way to steel your discipline and crystallize your wisdom.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You have a busy day of giving ahead of you. When you tire of taking care of others, you'll hardly have the energy to take care of yourself. That's when sleep is the best thing you can do.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). An indirectly competitive atmosphere prevails around you, and you'll notice people competing with one another by keeping score of their children's successes or the successes of their friends, family, company or even their pets.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You're through researching, wondering and asking questions. It's time to make a firm decision. The ambivalence has to go if you're to move forward quickly and with a smile on your face.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov.

21). Some of your most cherished beliefs are either unproved or can't be proved. That you still hold them dear is a tribute to the quirkiness of your delightfully complex personality.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). We are designed to gather meaning from experience. Sometimes we perceive patterns of cause and effect where there are none. Give your mind a break. Stop searching for answers and just let it be.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your mood alternates. At times you'll be an open book, accessible to all who care to investigate. Other times you'll snap shut, guarding your mysteries inside.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You direct a certain longing to the heavens. Your need to reach upward is primal. It's inside every infant reaching for mother; it's in the limestone blocks of the pyramids and the jet fuel of rocket ships.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Complex problems can have simple solutions. But before you try to find one, first assess whether the problem is really yours to solve. You wouldn't want a loved one to miss the

chance to handle his or her own life.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (June 27). You'll advance a variety of interests this year as you systematically work your way through books, workshops and classes on the subjects that interest you. Acquiring knowledge leads to new friendships, jobs and adventures. September makes love your main focus. December brings family additions. Cancer and Scorpio people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 45, 1, 24, 39 and 18.

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WHADAYA MEAN?

ALL YOU DO IS TYPE IN ANY WORD, PHRASE OR QUESTION AND INSTANTLY YOU GET AN ANSWER!

Google When is this stinkin' workday ever gonna be over?!

BC

6-27

HOW ABOUT THE HIGH TURNOVER RATE IN COACHING?

CLUMSY! I NEED YOU TO COVER SECOND.

DID YOU GET THAT?

WIZARD OF ID

6-27

SOMEDAY I'LL BE OUT OF HERE! I'LL BE IN THE CASTLE, NOT HAVING TO CLEAN UP AFTER SOME UNGRATEFUL BEAST!

YOU MISSED A SPOT, YOU WRETCH!

I WONDER IF THE STABLE IS STILL HIRING.

AGNES

6-27

TAKE A SIX-PACK OF REESE'S CUPS... CRUMBLE THEM FINELY INTO THE BOWL... DRIZZLE CARAMEL SAUCE HEAVILY OVER THE MOUND.

POUR IN A HALF-CUP OF MINCED GUMMY BEARS, TOSS LIGHTLY. NOW ADD A CUP OF BROWN SUGAR, FORM INTO LITTLE PATTIES AND CHILL THEM IN THE REFRIGERATOR.

THAT GIVES US TIME TO MAKE THE ICING.

MY MOM SKIPS THIS PART AND DEEP-FRIES THE PATTIES.

HI AND LOIS

6-27

WHEN I GET BIGGER, I'D LIKE TO WALK DAWG AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD LIKE THAT.

I HOPE DAWG CAN WAIT THAT LONG.

GROWF! PANT! PANT! PANT!

THE OTHER COAST

6-27

WE'RE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR THE MANNED MARS MISSION.

FOR 450 DAYS, YOU'LL BE CRAMMED INTO A TINY, CRAMPED SPACE CAPSULE, CUT OFF FROM THE WORLD AS YOU KNOW IT.

GEE, I DUNNO. IT SOUNDS NASTY.

IS THERE AN UPSIDE TO THIS TRIP?

450 DAYS OF NO NEWS ABOUT THE KARDASHIAN SISTERS.

I'M IN!

I'LL PAY TO GO.

SNUFFY SMITH

6-27

HUBCAP SMIF GOT FINED FOR ILLEGAL MODIFICATIONS TO HIS NASCAR !!

HOW'D HE GIT CAUGHT?

OFFICIALS GOT SUSPICIOUS WHEN THEY NOTICED HE WUZNT' IN LAST PLACE !!

BETLE BAILEY

6-27

I THINK I'LL DO SOME EXERCISES

I LIKE THE VIEW OF THE WATER FROM DOWN HERE

AM I BLOCKING YOUR VIEW?

YES, BUT I LIKE THIS VIEW BETTER

This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, June 27, the 179th day of 2012. There are 187 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On June 27, 1942, the FBI announced the arrests of eight Nazi saboteurs who had been put ashore in Florida and Long Island, N.Y. (All were tried and sentenced to death; six were executed while two were spared for having turned themselves in and cooperating with U.S. authorities.)

On this date:

In 1787, English historian Edward Gibbon completed work on his six-volume work, "The History of the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire."

In 1844, Mormon leader Joseph Smith and his brother, Hyrum, were killed by a mob in Carthage, Ill.

In 1846, New York and Boston were linked by telegraph wires.

In 1893, the New York stock market crashed.

In 1922, the first Newberry Medal, recognizing excellence in children's literature, was awarded in Detroit to "The Story of Mankind" by Hendrik Willem van Loon.

In 1944, during World War II, American forces liberated the French port of Cherbourg from the Germans.

In 1950, the U.N. Security Council passed a resolution calling on member nations to help South Korea repel an invasion from the North.

In 1957, more than 500 people were killed when Hurricane Audrey slammed through coastal Louisiana and Texas.

In 1972, the video game company Atari, Inc., was founded by Nolan Bushnell and Ted Dabney in Santa Clara, Calif.

In 1977, the Supreme Court struck down state laws and bar association rules that prohibited lawyers from advertising their fees for routine services.

In 1985, the legendary Route 66, which originally stretched from Chicago to Santa Monica, Calif., passed into history as officials decertified the road.

In 1991, Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall, the first black to sit on the nation's highest court, announced his

retirement. (His departure led to the contentious nomination of Clarence Thomas to succeed him.)

Today's Birthdays: Business executive Ross Perot is 82. Former Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt is 74. Singer-musician Bruce Johnston (The Beach Boys) is 70. Fashion designer Vera Wang is 63. Actress Julia Duffy is 61. Actress Isabelle Adjani is 57. Country singer Lorrie Morgan is 53. Actor Brian Drilling is 52. Writer-producer-director J.J. Abrams is 46. Sen. Kelly Ayotte, R-N.H., is 44. Olympic gold and bronze medal figure skater Viktor Petrenko is 43. TV personality Jo Frost (TV: "Supernanny") is 42.

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Answer to previous puzzle

HEAPS	CHIN	DICE
OCTET	HUMP	OSHA
OHARA	ONOR	UNIT
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	ETAL	CARKEYS
BEIRUT	TAPE	
RENDS	GIBBERISH	
AREA	COAL	SODOI
SIPS	BORE	USOAS
SETH	SPAS	PEAKS

Newsday Crossword

JOINT VENTURE by Fred Piscop
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- ACROSS**
- 1 "Shoo!"
 - 5 Twins, e.g.
 - 9 S&L customers
 - 14 Part of the foot
 - 15 A single time
 - 16 Fruit-cup fruit
 - 17 Whittle down
 - 18 Get ___ the ground floor
 - 19 Dwarf planet
 - 20 Has cocktails
 - 23 Road reversal, for short
 - 24 Surgeons' workplaces: Abbr.
 - 25 Prepared potatoes
 - 29 Top of the head
 - 31 Garfield, e.g.
 - 34 Disney theme park
 - 35 Bog material
 - 36 Lose color
 - 37 Deliberate ignoring
 - 40 Place to skate
 - 41 Beanery sign
 - 42 Waterproof coverings
 - 43 Keats creation
 - 44 El __, Tex.
 - 45 Tampa neighbor, informally
 - 46 Go wrong
 - 47 Notch's shape
 - 48 Mild reprimand
 - 56 Hawk's gripper
 - 57 Lab-maze solvers
 - 58 Feathered missile
 - 60 Vote in
 - 61 Rebuke to Brutus

- 62 Eternally
 - 63 Like a he-man
 - 64 Hang onto
 - 65 Alluring
- DOWN**
- 1 Syrup source
 - 2 Zodiac
 - 3 Square-mile fraction
 - 4 Accordingly
 - 5 Self-assured
 - 6 Tick off
 - 7 Religious image
 - 8 Actress Russo
 - 9 Unit of current
 - 10 DNA locales
 - 11 Dues recipient
 - 12 Four-legged Oz visitor
 - 13 February forecast
 - 21 As a result of ___ voce (quietly)
 - 25 Paris' subway
 - 26 Plant pest
 - 27 Act part
 - 28 Leave at the pawn shop
 - 29 Sauce with basil
 - 30 Contented sounds
 - 31 Core group
 - 32 Proficient
 - 33 Of few words
 - 35 BlackBerrys and iPhones
 - 36 Move one's wings
 - 38 Pick up facts
 - 39 Out-and-out
 - 44 "Right away!"
 - 45 Clinches, as a deal
 - 46 Period in history
 - 47 Jag alternative
 - 48 Stern's opposite
 - 49 Song syllables
 - 50 Baldwin of 30 Rock
 - 51 Tough trip
 - 52 Can't stomach
 - 53 When 61 Across was spoken
 - 54 Prepare for the future
 - 55 Prehistoric menace
 - 59 Go for it

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