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## Staying 'low' and dry

*Appearances aside, new campus keeping the rain out*

**"It's going to take a lot of rain to flood that building," Edwards said. "And if that happens, there's going to be water in a lot of other buildings in Big Spring."**

Jay Edwards  
 Parkhill, Smith & Cooper

**By STEVE REAGAN**  
 Staff Writer

The school that looks like it was "built inside a bowl" passed a major test last week. Because of costs and other factors, the new Goliad Elementary building, located at the intersection of 18th and Goliad, was built below street level. However, this raised concerns from some local residents about how water-tight the school would be in case of heavy rains. Those concerns were put to the test by a recent spate of precipitation, including one storm that dropped more than an inch of rain

on the area. The good news for the school district — and the taxpayers who paid for the building — is that it remained dry, if not exactly high. Jay Edwards of Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, the lead architect on the school construction project, always believed there was adequate drainage around Goliad to keep water out of the building. But even he sounded a little relieved after a post-thunderstorm inspection of the campus. "It's going to take a lot of rain to flood that building," Edwards said. See **SCHOOL**, Page 3A



File photo  
**Despite being built below street level, the new Goliad Elementary has adequate drainage to keep water from flooding the buildings, architects say.**

## Old Settlers time in Stanton



**HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins**  
 The 79th Martin County Old Settlers Reunion began with a parade through downtown Stanton Saturday. Several other events were scheduled throughout the day, organizers said.

## Gliders return July 22

**By AMANDA MORENO**  
 Staff Writer

Look in the sky and you just might see a hanglider. U.S. Hang gliding and Paragliding Competition is returning to Big Spring for another year at the McMahon-Wrinkle Airport July 22 through July 28. "We are doing it again," Airpark Director Jim Little said. "We have hosted the national and worldwide competition here before and this year we are hosting the national competition again." At this point there are 40 competitors registered for the week-long competition with more expected to sign up. Even though the competition has been set earlier this year, the numbers seem to be reacting in a positive manner. "This year they decided to move the date up because last year they were competing with another event," Little said. "They wanted to avoid the scheduling conflict this year."



Little

Participation numbers are already higher than last year, according to Little. The weather — which is also a major contributing factor — seems to be playing well, as it usually does. The consistent weather is one of the reasons the competitors continue to return to Big Spring. "The consistency in the

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## Leadership Big Spring

*Registration for new class is under way*

**By AMANDA MORENO**  
 Staff Writer

Within a couple of months, not only will students be heading back to school, but Leadership Big Spring will be starting back up, as well.

The 2012-13 session of the Leadership Big Spring program — sponsored by the local Chamber of Commerce — is set to start Sept. 13. Classes will take place the second Thursday of each month.

"This is a great way for members of the community, whether they are new to the



ValVerde

area or have been here a while, to find out what is going on in Big Spring," Chamber Executive Director Debbye ValVerde said. The session is open to 25 participants with a registration fee of \$400 for chamber members and \$600 for non-members. The program runs from September through May, with each monthly meeting being conducted from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Meals are included in

the registration fee and are planned in advance. "There are certain requirements that must be met before graduation from this course," ValVerde said. "We

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# Obituaries

## Norma Lee



Norma Lee, 86, of Bedford, formerly of Big Spring died Thursday, July 12, 2012. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. Sunday. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, July 16, 2012, at Lucas Funeral Home, 1321 Precinct Line Road, Hurst, Texas. A graveside service will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring, Texas. Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church of Eules. She was preceded in death by her husband, Hugh Lee; son, Bob Lee; and her brothers, Don and Bob Hipp. Survivors include her children, Bill Lee and his wife Carman, and Clay Briggs; her granddaughter; and many friends.

## Jessie (Tripp) Berry



Jessie (Tripp) Berry, 23, of Big Spring died Friday, July 13, 2012, in Big Spring. The family will receive friends from 3 p.m. until 4 p.m. Sunday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, July 16, 2012, at Spring Creek Fellowship with Derrick Looney officiating. Burial will follow in Mount Olive Memorial Park. He was born Jan. 28, 1989 in Stanton, Texas, to Carla and Melvin Berry. He was been a lifetime resident of Big Spring and graduated from Big Spring High School in 2007. He had worked at Dominoes and in the oilfield. He is survived by his parents, Carla and Melvin Berry of Big Spring; one sister; Janiene Berry of Abilene; significant other, Alyssa Griffis and their son Paxton Berry, both of Big Spring; a son, Patrick Berry of Dallas; and several aunts, uncles and cousins. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Edward and Cora Berry and Halbert and Blanch Rister. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com)

# Support Groups

### MONDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, noon-1 p.m., 615 Settles.
- PEP — Parent Education Program for CPS participating and non-participating parents, single parent, grandparents, adoptive or fostering parents. Every first and fourth Monday of the month from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Northside Community Center. Classes are free. For information, call 263-2673.
- Alcoholics Anonymous open meeting, 8-9 p.m., fourth floor, VA Medical Center.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5:30 p.m. at the First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 6 p.m. Call 213-1342 or 263-6819.

### TUESDAY

- Big Spring Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month. This is a group for those with Parkinson's Disease, Young Onset Parkinson's, caregivers, and those interested in learning more about the illness. There is time for socializing and information. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jody at 432-699-6640 or [midlandparkinsons@yahoo.com](mailto:midlandparkinsons@yahoo.com) or Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-2732.
- Special Parents for Special Children support group meets the first Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at Elbow Elementary. Contact Kerri Rosenbaum at 432-816-3320 or [kerriroosenbaum9488@msn.com](mailto:kerriroosenbaum9488@msn.com)
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY

- RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy, a chronic pain disease), a new support and informative group meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207 for more information.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 & 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

# Police blotter

- The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity Friday and early Saturday:
- JOSHUA VINCE MUNOZ, 24, of Lubbock, Texas, was arrested Friday on a warrant from another agency.
- SAMUEL SABELLON VASQUEZ, 29, transient, was arrested Friday on a charge of criminal trespass.
- HECTOR YOBANY MERLO, 43, transient, was arrested Friday on a charge of criminal trespass.
- JIMMY NOEL ANTUNES, 25, transient, was arrested Friday on a charge of criminal trespass.
- GUADALUPE HINOJOS, 38, of 100 N.W. Third St., was arrested Friday on a warrant for criminal mischief.
- WILLIAM RUSSELL CHANCELLOR, 25, of 7000 S. Service Rd., was arrested Friday on charges of

- public intoxication and a warrant from another agency.
- CASEY RAY BRACKETT, 20, of 1425 E. Sixth St. Apt. 28, was arrested Friday on a warrant from another agency.
- CESAR GAMEROS ANDAZOLA, 49, of 503 N.E. 10th St., was arrested Friday on charges of driving while intoxicated – third or more offense and abandoning/jeopardizing a child – imminent danger of bodily injury.
- ASSAULT was reported: In the 1000 block of N. Main Street. In the 400 block of E. Fourth Street. In the 1100 block of Stanford.
- THEFT was reported: In the 1600 block of Settles. In the 400 block of E. Fourth Street.

# Take Note

- Operation Back 2 School Drive, benefitting the children of Knollwood Heights, is in progress until Aug. 24. Organizers are collecting backpacks and school supplies. Donations may be dropped off at Knollwood Heights office, 1900 Martin Luther King Blvd. (across from the hospital), or Allans Gallery Furniture, 202 Scurry. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation, please call Sharon Rich at 432-517-0723.
- Nichols Road is closed for repairs through July 24, according to the Howard County Road and Bridge Department.
- The Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Council needs assistance in The Chalet Resale Shoppe, 115 East Second St. The Chalet Resale Shoppe is a fast-paced retail shop specializing in gently worn clothing and small household appliances. For more information, contact Jamey Stegall at [james.stegall@dshs.state.tx.us](mailto:james.stegall@dshs.state.tx.us) or 432 268-7535.
- Every Friday night from 7:30 p.m. until 10 p.m. is dance night at the Senior Citizen Center. The cost is \$8 per person.
- An account has been established at American State Bank to help defray medical expense for Brad "Ghost" Ugstad, a local resident who was severely injured in a motorcycle accident. All donations

## Today's Weather

### Local 5-Day Forecast

Mon 7/16	Tue 7/17	Wed 7/18	Thu 7/19	Fri 7/20
<b>95/74</b>	<b>97/73</b>	<b>97/73</b>	<b>95/74</b>	<b>98/74</b>
Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the mid 70s.	Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the low 70s.	Abundant sunshine. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the low 70s.	Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the mid 70s.	A few clouds. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the mid 70s.
<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:51 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:53 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:52 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:52 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:52 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:52 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:53 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:52 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:54 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:51 PM

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### Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	91	72	pt sunny	Kingsville	93	75	t-storm
Amarillo	92	69	pt sunny	Livingston	85	70	t-storm
Austin	90	71	t-storm	Longview	88	73	t-storm
Beaumont	82	73	t-storm	Lubbock	91	70	mst sunny
Brownsville	95	77	t-storm	Lufkin	88	72	t-storm
Brownwood	93	71	t-storm	Midland	96	73	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	89	77	t-storm	Raymondville	97	75	t-storm
Corsicana	91	71	t-storm	Rosenberg	85	72	t-storm
Dallas	94	74	t-storm	San Antonio	92	73	t-storm
Del Rio	94	75	t-storm	San Marcos	89	71	t-storm
El Paso	93	73	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	92	73	t-storm
Fort Stockton	94	70	pt sunny	Sweetwater	92	72	pt sunny
Gainesville	93	73	t-storm	Tyler	90	73	t-storm
Greenville	91	71	t-storm	Weatherford	95	72	t-storm
Houston	85	73	t-storm	Wichita Falls	98	74	pt sunny

### National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	91	71	mst sunny	Minneapolis	97	79	sunny
Boston	92	72	pt sunny	New York	93	77	pt sunny
Chicago	95	76	pt sunny	Phoenix	96	77	t-storm
Dallas	94	74	t-storm	San Francisco	56	51	pt sunny
Denver	86	63	pt sunny	Seattle	75	60	cloudy
Houston	85	73	t-storm	St. Louis	96	79	pt sunny
Los Angeles	71	58	pt sunny	Washington, DC	96	80	pt sunny
Miami	88	79	t-storm				

### Moon Phases



### UV Index

Mon 7/16	Tue 7/17	Wed 7/18	Thu 7/19	Fri 7/20
<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>
Extreme	Extreme	Extreme	Extreme	Extreme

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# Autistic man survives desert ordeal

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The father of a 28-year-old autistic man who barely survived three weeks in remote southern Utah says his son was an experienced mountaineer but was out of his element in the harsh desert.

John LaFever said Friday that his son William made one crucial mistake: setting off for a 150-mile journey along the wild Escalante River without food or equipment that was apparently stolen before his trip got under way.

"He didn't realize how arduous his journey would be," LaFever told The Associated Press. "We didn't know what he was heading into, either. Thank God he's alive."

Authorities say William LaFever, of Colorado Springs, Colo., apparently didn't realize the distance involved with his plan to hike from Boulder, Utah, to Page, Ariz.

William LaFever is being treated for starvation and

dehydration at Dixie Regional Medical Center in St. George, his father said.

"He started out this journey with everything he needed to survive — but it got stolen from him," John LaFever said. "He thought he could do this on his own without any supplies or equipment, which was a bad decision."

The man has spent a lot of time backpacking in the Colorado mountains and "never had any problems at all," John LaFever said. Utah's twisting, arid canyons turned out to be "totally different."

He traveled about 50 miles over at least three weeks before he was found Thursday by a Utah Highway Patrol helicopter.

"He was in the right spot when the helicopter flew overhead. If he was under a tree they wouldn't have seen him," John LaFever said. "He wasn't able to walk, he was so weak. He was barely able to get an arm up to wave

to the helicopter. When they landed, he just wanted to talk to somebody. He's going to recover from this."

William LaFever's mother, Anita Jennings of Colorado Springs, said Friday she was still "kind of in shock."

"I'm just so thankful they found him," she said.

Jennings said her son believes he is an American Indian and recently gave up his Colorado Springs apartment and sold many of his possessions to go to the Utah desert.

She said his family tried to dissuade him from going but couldn't.

"He's just a little stubborn. There's nothing you can do. He's very strong-willed," she said.

Utah Highway Patrol pilot Shane Oldfield said when he spotted LaFever, the man was lying in the river wearing only his underwear.

Oldfield said LaFever was severely emaciated, estimating the 6-foot-tall man

weighed less than 100 pounds when they found him.

Oldfield described LaFever as "borderline belligerent" because he initially refused to get in the helicopter.

"He wanted at least 15 to 20 minutes to just sit there and we wanted to get him to the hospital," Oldfield said.

They compromised, giving him about eight minutes to eat a granola bar and drink some Gatorade before taking flight.

"He knew he needed to be rescued, but he wasn't in any hurry," Oldfield said. "He hadn't seen anybody in a long time."

Oldfield said LaFever was talkative, and recalled eating a frog a day earlier.

"That didn't sit too well in his stomach so he didn't want to do that again," Oldfield said.

The pilot said he believes LaFever's mental condition allowed him to look at the situation different than an average person.

"It was a spiritual experience for him," Oldfield said. "He viewed it as a positive, life-changing event. He felt the desert was calling him. That's why he went on the trip in the first place."

"I think he's lucky to be alive," the pilot added.

The hiker survived on frogs, roots and water from the river in "some of the most rugged, unforgiving terrain you will find anywhere on Earth — jagged cliffs, stone ledges, sandstone, sagebrush, juniper," Garfield County sheriff's spokeswoman Becki Bronson said.

Deputy Ray Gardner, who had recently completed training in search and rescue operations for people with autism and was aboard the helicopter, said LaFever would not have survived another 24 hours.

He learned in his training that people with autism are typically attracted to water, so they flew along the river during their search.

## CLASSES

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want people to be fully committed to the course in order for them to get the most out of it."

Those involved in the class will be required to submit reports after attending four different community meetings. Two meetings will need

to be attended by December and the other two can be completed by April.

The meetings can be that of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, Howard County Commissioners, Howard College Board, Big Spring City Council, Big Spring Economic Development Corporation or any of the public school boards.

"We want our participants to attend these meetings so that they are able to see what the different entities are talking about, which in turn gives them insight into what is going on in our community," ValVerde said.

Other requirements include a ride along with a police officer and a summary of the experience and involvement

in a group community project.

"By taking part in the community project they are not only learning to work with a wide variety of people, which instills teamwork, but they are also making an impact and leaving a lasting mark on the community," she said.

All graduation requirements must be completed in the allotted

time in order to receive a certificate of graduation.

The last day to submit an application is Aug. 16.

For more information, contact the chamber of office at 263-7641.

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A.D. "Dennis" Greenfield, 77, died Thursday. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. today at Coahoma Church of Christ. Burial will follow at Coahoma Cemetery.

George C. "Buddy" Clinton, Sr., 85, died Tuesday. Funeral services are will be at 4 p.m. today at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Jessie (Tripp) Berry, 23, died Friday. The family will receive friends from 3 p.m. until 4 p.m. Sunday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at Spring Creek Fellowship. Burial will follow in Mount Olive Memorial Park.

## GLIDERS

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weather and the hospitality of the people are a good combo and keep people coming back," he said.

Competition won't be the only thing occurring that week. The day before — July 21 — there will be hang-glider training flights scheduled for those wanting to experience hang-glidering. Flights can be

scheduled throughout the week of competition for \$100 per flight, but the best time for them would be the day before competition starts. To schedule a flight, call Lori Brown at 352-874-5742.

For those wanting to come out and see the participants take off, there will be a spectator area marked by signs. Take off has usually occurred after lunch between 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. in previous years.

"Take off and the trav-

eled routes are all determined day by day. The weather conditions determine if they are not only able to take off, but how far they are able to travel," Little said. "One of the most exciting times was what they considered to be bad weather, but it resulted in a neat site of 40 or 50 of them circling around Big Spring."

Cloud build-up and clear weather serves for the best flight weather, according to Little. Once again, David Glover and

Terry Wofford will coordinate the event.

"This is a great thing for the community to have. It has drawn national and worldwide publicity not only for the city of Big Spring, but for West Texas," Little said.

Formore information, call the airport at 263-4362.

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## SCHOOL

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"And if that happens, there's going to be water in a lot of other buildings in Big Spring."

When first designing the layout for Goliad, Edwards and other PS&C architects faced a dilemma — the ground in the area sloped notably downward toward the south. To even the building's base, designers had two options: either bring in enough dirt to compensate for the downward slope; or lower the northern end of the site.

"We debated what to do for about six months," Edwards said. "We finally decided it would be prohibitively expensive to bring in enough dirt to compensate for the downward slope. In addition, raising the

southern end of the base would have caused even more severe drainage problems for the area south of the building."

To combat the inevitable water issues that would arise at the new campus, architects augmented existing drainage systems in the area with a combination of underground pipes and concrete swales. The systems, Edwards said, are more than adequate to keep students dry in case of future rainstorms.

"We've had people tell us it looks like we built the school inside a bowl," he said. "But I think they will be very happy with the final results."

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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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## We can't forget to honor our wounded warriors

Each July 4th, we celebrate the birth of our great nation, the independence for which our founding patriots fought and died. We honor their sacrifice and know that without them, we would not enjoy the freedom and liberty we have today.

But those gifts bestowed by our founders do not exist in absolute security. In the years since July 4th, 1776, generations of brave men and women have fought to preserve our democracy. Each Independence Day, we remember those early patriots and the 56 delegates from the 13 original colonies who signed that historical document. I also think of the members of our nation's military who have kept that dream alive for all Americans.

We often toss around words like "hero". Perhaps it's because we have far too few of them. Or maybe we've forgotten what it means. We lionize sports stars or celebrities, many of whom are talented and worthy of praise. But they're not heroic.

General Norman Schwarzkopf, who led our forces in Operation Desert Storm, once said, "It doesn't take a hero to order men into battle. It takes a hero to be one of those men who goes into battle." To me, the brave men and women who fight to protect our freedom are, indeed, the heroes.

It's also important to recognize the sacrifice made by the families they leave behind. These families wait and hope for husbands and wives, brothers and sisters, fathers and mothers, daughters and sons. It takes courage to watch a loved one go off to war. There is pride that they go in defense of our nation; but that does not diminish the worry or fear.

I recently visited the Warrior and Family Support Center (WFSC) in San Antonio, where I was honored to meet some of our courageous veterans. The WFSC serves wounded veterans and their families and is located by Brooke Army Medical Center, one of the world's best trauma centers. The patients treated there have sustained devastating injuries, and most will remain in the hospital for months; some will be there over a year.

This, of course, is difficult for both the soldiers and their families. Recuperation requires healing from more than just physical wounds. The WFSC is a place where patients can keep company with their military family and people on the same long road to recovery. It is a place where they can rehabilitate as individuals, couples or families - whatever they need. It is a place that knows that the casualties of war are not always counted in bones and limbs. It is a place that heals the whole soldier.

The WFSC creates a home away from home. There is a big, open kitchen, where volunteers prepare home-cooked meals. There is a classroom where soldiers can take lessons, such as computer training or courses to earn degree credits as they acquire the skills they need to re-enter the workforce. There is a big living area, where families and patients can mix and mingle, and a private counseling room. There are huge, open front and back porch areas. And there is a play area outdoors, a butterfly garden and a game room where children can spend a few hours just being themselves. In the midst of the trauma a child experiences when a parent has suffered horrific injuries, WFSC is a place where a kid can just be a kid.

The WFSC is a showcase of the genuine community spirit we have in Texas. It depends completely on private donations, yet the Center has continued to expand, even in a time of economic uncertainty. There are a few paid staff, but 143 volunteers keep it open 13 hours every day.

I was just amazed by the Warrior and Family Support Center and their volunteers. Among the contributions made by Texans: steaks for cookouts, trays of homemade cookies, wedding dresses and a wedding cake for every wounded soldier who gets married there, and groceries to stock the snack bar.

I hope all Americans have honored America's founders, the brilliance and bravery that created this great country, the men and women who fight to preserve its freedoms and the military families that support them.

*Kay Bailey Hutchison is the Texas U.S. representative on the Senate.*

## Two souls — Tried and searched

The late Thomas Paine and Dallas entrepreneur Mark Cuban, historically separated by a couple of centuries, would have had a lot to talk about, nodding knowingly about much. On matters of courage, boldness and ingenuity, each deserves high marks.

Like Paine, Cuban laughs at risks, defies convention and likely has slack-jawed parents. (Even in parentage, backgrounds are similarly modest. Paine was the son of a corset-maker and Cuban of an automobile upholsterer.)

They might have discussed which are toughest — "the times that try men's souls" — or times of great soul-searching. Mark might vote for the latter, what with his Dallas Mavericks basketball team that conquered the NBA just two seasons ago now reduced to rubble. It's a real "Cuban Crisis."

The lone remaining Maverick of note is star player Dirk Nowitzki. He has three "i's" in his name, but alas, there is none in "team."

Yes, Dirk's the only marquee name left on the roster. Unless Cuban has more up his sleeve than his arm, the team nickname for the upcoming season could be singular — the Dallas Maverick. There may be no game programs, since we do know the player without a program. What if Nowitzki, owner of a tubful of team records, decides the "no-trade clause" in his contract is a typographical error? Might he bolt, too?

His game has greatly exceeded

all expectations, but how much longer?

At age 34, he's only a year away from being closer to AARP membership age qualification than to the date his basketball potential was identified two decades ago.

Most opponents are much younger. The storm, for example, has an array of youthful talent.

Some of the OKC players are still on their first razors. They have fresh memories of becoming tall enough to ride bumper cars and old enough for driver's license exams.

The Mavericks' usual "sold out" status at American Airlines Center may change sharply next season unless an attendance crisis is averted.

Makes one mindful of the 1950s, when TV did a number on movie attendance. The story goes that a guy called the theater to inquire about the feature's starting time.

"What time can you come?" the cashier inquired.

Back to Paine and Cuban. Both men experienced mountain top success and gut-wrenching failure.

Paine, lackluster in several pursuits in his native England, emigrated to the U.S., thanks to Benjamin Franklin, whom he chanced to meet in London.

His career turned to journalism in Philadelphia, and his book, "Common Sense," strongly supported American independence from England. That was in 1776.

He served in the Continental Army, again in a lackluster manner, but his "American Crisis" pamphlet inspired the troops. It was read by — or to — more people than watch the Super Bowl annually on TV. It also

encouraged a young nation.

Again restless, he returned to Europe, working on a smokeless candle and an iron bridge.

He couldn't put down his pen, and his book "The Rights of Man," inflamed England for his anti-monarchist views.

He fled to France, where he was imprisoned for opposing the execution of Louis XVI. In prison, he wrote yet another book "The Age of Reason." Perhaps this was one book too many, since his anti-church sentiments were not well received.

James Monroe, then U.S. minister to France, befriended Paine, who barely escaped execution. Paine returned to America at the invitation of President Thomas Jefferson. Alas, his anti-church position had all but eradicated memories of his contributions to the American Revolution.

One of our nation's founding fathers, he died at age 72, derided by the public and abandoned by his friends. Only a handful of people attended his funeral.

Outspoken Cuban, himself an author, hasn't published any religious views. If he ever does, they might hardly be noticed. And he's written nary a book with "reason" or "common sense" in the title.

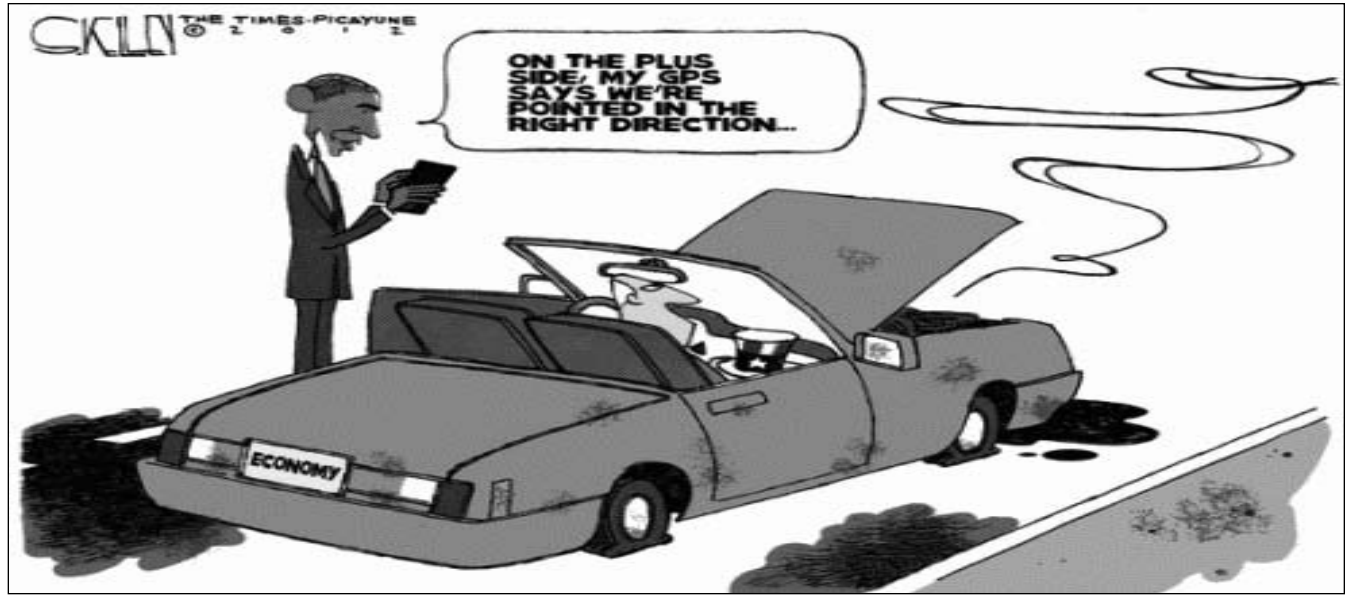
No matter what happens to the Mavericks, nothing beyond a Dallas sports revolution is likely to result. But it may feel like more to hard-core fans.

Who knows? When an owner's soul is both tried and searched — and the owner is Mark Cuban — upcoming life chapters may greatly surprise. They often do.

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## Child medical needs being met

The Child Support Division (CSD) of my office works hard to ensure that Texas children receive the financial support they deserve. A key component of that support is health care coverage. Health care coverage is important not only because it encourages parental responsibility, but also because it protects the health of Texas children.

Approximately one million children on the CSD caseload are subject to a child support order that includes a provision to provide medical support. Access to health care is essential to a child's well-being. For that reason, Texas law requires that each child support order address medical support in addition to child support. In crafting the child support order, courts consider the cost and quality of health insurance that may be available to the parents, so that each child receives the best possible coverage.

In many child support cases, a parent is ordered to provide health insurance for the child through a policy available from the parent's employer or membership in a union, trade association or other organization, if available at a reasonable cost. Reasonable cost, as defined by state law, is no more than nine

percent of the noncustodial parent's annual gross income.

If neither parent is able to obtain private health insurance at a reasonable cost, the custodial parent is ordered to apply on behalf of the child to a government-funded medical program such as Medicaid or the state Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). The cost of the CHIP premium may be added to the noncustodial parent's monthly child support payment.

When private insurance is unavailable, whether or not the children are eligible for Medicaid or CHIP, the courts may order the noncustodial parent to provide cash medical support in addition to the monthly child support payment.

When the noncustodial parent is ordered to pay cash medical support, a notice of income withholding is sent to the employer according to the same procedures for withholding regular child support payments from the parent's paycheck. If the parent is ordered to provide insurance through the employer, the employer is required to enroll the child in health insurance coverage and withhold the necessary premium payments from the parent's income.

Both children and the State of Texas benefit when parents on the CSD caseload enroll their children in private health insurance. Enrolling children in private health insurance represents a significant cost savings to the state of Texas. The Child Support Division found that one-half

of the children my office enrolled in private insurance were also covered by Medicaid. This information allowed the Health and Human Services Commission to recover \$62 million from private insurers and pharmacies for services Medicaid paid, but was not required to cover. In addition, my office collected \$70 million in cash medical support for families on Medicaid and distributed those collections to the Medicaid agency.

To find out more about services offered by the Attorney General's Child Support Division, visit the agency website at [www.texasattorneygeneral.gov](http://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov).

### Points To Remember

#### Medical Support

Texas law requires child support orders to include a provision for medical support.

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  - Through an employer, or
  - Membership in a trade association or other organization
- Reasonable cost is nine percent of the noncustodial parent's gross income.
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*Greg Abbott is the Texas Attorney General.*



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## News in brief

### Obama continues to question rival Mitt Romney's role at Bain Capital

WOLFEBORO, N.H. (AP) — President Barack Obama is keeping up a drumbeat of skepticism over Mitt Romney's insistence — displayed in a blitz of TV interviews — that he stepped down from his private equity firm years earlier than federal records indicate.

Obama planned another day of campaigning in Virginia on Saturday, a state he won in 2008 but before that last supported a Democratic presidential nominee in 1964. Advisers said he would remind voters of the discrepancies between Securities and Exchange Commission filings and Romney's recollection of his role at the Boston-based firm.

The strategy follows calls by Democrats — and some Republicans — for Romney to release tax returns going back several years. Romney has said anew that he won't go beyond releasing his 2010 tax records and, before the election, his 2011 taxes.

"You can never satisfy the opposition research team of the Obama organization," Romney told CBS on Friday. In the same round of interviews in which he defended his account of his role at Bain, Romney said Obama owed him an apology for a top aide's suggestion that the SEC filings, if false, could bring a felony charge.

"This is simply beneath the dignity of the presidency of the United States," Romney told ABC.

### Massachusetts doctor who once ran against Romney poised to be Green Party pick for president

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (AP) — A Massachusetts doctor who ran against Republican Mitt Romney for governor a decade ago is poised to challenge him again as the Green Party's nominee for president.

Dr. Jill Stein isn't shy about admitting her candidacy is a super long shot. Still, she noted that a growing number of people are expressing frustration with the nation's two mainstream political parties. She cited the Occupy Wall Street movement as an example.

"People are not wedded to these parties, and they are as unhappy with the money-dominated political process as they are unhappy with the products of that process," Stein, 62, said in an interview the day before she was expected to accept the party's nomination at its convention on Saturday.

So far, the Green Party has only qualified for the ballot in 21 states, and the party has not yet qualified for the ballot in Maryland, where its convention is being held. The party has until Aug. 6 to submit 10,000 signatures in Maryland. Stein said she is hopeful the party will eventually qualify in at least 40 states.

Stein noted that the Green Party has qualified for federal matching funds for the first time in its 11-year history.

### Freed Israeli soldier Gilad Schalit remains a mystery despite recent celebrity status

JERUSALEM (AP) — Nine months after he was freed from Hamas captivity in a lopsided prisoner swap, Gilad Schalit is emerging from the shadows — showing up at parties, sporting events and even writing a newspaper column.

Even so, the former Israeli soldier remains an enigma. He has refrained from giving interviews and has shared few details about his 5 1/2 years of captivity in a Gaza basement.

But he hasn't vanished from sight — quite the opposite.

The slender 25-year-old has morphed into a celebrity from an awkward, anonymous teenager whose plight inspired a nationwide campaign. While he still enjoys widespread public support, some Israelis are beginning to question whether his tragic ordeal has been converted into undue hero status.

Palestinian militants abducted a wounded Schalit from his tank in June 2006 in a brazen cross-border infiltration from Gaza. After years of failed negotiations and mounting public pressure, Israel agreed to free more than 1,000 Palestinian prisoners, including hundreds of convicted killers, in exchange for his freedom. Schalit was joyously welcomed home, but the government also faced criticism for agreeing to such a one-sided swap.

The nation embraced Schalit as a symbol largely because most Israelis his age — men and women — do compulsory military service. Parents of present, future and past soldiers — and that is just about everyone in Israel — empathized with the Schalit family, picturing their own sons in captivity.

### Crowd control tactics of Peru's police unmatched in lethality among security forces

LIMA, Peru (AP) — Sixteen-year-old Cesar Medina was returning home from an Internet cafe, his mother says, and got caught up in a crowd of demonstrators when police and soldiers opened fire. A bullet tore into his head, killing him instantly.

The youth was among five civilians killed in this month's outbreak of violence over Peru's biggest mining project, and while authorities have not said who fired the deadly shots, local journalists say it was security forces.

Civilian deaths are disturbingly frequent when protesters in provincial Peru confront police, whose standard means of crowd control appear to be live ammunition, typically fired from Kalashnikov or Galil assault rifles.

Since 2006, bullets fired by Peruvian security forces to quell protests have killed 80 people and wounded more than 800, according to the independent National Coordinator for Human Rights watchdog. Human rights activists say that reflects a disregard for human life unmatched in the region and argue that the government's routine use of deadly force against protesters could exacerbate violence.

"These numbers would be a scandal abroad. And I'm not talking about a comparison with Europe, but with Bolivia, Ecuador, Chile, where there are protests but not so many deaths," said Jorge Mansilla, investigator for Peru's national ombudsman's office.

### DC police chief: Reports differ about officer's alleged threatening remarks about first lady

WASHINGTON (AP) — If your job is protecting the first lady's motorcade, mouthing off about the boss can lead to more than a citation in a personnel file.

A District of Columbia police officer found that out this week when he came under investigation for threatening comments he was accused of making about first lady Michelle Obama, though police are still trying to figure out exactly what was said, Police Chief Cathy Lanier said Friday.

"Five people can be in the room and will relate five different kinds of stories or versions of a story," Lanier said. "As we take statements, there's going to be some inconsistencies."

Authorities have not identified the officer, a 17-year department veteran who has been placed on paid desk duty. He had been assigned to a unit that provides a motor escort for the White House and other dignitaries.

Lanier said the officer is accused of making a threat about the first lady — a comment overheard by another officer and then reported to a superior. The department's internal affairs division and the U.S. Secret Service are investigating the remarks and taking statements from officers who heard them.

### Visa, MasterCard and banks reach \$6 billion settlement with retailers over card fees

NEW YORK (AP) — Visa, MasterCard and major banks agreed to pay retailers at least \$6 billion to settle a long-running lawsuit that alleged the card issuers conspired to fix the fees that stores pay to accept credit cards. As part of the settlement, announced late Friday, stores from Rite Aid to Kroger will be allowed to charge customers more if they pay using a credit card.

The pact, which is being called by lawyers involved in the case the largest antitrust settlement in U.S. history, is seen as a major victory for merchants that have long complained about the billions of dollars in so-called "swipe" or "interchange" fees that they pay to banks for purchases made using plastic. But at a time when shoppers increasingly are using credit and debit cards, merchants will face a dilemma: Whether to charge shoppers extra for using plastic, and if so, how to do so without angering them.

Marilyn Landis, who was last year's chairman of the National Small Business Association, said that the settlement is a victory for small businesses across the country because it could ultimately lead to banks lowering the fees they charge stores for customers' credit card purchases.

Landis, who owns Pittsburgh-based

financial services firm Basic Business Concepts, said that would be a big relief. She's now paying 3.75 percent each time a customer pays with a credit card. If bank card companies reduce the fees they charge her to 2.75 percent, she would save a dollar on every \$100 in sales.

"That's huge," she said.

### Sylvester Stallone devastated as authorities investigate sudden death of son in LA home

LOS ANGELES (AP) — There were no signs of foul play or trauma in the death of Sage Stallone, whose sudden passing at the age of 36 left his father Sylvester Stallone devastated, a publicist and investigators said.

Sage Stallone was found unresponsive in his Los Angeles home Friday by an employee and a relative, and police arrived and confirmed Sage Stallone was dead, Assistant Chief Coroner Ed Winter said.

"Sylvester Stallone is devastated and grief-stricken over the sudden loss of his son," publicist Michelle Bega said in a statement. "His compassion and thoughts are with Sage's mother, Sasha."

The cause of death was not clear.

No suicide note was found, Winter said, though prescription bottles were recovered from the home on Mulholland Drive in the Studio City area. Winter could not say what kind of medication bottles or how many, and whether they had a role in the death.

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## State news in brief

### Texas: State voter ID law does not discriminate

WASHINGTON (AP) — Lawyers for the state of Texas argued Friday that a contentious voter ID law should go forward because it doesn't limit minorities' right to vote and, therefore, does not violate the federal Voting Rights Act.

Justice Department attorneys argued just the opposite, saying the law requiring voters to show valid, government-issued photo identification at the polls is exactly the type of statute that the act, passed in 1965, was designed to prevent.

Both sides gave closing arguments Friday after a weeklong trial about the Texas law, passed last year by the state's Republican-controlled Legislature. Texas currently only requires voters to show their voter registration cards, which do not have photos, or another acceptable alternative form of ID such as a driver's license or utility bill.

Texas' voter ID law is similar to laws passed by GOP-controlled legislatures in Georgia and Indiana.

The Justice Department blocked the Texas law in March, citing the Voting Rights Act. Texas sued the Justice Department, sending the case to federal court in Washington. A three-judge panel is set to decide the fate of the law.

It's not clear when the judges will make a ruling. The presiding judge, Rosemary Collyer, said they would try to have a decision in "quick order." The judges have said they would like to rule before November's elections.

Attorney John Hughes, who argued for Texas, said the state had met its burden, showing through expert witnesses, social science studies and its own dissection of the Justice Department's evidence that there was little cause to believe any eligible voter would be unable to vote because of the ID law.

### Developers pull plans for New Mexico ghost town

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — The company behind plans to build a scientific ghost town says it is pulling out of a deal to develop the make-believe city near Hobbs.

Pegasus Global Holdings in May announced with much fanfare its selection of a 15-square mile site

in Hobbs and Lea County near the Texas border for development of the Center for Innovation, Technology and Testing. Officials said they had hoped to break ground by the end of June.

Last month, Robert Brumley, managing director of the project, said groundbreaking would likely be delayed until August because of problems closing on the land. On Friday evening, he said the group was pulling out "due to some very complicated and unforeseen issues with acquiring the land." The deal involved both public and private parcels.

The group said it would begin reviewing proposals from 15 other New Mexico communities that had expressed an interest in the project. Hobbs and Las Cruces were the two finalists in the original site selection process.

New Mexico was initially selected for the project because of its abundance of land and its federal research facilities like White Sands Missile Range in southern New Mexico and Los Alamos and Sandia national labs.

### Judge sentences smoking passenger to time-served

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A federal judge has sentenced a Florida man to time-served and released him after he pleaded guilty to disrupting an airline flight by refusing to extinguish the cigarette he was smoking.

Manolin Jesus Villaverde was sentenced Friday in San Antonio after pleading guilty in May to interfering with a flight crew aboard a Continental Airlines flight from Houston to Ontario, Calif. His refusal to stop smoking Jan. 24 prompted an unscheduled landing in San Antonio.

The Miami man had remained in custody for almost six months since and could have been sentenced to up to 20 years in federal prison. Instead, U.S. District Judge Fred Biery sentenced him to five years' probation, assessed him \$100 in court costs and ordered him released.

### Teen gets 99 years in attack, robbery at party

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — A North Texas jury has sentenced a 19-year-old man to 99 years in prison for infiltrating a high school Halloween costume party and robbing the partygoers at gunpoint.

The Tarrant County jury deliberated about 1½ hours Friday before assessing the maximum punishment on Pedro Dominguez. A statement from the Tarrant County District Attorney's Office says the sentence came a day after jurors deliberated about an hour before finding him guilty of 11 counts of aggravated robbery and one of burglary.

Four others were also accused in the attack on the house in Pantego. A 15-year-old boy, who was 14 at the time, was sentenced last August to 10 years in a state juvenile facility. Three others await trial.

Most of those attending the party were Arlington High School students.

### Deputy kills inmate alleged to be trying an escape

SHERMAN, Texas (AP) — A North Texas deputy driving a male inmate to a mental health clinic says he fatally shot the inmate after he took the deputy's Taser gun in an escape bid.

According to a Grayson County Sheriff's Office statement, the unidentified deputy was driving inmate Nathan Gene Pierce to a Wichita Falls clinic on Thursday under an emergency detention order. Just outside Henrietta, a struggle between the two broke out as the 32-year-old Southmayd man made his escape bid.

At some point in the struggle, Pierce took the deputy's stun weapon and the deputy shot him once. Pierce was taken to a Wichita Falls hospital, where he died.

Sheriff's officials aren't revealing the deputy's identity. Texas Rangers and Clay County sheriff's deputies are investigating the incident.

### 2 plead guilty in El Paso corruption case

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — A former school board member and a public relations consultant have pleaded guilty to conspiracy counts related to an ongoing federal probe of corruption in El Paso-area government.

A U.S. attorney's statement Friday says former Ysleta (ee-SLEH'-tah) school trustee Linda Chavez faces up to 20 years in prison after pleading guilty in El Paso Friday to conspiracy to commit mail and wire fraud. Consultant Mark Schwartz faces up to eight years in prison after pleading guilty Friday to conspiracy to engage in racketeering.

Chavez admits she conspired with Mark Schwartz and others to obtain an Ysleta school district healthcare services contract for now-defunct Access Health Source. Schwartz admits scheming to obtain healthcare services contracts for Access from El Paso-area officials.

### Peruvian nanny gets life term in toddler's death

McKINNEY, Texas (AP) — A Peruvian nanny has been reconvicted of capital murder and sentenced to life imprisonment without parole in the 2005 beating death of a 14-month-old North Texas boy.

A Collin County jury deliberated almost six hours Friday before finding Ada Betty Cuadros-Fernandez guilty. Since prosecutors weren't seeking the death penalty, the 33-year-old woman received an automatic life sentence.

Cuadros-Fernandez had been convicted and sentenced to life imprisonment once before in the death of Kyle Lazarchik. Prosecutors say she had banged the child's head against a kitchen cabinet door over and over until the door cracked at his family's home in McKinney.

## Church news

### First United Methodist Church

Two van loads of our youth and leaders arrived back in Big Spring this week. This group has been part of ROTC (Reaching Others Thru Christ), along with other United Methodist youths from this area, in Canyon, Texas, where they have taken part in building wheelchair ramps for needy folks in that area.

Sunday is Mission Sunday at First Methodist; we will have reports, videos and personal experiences related by those who took part in the three week's mission trip to Nicaragua as well as first hand stories from this week's ROTC trip.

Services of Worship are at 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m., with Sunday School in between at 9:45. There will also be a baptism during the Sunday School hour.

Vacation Bible School is just around the corner. Becky Woodall and crew are hard at work on "Sky, Everything is Possible With God," scheduled for Aug. 6 thru 9. Dinner will be served in Garrett Hall at 5:30 p.m. with VBS beginning at 6 p.m. Volunteers are needed in several different areas; check with Becky.

There is a welcome baby basket in the works for Tanner Gicklhorn, new grandson of Molly and Maury Smith. Items can be dropped off at the church office.

Pastor Bill and volunteers are working on updating our shut-ins list. If you know of an individual who would benefit from being on the list, please let the office know about them. Those of you interested in becoming a part of this Pace Setter mission are urged to contact the pastor.

There will be an all-church bridal shower on Saturday, July 21, honoring Heather Barr and Randall Capshaw. Local selections are available at Gaze Crystal Kitchen and Elrod's.

For complete information on scheduling and special events, go to our website at www.fumcbs.org. First United Methodist Church is located in downtown Big Spring at 4th and Scurry.



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## Beltre homers as Rangers top Mariners 3-2

SEATTLE (AP) — Joe Nathan's ninth inning was filled with elusive ground balls, screams to first baseman Michael Young, and, ultimately, an exhale after a strikeout.

Nathan allowed two earned runs in the bottom of the ninth, but prior work by Texas starter Derek Holland and third baseman Adrian Beltre allowed the Rangers to hang on for a 3-2 win Friday night against the Seattle Mariners.

The inning started quietly enough for Nathan. Jesus Montero grounded out to shortstop, continuing yet another woeful offensive night for the Mariners, who had just three hits up to that point.

Then Kyle Seager singled. Despite a pitch that broke his bat, Justin Smoak singled to the left side. Pinch-hitter John Jaso singled to right. Suddenly, the Mariners had the bases loaded and one out as Nathan teetered.

Michael Saunders hit a hard ground ball that hit Young in the shoulder and bounced well away



AP photo  
Josh Hamilton congratulates Adrian Beltre after he hit a two-run home run, scoring Hamilton who had singled. The Rangers held on to defeat the Seattle Mariners 3-2 on the road.

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## Comanche Trail Ladies Golf Association news

The Ladies Golf Association held its weekly couples event at Comanche Trail Golf Course on Thursday.

Winning the round with 5-under par was Jerry Roach, Annie Ward and Bill and Bobbie Holden. Shooting 4-under par and placing second was George and Betty Murphy, Trish Gabbard and Vaughn Martin.

Third place was claimed by Donnie and

Shirley Long and Ron and Daury Booth with a 2-under par score.

Shooting closest to the pin on Hole No. 3 was George Murphy. Bobbie Holden took the honors on Hole No. 6.

The LGA is always looking for more participants.

Anyone interested in joining the league can call the Comanche Trail Golf Course at 264-2366 for more information.

## Sports, coaches hold sway at many colleges

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — As the country absorbs the independent report released Thursday on the Penn State sex abuse scandal, some see it as more than an indictment of one school. They see it as underscoring how major-college sports, football in particular, have run amok.

The investigators determined that Penn State officials, including the university president

and legendary coach Joe Paterno, protected their cash-cow football program instead of young boys who were victimized by former Nittany Lions assistant coach Jerry Sandusky.

Some say the case will spark change but Murray Sperber, a professor at the University of California, Berkeley, is skeptical. He says he's seen too many scandals where "nobody learned anything."

## Baseball great Dykstra pleads guilty to fraud

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Former All-Star outfielder Lenny Dykstra pleaded guilty Friday and could face 20 years in prison for hiding and selling sports memorabilia and other items that were supposed to be part of his bankruptcy filing.

Dykstra, 49, entered his plea in U.S. District Court to one count each of bankruptcy fraud, concealment of assets and money laundering.

It was the latest legal problem for Dykstra, who earned the nickname "Nails" because of his gritty style of play, and spent his 12-year career with the New York Mets and Philadelphia Phillies. He previously pleaded no contest to

grand theft auto and exposing himself to women he met through Craigslist.

Dykstra, who bought a mansion once owned by hockey star Wayne Gretzky, filed for bankruptcy three years ago, claiming he owed more than \$31 million and had only \$50,000 in assets.

After the filing, Dykstra hid, sold or destroyed more than \$400,000 worth of items without permission of a bankruptcy trustee, prosecutors said.

"Mr. Dykstra's days of playing games with the public and the legal system are over," said U.S. Attorney Andre Birotte Jr. "These convictions should serve as a cautionary tale."

## Giants, Sandoval blow by Astros

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Pablo Sandoval sprinted around the bases in those bright orange cleats the same way he did in the All-Star game and added a mesmerizing home-plate collision for an encore.

What a Giant return.

Mad Bumgarner pitched seven innings of two-hit ball, Buster Posey homered and the Giants beat the Houston Astros 5-1 on Friday night in a game that will be remembered more for the final run than the dominance San Francisco showed in its first outing since the break.

Sandoval followed up the first bases-loaded triple in All-Star history with a triple in the eighth. The portly player nicknamed Kung Fu Panda — and listed at a generous 240 pounds — tagged up on Angel Pagan's short fly to left and barreled into catcher Chris Snyder to jar the ball loose and score.

"That's a lot of mass coming to home plate," Giants manager Bruce Bochy said.

The home-plate collision, which has been a hot topic in San Francisco since Posey's season ended a year ago in a play at the plate with the Marlins' Scott Cousins, still had players buzzing in the clubhouse after the game and could provide the kind of energy San Francisco needs heading into the season's second half.

If nothing else, the All-Star break seemed to rejuvenate the Giants.

Bumgarner (11-5) retired 13 straight until Snyder's solo shot in the seventh inning in another dominating start for the blossoming lefty. He struck out five

and walked two, giving praise to fellow Giants lefty Jeremy Afeldt for helping him with a new twist on his curveball that he applied for the first time.

Posey hit his team-leading 11th home run of the season in the first off Wandy Rodriguez, who allowed seven hits and two walks in seven innings. Rodriguez (7-7) also had four strikeouts to begin a 10-game road trip for the last-place Astros.

Santiago Casilla struck out the only two batters he faced for his 22nd save in 26 chances.

After losing five of six to end the season's first half, San Francisco started four players — Posey, Matt Cain, Pablo Sandoval and MVP Melky Cabrera — in the Mid-Summer Classic, where they helped the National League roll past the AL 8-0 and brought the momentum back to the Bay Area.

Sandoval credited his cleats for the near repeat performance — even though he expects a \$1,000 fine for his shoes not completely matching the uniform, which were orange shirts and white pants on the usual "Orange Friday." As for the play, both players called it clean.

"It's tough," said Sandoval, a former catcher converted to third base. "He was in great position and I was in great position, so nobody got hurt. I see the ball coming, and I put my head down and you have to go."

Said Snyder: "I've got no problem with that. I came out fine. I just didn't hold onto the ball."

Even before the collision, the Giants looked more like a team ready to erase the Dodgers' half-game lead in the NL West than

the one that stumbled before the break.

Posey showed some immediate pop when he drove a ball over the wall in center field and off the roof of a concession stand near the black backdrop in center field to give the Giants a 2-0 lead in the first. A ballpark scoreboard estimated the shot at 448 feet, landing in a place — and with the kind of acceleration — rarely seen at AT&T Park since home run king Barry Bonds retired.

Pagan, Brandon Belt and Joaquin Arias each singled to open the second to put San Francisco ahead 4-0. Before Bumgarner even returned to the mound, he had all the support he needed.

"Was kind of nervous," Bumgarner said. "Didn't know how to feel with the time off."

The left-hander brought his season total to 104 strikeouts — reaching the century mark by getting Brian Bixler swinging for the second out in the first — and never faced any serious opposition from a depleted Astros lineup.

Bumgarner, who pitched a one-hitter for his first complete game two starts ago against Cincinnati, gave up a single to Jed Lowrie leading off the second. He later walked Matt Downs with two outs before getting Rodriguez out on a soft throw to short.

Bumgarner plowed through the Astros lineup for the next four innings until Snyder pulled his fourth home run of the season over the left field wall, clearing the on-site ambulance and skipping down the ballpark's tunnel.

## AP Source: Lin signs offer sheet with Rockets

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Rockets had Jeremy Lin in training camp last December. Now they want him back.

Lin has signed an offer sheet with Houston, according to a person with direct knowledge of the move. The person spoke to The Associated Press on Friday night on condition of anonymity because the agreement with the New York Knicks' restricted free agent point guard wasn't announced.

Another person familiar with the negotiations said it is a three-year deal worth about

\$25 million. The person, who spoke on condition of anonymity because the terms hadn't been announced, said the third year is worth about \$15 million.

New York has three days to match Houston's offer, and coach Mike Woodson said this week that Lin would "absolutely" return. The Knicks signed 39-year-old Jason Kidd in free agency, and Kidd said he is looking forward to mentoring Lin, whom Woodson said will be the starter entering training camp.

The 6-foot-3 Lin was briefly in Rockets train-

ing camp before the season began. Houston waived him because the Rockets already had Kyle Lowry and Goran Dragic on their roster.

The Knicks claimed Lin off waivers, and he became an overnight sensation during a remarkable run in February. He averaged 14.6 points and 6.2 assists in 35 games before his season ended because of torn cartilage in his left knee.

Earlier Friday, the Rockets waived Luis Scola via the amnesty clause. The one-time use of amnesty allows Scola to leave without

his remaining contract counting against the team's salary cap or luxury tax. Scola is due to make about \$21 million over the next three seasons.

A fan favorite in Houston, the 6-foot-9 Scola averaged 14.5 points and 7.7 rebounds in five seasons with the Rockets. Scola grabbed 2,984 rebounds with the Rockets to rank ninth on the team's career list.

The Rockets have torn apart last season's roster as they try for a deal

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## Mavs win bid for Brand

Elton Brand thought he was going in for a harmless offseason workout at the Philadelphia 76ers' practice facility.

Instead, he got his walking papers.

Summoned to a meeting by team president Rod Thorn, Brand learned earlier this month the Sixers would use their one-time amnesty provision in the new CBA to let him go.

The move means the \$18.1 million Brand is owed in the final season of his five-year deal will not count against the salary cap for Philadelphia.

The two-time All-Star forward wouldn't stay unemployed for long.

The Dallas Mavericks won the bidding Friday to obtain Brand off waivers, the latest in a series of moves to build their roster after a frustrating start in free agency.

"I'm pretty happy with it," Brand said by

phone Friday night. "I think it can be good for me."

Dallas also completed a one-year deal with 7-foot center Chris Kaman, who tweeted Wednesday that he had reached an agreement with the Mavericks.

The Sixers also continued to overhaul their roster when they agreed to a \$6 million, two-year contract with former No. 1 overall draft pick Kwame Brown.

A year after winning their first NBA title, the Mavericks couldn't persuade Deron Williams to come play for his hometown team.

Williams stayed with the Nets for their move to Brooklyn and signed his new deal early Wednesday, the first day new deals could be finalized.

Plus, guards Jason Kidd and Jason Terry are leaving Dallas in free agency.

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that would pry All-Star center Dwight Howard away from the Orlando Magic.

Cutting Scola allows Houston to absorb multiple undesirable contracts from Orlando in a potential deal.

Houston has been the most active team in the offseason, collecting assets and draft picks to build a package enticing enough to convince the Magic to trade Howard, a six-time All-Star and

three-time defensive player of the year. The Rockets have needed a dependable big man since former top overall pick Yao Ming started getting leg and foot injuries that eventually led to his retirement last summer.

Rockets general manager Daryl Morey has also spent years trying to land a top-tier superstar who he envisions as the cornerstone of a championship-caliber team. The Rockets were close to getting Pau Gasol before last season in a proposed deal that also

would have sent All-Star guard Chris Paul to the Lakers. But NBA Commissioner David Stern, acting on behalf of the league-owned New Orleans Hornets, vetoed the deal that would have brought Lamar Odom to the Hornets, along with Scola, Kevin Martin, Dragic and a first-round pick.

On Tuesday, the Rockets completed a trade of Lowry to Toronto for a lottery-protected, first-round pick and a sign-and-trade deal that sent Marcus Camby to New York for two future

second-round picks and three other players.

Before the draft, Houston traded forward Chase Budinger and center Samuel Dalembert in separate deals that netted two first-round picks.

The Rockets were reportedly shopping the picks to move up in the draft, but eventually stayed put and used their three first-round draft picks on Connecticut guard Jeremy Lamb, Iowa State forward Royce White, and Kentucky forward Terrence Jones.

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from the first baseman. Seager scored and Smoak was on his way around before being held by third base coach Jeff Datz. Saunders sprinted around first and saw the stopped runners in front of him too late.

Nathan yelled to Young, who recovered to throw back to first from foul territory, enabling Nathan to tag out Saunders.

A wild pitch eventually scored Smoak and Nathan had to strike out Dustin Ackley with the bases loaded to finish his 19th save.

"I don't care if I give up eight runs in an inning, as long as we walk off with a W," Nathan said.

The frazzled ninth was preceded by the Rangers cruising behind Derek Holland.

Holland entered the game with a 5.05 ERA and only one scoreless start in 2012, which came over six

innings at Baltimore on May 10.

Friday, he threw 7 2-3 innings, struck out four, walked two and didn't allow a run. Two of the four hits he gave up were to Casper Wells, and all were singles. Holland had thrown a previous high of 7 1-3 innings three times this season.

"I want to be the starter and the closer," Holland said.

Adrian Beltre's 16th homer of the season came on a 1-0 pitch from Seattle starter Kevin Millwood in the sixth inning.

It was Beltre's fourth career home run off the veteran and drove in Josh Hamilton, who had singled, to put the Rangers up 3-0.

Ian Kinsler's fifth-inning single to left produced an out and a run for Texas. Young scored from third, but catcher Mike Napoli, who had stolen his first base of the year earlier in the inning, was thrown out at the plate by Wells.

That ended an inning helped

along by Ackley dropping the transfer on a likely double play off Napoli's bat.

Napoli bruised his thigh on the slide and came out of the game after the eighth inning. Napoli likely won't catch the next two days.

The Mariners loaded the bases with one out in the fourth, but Holland wriggled free. Smoak put up a 10-pitch at-bat — which included a foul ball into the second deck about 15 feet left of the foul pole — before popping up to shortstop.

"I think that was a huge at-bat," Holland said.

Miguel Olivo then hit a flare into right field that Nelson Cruz charged to make a sliding catch.

Holland finished the erratic inning, he walked two and threw seven consecutive balls at one point, without allowing a run.

"That is kind of where we are right now," Seattle manager Eric Wedge said. "But, you can't give into the fight."

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# INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS ACROSS HOWARD COUNTY



Photos by HERALD staff

Howard County residents celebrated the Fourth of July with parades, fireworks and decorations galore. Patriotism was shown throughout the Crossroads area. Highland South and the Coahoma community joined in the celebration with annual parades and other festivities. Pops in the Park and the Funtastic Fourth went off with a bang.



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## 50th Anniversary



### Mr. and Mrs. Roland Fryar

Roland and Sara (Wood) Fryar of Big Spring commemorated their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary July 13, 2012.

The couple will celebrate their milestone anniversary with their family in Fredricksburg.

The couple's children include: Rebecca Mattingly and husband Steven of Big Spring, Lisa Fryar of Big Spring and Jay Fryar and wife Michelle of Big Spring. Grandchildren are Candice Rea and husband Brian of Lubbock, Michael Jackman of Big Spring and Ryleigh Fryar of Big Spring and two great-grandchildren.

Roland was originally from Knott. He farmed and retired from Reagent Chemical. Sara is from Big Spring and worked at First National Bank. She retired from EFCU (education federal credit union). Both have been life-long residents of Howard County. The couple enjoys outdoors and spending time with family.

## Coahoma Freedom Parade announces 2012 winners



COAHOMA — Coahoma held the annual Freedom Parade on July 7 for the residents and surrounding communities. Before the parade, entries were judged.

The winners in the 2012 Coahoma Freedom Parade:

Most patriotic: Logsdon Family  
Best pickup: Billy Sullivan  
Best lawnmower: Jim Rowe  
Best horseback: Texas Tech Masked Rider  
Best float (2): Christian Country Fellowship of Luther, Texas  
Coahoma Church of Christ  
Best Motorcycle: Carl and Vonna Wyrick  
Best Custom Car: Rodney Paige  
Best Bicycle: Cheryl Click and Barney Hise  
Best Four-wheeler: Randall Reid  
Best Antique Car: Ace and Linda Berry  
Best Tractor: Aubrey Parnum

## 13 years of Rock the Desert

MIDLAND — Rock the Desert Ministries announces the 13<sup>th</sup> annual Rock the Desert Festival, Don't Stop Believin'. The festival is set for Aug. 2, 3 and 4.

Once again bands will come together at the Rock the Desert Festival Grounds, located at 2000 N FM 1788.

Don't Stop Believin' promises to be an amazing event celebrating God's faithfulness with great Christian music and fun activities for all ages, according to Rock the Desert representatives.

The lineup for Don't Stop Believin' is said to be the most thrilling RTD lineup ever and includes The Whosoever: P.O.D., Brian "Head" Welch, Lacey of Flyleaf, Oh Sleeper, Icon For Hire, Demon Hunter, Ashes Remain, The Afters, Shawn McDonald, Ben Rector, Peter Furler, NeedToBreathe, Chris August, Chris Tomlin, and Relient K.

Don't Stop Believin' will also feature a duo of dynamic speakers, Don Piper and Bob Lenz.

Rock the Desert will also continue their partnership with Shoes for Orphan Souls/Buckner International.

RTD has already held shoe drives around the city and collected thousands of pairs of new shoes, which will be distributed to orphans living in Texas and all around the world. In addition, Don't Stop Believin' will include its own shoe drive, and RTD hopes to collect thousands more shoes over the course of the festival weekend to distribute to many more 'orphaned souls.'

Rock the Desert remains committed to helping the Permian Basin reach beyond its borders and impacting the world.

Tickets are \$25 in advance or \$30 at the gate. The ticket price covers the entire weekend.

Tickets can be purchased online at [www.rockthedesert.com](http://www.rockthedesert.com) or by calling the Rock the Desert offices at 432-563-3434.

## Club News

### Second quarter meeting Friends of the Library of Howard County

The regular meeting of the Friends of the Library of Howard County was called to order by President Jo Ann Staulcup at noon, during their meeting last week. Those attending were: Jo Ann Staulcup, Suzanne Markwell, Sherri Anthony, Linda Holmes, Nancy Koger, Fran and Lee Emerson, Hollis Mc-

Cright, Linda Schafer, and Ruth Ann McKay

The minutes of the meeting held Feb. 23, 2012, were approved as written.

Treasurer Sherri Anthony reported the FOL taxes have been filed and discussed projected expenses. The treasurer's report was approved.

This year's date for the book sale is Sept. 14, 15, and 16. The library will accept good condition books for inclusion in the sale beginning in July. Book sorting will begin immediately. Books published before 1980 will not be offered for sale unless they are classics or are in excellent condition.

The Howard County Fair will be Sept. 27, 28, and 29 and the Friends will have their usual booth. The secretary will research the cost and details of the items to be given away at the fair and provide this information by email.

The librarian reported that chairs in the library are presently being upholstered. The new chiller for the air conditioner will be installed soon. The president inquired concerning the need for funding for library collections. The librarian believes the funds for the adult section of the library are adequate.

Martha Viera retired from the library in June. Shannon will be taking her place, but Shannon's vacancy can't be filled until the next fiscal year. Therefore, volunteers will be needed to assist the hired staff Thursdays. Volunteers will mostly be checking books in and out. Volunteers will also be needed Saturdays, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., after school starts in the fall. Friends of the Library who will be available to help should contact the librarian.

The Friends honored Gloria Hopkins, volunteer and long-time member of the Friends, with a certificate of appreciation, a gift card and a reception June 6. Gloria is moving to New Mexico soon.

The next meeting of the Friends will be at noon Thursday, Aug. 23, 2012, at the Library. Visitors are always welcome to attend.

## Who's Who

### Area students graduate from Midwestern State University

Wichita Falls — James Wilson Hobby of Big Spring, graduated from Midwestern State University on May 12, 2012.

Midwestern State University had 629 undergraduate and graduate students who were awarded degrees in May 2012. Honor graduates receiving bachelor degrees included 24 summa cum laude, 49 magna cum laude, and 64 cum laude. Honor requirements are a grade point average of 3.9-4.0 for summa cum laude, 3.7-3.89 for magna cum laude and 3.5-3.69 for cum laude.

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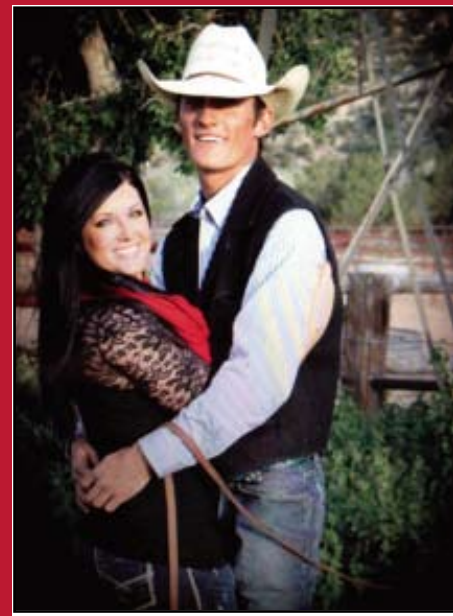


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## Reader's Corner

**Treasure in  
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Fannie Price  
Big Spring

# Tips on how to find affordable dental care

Dear Savvy Senior,

Where can seniors turn to find affordable dental care? I had dental insurance through my work for many years but lost it when I retired. What can you tell me?

Flossing Frank

Dear Frank,

Very few U.S. retirees have dental insurance today.

Without coverage from traditional Medicare, and with private dental insurance typically costing too much to be feasible, most seniors are stuck paying full out-of-pocket prices every time they visit a dentist. While there's no one simple solution to affordable dental care there are a variety of options that can help cut your costs. Here's what you should know.

## Dental Discounts

One way you may be able to trim your dental care cost is by simply asking your dentist for a senior discount, especially if you're paying up front. Out-of-pocket payers save the dentist office the cost and hassle of filing an insurance claim, so asking for a small 10 percent discount is not unreasonable.

Another cost-effective way to reduce your dental expenses is to join a dental discount network. How this works is you pay an annual membership fee – roughly \$80 to \$200 a year – in exchange for 15 to 50 percent discounts on service and treatments from participating dentists.

To find a network, go to dentalplans.com (or call 888-632-5353) where you can search for plans and participating dentists by zip code, as well as get a breakdown of the discounts offered.

Brighter (866-893-1694), which launched in May in all states except Florida, Montana and Vermont, is another discounted dental service to check out. It gives subscribers access to a network of 25,000 dentists offering 20 to 60 percent discounts on cleanings, crowns, implants, root canals and other procedures.

You can sign up for a free one-month plan or opt for the premium plan, which costs \$79 per year for individuals and families.

## Low-Cost Care

Another way to get dental care at a lower price is at a dental school clinic.

Almost every dental school in the U.S. offers affordable care provided by dental students who are overseen by experienced, qualified teachers. You can expect to pay as little as a third of what a traditional dentist would charge and still receive excellent, well-supervised care.

And for low-cost teeth cleanings, check with local colleges that offer dental hygiene programs. For training purposes, many programs provide teeth cleanings by their students for a fraction of what you'd pay at a dentists office. To locate dental

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schools or dental hygiene programs in your area visit [www.ada.org/267.aspx](http://www.ada.org/267.aspx).

## Low Income Care

If you're strapped for cash there are other resources that provide dental care to seniors at a reduced rate or for free. Here's where to look:

Health centers: Federally-funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), there are thousands of health centers around the U.S., many of which provide discounted or free dental care to people based on financial need.

To find a center near you visit [findahealthcenter.hrsa.gov](http://findahealthcenter.hrsa.gov) or call 877-464-4772.

Local services: There are a few states, as well as some local programs or clinics that offer discounted dental care to those with limited means.

To find out what may be available in your area, check with your state dental director (see [astdd.org](http://astdd.org) for contact information), or your state or local dental society (see [ada.org/statelocalorg.aspx](http://ada.org/statelocalorg.aspx)).

Dental Life Network: Offers several programs that provide free dental care for elderly and disabled people who can't afford to pay.

To learn more or to apply for care in your state, visit [nfdh.org](http://nfdh.org) or call 888-471-6334.

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# Range conference set July 17

GARDEN CITY — The 2012 West Texas Livestock & Range Conference will be held July 17 at the Glasscock County Senior Citizens Center. Pre-registration is \$25. Registration at the event takes place at 8 a.m. and is \$35. Seven continuing education credits will be given to qualified TDA Agriculture pesticide appli-

cators, which is the general purpose of the conference.

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Speakers will be:

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# Energy Watch



**Bhupen Agrawal is branch manager and a managing director — investments for the Wells Fargo Advisors Midland office.**

The United States economy seems to have hit what we think is just a bump in the road in recent months. Some economic reports have reflected a softening in the pace of economic growth and first-quarter GDP rose less than expected. We continue to look for economic growth in the 2.5 percent area this year and see very little inflationary pressure on the horizon.

Just a few weeks ago, the stock market was trading down, in part, due to fears the domestic economy was stumbling into the second half of the year and growth was drastically slowing down. The Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) disappointed investors with its June 20 post-meeting press release that did not more clearly indicate that another round of quantitative easing was imminent. In response, the S&P 500 Index lost more than 3 percent on the day following the FOMC statement.

But over the next eight trading days, market participants had a change of heart. After three days of selling following the June FOMC meeting, the stock market staged a rally that carried the S&P 500 nearly 5 percent off the pullback lows. Did the economic news suddenly improve? No, it didn't. In fact, some would argue the news over the next week or so was worse.

Take, for instance, the report from the Institute for Supply Management (ISM) covering the manufacturing sector of the U.S. economy. It was not a good report. In addition to the survey coming in below expectations, it also reflected a contraction in the manufacturing segment, which had been a bright spot in the early years of this recovery. The survey notched its lowest reading since July of 2009.

How did the stock market take the news? Equities rallied on the day. Despite the worst reading on the manufacturing segment of the economy in three years, the market continued to march higher. Recent manufacturing surveys in the euro zone, China, and Japan also showed contraction in the sector in those economies. But stocks have continued to move higher. Why?

At least for the moment, investors think that bad economic news means there is a higher probability that the Federal Reserve will kick-start another round of quantitative easing. The more news we hear that falls short of expectations, the more likely it is that the Fed takes action to further buoy the economy. Investors read this anticipated liquidity shot as a net positive for stocks. Taking it a step further, poor economic data globally has increased the chances that global central banks will, in an almost coordinated fashion, start easing monetary policy in a number of ways, with the hope of jump-starting their sluggish economies.

So, it may only be for a fleeting moment in time, or it may last until the next Fed meeting at the end of July, but, for now, bad economic news just might be good news for the stock market.

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Members of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce and Taco Villa staff were on hand for a ribbon cutting Saturday, July 7 in honor of the new restaurant. Taco Villa is located at 1501 S. Gregg St.

# Biomedical Department is nationally recognized

Special to the Herald

The Clinical Engineering Department at Scenic Mountain Medical Center was named one of the "Best Biomedical Departments of 2012" in the June 2012 issue of 24 x 7 Magazine, hospital officials announced this week.

This industry publication conducted an extensive nationwide nomination process which yielded a final list of 63 selections.

Matt Pinkley, BioMed account manager, has provided the clinical engineering services to SMMC through Crest Services for more



Pinkley

than seven years. His responsibilities include preventative maintenance and repair of approximately 1,100 pieces of medical equipment at the facility.

He works closely with the SMMC plant operations team and "takes pride in his efforts to assist in anything that the hospital needs," "24 x 7 Magazine" said. Pinkley's commitment to developing "valuable relationships" with SMMC directors and staff have earned him several Crest

Services awards, including a Presidential Recognition award for Attitude in 2008.

Matt does "a fantastic job here at SMMC", according to Judy Roeber, chief nursing officer for SMMC. "He keeps us up and running."

Heath White, director of respiratory therapy, who has worked with a number of clinical engineers over the years, declared "What we have now is by far the best in my tenure here at SMMC."

Larry Rodgers, CEO, congratulated Matt, saying, "Thanks for the exceptional work."

# All in the family: Herman's reopens

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Same location, same family, slightly different Herman's.

Herman's Restaurant, 1601 Gregg St., a Big Spring fixture for more than 50 years, recently reopened its doors after being closed for several months.

And, while some changes have been made to the menu, hours of operation and even the restaurant's appearance, it will continue to carry the Wilkerson family imprint that has guided it since it first opened by Herman Wilkerson in 1960.

New co-owners Charles and Evelyn Miller purchased the restaurant from Evelyn's brother, Homer Wilkerson, in May, shortly after Wilkerson closed the establishment.

"He just walked into my dress shop one day said, 'I think I'm going to close (the restaurant),' Evelyn recalled. "I said, 'Oh, no, you can't do that. Think about what you're doing,' but I think he was just tired ... and he said he didn't need the money, so he was done."

Evelyn and Charles, who married in May, immediately began bouncing around the idea of purchasing the restaurant from her brother.

Although the couple was happy living in Fort Worth at the time, they found the idea of bringing the restaurant back to life too appealing.

"When Homer closed it down, it just seemed like a door was opening," Charles said. "It was an institution that was open for 52 years, it was part of this family and it just seemed like the right thing to do."

The couple completed the purchase in May and spent the next several weeks remodeling the restaurant interior before reopening the restaurant last Monday.

The inside of the restaurant boasts a brighter color scheme and other new decorative touches, but the Millers insist long-time patrons will feel comfortable inside the eatery.

"It's pretty much the same menu," Charles said. "We took some things off and left a lot of things on ... Even



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Charles and Evelyn Miller, new co-owners of Herman's Restaurant, are shown at the eatery, which recently reopened after its closure earlier this year.



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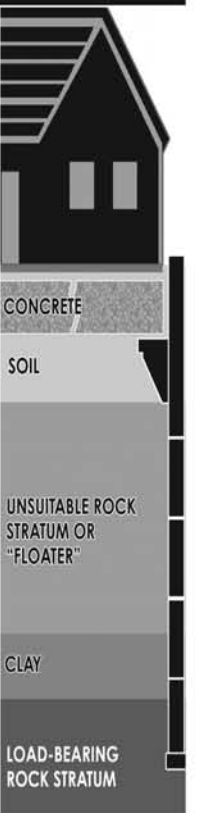
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The residence of Helen N. Wilkerson, Independent Executrix, is 404 East 15th Street, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas. All persons having claims against this Estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and within the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 11th day of July, 2012.  
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ATTORNEYS FOR ESTATE OF MARION B. WILKERSON, DECEASED.  
#7436 July 15, 2012

**Legals**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT**

ConocoPhillips Company, 3300 North A Street, Building 6, Midland, Texas 79705 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Clearfork formation, Chalk, Sloan Well No. 29W. The proposed injection well is located 6 miles Northeast of Forsan, Texas in the Howard Glasscock Field in Howard County, Texas. Fluid will be injected into the subsurface depth interval of 2500 feet to 4150 feet.

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

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711. (Telephone (512)463-6792). #7437 July 15, 2012

**Legals**

The Glasscock County Commissioners Court will accept bids on a 40'x60' metal building for the Drumright Fire/EMS Building. Bids will be opened at a special meeting at 9:00 a.m. on July 30, 2012 in the Glasscock County Courthouse located at 117 E. Currie Garden City, TX. For further information and specs contact Kim Halfmann, Glasscock County Judge @ 432-354-2639 or Alan Dierschke, Glasscock County Treasurer @ 432-354-2415. The court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.  
#7438 July 15 & 22, 2012

**Legals**

The Glasscock County Commissioners Court will accept bids on a single axle, 6 yard dump truck. Bids will be opened at a special meeting at 9:00 a.m. on July 30, 2012 in the Glasscock County Courthouse located at 117 E. Currie Garden City, TX. For further information and specs contact Kim Halfmann, Glasscock County Judge @ 432-354-2639 or Alan Dierschke, Glasscock County Treasurer @ 432-354-2415. The court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.  
#7439 July 15 & 22, 2012

**Legals**

The Glasscock County Commissioners Court will accept bids on a water truck, cab and chassis. Bids will be opened at a special meeting at 9:00 a.m. on July 30, 2012 in the Glasscock County Courthouse located at 117 E. Currie Garden City, TX. For further information and specs contact Kim Halfmann, Glasscock County Judge @ 432-354-2639 or Alan Dierschke, Glasscock County Treasurer @ 432-354-2415. The court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.  
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**Legals**

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SHERIDAN PRODUCTION COMPANY, LLC, 200 N. LORRAINE, SUITE 530, MIDLAND, TEXAS is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the San Andres formation, in the Glasscock, Howard W (G-S) Unit Lease Well Number 1515W. The well is located 14 miles Northeast of Garden City, TX in the Howard Glasscock (Consolidated) Field in Glasscock County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 2000' to 2700' feet. LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil & Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil & Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P. O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, TX 78711-2967 (Telephone (512)463-6792). #7441 July 15, 2012

**Legals**

Notice is hereby given that Laredo Petroleum, Inc., Operator 486610, has filed with the Texas Railroad Commission the following: P-17 application for the exception to SWR 26 and/or 27 to surface commingle Production, allocate production and for off-lease storage, from oil and gas leases in Section 5, Block 34, T2S, T&P RR Co. Survey in Glasscock County, Texas and the S/2 of Section 43, Block 34, T1S, T&P RR Co. Survey in Howard County, Texas under other leases. Any affected mineral interest owners who have not received written notification are advised to contact Daniel Temple of Laredo Petroleum, Inc., in Midland, Texas at 508 W. Wall, Suite 600, Midland, Texas 79701, (432)684-9955 by July 22, 2012. #7424 July 1, 8, 15 & 22, 2012

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# KBSB: Mission accomplished for Poffinbarger

Keep Big Spring Beautiful met in the Cactus Room at Howard College on Monday, July 9.

After the invocation, President Janice Bishop opened the meeting and announced Johnny Womack, our new environmental officer had represented us at the State Convention last month. Womack noted that West Texas was well represented there.

Lance and Terri Telchik were introduced as guests by Todd Darden. Amanda Moreno was there on behalf of the Big Spring Herald.

Pat Simmons gave a report on her Code Patrol group and assured all that we would emphasize the positive often.

Updates were given on Pops in the Park by Jan Hansen who noted the clean-up after the concert had gone well.

The audience was helpful in filling trash bags held by KBSB members. Master Gardener President Walter Ward gave information on a site owned by the gardeners that they will be glad to provide for our aluminum can recycle project. The plan was approved and we will share proceeds with the Master Gardeners. Jim DePauw will help see to selling the cans. Highlight of the meeting was the announcement by Janell Davis that the Conley Grant project has now been completed by Kristen Poffinbarger. After adjournment, the group gathered at the East entrance of Big Spring to see the project and pose for a group picture.

Janice Bishop thanked Kristen and awarded her the grant money of \$2,500. The grant was provided by a former Big Spring native, Jim Conley, in honor of his father, Dan Conley, who was a long-time educator in Big Spring.

Bobby McDonald is still picking up old water heaters that need to be disposed of. Call him at 263-7615 to set up a pick-up on a Saturday. Proceeds will benefit KBSB.



HERALD photo/Amanda Moreno  
Janice Bishop, far right, presents Kristen Poffinbarger, right, with a \$2,500 scholarship check for the completion of the beautification project on the east entrance of Big Spring. Earlier this year, Poffinbarger was selected as the recipient of the Conley Grant. Her project included clean-up of the east entrance of town.



Courtesy photos  
Janice Bishop, president of KBSB, Kristen Poffinbarger, middle, and Janell Davis, KBSB member, stand in the middle of the project area before Poffinbarger started cleaning the area up. Below is the area, located at the east entrance of Big Spring, after the project was completed.



## Life Policies

The Big Spring Herald has instituted a 600 word limit for all wedding submissions. All wedding articles will be edited to fit the above listed policy.

All submissions for Sunday's life section must be turned in by noon Wednesday to be published in Sunday's edition.

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### Alzheimers Walk approaching

Compass Hospice is gearing up for the 2012 Walk to End Alzheimers, set for Sept. 15. Registration will begin at 9 a.m. with the walk set for 9:30 a.m. Teams can be comprised of two or more members and donations raised are welcomed, but there is no team registration fee. A kick-off will also be held Aug. 7 at the Compass Hospice office located at 602 S. Main. Hot dogs and hamburgers will be served starting at noon.

For more information, call Alma Gonzales at 263-5999.

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2	1	6	7	8	5	4	3	9
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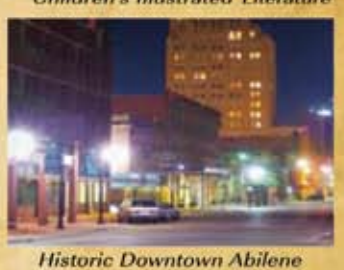
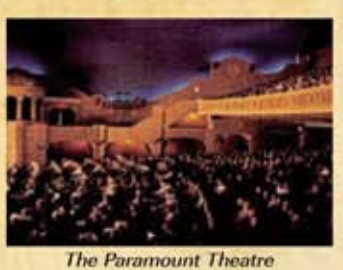
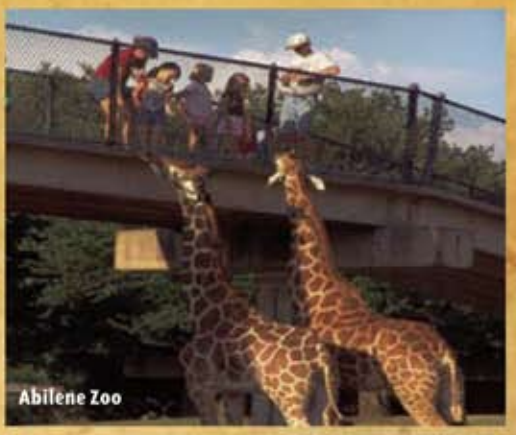
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