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## Primary runoff Tuesday

By **STEVE REAGAN**  
 Staff Writer

Howard County voters will head to the polls Tuesday to finalize the respective political parties' nominees for the November general election.

Tuesday's election features a variety of state and county runoff races, officials said.

Of local interest, the Republican nominee will be selected in two Howard County justice of the peace race. IN Precinct 1, Place 2, Robert Fitzgibbons, the leading vote-getter in the March primary, faces former Howard County Sheriff Dale Walker, while Phillip Reid and Connie Shaw vie for Precinct 2 JP nod.

Statewide Republican races include lieutenant governor, which features incumbent David Dewhurst vs. Dan Patrick, Ken Paxton vs. Dan Branch for the attorney general nod, commissioner of agriculture (Tommy Merritt vs. Sid Miller) and Railroad Commissioner (Ryan Sitton vs. Wayne Christian).

Only two races are on the Democratic ballot — David M. Alameel and Keshia Rogers seek the nomination for the U.S. Senator race, while Richard "Kinky" Friedman and Jim Hogan are the hopefuls for the commissioner of agriculture nomination.

- Tuesday's polling places are:
- Precincts 11, 12, 12A, 13, 14, 16, 103, 104 and 105 — county road and bridge department.
  - Precincts 24, 25, 26, 205 and 208 —

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## Remembering the fallen



HERALD photo/Andrea Medlin

In preparation for Memorial Day, a local Boy Scout Troop placed American flags at Trinity Memorial Park. Pictured here is Zachary Connor placing a flag on the grave of a veteran. Memorial Day services on Monday will be held at the Vietnam Memorial and Trinity Memorial Park.

## Memorial Day ceremonies to honor veterans' sacrifice

**Herald Staff Report**

Big Spring will remember those who gave their all for their country Monday.

In honor of Memorial Day, several activities are planned and many municipal offices and schools will be closed.

The Big Spring Vietnam memorial committee will host a Memorial Day ceremony at 11 a.m. at the memorial site. Keynote speaker for the event is Kenneth Carson, a Vietnam veteran. Randy Cotton, pastor

of Trinity Baptist Church, will give the opening invocation and Dean Thomas, retired chaplain for the VAMC, will provide the closing prayer.

Trinity Memorial Park and Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home will host the 31st annual Memorial Day Ceremony to be held at 2 p.m. Monday on the grounds of Trinity Memorial Park, located five miles south on Highway 87 (San Angelo Highway).

In honor of Howard County veterans, there will be more than 100 full-size American flags flying in

the Avenue of Flags, which are sponsored by the veterans' families. Officials will participate in a wreath-laying ceremony at the main flagpole to honor veterans, both past and present.

Guest speaker will be Mike Keifer, director of the West Texas VA Health Care System.

A special group continuing to help each year with the event is the Boy Scouts of the Buffalo Trail Council, whose members placed miniature American flags on veterans' graves

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**Major Gen. James K. McLaughlin visits with Big Spring High School students Friday afternoon. McLaughlin, a 1979 BSHS graduate, is the Commander, 24th Air Force, and Commander, Air Forces Cyber, Joint Base San Antonio.**

## Coahoma names top two graduates

**Herald Staff Report**

COAHOMA — Savannah Neff and Shayla Martin are the top students of the 2014 Coahoma High School graduating class.

Neff, the daughter of Clay and Cindy Smith and David Neff, is the class valedictorian. She will graduate with a 4.0 GPA and will attend Texas Tech University where she will pursue a bachelor's de-



Neff



Martin

gree in animal science. She plans to attend Texas A&M University for post graduate work and become a veterinarian.

During her years at Coahoma High School, Neff served four years on the student council, serving as vice president her senior year. She was also the chapter president of FFA and the National Honor Society her senior year. Neff participated

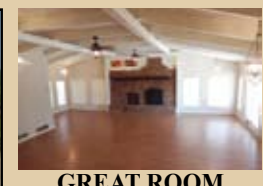
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## Obituaries

### James 'Andy' Coots



James "Andy" Coots, 66, of Big Spring, died Thursday, May 22, 2014 in a local hospital. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 27, 2014, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Billy Guy officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born June 4, 1947, in Big Spring, Texas and married Ellen Faye Rutherford Jan. 10, 1969 in Big Spring, Texas.

He was a lifelong resident of Big Spring. He served in the United States Navy and the United States Marine Corps. Andy worked as a roustabout in the oil field for more than 20 years and had owned and op-

erated A&E Cleaners for seven years. He loved to fish and was very proud of his grandsons.

Survivors include his wife, Ellen Coots of Big Spring; one daughter, Becki Holt and husband, Mike of Stanton; one son, James Shannon Coots and fiancée, Tina Harrell of Big Spring; and two grandsons, Chase Holt and girlfriend, Caitlyn Macias and Cody Holt and girlfriend, Brittany Blair, all of Stanton.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Bud and Oma Coots; and his mother-in-law, Edna Hughes.

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

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

*Paid obituary*

## Police/Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **KODY CHANCE JACKSON**, 28, of 3217 Fenn Ave., was arrested Friday on a charge of possession of controlled substance less than 1 gram in a drug free zone.

- **GREGORY SHANE ROBERSON**, 31, of 1316 Lindbergh St., was arrested Friday on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia and three warrants from another agency.

- **BELEN HERNANDEZ LOPEZ**, 54, of 1401 Mesquite, was arrested Friday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

- **KELLY PATRICK AMOS**, 56, of 5009 N. Service Rd., was arrested Saturday on a charge of driving while intoxicated with BAC

greater than or equal to 0.15.

- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported at the intersection of Settles and 15<sup>th</sup> St. the intersection of 3<sup>rd</sup> St. and State and the intersection of FM 700 and Goliad.

- **FORGERY** was reported at the 3600 block of W. Highway 80.

- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported at S. Goliad.

- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported at the 3600 block of W. Highway 80. and the 1400 block of E. 18<sup>th</sup> St.

- **THEFT** was reported at the 1600 block of Goliad and the 1600 block of Gregg.

- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported at the 3600 block of N. Highway 87.

- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported at the 5400

block of Wasson.

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity:

Thursday:

- **MEDICAL** call reported at the 1800 of N. Highway 87. One patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL** call reported at the 1900 block of N. Highway 87. One patient transported to SMMC.

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** reported at the 6100 block of Highway 176. No transport.

- **MEDICAL** call reported at the 1400 block of N. Highway 87. One patient transported to SMMC.

- **GRASS FIRE** reported at the 200 block of Grant.

### John Wilson

John Wilson, 78, of Big Spring, died Friday, May 23, 2014 in a local hospital. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

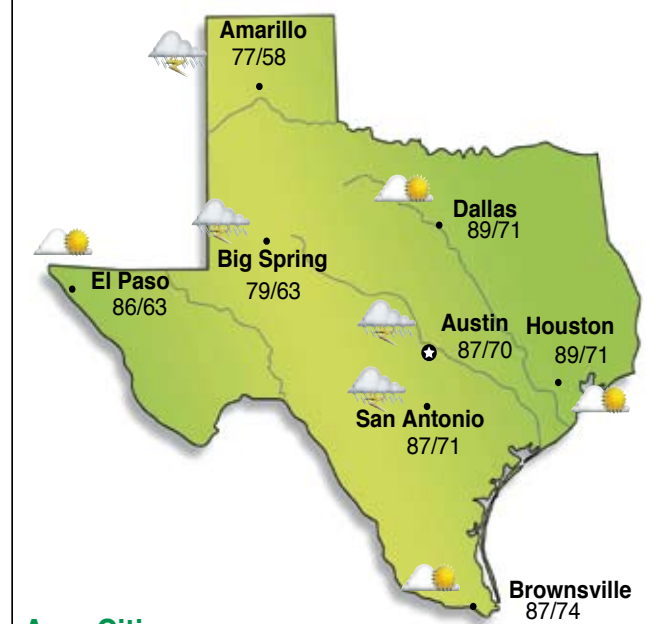
## Today's Weather

### Local 5-Day Forecast

| Sun 5/25  | Mon 5/26   | Tue 5/27   | Wed 5/28  | Thu 5/29   |
|---|--|--|---|--|
|   |  |  |   |  |
| <b>79/63</b>  | <b>82/65</b>   | <b>89/65</b>   | <b>90/65</b>  | <b>88/66</b>   |
| Variable clouds with scattered thunderstorms. A few storms may be severe. | Partly cloudy, chance of a thunderstorm. Potential for severe thunderstorms. | Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the mid 60s. | Mostly sunny. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the mid 60s. | Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the mid 60s. |
| <b>Sunrise:</b> 6:43 AM<br><b>Sunset:</b> 8:44 PM                         | <b>Sunrise:</b> 6:42 AM<br><b>Sunset:</b> 8:44 PM                            | <b>Sunrise:</b> 6:42 AM<br><b>Sunset:</b> 8:45 PM                        | <b>Sunrise:</b> 6:41 AM<br><b>Sunset:</b> 8:45 PM           | <b>Sunrise:</b> 6:41 AM<br><b>Sunset:</b> 8:46 PM                      |



## Texas At A Glance



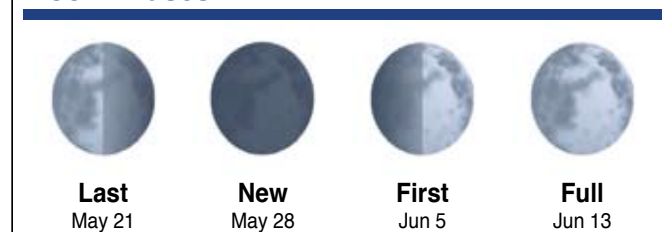
### Area Cities

| City           | Hi | Lo | Cond.    | City            | Hi | Lo | Cond.    |
|----------------|----|----|----------|-----------------|----|----|----------|
| Ablene         | 82 | 65 | t-storm  | Kingsville      | 88 | 74 | pt sunny |
| Amarillo       | 77 | 58 | t-storm  | Livingston      | 90 | 68 | pt sunny |
| Austin         | 87 | 70 | t-storm  | Longview        | 89 | 66 | pt sunny |
| Beaumont       | 87 | 69 | pt sunny | Lubbock         | 77 | 61 | t-storm  |
| Brownsville    | 87 | 74 | pt sunny | Lufkin          | 90 | 68 | pt sunny |
| Brownwood      | 82 | 66 | t-storm  | Midland         | 81 | 65 | t-storm  |
| Corpus Christi | 84 | 75 | pt sunny | Raymondville    | 92 | 75 | pt sunny |
| Corsicana      | 89 | 69 | pt sunny | Rosenberg       | 90 | 71 | pt sunny |
| Dallas         | 89 | 71 | pt sunny | San Antonio     | 87 | 71 | t-storm  |
| Del Rio        | 89 | 70 | t-storm  | San Marcos      | 87 | 70 | t-storm  |
| El Paso        | 86 | 63 | pt sunny | Sulphur Springs | 87 | 69 | pt sunny |
| Fort Stockton  | 88 | 65 | t-storm  | Sweetwater      | 75 | 65 | t-storm  |
| Gainesville    | 86 | 68 | t-storm  | Tyler           | 87 | 68 | pt sunny |
| Greenville     | 87 | 69 | pt sunny | Weatherford     | 85 | 67 | pt sunny |
| Houston        | 89 | 71 | pt sunny | Wichita Falls   | 83 | 67 | t-storm  |

### National Cities

| City        | Hi | Lo | Cond.     | City           | Hi | Lo | Cond.     |
|-------------|----|----|-----------|----------------|----|----|-----------|
| Atlanta     | 87 | 64 | t-storm   | Minneapolis    | 83 | 65 | pt sunny  |
| Boston      | 65 | 56 | pt sunny  | New York       | 79 | 62 | mst sunny |
| Chicago     | 82 | 64 | sunny     | Phoenix        | 86 | 63 | pt sunny  |
| Dallas      | 89 | 71 | pt sunny  | San Francisco  | 62 | 54 | mst sunny |
| Denver      | 70 | 48 | t-storm   | Seattle        | 67 | 52 | cloudy    |
| Houston     | 89 | 71 | pt sunny  | St. Louis      | 83 | 68 | t-storm   |
| Los Angeles | 72 | 59 | mst sunny | Washington, DC | 82 | 62 | mst sunny |
| Miami       | 87 | 75 | mst sunny |                |    |    |           |

### Moon Phases



### UV Index

| Sun 5/25  | Mon 5/26  | Tue 5/27  | Wed 5/28  | Thu 5/29  |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>9</b>  | <b>10</b> | <b>11</b> | <b>11</b> | <b>11</b> |
| Very High | Very High | Extreme   | Extreme   | Extreme   |

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• Coahoma Scholars' Banquet will be held May 27, at the Settles Hotel. The banquet will honor Coahoma's top 10 academic seniors, top 10 academic juniors, scholar alumni award, scholar teacher award and community pride award. For those interested in sponsoring the banquet or for further information, call Amy Jacobs or Judy Dobbs at 432-394-5000, ext. 4.

• A fund has been set up at BBVA Compass Bank to help Melinda Garcia with medical expenses while recovering from surgery. Account number is 673000597.

• Medical funds have been established for Kathran O'Brien Grant, who is recovering from a recent accident. An account is set up at Western Bank No. 1012020. Contact Donnie Baker at 432-556-2186 for more information. A medical fund has also been set up at Wells Fargo.

• The Big Spring Senior Center dance is open to all ages. No alcohol or smoking. Our parking lot is now well lit, and we are handicapped accessible. The cost is \$8 per person.

• The Powwow Committee of Big Spring has been restructured and is seeking new members, according to committee secretary Greg Bodin. "Please accept our invitation to attend a meeting,". For more information, including meeting times and dates, contact Vice President Randy McKinney at 432-267-4843 or President Richard Lesser at 432-935-0125.

• Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to violent crimes of assault, sexual assault and domestic violence.

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• Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 263-9669.

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• Mobile Meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you can donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Macaria Cantu at 263-4016.

• Spring Tabernacle Ministries, 1209 Wright St., has a brief, inspirational message before giving away food and clothing on Thursday mornings. It's a great way to work off community service and get help, too. Be there at 9 a.m.-11 a.m. and get two for one plus a rehab meeting.

• Mitchell County Senior Citizen Dance, Colorado City Civic Center, 157 East 2nd Street, Colorado City, Texas, the fourth Thursday of each month from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., \$5 per person. Bring snacks to share.

• The Homeownership Preservation Foundation (HPF) is an independent national nonprofit dedicated to helping distressed homeowners navigate financial challenges and avoid mortgage foreclosure.

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in varsity athletics lettering in basketball, softball, and volleyball.

Neff is very active in her

community. She was a member of the Relay for Life team and organized canned food drives. She coordinated a dog food drive for the Big Spring Humane Society with her softball team.

Martin, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Danny Martin,

is the class salutatorian and will graduate with a 3.9 GPA

She is the senior class president, is a member of the National Honor Society and is the president of the student council. She has also served as the class president for her junior, sophomore and fresh-

man years.

She has been very active in choir and band. Martin was named to all region mixed choir for 2012 and 2013 and received a Texas Music Scholar award in 2013.

An active community member, Martin has served

as a Little League softball coach and participated in her church choir and youth band.

Coahoma High School will hold its 2014 commencement ceremony at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 29, at the Dorothy Garrett Goliseum.

**RUNOFF**

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Springtown Plaza.

• Precincts 32, 33, 34, 35 and 304 — First Bap-

tist Church, Big Spring.

• Precincts 42, 45, 46, 404 and 405 — Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

• Precincts 408 and 409 — First Baptist Church, Sand Springs.

• Precincts 207 and

207C — Coahoma Community Center.

Voters are reminded they will need to present identification before casting their ballots. Acceptable forms of ID are:

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• Texas Election Identification Certificate (issued by Department of Public Safety).

• Texas personal identification card (issued

by DPS).

• Texas concealed handgun license.

• U.S. military ID card containing the person's photograph.

• U.S. citizenship certificate containing the

person's photograph.

• U.S. passport.

For more information on the primary runoff, contact the elections administrator's office at 264-2273.

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at Trinity Memorial Park. These flags will be placed Saturday and removed Tuesday.

For more information, contact Tammy D. Lockhart, manager, at 267-8243, or fax at 267-3864.

Hangar 25 Air Museum will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Memorial Day.

The museum will feature a new MIA/POW exhibit focusing on Big Spring and Webb AFB. Concessions will be available and selected gift shop items will be on sale. All veterans and active military will receive a free cap. For more information, call 264-1999.

Some, but not all, area students will have a three-day weekend, thanks to the national

day of recognition to veterans.

However, Coahoma and Big Spring school districts will hold classes on Monday as per usual.

Both school districts are making up a lost school day earlier in the year, canceled because of inclement weather, officials said.

Fosan ISD will be closed Monday, but students, faculty and

staff will not be able to get a jump start on the weekend. No early out is scheduled for Friday, officials with the district said.

Howard College and SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf will also close Monday for the holiday. Both are in their summer session.

The administration office of both campuses, which will also be closed

Monday, has started summer hours. Those hours are Monday to Thursday 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., closed Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Area municipal employees (for the most

part) will have the day off Monday.

City of Big Spring and Howard County non-emergency offices will

be closed Monday (both will have normal operating hours Tuesday), officials said.

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# Opinion

OUR OPINION

## Flags, flowers & fallen heroes

There are many cities that claim to be the site of the “first” Memorial Day. Most likely though, relatives of fallen Civil War soldiers, both from the North and South, held their own special ceremonies dating back to the war’s end. On May 26, 1966, President Lyndon Johnson signed a proclamation officially naming Waterloo, New York, as the birthplace of Memorial Day. Others still claim the title, of course.

Years and years earlier, in 1868, in fact, Gen. John Logan, commander of the Union Army veterans organization, set May 30 as the day to decorate the graves of the war dead with flowers and flags. Older Americans still think of it as Decoration Day, especially in the Deep South.

A century later, in the pursuit of three-day weekends, Congress passed the Uniform Monday Holiday Act. The Act moved four holidays from their original days to Mondays. Some veterans organizations later regretted their support for the switch because the day seemed to lose some of its solemnity.

These days, Memorial Day weekend has assumed a role in our lives far from its original purpose: It is the kickoff to summer, the time when swimming pools open, a time for graduation and the end of school, the running of the Indy 500 and a time for garage sales and cookouts.

While sunburns and barbecues are not what the Memorial Day organizers had in mind, the secular cheerfulness of Memorial Day weekend is not at all unfortunate.

Memorial Day has always been observed most solemnly and seriously when the grief of war was fresh and painful, as it is today with thousands of U.S. military personnel in harms way in Afghanistan.

But this holiday weekend is still be a time for celebration.

However, let us remember the enjoyment of this weekend was brought to us by a long line of Americans, almost 1.2 million of them, who died in service of this country dating back to the eight Patriots who fell at Lexington in 1775.

Monday, there will be ceremonies at the Vietnam Memorial (11 a.m.) and Trinity Memorial Park (2 p.m.) commemorating the holiday and we encourage readers to take part.

If you haven’t done so yet, take a moment to bow your head and silently give thanks for the freedoms we enjoy because of their sacrifices.

Remember our fallen. May they never, ever be forgotten.

## Memorial Day, do at least one thing

Memorial Day is a time to remember the men and women who have died serving our country. This special day is not the only time we should remember them but the holiday underscores the importance of having a time to revere and respect people who

are sacred to our country. They are our heroes who are buried across America. They left home to go to hostile places and laid down their lives for us.

Take a moment and visit the grave of someone who died representing us. When you go take just a few moments and give thanks for that person who will be one of many, many thousands who have made what we have in America possible.

We take America for granted. We enjoy so much freedom, opportunity and protection. We are so far from

perfect but nothing in the world is perfect.

Today, America is still making dreams come true for men and women who want to sacrifice, work a little harder than the next guy and try again after failing more than once. We’ve all been knocked down a few times in life. Every time you get knocked down remember a soldier went down and never got a chance to get back up. The death of any one soldier might have been the very life sacrificed that gave you the second chance to try one more time.

Another way we can celebrate Memorial Day is

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# A vision in the mountains

Luis Tijerina of Odessa holds an extremely responsible position with an oilfield company in Midland. He takes care of the company’s computers and other devices.

Away from work, he wears a headdress of eagle feathers. He is a Comanche chief.

When he was 29 years old, he discovered he was part Comanche. So, he started studying the tribe’s culture.

At the time, Luis needed to change his life. He was broke, addicted to drugs and alcohol, had no car, had one child in diapers and another on the way. His life was a mess and he knew it. He wanted to change.

The more he looked into the Indian literature and lore, the more he was attracted to it. He decided to immerse himself into the culture. He didn’t know how painful it would be.

“There is a ceremony called the Vision Quest,” says Luis, “where they send teenage boys out into the wilderness for four days without food and water. Although I was older, I decided

to do a Vision Quest to see what my life was all about.

“I know that when you deprive the body of food and water for a few days the body begins to die. Then I had the vision and got to see what my life was really all about. It was about talking to young people and telling them how messed up my life was because of drugs and alcohol.

“Since the vision, I have made appearances at schools all over West Texas. When I came back from the vision I was greeted by family and friends and there was a ceremony welcoming me back into my new life. I received the name Watching Wolf.

A wolf teaches its young how to live and survive in the wilderness. It’s a family oriented creature. Those are the characteristics I took on. I’ve been able to help a lot of people in my community.”

His Vision Quest took place near the Ghost Town of Casa Piedra, south of Marfa. He describes his vision: “I was sitting, facing the west, watching the sunset on the third day. I had seen this rattlesnake earlier in the day and when I sat down it came beside me.

“I didn’t think much of it because it didn’t seem to want to harm me. But at this point I’m not in the real world. I’m in

a spiritual realm because I had been sitting and meditating. So this is part of the vision that is coming at me.

“When the snake gets beside me, I pick up the snake by the tail and hold it way up above my head and I eat that snake. A few minutes later I turn into the snake and I crawl off into the west. I took that to understand that I now possess all the attributes of that snake. A rattlesnake can kill you but it can also heal you.”

Because of his vision, Luis wears rattlesnake parts on his elaborate regalia.

“The snakeskin I wear represents a part of that vision that I got when I was south of Marfa. I also have a medicine staff that has a snakeskin on it along with a snake head and snake tail.”

He has written a book about his experiences. Its title is “The Healer Within.” Several years passed between his Vision Quest and his becoming chief. He did a Sundance Ceremony in South Dakota where flesh from his chest was ripped away while he danced.

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## Davidson College’s ‘Washday Blues’

When one of the nation’s most prestigious higher education institutions announces a policy change—however slight—it can produce near seismic results—in the eyes of beholders, anyway. “Beholding,” in this case, are faculty, students and alumni of Davidson College. Who knows what may break loose?

Buildings may quake, forcing ivy to seek new places to climb. The tradition of 90 years is entrenched, but Dr. Carol Quillen—completing two years in the presidency after 20 years’ teaching/administrative posts at Rice University—has announced closure of the campus laundry next spring.

She may “batten down” hatches, or maybe not.

At first blush, it seems a “hohum” decision, but it will save \$400,000 annually. Savings are more than needed for additional self-serve machines planned for residence halls throughout the campus in Davidson, NC.

Davidson — an all-male school founded in 1837 that became co-ed in the mid-70s — has long been considered one of the nation’s best. Acceptance for enrollment is highly competitive, and graduates (including President Woodrow Wilson) have distinguished themselves in numerous fields. Endowment now exceeds \$500 million, and in 2012 Davidson received a record single gift—\$45 million—from Duke Endowment.

Back to the laundry’s 1911 beginnings....Faculty complained that students—sometimes heading straight to class from work

in the fields — brought with them malodorous air. (Arrid deodorant wasn’t yet around, so there were no “half safe” warnings. Hmmm, students may have seen this as a trick to introduce fractions.)

Faculty called for construction of a campus laundry, where workers would wash, press, fold and package students’ soiled laundry.

The administration responded — albeit a decade later — and a tradition was born.

Students were happy, and faculty was happier. (As a former college president, I’m hesitant to say faculty is “happiest” about anything.) Students and workers cheerfully mingle, perhaps singing “happy little washday songs.”

Over the years, the college’s “free” laundry service became a quirky, but effective “selling point” for prospective students, and a cherished tradition for those enrolled.

In fact, Davidson honored Lula Bell Houston — who toiled in the laundry for 57 years—by naming it in her honor when she retired in 2004. She is one of two former staffers whose names adorn buildings at Davidson. The structure will be converted to other uses, but the name remains....

For ages, most of the 2,000 students took full advantage of the “free” service — the actual cost “built in” the annual price tag that is now north of \$50,000. In recent years, though, interest has flagged. Most freshmen use it, but only about a third of seniors are doing so.

Female students prefer doing their own laundry, and senior guys — opting for several “wearings” between washes — eschew carrying their weighty bags uphill to the laundry.

A handful of students in off-

campus apartments have other issues — like convincing parents they are eating properly.

One mom called, reminding her son to eat something green every day. “Relax, mom,” he replied, “I ate some toast just this morning.”

Alumni, generally, are “tongue-in-cheek.” Larry Dagenhart, proud graduate, respected attorney and Class of ’53 valedictorian, moved his cheek-languishing tongue to its “upright and locked position” for comment.

Surprised, he responded, “We gave up vespers, we gave up chapel, we went co-ed, we even gave up the marching band, but dad-gum-it, we can’t give up the laundry. What is the world coming to?”

It’s a given that college students are wearing fewer clothes these days, a/c has come along, and deodorants are both dependable and handy.

We’ve learned to exist without trading stamps, and Davidson students will “press on,” even if the laundry doesn’t. Davidson is aligning its resources to meet educational priorities within higher education’s changing landscape.

For now, though, reporters and headline writers are feasting on the item.

Imagine headline possibilities: Davidson: Comes Clean, Scrubs Laundry, Hangs Students Out to Dry, Washday Blues and Airst Dirty Laundry. (Students will rub their own dubs, hopefully keeping cleanliness and godliness in the same yoke.)

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### VA not properly funded

To the Editor:  
Am I satisfied with the services offered by the Big Spring VA? No, I am not. It is what it is.

Am I satisfied with the service I do get? Yes, very much so. The employees at the VA are exceptional people with the heart to serve veterans. As an example, today I popped off a crown while flossing my teeth. I went to the VA and within an hour, I walked out with my crown repaired. No better service can be found any-

where.

The VA is extremely short of doctors, both locally and at the CBOCs. The management at the VA is thinking outside the box to try to fill those positions. They are looking at doctors who are already retired who may want to work part-time, as well as any other doctors who may want to serve veterans.

All vets need to be proactive with their health care in the same manner that non-VA patients need to be.

The problem with our VA lies

in the “Golden Rule” — he who has the gold, rules. Congress handles the purse strings and the VA is not properly funded. Since the problem came to light, our two congressmen, Randy Neugebauer and Mike Conway, are merely giving lip service to the nightmares we are currently facing. They should have been at the forefront to fund the VA. This VA serves an area that has approximately 57,000 veterans. That’s a lot of votes.

**Mike Tarpley  
Big Spring**

## DAILY PRAYER

May we remain diligent about reading Your word, Lord, for our life.

Amen

# Listen to the wind

“Listen to the wind, it will tell you things.” A line from the movie “Thunderheart,” good movie by the way. It is also a common phrase in Native American culture. The wind can tell you many things if you know how to listen to it. The wind when it is true south is my power wind. For many years, even before I became so involved in the Native American culture, when this wind would blow I could feel what it was telling me. It made me feel strong, more powerful and made my heart good and my spirit free. What else can the wind tell you?



**WALKING THE RED ROAD** The clan I belong to, in English, is the Sun Rise Wind clan of Two Bear Claws. We have a spring ceremony every year on March 22. We believe that the first day of spring is the beginning of a new year, when Earth Mother renews herself and all life begins a new cycle. This ceremony is held in Post.

Before sunup we set up a sacred circle and a fire is lit in the center. Before dawn we drum, sing and dance.

At the exact time the sun breaks the horizon the direction of the wind is marked from the smoke coming from the fire. The direction of the wind indicates what kind of year we can expect, bad, poor, fair or good. In the 47 years this ceremony has been held there is a 96 percent rate of correctness. This is a old Comanche ceremony and the Lakota have a similar one as well.

Does anyone really believe the wind can tell us what kind of year is to come? The local ranchers and farmers in Post attend the ceremony to see what the wind predicts for the coming year. We go to the local café after the ceremony, still wearing our regalia, and about half the people there will ask what the wind told us about the year to come. You may not believe the wind can tell us what to expect but the people in Post, Texas, do. Listen to the wind, not with your ears but with the power inside you. You may be surprised what it will tell you.

Listen to the drum. To Native Americans, the beat of the drum is the beat of life. Just as the beat of your heart gives you life, the beat of the drum gives the Native American culture life. Nowhere is the beat of the drum more evident than at a powwow. The drum is in the center of the sacred circle just as our heart is in the center of our body.

Before I knew of the true spirit inside me, I attended a powwow. The beat of the drum touched something inside me. I do not remember much about the dancing at this powwow, I was so focused on the drum.

The sound it made, the way it moved up and down as the singers played it. It was as if the drum had a life of its own, and it made me feel alive. More alive than I had ever felt before.

When the Powwow Committee had its first powwow in 1994, I had many duties.

I would go from the dance floor to the upper level, running the steps to the beat of the drum. When I began dancing, the drum was all I was aware of, nothing else existed.

I was living to the beat of the drum. My feet moved to the beat of the drum, my heart beat to the beat of the drum.

Many times, even now, when I am dancing, I will close my eyes and just listen to the beat of the drum.

Go to a powwow, listen to the drum, listen to the power it has.

You may not feel it at first, but soon you will. Listen with you ears and your heart.

Feel the power it has and the power it has to offer.

Listen to the drum, and do not forget to listen to the wind also.

*Randy A McKinney is a member of the Tabana Yuane clan of Mat'o Num'pa Sake' and vice president of the Powwow Committee of Big Spring.*

# New life for old courthouses

THROCKMORTON, Texas (AP) — They lay scattered across Texas like battered pearls from a broken strand.

Crafted of stone and mortar, brick and wood, these tired and worn behemoths beg for attention, for the chance to look as they did when they were new.

The state of Texas is home to more than 235 historic courthouses, more than any other state.

Throckmorton is home to one of those courthouses, and it's in the middle of a restoration to return it to the way it looked when it was built in 1891.

That renovation is possible because Texas is home to the largest historical program ever initiated by a state, according to Sharon Fleming, the program director of the Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Project at the Texas Historical Commission (THC).

In the late 1990s, the commission had “documented the condition of the 50 of the oldest courthouses and determined that the counties lacked the resources to preserve the buildings.”

Then, the Texas County Courthouses were added to the National Trust's 11 Most Endangered Properties list in 1998. The National Trust is a 118-year-old organization that works to preserve the nation's heritage.

When then-Gov. George W. Bush was campaigning to keep his seat in the 1998 Texas election, creating a program to save those historical buildings was one of his campaign platforms. He established the preservation project in 1999.

“The program provides partial matching grants to Texas counties for the restoration of their historic county courthouses. The program began with a \$50 million appropriation for the grants, which were awarded in two rounds in 2000 and 2001” according to the Texas Historical Commission website.

“We owe him a big debt of gratitude,” Fleming told the Abilene Reporter-News “It was extremely popular from the get-go.”

Every two years, the THC applies for funding from the Texas Legislature. In the early years, grants ranged from \$40 million to \$60 million. The amounts dropped to around \$20 million in the last four to five years. But the most recent grant was a mere \$4.2 million.

Most of those funds will go to courthouses with emergency needs, said Debbie Head, senior communications specialist for THC.

Kenath Hawkins of KBL Restoration is the project superintendent for the Throckmorton courthouse. He said the initial work on the courthouse began long before a single hammer fell.

“They've been working on this for eight years,” Hawkins said. “They work on the design for years before we work on the courthouse.”

This isn't Hawkins' first courthouse renovation. He served as project superintendent on sever-

al courthouses, both on his own and with his partners at KBL Restoration.

The physical work on the Throckmorton courthouse began Nov. 4 and is expected to be completed this November.

Before the restoration work could begin, the demolition team had a huge project to complete.

An extension was added to the courthouse in 1939, Hawkins said. To be true to the 1891 original, that had to come down.

“They (THC) told us, ‘Take the extension off or we won't fund it,’” he said.

The closer the renovation is to the original, the more points the project receives. The more points, the higher the priority of the renovation.

With demolition well underway in mid-February, dust covered everything in Hawkins' office in one of the rooms of the courthouse.

He pointed out a black-and-white photo taken May 4, 1928, when the first train came through Throckmorton. About 15,000 people filled the streets to watch the historic event and the courthouse, in its original state, sits smack dab in the middle of it.

It serves as a kind of talisman, showing Hawkins what he works toward every day.

The weather occasionally has interfered with the project.

The cold, icy, snowy days this winter and spring hindered workers getting to the courthouse, and the low temps made it impossible to work with mortar and cement in the unheated building.

By mid-February, most of the extension building was gone, but crews were still digging the foundation out of the ground, leaving a big hole and scattered rubble.

The back wall of the courthouse, where the extension once connected, looks like a piece of furniture stripped of paint and stain, naked and vulnerable.

Men stood on the scaffolding covering the front of the building, working on the stones that cover the exterior, cleaning them and preparing them for new grout.

Walking through the interior of the courthouse, it's a mess. Piles of dirt, holes in the floor, narrow sections of walls cut away to allow conduits for electricity, plumbing and mechanical all look chaotic.

Near the ceilings on the first floor, exposed rocks look like a rustic wallpaper border.

On the second floor the courtroom has been gutted to its bare bones, black plastic covers holes that used to be windows. The ceiling is gone, taken down to skeletal supports.

Hawkins said the changes happen on a daily basis and that in a month, everything will look different.

He was excited as he pointed out the long-leaf pine flooring peeking out from beneath the oak floorboards. The oak will come out and the pine will be finished.

“Long-leaf pine grows like redwoods,” he said. “In the 1800s, they were cutting down trees that were 200 feet tall.”

Many people might find it difficult to envision the finished building while looking at this austere structure. But not Hawkins — he has a complete vision in his mind.

Whether it's because he's done so many restorations or because his vision makes him the right man for the job, Hawkins' passion is obvious as he gives a tour.

“Hell, we love doing this,” he said. “These buildings are inspirations to people.”

Six weeks later, in early April, another visit to Throckmorton shows just how hard everyone has been working. As promised, the progress is apparent.

The scaffolding has moved from the front of the building to the side. The big hole in the back has been filled in and smoothed out.

All the wainscoting on the first floor has been removed and some plastering has been added.

Steel plates, half-an-inch thick, each designed to support thousands of pounds, bracket the wooden roof supports in the courtroom upstairs. The 40-plus plates take the place of steel trusses in the original plan.

Hawkins said he will work with about 40 different contractors on this project, from plaster specialists in Abilene to the historic restoration company rebuilding the cupola that will once again top the courthouse.

Even the smallest details, like the hardware on the windows or the color of the paint, must be as close to the original as possible. They also need approval from the THC.

The original weather vane also received a touch-up and waits to be placed on the top of the cupola.

An elevator is being added to comply with accessibility laws.

An 800-pound safe from the 1930s will stick around, but they had to build a concrete under-floor because it would have broken through the pine, Hawkins said.

Five months into the project, with seven more to go, things are going well.

Another of Hawkins' teams began work on the Dickens County courthouse, northwest of Abilene, the last week of April. His contact at THC for both the Throckmorton and Dickens projects is Eva Osborne, an architect very excited to work on the Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Project.

“The one in Dickens is really super-duper cool,” Osborne said. “They chopped it in half in the 1930s. Right now there is an emergency grant to save one of the walls, trying to make it safe to work.”

She's new to the THC, having previously worked in Oklahoma and Florida.

“I really wanted to work with the courthouse project here in Texas,” she said. “The project is famous and very unique.”

## MOLLETTE

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to celebrate our serving soldiers and living veterans. I have two sons currently deployed serving in the Navy and the Army. I'm really proud of them. We should give thanks for all serving in our military, honor and pray for them. We should also stand by our veterans. One of the ways we can honor our veterans is to eliminate the majority of veteran's hospitals. We should issue all of them a National Medical card that would allow them to have access to medical care by any doctor or hospital in America.

There are a lot of things Americans do on Memorial Day weekend. We travel, grill out, go to the mall or gather with family. All of these are good. However, do at least one thing this Memorial Day weekend and that is remember, and give thanks for the soldiers who have made the travel, grilling out and family outings possible.

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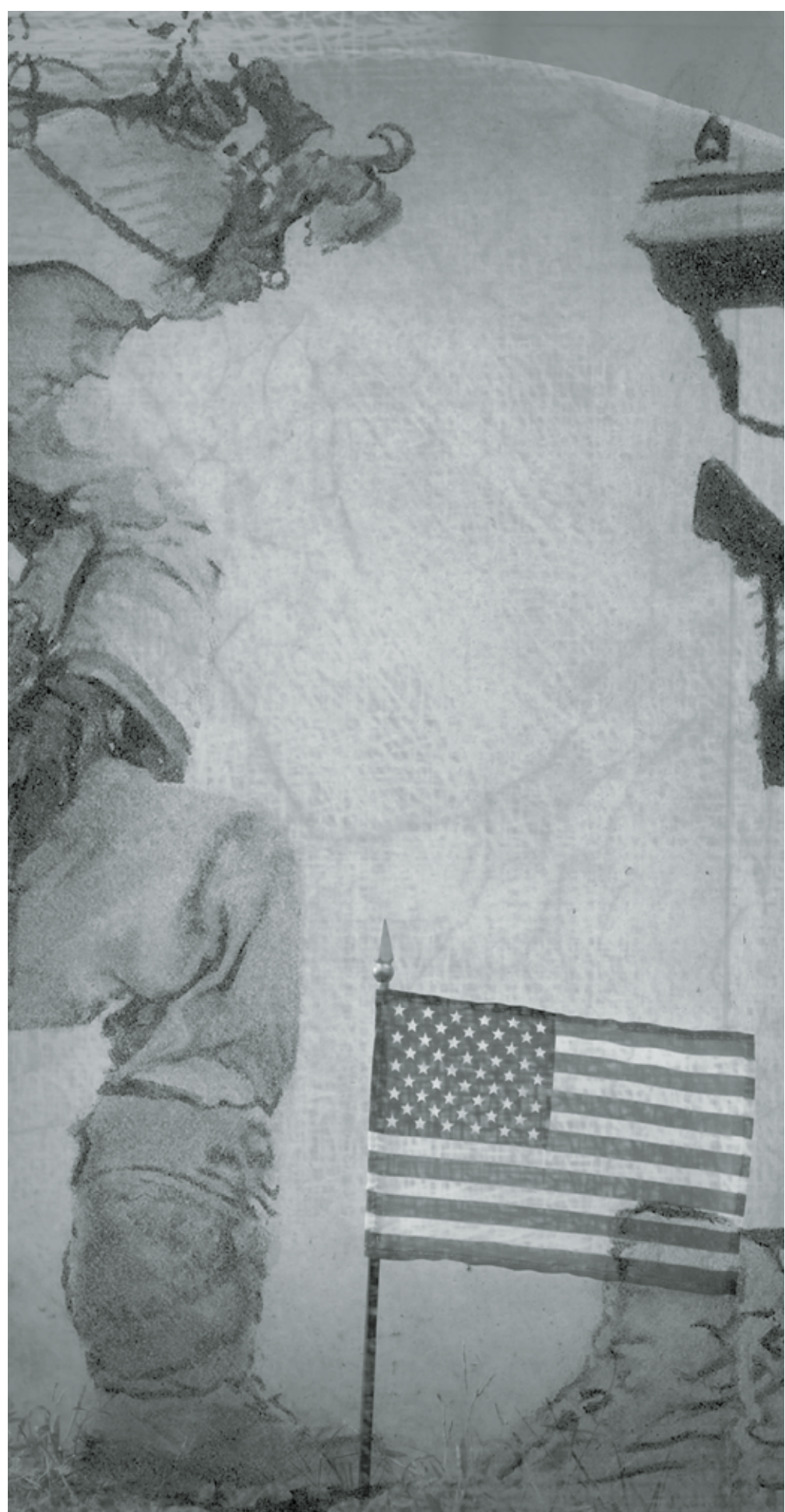
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## News In Brief

### Rains finally fall in parched West Texas

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — The most drought-ravaged part of Texas finally got much-needed rain.

Lubbock and Amarillo had more precipitation Thursday and Friday than their previous totals for the whole year, the National Weather Service said.

But the rain, forecast to keep falling in the Panhandle and South Plains through Monday, won't be enough to break the West Texas drought that is now in its fourth year.

Lubbock recorded 1.56 inches of precipitation Friday, NWS meteorologist Steve Cobb said. Through Thursday, the city had seen just 0.95 inches of precipitation this year. Amarillo has recorded nearly 1.50 inches of precipitation since the rain began Thursday, compared to just 0.21 inches since Jan. 1. The rain in Amarillo led to some localized flooding on Interstate 40 and low areas in the city, but no injuries were reported.

Areas east of Lubbock, in Crosby and Floyd counties, got 3.5 inches since midnight Thursday.

The Panhandle and South Plains regions of West Texas are in exceptional drought, the most severe stage on the U.S. Drought Monitor map. Tabatha Seymore, who collects rain tallies from around the region at the weather service's Amarillo office, said the Panhandle would need as much as 18 inches to get out of drought.

"We want it slowly," she said, so it can soak in.

Other parts of Texas aren't as dry as West Texas, but about 72 percent of the state is in some drought stage. The January-through-April period in the state was the fifth-driest on record, with just 45 percent of the normal 7.1 inches of rainfall, National Weather Service officials said this week. Those four months were just slightly wetter than the same time period in 2011, which ended up being the state's driest year ever.

### Gates: Would have allowed gay adults in Scouts

DALLAS (AP) — Robert Gates, the new president of the Boy Scouts of America, said Friday that he would have moved last year to allow openly gay adults in the organization but said he opposes any further attempts to address the policy now.

Gates took over an organization this week that serves about 2.5 million youth but faces continued membership declines and fights over its inclusion of openly gay boys, but not adults. Gates, the former secretary of defense who oversaw the end of the military's "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy, addressed those issues Friday, a day after Scouting's national leadership elected him president.

"I was prepared to go further than the decision that was made," Gates told The Associated Press in an interview in advance of a speech before the group's national leaders at its annual meeting in Nashville, Tennessee. "I would have supported having gay Scoutmasters, but at the same time, I fully accept the decision that was democratically arrived at by 1,500 volunteers from across the entire country."

The BSA's National Council voted at last year's annual meeting to accept openly gay youth, after a monthslong process with protests on both sides. Gates planned to tell Scouting's leaders Friday that a continued fight over the issue threatens BSA's future.

"Given the strong feelings — the passion — involved on both sides of this matter, I believe strongly that to re-open the membership issue or try to take last year's decision to the next step would irreparably fracture and perhaps even provoke a formal, permanent split in this movement — with the high likelihood neither side would subsequently survive on its own," Gates said in prepared remarks.

Gates, 70, who also served as director of the CIA, is a visible advocate for Scouting as it faces a storm of bad publicity.

### Ex-trooper who performed cavity searches convicted

DALLAS (AP) — A former Texas Department of Public Safety trooper has been sentenced to probation after pleading guilty to performing illegal body cavity searches on two women last July along a Dallas-area high-

way.

A statement from the Dallas County District Attorney's Office says Kelly Helleson pleaded guilty to two official oppression counts Friday in state district court. A judge sentenced her to two years of probation and fined her \$1,000 for each count.

The case arose from a traffic stop for littering. No drugs or other illegal substances were found in the searches. The DPS previously settled civil claims made by the two women searched for \$185,000. Helleson was subsequently fired but is appealing.

### Exotic bugs get new home at Houston Zoo

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Zoo this weekend opens its first insectarium in the park's 92-year history, featuring some exotic and venomous species in more than two dozen custom habitats that make up what's being dubbed "The Bug House."

"They're fascinating and they're just hard to see out in the wild," Kevin Hodge, curator of the Children's Zoo at the park, said Friday as workers were putting final touches on the \$3 million project. "Most of these insects around here no one's ever going to see on a trip to Africa or Malaysia. A lot of times they're at the very tops of trees and could be among thousands of animals living on one huge canopy tree."

A specialized insect display seems appropriate in Houston, a city that's grown up on what was a swamp and where disease-carrying mosquitoes and 2-inch-long flying cockroaches are accepted facts of life.

The homegrown roaches, though, are dwarfed by the giant cave cockroaches from Panama and northern South America that are housed in one of the 25 aquarium-like exhibits.

Other impressive insects on display are black Asian forest scorpions from Malaysia, white-eyed assassin bugs from South Africa and blue death feigning beetles, which flop over on their blue backs and play dead when confronted with desert predators that prefer live victims.

The bug house also is home for a red-spotted longhorn beetle, which hails from Southeast Asia, and a Gooty sapphire tarantula, named for the town in southern India where it was discovered.

### Some states opting out of federal prison rape law

BOISE, Idaho (AP) — Several states are refusing to comply with a federal law designed to reduce sexual assaults in prison, with governors criticizing the decade-old law as counterproductive and too expensive to implement.

The governors of Idaho, Texas, Indiana, Utah and Arizona have informed U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder that they won't try to meet the standards required under the Prison Rape Elimination Act. Governors were required to certify by May 15 that their states either met the standards designed to curb widespread sexual abuse behind bars, or to promise that they were actively working toward that goal.

"Idaho supports the spirit and intention of PREA and the National PREA Standards, but a law with good intent has evolved into a law with too much red tape," Idaho Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter wrote in a letter to Holder sent five days after the deadline. It would cost the state millions of dollars to meet some of the standards, Otter said, and he believed the cost would have little ultimate benefit. Besides, the governor said, the state has taken substantial steps to reduce sexual victimization in correctional facilities.

Texas Gov. Rick Perry told Holder in April that his state wouldn't comply because the rules were too costly and violated states' rights. Perry's letter also encouraged other states to reject the federal law, and said that instead, his state would continue the programs it already has to reduce prison rapes. Perry's spokesman Rich Parsons said Friday that Perry sent a subsequent letter last week to Holder, contending that some PREA standards are in conflict with Texas state laws.

Brenda Smith, a former commissioner on the National Prison Rape Elimination Commission which helped create the PREA standards, said the decision by some states to opt out is shameful.

"These are not some high falutin', unreachable standards. These are things that are constitutional, based on best practices that have been deter-

mined in the field and in the courts," Smith said. "As a state you can move over to the sidelines, but people in custody don't get to move over to the sidelines. Providing them safety from sexual abuse is the minimum we can do."

### Texas man charged in killing of Iranian student

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — A federal fraud investigation led to a Jordanian-born man being charged with murder in district court in the shooting death of an Iranian student and women's rights activist two years ago, prosecutors said. Authorities are also now taking a new look at an unsolved killing to see if the cases are related.

Ali Irsan, 57, was indicted by a grand jury in Houston on Thursday in the January 2012 killing of Gelareh Bagherzadeh, who also was an outspoken critic of the government in Tehran.

The 30-year-old was shot to death as she talked with a friend on her cellphone. Her body was discovered slumped behind the wheel of her car after it crashed into the upscale Houston townhome complex where she lived with her parents.

An FBI-led police team arrested Irsan, a naturalized U.S. citizen, on Thursday along with his wife, Shmou Ali Alrawabdeh, 37, also a Jordanian national, and daughter, Nadia Irsan, 30, a U.S. citizen, on charges of conspiracy to defraud the U.S., theft of public money and benefits fraud, prosecutors said.

The federal criminal complaint alleges Irsan and his wife falsified documents to receive Social Security disability benefits with help from his daughter.

All three are being held in Houston's federal detention center, according to Harris County District Attorney's Office spokesman Jeff McShan.

### Police: Son stopped mom from drowning 2 children

DALLAS (AP) — A Dallas woman who tried to drown her two young daughters after the girls pleaded for snacks was stopped by her 18-year-old son, who grabbed his drenched sisters and carried them from the apartment, police say.

Sonya Ann Gardner, 35, is jailed on a \$1 million bond on two counts of attempted capital murder of a child, according to police records. No attorney has been listed for her.

Neighbors told officers that her son, Jydesmon Gardner, was walking by the apartment Thursday night when he heard screams. A police affidavit says Gardner forced his way into the apartment, where he found his mother trying to drown his two sisters in a bathtub. Police say witnesses told them the son fired a warning gunshot, grabbed his dripping 4-year-old sister and carried her from the apartment.

When he went back to get his 6-year-old sister, the front door was locked, so he kicked it in, witnesses told police. He then grabbed the other girl and ran from the apartment.

Gardner told police that she had smoked marijuana laced with PCP earlier in the evening, according to the arrest warrant affidavit.

"We were fixing to die," the 6-year-old told officers according to the affidavit, adding that her mother tried to "drown us in the bath."

### El Paso police probe cartel-style graffiti threats

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — El Paso police were investigating two mysterious messages painted onto billboards in the border city that included mannequins dressed in suits hanging from nooses.

The El Paso Times reported that motorists alerted police to the graffiti early Thursday morning. Both billboard companies said the painted messages were vandalism and not paid advertisements. They have been removed.

One message read "silver or lead" in Spanish, a threat heard in Mexico signifying pay up or get shot.

"This (message) has historically been used by Mexican drug cartels to threaten or intimidate Mexican citizens, business owners and government officials. However, we have never experienced this in El Paso," Sgt. Chris Mears, a spokesman for the El Paso Police Department, said in a statement. "The investigation is ongoing, but we do not have any information to suggest this was done to target any individual person."

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## News in brief

### Thai army to hold ex-PM, Cabinet, protest leaders for up to week to give them time 'to think'

BANGKOK (AP) — Thailand's coup leaders said Saturday that they would keep former Prime Minister Yingluck Shinawatra, Cabinet members and anti-government protest leaders detained for up to a week to give them "time to think" and to keep the country calm. They also summoned outspoken academics to report to the junta.

The moves appear aimed at preventing any political leaders or other high-profile figures from rallying opposition to the military, which seized power Thursday after months of sometimes violent street protests and deadlock between the elected government and protesters supported by Thailand's elite establishment.

For a second day, hundreds of anti-coup protesters defied the military's ban on large gatherings and shouted slogans and waved signs outside a Bangkok cinema.

The demonstrators vowed to march to a nearby army base, but soldiers with riot shields prevented them.

A few hours later, the protesters began walking to Victory Monument, a major city landmark about 9 kilometers (5.6 miles) away. Rows of soldiers and police were lined up on a road near Victory Monument to stop the marchers.

### Witnesses: Thai general summoned politicians, listened a few hours, then said he'd seize power

BANGKOK (AP) — Thailand's all-powerful army chief started the extraordinary meeting by asking participants to give a progress report on their "homework."

The participants were the country's most important political rivals, plus four Cabinet ministers from the embattled government, election commissioners and senators. The homework: solving a crisis so complex it has split the Southeast Asian nation for nearly a decade, fueling repeated spasms of bloodshed and upheaval.

They didn't know it then, but they only had about two hours to figure it all out. Just after 4:30 p.m. Thursday, the conference room would be sealed by soldiers, and the man who called the meeting, Gen. Prayuth Chan-ocha, would become Thailand's new ruler.

Accounts of those pivotal moments at a military complex in Bangkok known as the Army Club, relayed by two lawmakers who were present and Thai media, indicate that Prayuth had no intention of engaging in the kind of protracted negotiation necessary to mediate a conflict that reignited last year when protesters took to the streets.

The sequence of events raises questions about whether the meeting was a ruse to neutralize anyone who might oppose the coup. The fact it happened so swiftly suggests that Prayuth was already planning to do what demonstrators had pushed for all along: overthrow the government, if the two sides could not reach a compromise.

### Pope Francis arrives in Jordan at the start of his 3-day trip to the Middle East

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — Pope Francis has arrived in Jordan, kicking off his three-day trip to the Middle East.

The pope's flight from Rome landed Saturday afternoon at Amman's Queen Alia International Airport.

Pope Francis will meet with King Abdullah II and Queen Rania at the royal palace first.

Then he'll celebrate Mass in Amman's International Stadium. The Vatican expects some 25,000 people to attend, many of them Palestinian, Syrian and Iraqi refugees.

Later, he will meet one-on-one with refugees and disabled children at a church in Bethany beyond the Jordan, which many believe is the traditional site of Jesus' baptism.

### After 6 years of living in the 'bubble,' Obama chucks the routine as he fights off cabin fever

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama seems to have caught

a bad case of cabin fever.

Since taking office, Obama has periodically grumbled about the claustrophobia that sets in when his every move is surrounded by intense security, rendering it nearly impossible to enjoy the simple pleasures that private citizens take for granted. But in recent days, the president has made more of a point to get out.

"The bear is loose!" Obama declared this week after leaving the White House on foot, ditching his motorcade and his suit jacket in favor of fresh air as he headed to the Interior Department.

Tourists milling about near the White House were incredulous, never having expected to see the leader of the free world in the flesh on a steamy Wednesday afternoon. One woman squealed with delight; another suggested she thought it might be an Obama impostor.

"It's good to be out," Obama said.

### Presidential election set to be derailed in half of election districts in eastern Ukraine

KIEV, Ukraine (AP) — Pro-Russian insurgents have prevented at least half of the election districts in the embattled east of the country to prepare for Sunday's presidential election, a Ukrainian official says.

Volodymyr Hryniak, chief of the public security department at the Ukrainian Interior Ministry, said Saturday that 17 out of 34 district election commissions in the Donetsk and Luhansk regions are not operating because their offices have either been seized or blocked by armed men. Hryniak's update was reported by the Interfax news agency.

The insurgents have controlled parts of Ukraine for weeks. Following their declaration of independence earlier this month, they pledged to derail the vote which they regard as an election in "a neighboring country."

They remain defiant although Russian President Vladimir Putin said Friday that he is prepared to work with the election winner.

Twenty-one candidates are competing to become Ukraine's next leader. Polls show billionaire candy-maker Petro Poroshenko with a commanding lead, but short of the absolute majority needed to win in the first round. His nearest challenger is Yulia Tymoshenko, the divisive former prime minister who is far behind.

### Indian court drops weapons charge against NYPD officer, allows him to leave the country

NEW DELHI (AP) — A court in India's capital has dropped a weapons charge against a New York City police officer and is allowing him to leave the country, his lawyer said Saturday.

Officer Manny Encarnacion was arrested in March while visiting his wife in New Delhi after Indian airport authorities discovered three bullets he had accidentally packed in his luggage. He had been out on bail since his arrest, but was barred from leaving India until the case was resolved.

Before leaving for India, Encarnacion went to a police firing range and put the bullets in a coat pocket, according to New York City police. He packed the coat for the trip, forgetting that the ammunition was there, the police said.

Encarnacion, 49, joined the NYPD in 2004 and is assigned to a precinct in Harlem.

His lawyer, Samarjit Pattnaik, said the court heard the case Friday. "All charges against the officer were quashed," he said.

### China launches security crackdown in Muslim region after blasts raise concerns over terrorism

URUMQI, China (AP) — Authorities announced a security crackdown Saturday in China's Muslim northwest after a deadly bombing raised questions about whether tightening Beijing's grip might be feeding anti-Chinese anger and a rise of organized terrorism.

Thursday's bombing at a vegetable market in Urumqi, capital of the Xinjiang region, killed at least 43 people and left the region's ethnic Chinese on edge.

"We don't know why there have

been explosions, but we are definitely worried about personal safety," said Luo Guiyou, a member of China's Han ethnic majority who manages an auto parts store.

Police announced names of five people blamed for the attack and said they were part of a "terrorist gang." Based on their names, all appeared to be Uighurs, the region's most populous Muslim minority. Police said four were killed in the bombing and the fifth captured Thursday night.

An anti-terrorism campaign with Xinjiang "as the major battlefield" will target religious extremist groups, underground gun workshops and "terrorist training camps," the official Xinhua News Agency said. "Terrorists and extremists will be hunted down and punished."

### Angry that new rights haven't produced change, Myanmar land grab victims turn to black magic

YANGON, Myanmar (AP) — Victims of land grabs in Myanmar have eagerly tested newfound freedoms by protesting and sending petitions to the president and parliament, to no avail. Now some are turning to old ways: Curses and black magic.

Coffins marked with the names of those who seized property have been set ablaze. In rugged central regions of the country, aggrieved villagers have prayed for mountain gods to unleash their wrath.

"This is our last weapon," said Sein Than, who was among 200 families evicted from homes at Michaung Kan in eastern Yangon, where they had lived for generations. He and dozens of others presented offerings — and pleas — to "demons of the Earth."

"Punish those who grab our land and desecrate the pagoda," they chanted this month in front of a Buddhist temple. "Drag them to the lowest level of being and keep them there forever."

Land seizures by the military, the government and private companies linked to junta cronies have long been commonplace in this Southeast Asian country, whether for development or the extraction of natural resources.

### AP-GfK Poll: : Despite enrollment success, Americans unimpressed with Obama's health care law

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama celebrated when sign-ups for his health care law topped 8 million, far exceeding expectations after a slipshod launch. Most Americans, however, remain unimpressed.

A new Associated Press-GfK poll finds that public opinion continues to run deeply negative on the Affordable Care Act, Obama's signature effort to cover the uninsured. Forty-three percent oppose the law, compared with just 28 percent in support.

The pattern illustrates why the health care law remains a favored target for Republicans seeking a Senate majority in the midterm elections.

The poll does have a bright spot for the administration: Those who signed up for coverage aren't reeling from sticker shock. Most said they found premiums in line with what they expected, or even lower.

But even that was diminished by another finding: More than one-third of those who said they or someone in their household tried to enroll, were ultimately unable to do so. For the White House, it's an uncomfortable reminder of the technical problems that paralyzed the HealthCare.gov website for weeks after it went live last fall.

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# Busch's Double bid highlights Indy 500

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Dale Earnhardt Jr. is going to watch. So will Jimmie Johnson, Jeff Gordon, Tony Stewart and Clint Bowyer. NASCAR's biggest names all plan to tune in to the Indianapolis 500 to watch Kurt Busch run the first leg in his attempt to complete The Double.

Millions of other casual fans will also turn their attention to Indianapolis Motor Speedway on Sunday, where Busch's debut will bring new

eyeballs to the "Greatest Spectacle In Racing." Although the Indy 500 has always been the crown jewel of motorsports, the slumping IndyCar Series struggles to gain much traction outside the showcase race.

"I think he does bring attention, and I think the series does need that added attention," 2012 series champion Ryan Hunter-Reay said of Busch. "The racing in the IndyCar Series has been

called the best kept secret in racing, and it is some of the best action out there, so I think it's a great opportunity for some fans who wouldn't necessarily tune in to check it out and see what it's all about and how good the racing is."

Fans will be treated to one of the most wide-open races in recent memory.

No single driver or team has risen to the top this season. And with so much attention on Busch, who will become

just the fourth driver in history to compete in both the 500 and NASCAR's Coca-Cola 600 on the same day, so many other elements of this magical race at historic Indianapolis Motor Speedway have been somewhat overlooked.

"I don't know that there's a favorite at all this year," said Graham Rahal. "I feel like it is extremely wide open at this point, even as a driver myself, I couldn't even tell you who I would pick. I have no clue."

Indy is a race in which three owners — Andretti, Ganassi and Penske — typically have the cars to beat.

That, at least, is no different this year as Andretti Autosport put three of its five entries in the top 10, while Team Penske got all three of its cars in.

"I'm sure we've got the winner sitting here," Roger Penske said of Helio Castroneves, Juan Pablo Montoya and Will Power.



Herald photo/Tommy Wells

## Hawkeyes ...

4-H shooting sports held an archery event in Callahan County last weekend comprised of four local shooters. A.J. Gonzales Jr. (far left) placed second in the Modified 600 and fifth in the field event. Jared Paredes (center) was third place in the Modified 600 and field event standings, while Andrew Paredes claimed first in the Modified 600 division and the field event). Brett Glasco (not pictured) was in the Modified 600. The 4-H archers will be competing at an upcoming competition in Monahans.

# Galloway leads Buffs to split of twinbill with Stamford

HERMLEIGH Clayton Galloway did everything but drive the bus for the Forsan Buffaloes on Friday afternoon in front of a large crowd at Cardinal Stadium. He would have probably done that, too, if Forsan head coach Dave Parks had needed.

Galloway threw 149 pitches and spurred the Buffaloes to a split of their first two games of a best-of-three Region IA semifinal playoff series with the Stamford Bulldogs.

Backed by a gutsy effort from Galloway, the Buffaloes endured a rain delay, then rallied from an early deficit in the first game of a Friday playoff doubleheader to earn a 7-5 decision.

The news didn't start so well for the Buffaloes in Game 1. Stamford, the four-time defending Region I-A champion, got off to a quick start offensively. The Bulldogs collected an early hit from Gus West and grabbed a 1-0 lead in the first.

Forsan owned the game from there. The Buffaloes roughed up Stamford's top pitcher for seven runs over the next seven innings and breezed to a 1-0 lead in the series.

Unfortunately for Forsan, the offense didn't do nearly as well in Game 2. Stamford managed to force a third-game by riding a stellar pitching effort from Ligon West and Wes Hutchinson to a 12-0 romp in the nightcap.

En route to evening the series at 1-1, West and Hutchinson combined to throw a no-hitter at Forsan.

After taking an early 4-0 lead, Stamford blew the game open in the fourth inning by pounding out five runs.

Stamford's Game 2 success was aided by a pair of FHS fielding errors.

With the split, Forsan went into Saturday's Game 3 showdown with a 20-10 record. Stamford moved to 20-3.

# Kinsler, Tigers snap skid with 7-2 win over Texas

DETROIT (AP) — Ian Kinsler enjoyed this win over his former team, even if he tried to downplay that narrative afterward.

"They're my former club, but I'm a Tiger now, and it's just about winning games. It really doesn't matter who it's against," Kinsler said. "It's more fun, because I know those guys and they're friends, and it's always fun to beat friends, but other than that, I'm a Tiger, and I'm trying to win for this club."

Kinsler doubled three times and scored three runs, and Detroit snapped its four-game losing streak with a 7-2 Rangers on Friday night. Kinsler was traded from

Texas to the Tigers in an off-season blockbuster that sent Prince Fielder to the Rangers. Fielder was put on the disabled list before the game with what is likely to be a season-ending neck problem.

Austin Jackson and Andrew Romine homered for Detroit, and Anibal Sanchez (2-2) allowed two runs and five hits over seven innings. He struck out five without a walk.

Scott Baker (0-1) allowed six runs and eight hits for the Rangers in six innings.

The AL Central-leading Tigers were finally facing some adversity after allowing 31 runs in their previous four games. Their recent road trip included travel prob-

lems and a 13-inning loss at Cleveland on Wednesday. Then they came home and played a day game Thursday against Texas, losing 9-2.

"We probably were a little bit tired, but that's no excuse for this ballclub, and tonight we just looked sharper," Kinsler said.

The Tigers fell behind again when Sanchez allowed two runs in the second, but Baker didn't hold the lead for long.

Jackson tied it with a two-run homer in the second, and Kinsler and Miguel Cabrera started the Detroit third with back-to-back doubles. Detroit scored two more runs in the fifth on an RBI double by Kinsler and a run-scoring grounder by Torii Hunter.

# HC to hold basketball camps for area youths

If you're hankering for a bit of roundball action as the summer months get under, Howard College is the place for you. Howard College will be hosting several youth-oriented basketball camps in June 2.

HC Lady Hawks head coach Earl Diddle will be hosting four basketball camps for students ranging in age Kindergarten through 12th grade. All camps will be conducted in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

The first camp, the Little Hawks Camp, which begins June 2 and runs through June 5, is designed for students in kindergarten through third grade. The campers

will learn the fundamentals of the game through practice.

The boys' basketball camp, designed for campers in grades 4-12, will also be held June 2-5. The event will run from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. each day.

A girls' camp for athletes in grades 4-6 will be offered on June 9-12. The students will attend camp from 10:30 a.m. until noon.

A camp for older athletes (in grades 7-12) is also on tap, running from 9-11 a.m.

For more details and registration forms go to <http://www.hchawk.com/index.php/womens-basketball/archive/2014-articles/1168-2014-summer-camps>

# Redskins: Name is 'respectful'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Redskins President Bruce Allen said in a letter to Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid on Saturday that the team's nickname is "respectful" toward Native Americans.

On Thursday, half the U.S. Senate urged NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell to change the Washington club's name.

The franchise responded by releasing Allen's letter.

"Our use of 'Redskins' as the name of our team for more than 80 years has always been respectful of and shown reverence toward the proud legacy and traditions of Native Americans," he wrote.

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# Spurs not surprised Ibaka could play in Game 3

(AP) — Spurs coach Gregg Popovich couldn't have been more sarcastically surprised when he found out the Oklahoma City Thunder have listed forward Serge Ibaka as day-to-day with a calf injury.

"Shocked," Popovich jeered at Friday's practice. "Like I told you from the beginning, I know (Ibaka); you knew he'd be back. And that's good. Nobody would wish that on anybody to

miss the playoffs."

The Thunder previously said Ibaka would miss the entire Western Conference Finals and possibly the NBA Finals if they advance that far. On Friday the team upgraded Ibaka's condition to day-to-day, implying that Ibaka might at least attempt to play in Game 3 on Sunday. Facing a 2-0 series deficit with two blow-out losses, the Thunder would welcome back Ibaka's rim protection

and midrange jumper threat.

"I'm not surprised. (Ibaka) is a competitor, they're down, he wants to play in the playoffs. I'm not surprised at all," forward Tim Duncan said.

The questions on Ibaka's status trumped what began the day as the leading storyline. While the 2012 Western Conference Finals are in the past, Spurs players admitted they have talked among them-

selves about the way that series ended, with four straight Thunder wins after the Spurs took Games 1 and 2.

"We haven't talked about it as a group, but I've thought about it, talked to some people about it. So it's there. All these guys have a recollection of that or were there for that," Duncan said. "But we understand what we have on our hands. We understand what can happen."

Nobody could stop the Spurs in the paint through the first two games, and when the Thunder did seal off the basket, Spurs outside shooters nailed open 3-pointers. Danny Green's big night in Game 2, a 7-of-11 performance with each shot falling from outside the arc, was merely the offense in motion and not a specific adjustment or change in gameplan, Popovich said.

"You guys make a lit-

tle bit too much of these 'adjustments' that get made," Popovich said. "So if a team wins, they made some hellacious adjustments, and if a team loses, they've got to make an adjustment."

One of many times the Spurs exploited the Thunder defense, Manu Ginobili created a viral video clip in the second quarter of Wednesday's game by slinging a crosscourt pass to assist a Green 3-pointer.

## Scoreboard

### BASKETBALL CONFERENCE FINALS

(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)  
**Sunday, May 18**  
 Indiana 106, Miami 97  
**Monday, May 19**  
 San Antonio 122, OKC 105  
**Tuesday, May 20**  
 Miami 87, Indiana 83.  
**Wednesday, May 21**  
 San Antonio 112, OKC 77  
**Saturday, May 24**  
 Indiana at Miami, 8:30 p.m.  
**Sunday, May 25**  
 San Antonio at Oklahoma City, 8:30 p.m.  
**Monday, May 26**  
 Indiana at Miami, 8:30 p.m.  
**Tuesday, May 27**  
 San Antonio at Oklahoma City, 9 p.m.  
**Wednesday, May 28**  
 x-Miami at Indiana, 8:30 p.m.  
**Thursday, May 29**  
 x-Oklahoma City at San Antonio, 9 p.m.  
**Friday, May 30**  
 x-Indiana at Miami, 8:30 p.m.  
**Saturday, May 31**  
 x-San Antonio at Oklahoma City, 8:30 p.m.  
**Sunday, June 1**  
 x-Miami at Indiana, 8:30 p.m.  
**Monday, June 2**  
 x-Oklahoma City at San Antonio, 9 p.m.

### BASEBALL American League

| East Division    |    |              |      |        |
|------------------|----|--------------|------|--------|
| W                | L  | Pct          | GB   |        |
| Toronto          | 27 | 22           | .551 | —      |
| Baltimore        | 24 | 22           | .522 | 1 1/2  |
| New York         | 24 | 23           | .511 | 2      |
| Tampa Bay        | 21 | 28           | .429 | 6      |
| Boston           | 20 | 27           | .426 | 6      |
| Central Division |    |              |      |        |
| W                | L  | Pct          | GB   |        |
| Detroit          | 28 | 16           | .636 | —      |
| Minnesota        | 23 | 22           | .511 | 5 1/2  |
| Chicago          | 25 | 25           | .500 | 6      |
| Kansas City      | 23 | 24           | .489 | 6 1/2  |
| Cleveland        | 23 | 26           | .469 | 7 1/2  |
| West Division    |    |              |      |        |
| W                | L  | Pct          | GB   |        |
| Oakland          | 30 | 18           | .625 | —      |
| Los Angeles      | 27 | 20           | .574 | 2 1/2  |
| Seattle          | 24 | 23           | .511 | 5 1/2  |
| Texas            | 23 | 25           | .479 | 7      |
| Houston          | 17 | 32           | .347 | 13 1/2 |
| Friday's Games   |    |              |      |        |
| Baltimore        | 8  | Cleveland    | 4    |        |
| Toronto          | 3  | Oakland      | 2    |        |
| Detroit          | 7  | Texas        | 2    |        |
| Tampa Bay        | 1  | Boston       | 0    |        |
| ChiSox           | 6  | N.Y. Yankees | 5    |        |
| L.A. Angels      | 6  | Kansas City  | 1    |        |
| Seattle          | 6  | Houston      | 1    |        |

### National League

| East Division    |               |              |      |        |
|------------------|---------------|--------------|------|--------|
| W                | L             | Pct          | GB   |        |
| Atlanta          | 27            | 20           | .574 | —      |
| Miami            | 25            | 24           | .510 | 3      |
| Washington       | 24            | 24           | .500 | 3 1/2  |
| New York         | 21            | 25           | .457 | 5 1/2  |
| Philadelphia     | 20            | 25           | .444 | 6      |
| Central Division |               |              |      |        |
| W                | L             | Pct          | GB   |        |
| Milwaukee        | 29            | 20           | .592 | —      |
| St. Louis        | 26            | 22           | .542 | 2 1/2  |
| Cincinnati       | 22            | 24           | .478 | 5 1/2  |
| Pittsburgh       | 21            | 26           | .447 | 7      |
| Chicago          | 17            | 29           | .370 | 10 1/2 |
| West Division    |               |              |      |        |
| W                | L             | Pct          | GB   |        |
| San Fran.        | 30            | 18           | .625 | —      |
| Colorado         | 26            | 22           | .542 | 4      |
| Los Angeles      | 26            | 23           | .531 | 4 1/2  |
| San Diego        | 22            | 27           | .449 | 8 1/2  |
| Arizona          | 18            | 31           | .367 | 12 1/2 |
| Friday's Games   |               |              |      |        |
| L.A. Dodgers     | 2             | Philadelphia | 0    |        |
| Pittsburgh       | 4             | Washington   | 3    |        |
| Milwaukee        | 9             | Miami        | 5    |        |
| Cincinnati       | 5             | St. Louis    | 3    |        |
| Arizona          | at New York   | ppd., rain   |      |        |
| Atlanta          | 3             | Colorado     | 2    |        |
| San Diego        | 11            | Chicago Cubs | 1    |        |
| San Francisco    | 6             | Minnesota    | 2    |        |
| Sunday's Games   |               |              |      |        |
| Arizona          | at N.Y. Mets, | 1:10         |      |        |
| p.m., 1st game   |               |              |      |        |
| Milwaukee        | at Miami,     | 1:10         |      |        |
| p.m.             |               |              |      |        |

### Texas League

| North Division   |              |             |      |       |
|------------------|--------------|-------------|------|-------|
| W                | L            | Pct         | GB   |       |
| Tulsa            | 25           | 22          | .532 | —     |
| Arkansas         | 22           | 24          | .478 | 2 1/2 |
| Springfield      | 22           | 25          | .468 | 3     |
| NW Arkansas      | 6            | 30          | .348 | 8 1/2 |
| South Division   |              |             |      |       |
| W                | L            | Pct         | GB   |       |
| Frisco           | 28           | 19          | .596 | —     |
| Midland          | 26           | 21          | .553 | 2     |
| Corpus Christi   | 25           | 22          | .532 | 3     |
| San Antonio      | 23           | 24          | .489 | 5     |
| Friday's Games   |              |             |      |       |
| Tulsa            | 7            | Frisco      | 2    |       |
| Midland          | 6            | Springfield | 1    |       |
| San Antonio      | 2            | NW Arkansas | 1    |       |
| Corpus Christi   | 3            | Arkansas    | 1    |       |
| Saturday's Games |              |             |      |       |
| Corpus Christi   | at Northwest |             |      |       |
| Arkansas         | at           | 7:05        |      |       |
| Tulsa            | at Midland,  | 8 p.m.      |      |       |
| Springfield      | at Frisco,   | 8:05 p.m.   |      |       |
| San Antonio      | at Arkansas, | 8:10        |      |       |
| p.m.             |              |             |      |       |
| Sunday's Games   |              |             |      |       |
| Tulsa            | at Midland,  | 3 p.m.      |      |       |
| Springfield      | at Frisco,   | 3:05        |      |       |
| San Antonio      | at Arkansas, | 6:30        |      |       |
| p.m.             |              |             |      |       |

### Arena Football League

| NATIONAL CONFERENCE |                 |              |     |     |
|---------------------|-----------------|--------------|-----|-----|
| West Division       |                 |              |     |     |
| W                   | L               | PF           | PA  |     |
| Arizona             | 9               | 0            | 593 | 452 |
| LA Kiss             | 2               | 7            | 311 | 425 |
| S. Antonio          | 1               | 9            | 447 | 566 |
| Pacific Division    |                 |              |     |     |
| W                   | L               | PF           | PA  |     |
| San Jose            | 7               | 3            | 566 | 405 |
| Spokane             | 5               | 5            | 527 | 480 |
| Portland            | 3               | 7            | 407 | 510 |
| AMERICAN CONFERENCE |                 |              |     |     |
| South Division      |                 |              |     |     |
| W                   | L               | T            | PF  |     |
| Orlando             | 6               | 3            | 519 | 526 |
| Jacksonville        | 3               | 6            | 490 | 475 |
| Tampa Bay           | 3               | 6            | 448 | 520 |
| N. Orleans          | 2               | 6            | 362 | 464 |
| East Division       |                 |              |     |     |
| W                   | L               | PF           | PA  |     |
| Cleveland           | 9               | 0            | 463 | 374 |
| Pittsburgh          | 6               | 3            | 491 | 393 |
| Philadelphia        | 5               | 5            | 570 | 560 |
| Iowa                | 4               | 5            | 427 | 471 |
| Friday's Games      |                 |              |     |     |
| Cleveland           | 54              | Philadelphia | 52  |     |
| San Jose            | 52              | Spokane      | 34  |     |
| Saturday's Games    |                 |              |     |     |
| Jacksonville        | at Tampa Bay,   | 7:30         |     |     |
| p.m.                |                 |              |     |     |
| Pittsburgh          | at Orlando,     | 7:30         |     |     |
| p.m.                |                 |              |     |     |
| Iowa                | at New Orleans, | 8 p.m.       |     |     |
| Sunday's Games      |                 |              |     |     |
| Arizona             | at Los Angeles, | 8 p.m.       |     |     |

### KANSAS CITY ROYALS

Recalled OF Jimmy Paredes from Omaha (PCL).  
 LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Sent OF Josh Hamilton to Salt Lake (PCL) for a rehab assignment. Agreed to terms with 2B Maikol Gonzalez on a minor league contract.  
 MINNESOTA TWINS — Placed OF Sam Fuld on the 15-day DL.  
 TEXAS RANGERS — Placed 1B Prince Fielder on the 15-day DL, retroactive to May 17. Reinstated INF Donnie Murphy from the 15-day DL.  
 TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Designated RHP Esmil Rogers for assignment. Selected the contract of RHP Liam Hendriks from Buffalo (IL).  
**National League**  
 CINCINNATI REDS — Optioned INF Neftali Soto to Louisville (IL). Recalled INF OF Donald Lutz from Louisville. Agreed to terms with LHP Matt Maloney on a minor league contract.  
 MIAMI MARLINS — Optioned RHP Anthony DeSclafani to New Orleans (PCL). Selected the contract of RHP Chris Hatcher from New Orleans. Transferred 2B Rafael Furcal to the 60-day DL.  
 NEW YORK METS — Named Harold Kaufman executive director, communications.

### Transactions

**American League**  
 BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Optioned RHP Preston Guilmet to Norfolk (IL). Recalled LHP T.J. McFarland from Norfolk.  
 BOSTON RED SOX — Optioned SS Stephen Drew to Greenville (SAL). Recalled RHP Alex Wilson from Pawtucket (IL).  
 CLEVELAND INDIANS — Sent 2B Jason Kipnis to Columbus (IL) for a rehab assignment.  
 DETROIT TIGERS — Optioned LHP Robbie Ray to Toledo (IL). Selected the contract of RHP Corey Knebel from Toledo. Assigned 3B Francisco Martinez outright to Erie (EL).  
 HOUSTON ASTROS — Optioned RHP Josh Zeid to Oklahoma City (PCL). Recalled LHP Rudy Owens from Oklahoma City.

## Local Events

**Basketball Camp**  
 Howard College women's basketball coach Earl Diddle holds his annual girls' and boys' basketball camps in June. The camps will be held June 2-5 in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.  
**The Little Hawk Camp**  
 designed for youngsters in kindergarten through third grade, will be held from 9 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. each morning. The Individual Skill Camp for girls in grades 2-5 will run from 10:30 a.m. to noon. The Individual Skill Camp for boys in grades 4-12 will be from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. each day. The cost for each camp is \$50 per player.  
 All camps are fundraisers for the Howard College women's basketball program. To register send a check or money order made payable to: Earl Diddle,

HC Women's Basketball, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, Texas, 79720.  
**HCATTA Golf tournament**  
 The Howard County Area Texas Tech Alumni Scholarship Golf Tournament will be held on June 28-29 at the Comanche Trail Golf course. A shotgun start will be held at 1 p.m.  
 The tournament will be a 4-man scramble with a \$100 per person entry fee. Register at the golf course.  
 All proceeds go to the Texas Tech Alumni scholarship.  
**Chicano Scholarship Golf Tournament**  
 The 24th Annual Chicano Golf Scholarship Tournament will be held on June 7-8 at the Comanche Trail Park Golf Course. The tournament will be played in a 2-man scramble

format.  
 Entry fee is \$220 per team. A payout of \$1,800 per flight is expected.  
 A \$100 Closest to the Pin will be awarded on all Par 3 holes, and a Skins side pot will be available on Saturday. A free meal will be held following Saturday's round.  
 An Alternate Shot Team Skins will be held on Friday. Participants must be signed up by 5 p.m. (A drawing will determine teams).  
 Pollard Chevrolet-Buick-Cadillac will be holding an opportunity for a golfer to win a new 2014 vehicle.  
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## Life Is Like...

**B**ig Springers were busy going on trips, taking tours, honoring military veterans, winning awards and talking to camels.

Starting clockwise from top: Run For the Vietnam veterans arrived to lay a wreath at the Vietnam Memorial, a Boy Scout troupe took a tour of the Herald that included watching the press operate, the Young Marine's participated in the ceremony at the Vietnam Memorial, singer Lizzie Sider paid a visit to Goliad Elementary, Howard College toured UTPB's art department, Greater Big Spring Rotary gave the gift of books to Bauer Head Start, Judy Terelesky takes a Boy Scout troupe on a tour of the Herald, local friends made a trip to ComiCon, Big Spring High School learned all about camels, Tony Clifton, a member of the Wall, shakes hands with one of the Young Marines, UTPB art professor Mario Kiran speaks to students and BSBS UIL winners celebrate their medals.



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## ► Anniversary

### Spradling's celebrate 70th wedding anniversary



#### Orville and Reta (Bigony) Spradling

Orville and Reta (Bigony) Spradling will celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary June 3, 2014.

Reta graduated from Big Spring High School in 1940 and attended McMurry University. Orville was a student at Texas Tech University. The couple met in 1942 while attending a Methodist youth fellowship in Idalou, Texas.

After exchanging vows June 3, 1944, in the post chapel at Camp Rocker in Alabama, the couple planned to honeymoon in Panama City, Fla. However, D-Day was occurring as they were returning, cutting the trip short.

It would be 50 years before they would complete their honeymoon in Panama City. When they did, they renewed their wedding vows.

"It was just as sweet," Reta said at the time.

In between, Orville was sent to Europe and returned home safely. The Spradlings lived in Lubbock, Costa Mesa, Calif., Houston and Dallas. Orville was head of General Telephone's Oil Yellow Pages. Reta was a church secretary, religious education director and school secretary.

After Orville retired, they moved to the Fairview community near Luther and later to Big Spring.

Orville has been a longtime pilot, a love he passed on to their two sons, William O. Sparadling and Dennis Michael Spradling. They have three grandchildren.

Orville is associated with several Masonic and aviation clubs. Reta enjoys reading and is associated with the Garden Club and Genealogy Society. The Spradlings are members of the First United Methodist Church.

They plan to celebrate their anniversary with family and friends in Dallas.

## ► Menus

### Big Spring ISD

Monday: Breakfast, assorted cereal, animal crackers, grapes, assorted fruit juice and milk. Lunch, Sloppy Joe, broccoli with ranch dressing, garden salad, strawberries and bananas, fresh fruit bowl and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast, mini maple pancakes, sausage patty, apples, assorted fruit juice and milk. Lunch, southwest chicken casserole, tortilla chips, garden salad, charro beans, applesauce and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast, mini corn dogs, peach cup, assorted fruit juice and milk. Lunch, Salisbury steak, roll, mashed potatoes/gravy, carrots, fruity Jell-o, fresh fruit bowl and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast, blueberry loaf, strawberry yogurt, banana, assorted fruit juice and milk. Lunch, Salisbury steak, roll, mashed potatoes/gravy, carrots, fruity Jell-O, fresh fruit bowl and milk.

Friday: Breakfast, grape PBJ Uncrustable, mixed fruit cup, assorted fruit juice and milk. Lunch, sack lunch and milk. Early Release 12:30 p.m.

### Forsan ISD

Monday: NO SCHOOL

Tuesday: Breakfast, scrambled eggs with ham, cereal variety, cinnamon toast, blushing pears and fresh whole fruit. Lunch, Manager's choice.

Wednesday: Breakfast, French toast sticks with syrup, cereal variety, toast, jelly, baked cinnamon apples and fresh whole fruit. Lunch, Manager's choice.

Thursday: Breakfast, waffles and sausage patty, cereal variety, cinnamon toast, chilled peaches, fresh whole fruit. Lunch, sack lunch, deli sub, potato chips, baby carrots with ranch dressing and fresh fruit.

Friday: Breakfast, morning sausage roll, cereal variety, toast, jelly, chilled mixed fruit and fresh whole fruit. Lunch, sack lunch, deli sub, potato chips, broccoli florets with ranch dressing fresh fruit.

### Coahoma ISD

Monday: Breakfast, breakfast wrap (egg/sausage/cheese), yogurt and fruit parfait with Awesome granola, toast, jelly, cereal, chilled peaches, fresh whole fruit, 100% fruit juice and milk. Lunch, cheesy chicken and rice, manager choice, seasoned green beans, scalloped potatoes, vegetable of the day, Romaine garden salad, fruit of the day, roll and peach crisp.

Tuesday: Breakfast, breakfast pizza, scrambled egg Santa Fe, toast, cereal, jelly, chilled peaches, fresh whole fruit, 100% fruit juice and milk. Lunch, General Tso chicken, manager choice, cheeseburger basket, seasoned carrots, vegetable of the day, Romaine garden salad, fruit of the day, fortune cookie and roll.

Wednesday: Breakfast, biscuit and gravy, sausage patty, smoked sausage with cheese in flour tortilla, toast, cereal, jelly, chilled apricots, fresh whole fruit, 100% fruit juice and milk. Lunch, lasagna with meat sauce, chicken alfredo, green peas, vegetable of the day, Romaine garden salad and fruit of the day.

Thursday: Breakfast, mini blueberry pancakes, French toast sticks, syrup, toast, cereal, jelly, mixed fruit, 100% fruit juice and milk. Lunch, chicken enchiladas, manager choice, Spanish brown rice, seasoned pinto beans, Mexicali corn, lettuce and tomato salad, fruit of the day, jalapeno/salsa/sour cream/shredded cheese.

Friday: Breakfast, Home-Style cinnamon rolls, scrambled eggs with ham, toast, cereal, jelly, chilled Mandarin oranges, fresh whole fruit, 100% fruit juice and milk. Lunch, barbecue chicken sandwich, manager choice, spicy chicken basket, sweet potato fries, vegetable of the day, Romaine garden salad, fruit of the day and ketchup.

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## ► Engagements Blum's Jewelry

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### Kimberly Christine Calvert and Weston Keith Graham

Kimberly Christine Calvert and Weston Keith Graham, both of Big Spring, will exchange wedding vows June 6, 2015, in Lubbock, Texas. Kimberly is the daughter of Chris Calvert and Traci Seibly, both of Big Spring and is a graduate of Texas Tech University.

The groom is the son of Kent and Cathy Fleming of Big Spring. He is attending South Plains College and is employed with Elite Directional Services.

Maid of Honor will be Katherine Calvert of Big Spring. Bridesmaids will be Katelin Rodriguez and Krista Lyons, both of Big Spring.

Best man will be Jeremy Layman of Big Spring. Groomsmen will be Braden Witt and James Stevens, both of Big Spring.

Ushers will be Lance Calvert of Big Spring and Justin Strickland of Abilene, Texas.

Submit your announcement by noon Wednesday

## Florida man accused of stealing grave markers

DELAND, Fla. (AP) — A Florida man is accused of stealing grave markers from his employer and selling them as scrap metal.

The Volusia County Sheriff's Office arrested 31-year-old Daniel Monahan on Thursday. He faces multiple counts of dealing in stolen property.

The owner of Volusia Monuments says that among the stolen items are yellow brass markers with names and birth and death dates. He says they went missing over the past two months, but there was no sign of a break-in. Deputies inquired about

his employees and learned Monahan was the only one.

Investigators then checked metal recycling business and learned that Monahan produced a fake letter from his

employer giving him permission to sell the items. He earned more than \$1,500. Investigators say he told them he used it to support a prescription pill addiction.

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MENUS

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Senior Center

Monday: Closed  
 Tuesday: Smoked turkey sausage, hash browns and onions, corn salad, sliced tomato, cinnamon apple sauce, bread and milk.  
 Wednesday: Beef and chicken fajitas, tortilla, Spanish rice, refried beans, lettuce and tomato salad, strawberries and angel cake and milk.  
 Thursday: Baked pork chop, brown gravy, potato casserole, glazed carrots, melon balls, rolls and milk.  
 Friday: Fish sandwich on a bun, chips, lettuce and tomato salad, fruit crisp, tartar sauce and milk.

New Hope Christian School

Monday: Closed  
 Tuesday: Breakfast, cereal, orange juice and milk. Snack, peaches and cottage cheese. Lunch, ham and cheese sandwich, peas, French fries and milk.  
 Wednesday: Breakfast, pancakes, apple sauce and milk. Snack, sliced ham and butter crackers. Lunch, mini corn dogs, carrots, mashed potatoes and milk.  
 Thursday: Breakfast, cinnamon toast, peaches and milk. Snack, animal crackers and string cheese. Lunch, ravioli, black eyed peas, salad, bread and milk.  
 Friday: Breakfast, cereal bar, orange smiles and milk. Lunch, chicken nuggets, French fries, green beans, bread and milk.

American's Paris kitchen becomes way of life

PARIS (AP) David Lebovitz snaps a photo of a practically perfect croissant before taking a bite, then smiling slightly. He'll probably be asked for the recipe later, though he did not bake the croissant, nor was it made in his kitchen. But after six cookbooks, more than 27,000 tweets and a food website dating to the early years of html, readers expect recipes to go with the photos of Parisian food most can only crave from a distance.

Lebovitz spent 13 years as a chef at Alice Waters' Chez Panisse, quit to write books in 1999, then like many an American author before him moved to Paris in 2004 without a plan. "I thought, maybe I'll move to Paris because I can write there," he said in a recent interview after ruefully acknowledging his lack of a dramatic backstory.

A decade later, he has no intention of opening his own restaurant or bakery, France's bureaucracy is daunting even for natives.

"All the rumors you hear about French paperwork are true. I love cooking and I love baking but owning a business it's probably 10 percent cooking and baking and 90 percent paperwork and bureaucracy," he said. "I decided to take a pass." His latest book, "My Paris Kitchen," feeds into the desire to cook, shop and eat in the city that prides itself on being the culinary center of the world. Half cookbook, half musings on everything from line etiquette

(watch out for unexpectedly tough little old ladies) to the acronym-filled documentation that floods every French household (going paperless is a distant dream). Though practically none of Lebovitz's readers have tasted his food, he has a vicarious following all his own. And his readers, more than a third are from outside the U.S., don't hesitate to tell him when they think a photo is blurry, a recipe seems off or his take on barbecue is out of line. "One of the reasons I started my website in 1999 was I wanted people to be able to get in touch with me after my first cookbook. From that 'What was I thinking?' file," he said. "It's what the web is all about. It's an interaction of ideas."

Being a cookbook author is something of a strange calling, especially in a city where the average apartment is roughly one-third the size of an American home. It meant that the renovation of Lebovitz's kitchen, the room he considers his office took on outsized drama, especially when his manuscript disappeared in the disorder. "I have two ovens. I have the largest refrigerator in Paris, that's my desk," he said, seated at a cafe table outside a favorite bakery. Every few minutes someone would stop to greet him, a sign of neighborhood integration hard-won in reserved Paris.

France has changed his cooking in surprising ways.

"I started relying on things you can buy.

Top Ten Beaches For 2014

HONOLULU (AP) Here is the list of top 10 beaches for 2014 compiled by Dr. Beach, aka Professor Stephen Leatherman of Florida International University, based on factors that include cleanliness, safety and amenities.  
 1. Duke Kahanamoku Beach, Waikiki, Oahu, Hawaii  
 2. Barefoot Beach, Bonita Springs, Florida  
 3. St. George Island State Park, Florida  
 4. Panhandle

4. Waimanalo Bay Beach Park, Oahu, Hawaii  
 5. Hamoa Beach, Maui, Hawaii  
 6. Cape Hatteras, Outer Banks of North Carolina  
 7. Cape Florida State Park, Key Biscayne, Florida  
 8. Coast Guard Beach, Cape Cod, Massachusetts  
 9. Beachwalker Park, Kiawah Island, South Carolina  
 10. Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park, Naples,

Women who helped remake the American landscape

NEW YORK (AP) Occasionally, landscape gardening goes well beyond flowers and shrubbery to encompass questions of national identity, culture, even social change.

The era from 1900 to 1930 in America was one of those times, thanks to several enterprising and unsung women.

Well before American women could vote, these college-educated few rose to the pinnacle of their fields as garden designers, writers and photographers. Declaring American gardens to be distinct from those in Europe, they took as their mission the beautification of America, whose cities were polluted and whose residents were suffering from decades of grinding income disparity and rampant industrialism.

The New York Botanical Garden, itself a creation of that Progressive "push-back" between the height of the Gilded Age and World War I, explores these women and their work in "Groundbreakers: Great American gardens in the 20th century and the women who designed them," a suite of exhibits on view from May 17 to September 7.

"Groundbreakers" explores the work of garden designers Marian Coffin, Beatrix Farrand and Ellen Shipman, and garden photographers Jessie Tarbox Beals, Mattie Edwards Hewitt and Frances Benjamin Johnston.

It combines original hand-tinted glass "magic lantern" slides and the hefty photographic equipment used to make them; detailed drawings of some of the greatest estate gardens of the time; gardening journalism and literary writing; and breathtakingly colorful flower gardens, most notably one evoking the Abby Aldrich Rockefeller garden in Seal Harbor, Maine (complete with Ragtime musical accompaniment).

Americans are into this whole DIY thing, but in France if you want a pate you go to the charcuterie and there are like 15 kinds of amazing pate," he said.

And, though "My Paris Kitchen" is filled with accessible recipes that reflect how Lebovitz cooks at home, he said when he cooks for

"These women were the leading lights in their fields. And in a broader cultural sense, the work they did helped elevate the quality of life for many people across America through these landscapes and their photos and writing," said Todd Forrest, the botanical garden's vice president of Horticulture and Living Collections.

"This brief Progressive era is especially important to look at now as historians ask themselves how, in our present gilded age, we're going to get this kind of momentum again," explained Sam Watters, the historian whose "Gardens for a Beautiful America" book (Acanthus Press) helped inspire the show, and who curated its photographic segment.

Among the nation's first specialized career women, the women highlighted in the show not only designed gardens for private estates, but educated and informed the public through lectures, writing and photos, Watters said.

Their work helped inspire the construction of landscaped parks and gardens across the country; the expansion of tree-lined streets; and the widespread planting of the lush lawns, bordered by flowers and ornamental shrubs, that remain emblematic of American yards today.

"Garden club women, inspired by the garden photos they saw, started going to prisons. They put a rose garden in the courtyard of Sing Sing. A big formal garden with a fountain was put in a prison in Michigan. And they planted gardens around train stations across the country," Watters said.

"It really was landscape gardening as social activism."

On the great estates, the cutting edge of landscape design at the time, photographs were commissioned and schoolchildren brought in with the edification of

the masses in mind.

Whereas 19th century American gardens replicated gardens in Europe, these new gardens combined Asian architectural elements, English-style flower borders, European ideas of space and distinctly North American settings for a unique sensibility. And before there was color photography, the lush hand-tinted coloring of Johnston's lantern slides awed and inspired home gardeners.

The show is ambitious and sprawling, and experiencing it in its entirety requires the better part of a day.

Although the exhibits can be viewed in any order, the story flows best by beginning in the garden's Mertz Library Rotunda with "Gardens for a Beautiful America: The women who photographed them," curated by Watters. Along with photos, books, magazines and journals of the period, the exhibit features examples of the era's imposing wooden camera equipment. A gardening photography required serious biceps, along with a few original lantern slides.

Two of Farrand's masterpieces are on view in the Peggy Rockefeller Rose Garden and in "Mrs. Rockefeller's Garden," a dazzlingly colorful indoor horticultural exhibit. Shipman designed the garden's Ladies' Border, and Coffin designed the Montgomery Conifers Collection.

The show also includes a "Poetry Walk," featuring poems by Edna St. Vincent Millay, many inspired by her garden in Austerlitz, New York; a section on "Groundbreaking Women in Science"; a series of concerts, films, lectures and poetry readings; a free iPhone app with previously unpublished photos; and a section for kids on the science and art of landscape photography.

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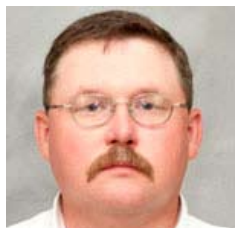
# Livestock, range conference slated at Broughton Complex

**Special to the Herald**

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will conduct the West Texas Livestock and Range Conference from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. May 29 at the Broughton Agriculture Complex on the Howard College campus in Big Spring.

The conference is a seven-county program involving AgriLife Extension offices in Andrews, Glasscock, Upton, Reagan, Howard, Martin and Midland counties.

"As has become our custom for this program, we've gathered a fine set of speakers who will present ranch-related information covering a number of topics of interest to our area," said Rebel Royall, AgriLife Extension agent in Glasscock County. "These topics are selected by the AgriLife Extension agents based on needs gleaned from our local planning committees."



Royall

The morning session's topics and speakers will include;

- Livestock forage disaster program, Karla Hoelcher, Farm Services Agency, Howard County.

- Natural Resources Conservation Service Update, Eddy Spurgin, district conservationist with the U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service, Big Spring.

- Bull Fertility, Dr. Bruce Carpenter, AgriLife Extension livestock specialist, Fort Stockton.

- Mesquite Control, Ralph Porter, Dow AgroSciences, Abilene.

- What can I pay for cows and heifers? Stan Bevers, AgriLife Extension economist, Vernon.

- Stocking rates during and after a drought, Dr. Morgan Russell, AgriLife Extension range specialist, San Angelo.

- Stay-Tuff Fence demonstration, Harold Shipman, territory manager, New Braunfels.

The afternoon session topics will include product discussions of cattle de-wormers, a talk on replacement heifer development and an optional off-site fodder demonstration.

Three Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units in the general category will be offered.

Individual preregistration is \$15 if received at the AgriLife Extension office in Glasscock County by May 27 and \$25 thereafter. The fee includes the noon meal.

For more information, contact Royall at 432-354-2381, r-royall@tamu.edu or the AgriLife Extension office in any of the participating counties.

# BBB

## Unauthorized billing by diet websites is not what the doctor ordered

Individually, an unauthorized charge of less than \$20 might easily go unnoticed by a consumer. When it happens many times, people begin to take notice.

Better Business Bureau (BBB) serving Central, Coastal, Southwest Texas and the Permian Basin, found five businesses with similar unauthorized billing complaints. BBB discovered these businesses all related to diet services: Diet Instructor MD (www.dietinstructormd.com), Health Leader MD (www.healthleader.com), Slender Guide MD (www.slenderguidemd.com), Diet Leader MD (www.diet-leadermd.com) and Lean Inspiration MD (www.leaninspiration.com). Consumers say they never signed up with the businesses and never visited their websites.

A BBB investigator did find those businesses online and also found advertising issues with all five websites, which have similar layout and content. BBB asked the businesses to clarify offers of personal advice "from a doctor or M.D." that were contradicted by a disclaimer, "The site does not provide medical advice." None of the five businesses responded to BBB's requests to modify or support their claims.

Although each business has an Austin, Texas, address and a separate corporate filing with the Texas Secretary of State, a BBB investigator contacted all five businesses and in each case was told the parent company was New Jersey-based WellnessWatchersMD.

Most of the complaints about unauthorized billing referred to charges in the amount of \$19.65, though some reported other amounts, such as \$17.94. Some complainants reported being charged more than once in the same amount by different business names.

Diet Instructor MD replied to BBB's letter about its pattern of disputes about unauthorized billing. The reply stated that the business has a 90-day no-questions-asked refund policy and that consumers must have signed up after purchasing a health product or after receiving a sales call. However, the reply did not address BBB's concerns about how to resolve the issues that led to the pattern.

The other companies did not respond to BBB's requests to address concerns about unauthorized billing complaints.

As of May 21, 2014, BBB complaints against the businesses over the last three years were as follows:

- Diet Instructor MD has failed to resolve 15 complaints.

- HealthLeader MD has failed to resolve five complaints.

- SlenderGuideMD has failed to resolve 21 complaints.

- Diet Leader MD has failed to resolve eight complaints.

- LeanInspirationMD has failed to resolve three complaints.

In cases where the companies responded to BBB, they promised to issue refunds and said the consumers must have been billed after signing up for memberships while purchasing health-related products or receiving a sales call.

Blake Potter of Austin said Diet Instructor MD charged him \$19.65 on July 6, 2013, without authorization. He reported it to his bank and canceled his debit card to prevent future charges by the company. He said he researched the company and found numerous other complaints by people who say they had unauthorized charges from the company.

"I never heard of this company," Potter said. "The bank refunded the money after I reported it as fraud. I never heard anything from the company afterward. I'm 6'4" and 145 lbs. I have no need for a diet website."

Melody Bright of Las Vegas, Nev., said she was charged several times in the amount of \$19.65 without authorization between December 2012 and June 2013. She said the charges occurred under different names, but always in the same amount. Diet Leader MD refunded three charges of \$19.65 each after she filed a complaint with BBB.

"I have no idea how this company obtained my info," Bright said. "I have never heard of them and did not sign up for anything from them. They were charging me \$19.65. The names were different, but it was always in the same amount. I'm seeing three refunds for \$19.65 after I complained. When I called, they said I had signed up for a newsletter. I didn't. I don't sign up for newsletters."

BBB offers the following advice to avoid being



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# New home sales rise 6.4 percent

WASHINGTON(AP)—Sales of U.S. new homes recovered in April after slumping in the previous two months. But Americans are still buying new homes at a slower pace than they did a year ago.

The Commerce Department said Friday that sales of new homes rose 6.4 percent last month to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 433,000. That compares with an

upwardly revised annual pace of 407,000 in March, when purchases fell 6.9 percent. Buying had dropped 4.4 percent in February, in part because of winter snowstorms.

Demand for newly built homes remains one of the missing pieces of the nearly 5-year-old recovery from the Great Recession. A lack of affordability has limited buying around the coun-

try. Sales of new homes are running at roughly half the rate of a healthy real estate market.

Sales during April surged in the Midwest and edged up in the South. Home-buying was flat in the West and fell in the Northeast.

Yelena Shulyatyeva, an economist at BNP Paribas, noted that the 47.4 percent increase in Midwest sales likely came from the start of

the spring buying season and that similar levels of growth are "not likely to continue."

"The broader trend remains one of weak underlying demand," Shulyatyeva said in a client note.

New-home sales have declined 4.2 percent over the past 12 months.

The median sales price fell a slight 2.1 percent during the past month to \$275,800.

## ► Building Permits

Building Permits for May 7, 2014 to May 19, 2014:

Derek Osburn Construction, 1606 Bell. Residential electric. Valuation: \$3,200 Fee: \$51

Derek Osburn Construction, 1608 Bell. Residential electric. Val: \$3,200 Fee: \$51

Derek Osburn Construction, 1610 Bell. Residential electric. Val: \$3,200 Fee: \$51

Wegman Homes, 730 Baylor. Residential plumbing. Val: \$8,500 Fee: \$64

Wegman Homes, 726 Baylor. Residential plumbing. Val: \$7,200 Fee: \$60

Wegman Homes, 732 Baylor. Residential plumbing. Val: \$8,000 Fee: \$62

Wild West Wingz, 1907 Birdwell. Commercial HVAC. Val: \$6,600 Fee: \$45

J. Evans and J. Mize, LLC, 1208 Pickens. Single family housing. Val: \$52,000 Fee: \$408

Tyson Kubena, 900 Dallas. Residential electric. Val: \$1,500 Fee: \$25. Residential addition. Val: \$44,800 Fee: \$235

Juan Martinez Zavala, 204 Carey. Residential HVAC. Val: \$6,000 Fee: \$45

Juanita Subia Porras, 602 N. Gregg. Residential electric. Val: \$6,000 Fee: \$45

Southridge RV Park, 907 E. I-20 Entry. commercial electrical. Val: \$1,100 Fee: \$25

Professional Pharmacy, 1000 S. Main. Commercial plumbing. Val: \$800 Fee: \$30

E. E. Roofing, 527 Scott. Residential re-roof. Val: \$10,000 Fee: \$60

Sammy Ortega, 1307 Elm. Residential addition. Val: \$1,000 Fee: \$25

John Leubner, 2309 Roberts. Accessory building. Val: \$7,500 Fee: \$50

Templo Belen, 2205 Goliad. Accessory building. Val: \$1 Fee: 0

Jerilyn Jan Bermea, 2210 Runnels. Siding. Val: \$1,000 Fee: \$25

Leslie Grantham, 1804 Dixie. Fence. Val: \$1 Fee: \$25

Manuel Mendez Cantu, 1214 1/5 Lindberg. Residential electric. Val: \$300 Fee: \$25

Irma Medrano, 407 S. Benton. Fence. Val: \$150 Fee: \$25

Joy I. Shaw, 1407 E. 19<sup>th</sup> St. Residential electric. Val: \$500 Fee: \$25

Ben J. Kilgore, 601 E. 12<sup>th</sup> St. Residential electric. Val: \$500 Fee: \$25

Toma Larindia Hale, 3722 Hatch. Accessory building. Val: \$2,300 Fee: \$25

George Murphy, 1311 Baylor. Residential re-roof. Val: \$3,000 Fee: \$25

Dolores Rivera, 608 S. Lancaster. Siding. Val: \$1,000 Fee: \$25

Jerilyn Jan Bermea, 2210 Runnels. Residential electric. Val: \$500 Fee: \$25

Carolyn H. Hanson, 517 Scott. Residential re-roof. Val: \$7,000 Fee: \$45

Dan's Construction, 1700 W. FM 700. Commercial alteration/addition. Val: \$125,000 Fee: \$535

Dotco Distributors Inc., 1415 E. 6<sup>th</sup> St. Residential alteration/addition. Val: \$40,000 Fee: \$210

Joshua Emmanuel Mireles, 705 Oak Glen. Carport. Val: \$2,000 Fee: 0

Big Spring Hospitality LLC, 300 Tulane. Commercial HVAC. Val: \$14,000 Fee: \$65

Delbert Ray Cox, 2508 Seminole. Residential HVAC. Val: \$4,800 Fee: \$45

Jose G. Rivera, 906 Scurry. Residential gas. Val: \$500 Fee: \$32

City of Big Spring, 305 Johnson. Signs, type A,B,C,D,E. Val: \$2,000 Fee: 0

Clifton Wade Shoup, 3901 Dixon. Residential addition. Val:\$2,000 Fee: \$25

The Door, 204 S. Main. Commercial electric. Val: 0 Fee: \$25

Big Spring Hospitality LLC, 300 Tulane. Re-roof. Val: \$90,000 Fee: \$420

Mt. Bethel Church, 634 Sgt. Paredes. Residential gas. Val: \$50 Fee: \$32

Sterling Creek Property, 2111 Runnels. Residential plumbing. Val: \$2,500 Fee: \$49

Nallely Herrera, 1111 W. 4<sup>th</sup> St. Commercial electric. Val: 0 Fee: 425

City of Big Spring, 901 Goliad. Commercial electric. Val: 0 Fee: 0

Justin Thomas Francis, 2610 Rebecca. Residential addition. Val: \$118,000 Fee: \$514. Residential electric. Val: \$1,000 Fee: \$25. Residential HVAC. Val: \$1 Fee: \$45

Adam Flores, 1104 E. 14<sup>th</sup> St. Residential electric. Val: \$500 Fee: 0

Full Moon Roofing, 615 Tulane. Residential re-roof. Val: \$4,700 Fee: \$35

Juan Bermea, 712 Andree. Demolition. Val: \$1 Fee: \$25

Christopher Olson, 1501 Scurry. Residential gas. Val: \$500 Fee: \$32

B.J. Cate, 3219 Cornell. Fence. Val: \$1,000 Fee: \$25

Betty Hamilton, 1102 E. 14<sup>th</sup> St. Residential electric. Val: \$800 Fee: \$25

Alicia Leon, 1210 W. 6<sup>th</sup> St. Residential electric. Val: \$500 Fee: \$25

Terry Wegman, 2801 Macauslan. Fence. Val: \$1,000 Fee: \$25

Sterling Creek Property, 1311 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Commercial electric. Val: 0 Fee: \$25

Joyce Lightner, 800 W. 15<sup>th</sup> St. Residential gas. Val: \$1,500 Fee: \$32

Carolyn A. Miller, 633 Tulsa. Fence. Val: \$1,800 Fee: \$25

Jared Phillips, 1303 Stanford. Residential electric. Val: \$500 Fee: \$25

Pauline Wood, 2603 Cindy. Residential re-roof. Val: \$6,300 Fee: \$45

Jennifer L. Hines, 2605 Cindy. Residential curb cut. Val: \$500 Fee: \$25

Westover Pharmacy, 710 W. Marcy. Signs, Type A,B,C,D,E. Val: \$4,500 Fee: \$35

Stephanie Serrato, 302 NE 6<sup>th</sup> St. Residential gas. Val: \$700 Fee: \$32

Manuel Cantu, 1214 1/2 Lindbergh. Siding. Val: \$1,000 Fee: \$25

Kerr Management Inc. 2621 Ent. Residential re-roof. Val: \$2,700 Fee: \$25

George Murphy, 1311 Baylor. Residential re-roof. Val: \$1,400 Fee: \$25

Nalley Pickle & Welch, 907 Lancaster. Signs, Type A,B,C,D,E. Val: \$1,000 Fee: \$25

Frank Coates, 1800 Hearn. Residential plumbing. Val: \$2,000 Fee: \$43





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Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce representatives and Salvation Army representatives cut a ribbon announcing the re-opening of the remodeled Salvation Army Family Store at 503 N. 87 Highway.



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Adjusting to drought conditions in our area, residents become creative to design their yards to be water-friendly. Keep Big Spring Beautiful recognizes 1724 Purdue owned by Emmett Bartee as the latest winner of Doing Your Part Award. Pictured left to right: Raul Benavides, city councilman; Denise Reed; daughter, Hailynn Breckenridge and Peggy Hopper, KBSB president. Metal art compliments the focal point along with desert grasses, supplied with reused water saved from showering and placed in sunken plastic bottles with tiny holes. Congratulations on an attractive landscape made complete via recycling.

## CODE PATROL CORNER

The Code Patrol is ready to start a new venture as we have three new code enforcement officers which we have not had in a long time. They are all very interested in turning the appearance of Big Spring around, as we are. We will be meeting with them soon, and all volunteers who are signed up and others who may be interested in this program. If you



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are interested, contact me. We are allowing Code Enforcement time to get moved and settled in their new location, which is the building west of City Hall and was occupied by Judge Green. He moved to the courthouse, so this gave them some needed space. Depending on the number of volunteers we have, I would like to have at least two representatives from each council district. We have six districts and hopefully this can be accomplished. We have many ordinances that the volunteers of the patrol will

work on. These will be addressed from time to time in our article to the Herald, just to name a few, such as junk cars, yard litter, parking in the front yard and etc. Folks, we need your help to clean up our city! I know the newly elected councilmen made statements regarding their concerns about trash in our city. Hopefully, all our council will be interested and help in turning around the appearance of Big Spring. To volunteer or for more information, contact Pat Simmons, 263-4607.

## BBB

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billied for services you don't want: Review your statements. Review credit card and bank statements for any unusual or questionable transactions. Contact the financial institution immediately if any are found. Be prepared with your credit card number and

an explanation of when and how the charge might have occurred. Investigate. Once you have the exact name of the company charging your bank account or credit card, check out its BBB Business Review to see if it has a pattern of similar billing complaints. File a complaint. If you are being charged for services you didn't order, speak up. Visit [bbb.org](http://bbb.org) to file a com-

plaint with BBB. Let the FTC know as well by filing a complaint at [ftc.gov](http://ftc.gov) or by calling 877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357). Dispute charges. Under federal law, charges made on a credit card can be disputed up to 60 days after the purchase. Be wary online. Avoid giving your credit card and other sensitive information online without first researching the business.

## Something special's happening in the Circle.

### June 2014 Activities

- June 2 – Games, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
- June 2-6 – Senior Circle Cruise - Office Closed
- June 3 – Mall Walking, 9:00 a.m.  
Splash In, 11:00 a.m.  
Supper Club, "Spanish Inn" 5:30 p.m.
- June 4 – Senior Appreciation Day, 11:30 a.m.  
Movie, 1:00 p.m. "The Great Gatsby"
- June 5 – Mall Walking, 9:00 a.m.  
Splash In, 11:00 a.m.  
Coffee @ Just Peachy's, 10:00 a.m.
- June 9 – Games, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
- June 10 – Mall Walking, 9:00 a.m.  
Splash In, 11:00 a.m.  
Supper Club, "Al's Bar-B-Que," 5:30 p.m.
- June 11 – Senior Appreciation Day, 11:30 a.m.  
Movie 1:00 p.m. "Now You See Me"
- June 12 – Mall Walking, 9:00 a.m.  
Splash In, 11:00 a.m.  
Coffee @ Just Peachy's, 10:00 a.m.
- June 13 – Lunch Bunch & Birthday  
"Just Peachy's," 11:30 a.m.
- June 15 – Happy Father's Day.
- June 16 – Games, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
- June 17 – Mall Walking, 9:00 a.m.  
Splash In, 11:00 a.m.  
Supper Club, "Hunan's", 5:30 p.m.
- June 18 – Senior Appreciation Day, 11:30 a.m.  
Movie, 1:00 p.m. "MUD"
- June 19 – Mall Walking, 9:00 a.m.  
Splash In, 11:00 a.m.  
Coffee @ Just Peachy's, 10:00 a.m.  
Bunko, 5:00 p.m.
- June 20 – Pot Luck & Bingo, 11:30 p.m.
- June 23 – Games, 1:00-4:00 p.m.  
Hobbs, 9:00 a.m.
- June 24 – Mall Walking, 9:00 a.m.  
Splash In, 11:00 a.m.  
Supper Club, "Cowboy's," 5:30 p.m.
- June 25 – Senior Appreciation Day, 11:30 a.m.  
Movie, 1:00 p.m. "12 Years a Slave"
- June 26 – Mall Walking, 9:00 a.m.  
Splash In, 11:00 a.m.  
Coffee @ Just Peachy's, 10:00 a.m.  
Lunch-n-Learn, 11:30 a.m. & HW 5:30 p.m.
- June 30 – Games, 1:00-4:00 p.m.



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# Public Records

**Marriage Licenses**  
Alejandro Silva Valenciana, 29 and Prisma J. Viera, 28, both of Big Spring  
Thaddeus Rashad McCalister, 26 and Niebes Ortega, 26, both of Big Spring  
Kyle Christopher Hood, 21 and Kaley Mikena Duncan, 19, both of Big Spring  
Bradley Scott Shelton, 24 and Bailey Ann Larue, 20, both of Big Spring  
Kyle Eugene Goodwin, 25 and Valentina Garcia, 25, both of Big Spring  
James K. Webb, 43 and Jennifer N. Miller, 30, both of Big Spring

**District Court Filings**  
Howard County et al vs M.E. Simer – Tax  
Howard County et al vs Jackie Sides – Tax  
Howard County et al vs Terri Yanez – Tax  
Howard County et al vs Jeff Wells – Tax  
Howard County et al vs Rebecca Lynn Smith – Tax  
Howard County et al vs William K. Slagle – Tax  
Howard County et al vs Peter C. Strickland and Carmen R Strickland – Tax  
Howard County et al vs Tommy Soto – Tax  
In re: Hoffmann-La Roche Inc. - Civil suit  
OneBeacon AM Insurance Co., as subrogee of Esther Webb and the Estate and Wrongful Death claimants of Ronald Webb vs Bobby Wayne Flores, MVT Service LLC dba Mesilla Valley Transportation and Great West Casualty Co. - Injury/damage – motor vehicle  
Gisela Horvatic vs Michael Horvatic – Divorce  
Francisco R. Adame vs Diana Adame – Divorce  
Joseph James Garland vs Kayla Joyce Garland – Divorce  
Eugene David Manriquez vs Irma Bonilla – Divorce  
Brandy Garcia Martinez vs Jose Maria Hilario Martinez - Divorce

**County Court Rulings**  
State of Texas vs Michael Dean Nall. Judgment and sentence. Possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces. \$1,000 fine, \$342 court cost and 180 days in jail.  
State of Texas vs Terry Spears. Judgment and sentence. Theft of property \$50 but less than \$500. \$200 fine, \$337 court cost and 40 days in jail.  
State of Texas vs Thomas Roy White. Judgment and sentence. Criminal mischief \$50 but less than \$500. \$200 fine, \$287 court cost and 90 days in jail.  
State of Texas vs Oscar Madrid. Judgment and sentence. Driving while license invalid with previous conviction/suspension without final resolu-

tion.  
State of Texas vs Ramonda Lynn Jones. Judgment and sentence. Criminal trespass. \$100 fine, \$287 court cost and 4 days in jail.  
State of Texas vs Leticia Cantu. Probated judgment deferred adjudication. Sale to minor. \$200 fine and \$347 court cost.  
State of Texas vs D.J. Terrell. Probated judgment deferred adjudication. Possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces. \$200 fine and \$347 court cost.  
State of Texas vs Pedro R. Aguilar. Judgment and sentence. Theft of property \$20 less than \$500 by check. \$100 fine, \$337 court cost and 64 days in jail.  
State of Texas vs Thomas Roy White. Judgment and sentence. Theft of property \$500 but less than \$1,500. \$200 fine, \$347 court cost and 90 days in jail.  
State of Texas vs Thomas Roy White. Judgment and sentence. Possession of a dangerous drug. \$200 fine, \$347 court cost and 90 days in jail.  
State of Texas vs Michael Dean Nall. Judgment and sentence. Theft of property \$50 but less than \$500. \$1,000 fine, \$287 court cost and 180 days in jail.  
State of Texas vs Cynthia White. Judgment and sentence. Theft of property \$50 but less than \$500. \$200 fine, \$287 court cost and 60 days in jail.  
State of Texas vs Joshua Paul Probus.

Judgment and sentence. Possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces. \$100 fine, \$347 court cost and 20 days in jail.  
State of Texas vs Jesse Rodriguez Lopez. Judgment and sentence. Resist arrest, search/transport. \$100 fine, \$287 court cost and 45 days in jail.  
State of Texas vs Harvey Wayne Kiser. Judgment and sentence. Theft of property \$50 but less than \$500. \$100 fine, \$287 court cost and 30 days in jail.  
**Warrant Deeds With Vendors Leins**  
Grantor: CDR Investments Inc.  
Grantee: Joshua Valenzuela and Shawnte Valenzuela  
Property: Lot 10, Hall Addition  
Date: May 21, 2014  
Grantor: Rayford G. Harrison and Rebecca J. Harrison  
Grantee: Ronald Helean  
Property: NE/4, sec 14, blk 33, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey, Howad County  
Date: May 16, 2014  
Grantor: Brad Davis and Annie Davis  
Grantee: Guadalupe Barraza  
Property: Lot 6, blk 7, Douglass Addition  
Date: May 16, 2014  
Grantor: Joyce Ditto  
Grantee: Karl Barker and Cindy Barker  
Property: Lot 6, blk 9, Marshall Field Estates

Date: May 16, 2014  
Grantor: Michael L. Seal  
Grantee: Kenneth O. Baker  
Property: S/50' of SE/4 of blk 20, College Heights Addition  
Date: May 19, 2014  
**Warranty Deeds**  
Grantor: Deborah Elizabeth Dodge  
Grantee: Deborah E. Dodge Revocable Trust  
Property: An undivided 3/32 interest in all of the oil, gas and other minerals in 290 acres of land being all of the E/2 of sec 27, blk 33, TSP-1-N, cert. no. 1935, T&P Ry Co. Survey  
Date: May 13, 2014  
Grantor: Valencia Ditto and Teresa Cox  
Grantee: Charles Byron Harris  
Property: SW/4 of sec 19, blk 32, T-1-S, T&P Ry Co. Survey, Howard County  
Date: May 13, 2014  
Grantor: Rodney Sargent  
Grantee: Aaron Deleon and Rebecca Garza  
Property: Lot 8, blk 3, Washington Place Addition  
Date: May 15, 2014  
Grantor: Pedro Eleno Aranda and Maria

Lorenza Aranda  
Grantee: Fausto Lara  
Property: Blk 1, lot 1, Manning Addition  
Date: May 15, 2014  
Grantor: James Dubose and Mary Dubose  
Grantee: Big A Properties LLC  
Property: All of lot 7 and lots 21-26, blk 6, South Haven Addition  
Date: May 15, 2014  
Grantor: Bill Tune and Mary Tune  
Grantee: Tune and Conway Partnership  
Property: SE/224.3 acres of the E/2 of sec 41, blk 32, T-1-N T&P Ry Survey  
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## Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

### In the Laps of the Gods

North dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ K J 6  
♥ 6 5 2  
♦ A K J 4  
♣ Q 10 3

**WEST**  
♠ 8 5 4  
♥ J 10 7 4 3  
♦ 10 7 3  
♣ A 5

**EAST**  
♠ A 9 7 2  
♥ K 8  
♦ 9 6  
♣ 9 8 7 4 2

**SOUTH**  
♠ Q 10 3  
♥ A Q 9  
♦ Q 8 5 2  
♣ K J 6

The bidding:  
North 1♦ East Pass South 2NT West Pass  
3NT  
Opening lead — four of hearts.

**It stands to reason** that you shouldn't allow the success of a contract to depend on a guess when there is a way of avoiding the guess. The aim should be to remain in command at all times, and so be the master of your own fate.

**Take this case** where West leads a heart against three notrump, and East plays the king. It is only the first trick, but the outcome rests largely on South's play at this point. If he plays the right card, he can considerably improve his chances of making

the contract, and will succeed as the cards lie. But if he plays the wrong card, he must guess right later to get home safely.

**First, let's see** what happens if South takes the king of hearts with the ace. He can cash four diamonds, but then must guess whether to next play a spade or a club.

**If he guesses wrong** by leading a spade, East takes the ace and returns the ace of clubs as an entry, declarer finishes down one. Of course, if South guesses right by attacking clubs before spades, he makes the contract, but the fact remains that at trick one he placed his fate in the laps of the gods.

**Now let's see** what happens if South allows East's king of hearts to hold the first trick, as he should. Declarer wins East's heart return and no longer has to guess whether to lead spades or clubs first. He is on safe ground either way.

**Let's say he tackles spades first.** East takes the ace but has no heart to return, and South makes four notrump.

**The same result** accrues if South tackles clubs first. West can take the ace and establish his suit, but has no way to regain the lead later, and again South finishes with 10 tricks.

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Public hearing to consider Government Heights to Bauer Addition, Block 35, Lot 4R, a replat of Lots 4-9, Block 35, and part of an abandoned alley, Government Heights to Bauer Addition, being 1.102 acres located west of US Hwy 87 (Gregg Street) and south of North 10th street. Zoned: Light Commercial. Applicant: Kisenmacher Engineering Group.

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Status/Permit No. 783139  
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Jun 11, 2014  
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ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit  
P. O. Box 12967  
Austin, Texas 78711-2967  
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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the APACHE CORPORATION, [RRC Operator No. 027200] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the DISTANCE BETWEEN WELLS requirement for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 131, Bk. 97, H&T RR CO Survey, A-1958, SHARON RIDGE (CLEAR FORK) Field, SCURRY County, being 11.5 miles SW direction from SNYDER, Texas.

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

**IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Jun 11, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY. THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION**

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:  
FIELD: SHARON RIDGE (CLEAR FORK)

Lease/Unit Name: MATTIE MINOR  
Lease/Unit Well No.: 22  
Lease/Unit Acres: 140.0  
Nearest Lease Line (ft): 1320.0  
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 320.0  
Lease Lines: 1320.0 F SOUTH L, 1320.0 F EAST L  
Survey Lines: 1320.0 F SOUTH L, 1320.0 F EAST L  
Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:  
Rule 37 Case No. 0288814 (Dist. 8A)  
SHARON RIDGE (CLEAR FORK) :  
OIL Special Rules 330/660, 20.0 acres.  
OIL Optional Rules 330/660, 10.0 acres.  
This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 3600 feet.  
If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Jenna Hernandez, at (432)818-1112, x1112.  
#8296 May 11, 18, 25 and June 1, 2014

**Legals**

**NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY**  
THE STATE OF TEXAS § COUNTY OF HOWARD §  
By virtue of a ORDER OF SALE issued out of the District Court of Howard County, Texas, pursuant to judgment rendered in 118th Judicial District Court of Howard County, Texas, by the District Clerk of said Court, in the hereinafter numbered and styled suits and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I did on the 6 day of May, 2014, at 10:00 a.m., levy upon and will proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder at public auction on the 3rd day of June, 2014, being the first Tuesday of said month beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on said day, at the North Courthouse door of said County, all the right, title, and interest of the Defendants in such suits in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said Defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Howard and the State of Texas, to-wit:  
**CAUSE NO. STYLE PROPERTY DESCRIPTION**  
T-6175 Howard County, et al vs. Mike Gressett Being a 19.724 acre tract of land out of the NW/4of Sc 40, Bk 32, T1S, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas, described by metes and bounds on the attached exhibit, including 14X76 mobile home  
Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment(s) rendered in the above styled and numbered cause(s), together with interest, penalties and costs of suit, and the proceeds of said sales to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.  
Witness my hand this 6 day of May, 2014  
**Stan Parker**  
SHERIFF OF HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS  
BY: D. Restelli  
Deputy  
**PROPERTY ADDRESSES SHOWN ARE NOT GUARANTEED, PROSPECTIVE BUYERS SHOULD SATISFY THEMSELVES AS TO THE ACTUAL LOCATION OF THE PROPERTY**  
**PROSPECTIVE BUYERS SHOULD CHECK TITLE RECORDS FOR METES AND BOUNDS DESCRIPTIONS OF PROPERTY AND TO DETERMINE STATUS OF TITLE**  
**PURCHASERS AT THIS SALE WILL RECEIVE A DEED TO THE PROPERTY "AS IS", "WITHOUT WARRANTY OF TITLE"**  
EACH PROPERTY IS SUBJECT TO ANY RIGHT OF REDEMPTION PURSUANT TO VTCA PROPERTY TAX CODE § 34.21.  
#8297 May 11, 18, 25 of 2014

**Legals**

**Big Spring Independent School District**  
*Business Office*  
708 East 11th Place  
**Big Spring, Texas 79720-4648**  
(432) 264-3640  
Fax (432) 264-3646  
**LEGAL/PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**SEQ CHAPTER 117 Pre-Kindergratens Notice**  
Big Spring ISD offers free Pre-Kindergratens classes for students at least four years of age by September 1, 2014, if the following criteria are met:  
1. Child is unable to speak or comprehend the English language and/or;  
2. Child comes from an economically/educationally disadvantaged family according to standards set by the State Board of Education. (Qualify for food stamps or the Free or Reduced Lunch Program) and/or,  
3. Child is homeless.  
4. Child of an active duty member of the armed forces of the United States.  
5. Child of a member of the armed forces of the United States who was injured or killed while serving on active duty.  
6. Child is under the care of Child Protective Resources and/or in Foster care.  
If you know a child whom you feel meets these qualifications, please call (432) 264-4130. A minimum of 15 qualified students is required before the class will be offered.  
Big Spring ISD ofrece clases gratis de Pre-Kinder para estudiantes que cumplen los cuatro años de la edad antes del primero de septiembre de 2014:  
1. Niño incapaz de hablar o comprender el idioma inglés y/o;  
2. Niño que vienen de una familia desventajada económicamente según el conjunto de estándares por el Consejo de Educación del Estado. (Si califica para la tarjeta de Lone Star o el Programa Libre or Reducido de Almuerzo) y/o,  
3. Niño sin hogar.  
4. Nino que tiene padres activos en el servicio armadas de los Estado Unidos.  
5. Nino que tiene padres danado o a fallecido en los servicios armadas de los Estados Unidos.  
6. El niño está bajo cuidado de los Recursos Protectores y/o en case de cuidado.  
Si usted sabe de un niño o niños que califican para este programa por favor de llamar al numero (432) 264-4130. Un mínimo de 15 estudiantes calificados seran escogidos antes que la clase se ofrezca.  
#8303 May 18 and 25 of 2014

**Legals**

**NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY**  
THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF HOWARD  
By virtue of a ORDER OF SALE issued out of the District Court of Howard County, Texas, pursuant to judgment rendered in 119th Judicial District Court of Howard County, Texas, by the District Clerk of said Court, in the hereinafter numbered and styled suits and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said county, I did on the 6 day of May, 2014, 10:00 a.m., levy upon and will proceed to sell for cash tot he highest bidder at public auction on the 3rd day of June, 2014, being the first Tuesday of said month beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m.. on said day, at the North Courthouse door of said County, all the right, title, and interest of the Defendant in such suits in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said Defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Howard and the State of Texas, to wit:  
**CAUSE NO. 6358**  
HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS EDITH ANDERSON, ET AL  
**EXHIBIT NO. DEFENDANT NAME PROPERTY DESCRIPTION ADDRESS**  
No. 1 Anderson, Edith  
A .50 acre tract out of and part of the NE/4 of Sc 36, Bk 33, T1S, T&P, Ry. Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas  
n/a  
No. 2 Aquello, Thomas P.  
Lt 24, Bk 4, Wrights Airport Adn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas  
1210 Madison  
No. 3 Brown, Rogers  
A tract of land out and part of Sc 26, Bk 33, T1N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas  
701 N. San Antonio  
No. 4 Bustamante, Erminia  
Lt 28, Bk 4, Wrights Airport Adn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas  
1202 Madison  
No. 5 Campbell, Janie  
W/50' of the E/187' of Bk 3, Hathcock Heights Adn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas  
105 E. 12th  
No. 6 Cavazos, Eva  
E/50' of Lts 4, 5 and 6, Bk 6, Cedar Crest Adn., City of Big Spring, hoard County, Texas  
806 W. 8th  
No. 7 Cooley, Julia Loyce  
Lts 4-46, SAVE & EXCEPT Lts 11 and 23, Bk 2, Ross City, out of Sc 29, W&NW Ry Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas  
n/a  
No. 7 Cooley, Julia Loyce  
Lts 1 & 2, and Lts 6-46, Bk 1, Ross City, out of Sc 29, W&NW Ry Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas  
n/a  
No. 7 Cooley, Julia Loyce  
All of Bk 3, SAVE & EXCEPT Lt 1, Ross City, out of Sc 29, W&NW Ry Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas  
n/a  
No. 7 Cooley, Julia Loyce  
All of Bk 4, SAVE & EXCEPT Lt 1, Ross City, out of Sc 29, W&NW Ry Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas  
n/a  
No. 7 Cooley, Julia Loyce  
All of Bk 6, Ross City, out of Sc 29, W&NW Ry Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas  
n/a  
No. 7 Cooley, Julia Loyce  
All of Bk 7, Ross City, out of Sc 29, W&NW Ry Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas  
n/a  
No. 7 Cooley, Julia Loyce  
All of Bk 8, SAVE & EXCEPT Lt 3, Ross City, out of Sc 29, W&NW Ry Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas  
n/a  
No. 8 Duncan, D. C. and Duncan,

Lois O.  
Lt 4, Bk 21, Jones Valley Adn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas  
n/a  
No. 9 Harper, Eddie Lee  
A tract of land out of the W/2 of Tract 24, of the SE/4 of Sc 42, Bk 32, T1N, T&P Ry Co Surveys, Howard County, Texas  
501 NE 8th  
No. 10 Harper, Jason Rand  
Lt 6, Bk 4, Adelle Adn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas  
1504 W 1st  
No. 10 Harper, Jason Rand  
Lt 7, Bk 4, Adelle Adn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas  
1500 W 1st  
No. 10 Harper, Jason Rand  
Lt 8, Bk 4, Adelle Adn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas  
1503 Meadow  
No. 10 Harper, Jason Rand  
Lt 9, Bk 4, Adelle Adn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas  
1503 Meadow  
No. 10 Harper, Jason Rand  
Lt 10, Bk 4, Adelle Adn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas  
1505 Meadow  
No. 10 Harper, Jason Rand  
All of Bk 5, Adelle Adn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas  
1500 Meadow  
No. 10 Harper, Jason Rand  
All undivided interest of Jason Rand Harper in and to Lts 1 -6, Bk 6, Adelle Adn, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas  
1603 Meadow  
No. 12 Silvas, Madeline, et al  
Lt 7, & W/47' of Lt 8, Bk 102, Original City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas  
306 N Bell  
No. 13 Smith, J. P., et al  
A tract of land out of Sc 32, Bk 32, T1N, T&P Ry Co Survey, Howard County, Texas  
1205 W 5th  
No. 14 Walker, Robert James, Jr.  
W/2 of Lt 9, Bk 99, Original Town of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas  
631 Sgt Paredes  
No. 15 Welsh, Rebecca Sue, et al  
Lt 6, Bk 78, Original Town of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas  
910 Goliad  
No. 16 White, Talmer Lee aka White, T.L., et al  
A tract of land out of Sc 32, Bk 33, T1N, T&P Ry Co Survey, Howard County, Texas  
810 San Antonio  
Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment(s) rendered in the above styled and numbered cause(s), together with interest, penalties and costs of suit, and the proceeds of said sales to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.  
Witness my this 6 day of May, 2014.  
**STAN PARKER**  
SHERIFF OF HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS  
BY: D RESTELLI  
DEPUTY  
**PROPERTY ADDRESSES ARE PROVIDED BY THE HOWARD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT**  
**PROSPECTIVE BUYERS SHOULD SATISFY THEMSELVES AS TO THE ACTUAL LOCATION OF THE PROPERTY**  
**PROSPECTIVE BUYERS SHOULD CHECK TITLE RECORDS FOR METES AND BOUNDS DESCRIPTIONS OF PROPERTY AND TO DETERMINE STATUS OF TITLE**  
**ALL PROPERTIES SOLD "AS IS", "WITHOUT WARRANTY OF TITLE"**  
**PROSPECTIVE BUYERS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR DEED RECORDING FEES**  
**EACH PROPERTY IS SUBJECT TO ANY RIGHT OF REDEMPTION BUYERS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYMENT OF 2011 TAXES; PLEASE CONTACT KATHY SAYLES, HOWARD COUNTY TAC**  
#8298 May 11, 18, 25 of 2014

**Legals**

**Big Spring Independent School District**  
*Business Office*  
708 East 11th Place  
**Big Spring, Texas 79720-4648**  
(432) 264-3620  
Fax (432) 264-3646

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**SUBJECT: School credit by examination without prior instruction.**

Big Spring ISD offers examinations for credit without prior instruction for each primary school grade level and each secondary school academic subject as approved by the Board of Education. Students in grades K-12 may be accelerated by taking advantage of this provision. There will be no charge for the administration of the examination. If a parent requests an alternative examination, the District may administer and recognize results of a test purchased by the parent or student from Texas Tech University or the University of Texas at Austin. The District shall accelerate a student in grades 1-5 in the following manner:

1. The student scores 80 percent or above on a criterion-referenced test for the grade level to be skipped in each of the following areas: language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies;
2. A District representative recommends that the student be accelerated; and
3. The student's parent or guardian gives written approval of the acceleration.

The District shall give a student in grades 6-12 credit for an academic subject in the following manner:

1. A three or higher on a College Board advanced placement examination;
2. A scaled score of 60 or higher on an examination administered through the College-Level Examination Program;
3. Eighty percent or above on any other criterion-referenced test.

If such credit is given, the District shall enter the examination score on the student's transcript and the student in not required to take an end-of-course (EOC) assessment instrument for the course. Procedures to allow a student who is five years old at the beginning of the school year to be placed initially in the first grade are as follows:

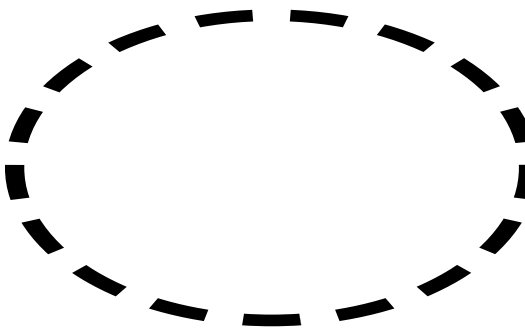
1. Scores on readiness test(s) and/or achievement test(s) that may be administered by appropriate District personnel;
2. Recommendation of the kindergarten or preschool the student attended;
3. Chronological age and observed social and emotional development of the student; and
4. Other criteria deemed appropriate by the principal and Superintendent.

A student planning to take an examination for acceleration is required to register with the principal or designee of the school in which he is assigned at least 30 days prior to the scheduled testing date. Testing dates for 2014 are by appointment during April 1 and June 30, July 1 and September 30, and October 1 and December 31. Testing dates for 2015 fall during January 1 and March 31, and April 1 and June 30.  
**Ref: Board Policies EHDC (Legal & Local)**

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Fax (432) 264-3646  
**LEGAL/PUBLIC NOTICE**  
English as a Second Language Summer School

As part of the total Big Spring ISD Summer School Program, the district will offer 120 hours of Summer School for Spanish speaking children entering Kindergarten or 1st Grade in 2014-15 that need instruction in English as a Second Language.

Dates: Monday, June 9, 2014 - Thursday, July 3, 2014  
Time: 8:00 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.

Place: Goliad Elementary School  
This program is designed for Spanish speaking Kindergarten or 1st Grade students in need of language arts/math instruction in English as a Second Language.

For registration information: Call Administration Office  
Angela Woolley,  
Director of Curriculum  
Phone: (432) 264-3600

Inglés Como la Segunda Idioma Escuela del Verano

Como parte del programa escolar de verano, el Distrito Escolar Independiente de Big Spring ofrecerá 120 horas en la Escuela de verano en Español para los niños que hablan español y que ingresarán en el Kindergarten o el Primer grado en el año escolar 2014-15 que necesitan instrucciones en inglés como la segunda idioma.

Fecha: lunes 9 de junio, 2014 - jueves 3 de julio, 2014

Horario: 8:00 mañana - 3:30 tarde  
Lugar: Escuelas Primarias de Goliad

Este programa está diseñado para los estudiantes que hablan español y van a ingresar en el Kindergarten o en el primer año. El programa ayudará a los estudiantes a desarrollar destrezas en inglés en las materias de lenguaje y de matemáticas ingles como la segunda idioma.

Para información de matrículas favor de llamar Angela Woolley, Director de Estudios  
Teléfono: (432) 264-3600.  
#8304 May 18 and 25 of 2014

**HERALD**  
263-73331

## Legals

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**  
TO THE FOLLOWING:  
**KRISTY MERLANE EDWARDS**  
EACH OF YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO APPEAR AND ANSWER HEREIN at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the first Monday after the expiration of 10 days from the date of issuance of this citation. You may employ an attorney. your answer must be filed at the office of the Howard County Clerk at 312 Scurry, Big Spring, TX, 79720. The suit is numbered P-14290 and is styled "IN THE ESTATE OF KRISTY MERLANE EDWARDS, DECEASED." The petition in this cause was filed on May 16, 2014 in the County Court of Howard county, Texas. This lawsuit is to determine the heirs of KRISTY MERLANE EDWARDS and to appoint an Independent Administrator to administer the estate..  
Plaintiff's Attorney Name and Address:  
C.E. (Mike) Thomas III  
501 Gregg Street  
P.O. Box 2117  
Big Spring, Texas

**NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANT:**  
You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorneys do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the first Monday after the expiration of 10 days from the date of publication of this citation a default judgment may be taken against you. Your answer is due no later than 10 o'clock a.m. on Monday after the expiration of 10 days from the date of publication of this citation..  
ISSUED AND GIVEN under my hand and seal of office on may 16th, 2014, at 312 Scurry, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas.

Donna Wright  
Clerk of the County Court of Howard County, Texas  
By: Angie Worley

#8311 May 25, 2014

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## Legals

**Notice to Creditors**

Notice is hereby given that the original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Jean Range, Deceased, were issued on May 19, 2014, under Docket No. 14,288, pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, to Diane Murphy. Claims may be presented in care of the attorney for the estate, addressed as follows:  
**Diane Murphy Estate of Jean Range, Deceased**  
C/O Walter L. Shipman, Attorney at Law  
309 South Main St., Suite 5  
Big Spring, TX 79720

All Persons having claims against this estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.  
Dated: May 25, 2014  
Walter L. Shipman, Atorne at Law b/s/ Walter L. Shipman  
309 South Main St., Suite 5  
Big Spring, TX 79720  
(432) 264-6660 (telephone)  
(432) 264-9599 (facsimile)  
Attorney for Diane Murphy, Independent Executor  
State Bar No. 18269900  
#8309 May 25, 2014

## Legals

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given that the original Letters testamentary for the estate of Juan Haro, Deceased, were issued on May 20, 2014, in Cause No. P-14248, pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, to: Henry Haro.

All persons having claims against this estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.  
c/o: **Henry Haro**  
**704 Tulane**  
**Big Spring, TX 79720**

**DATED** the 21 day of May, 2014

C.E. (Mike) Thomas III  
Attorney for Henry Haro  
State Bar No.: 19845200  
501 Gregg Street  
P.O. Box 2117  
Big Spring, Texas 79721  
Telephone: (432) 263-4142  
Facsimile: (432) 263 2763

#8312 May 25, 2014

## Legals

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE (PROPERTY SALE)**

BY VIRTUE OF A Writ of Execution issued out of the County Court of Midland County, Texas, in a certain cause numbered CC17085 on the 3rd day of March A.D. 2014; styles: **AGGIE TECH ENERGY SERVICE LLC B/A BIG BEAR AGGIE-TECH vs. PRECISION WELLS, LLC** to me, as Sheriff directed and delivered, I have levied upon this 13th day of May, 2014, and will between the hours 10:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. (At approximately 10 A.M.), on the first Tuesday in June of Glasscock, Garden City, TX, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all right, title, and interest, if any, which the defendant: Precision Wells, LLC had on 13th day of May, 2014, of in and to the following described property:

**PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:**  
**TYPE: PUMP JACK**  
**MAKE: ZDPE-CHAMPION**  
**MODEL: ZDPE 3208-168**  
**S/N: 320-305-100**

Said property is levied on the as the property of Precision Wells, LLC and will be sold to satisfy the judgment of \$70,540.50, attorney fees of \$11,200.00; plus all costs of court.

**GIVEN UNDER MY HAND** on this 13th day of May A.D. 2014.

Sheriff **Keith Burnett**  
Glasscock County Sheriff's Office  
#8300 May 18, 25, and June 1 of 2014

## Legals

**Notice to Creditors**

Notice is hereby given that original Letters testamentary for the Estate of **MARCIA JOANN LYKKEN**, Deceased, were issued on May, 19th, 2014, under Docket No. 14,283, pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, to Douglas Glen Lykken. Claims may be presented in care of the attorney for the estate, addressed as follows:

**Douglas Glen Lykken**  
**Estate of MARCIA JOANN LYKKEN, Deceased**  
C/O Walter L. Shipman, Attorney at Law  
309 South Main St., Suite 5  
Big Spring, X 79720

All persons having claims against this estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed b law.  
Dated 5-25-2014  
Walter L. Shipman, Attorney at Law  
By /s/ Walter L. Shipman  
309 South Main St., Suite 5  
Big Spring, TX 79720  
(432) 264-6660 (telephone)  
(432) 264-9599 (facsimile)  
Attorney for Douglas G. Lykken, Independent Executor  
State Bar No. 18269900  
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## Tomorrow's Horoscope

**Cosmic Pre-Game Jitters**

The sense of anticipation is palpable. The upcoming week brings the new moon and a sign change for Venus and Mercury, all aspects that will come with their own unique opportunities and challenges. Physically working off some of the high energy that comes compliments of the Aries moon will prevent you from getting pre-game jitters.



HOLIDAY MATHIS

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). They come to you because you give them a problem that's interesting to solve. This is how you engage people without even meaning to, and it's why you'll find yourself with an audience this afternoon.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Points of logic, statistics and analysis will affect the numbers of a deal, but it's the emotional element that ultimately will determine whether or not this one closes.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). A credible person will try to influence you. Don't assume that just because a person has a title he or she is knowledgeable enough to fulfill your needs. Do your own research, too.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). You'll learn much just by being attentive to the way others are experiencing you. Your awareness will be so strong that you'll almost be able to hear what they are thinking as they interact with you.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Make sure the stories you share are yours. Other people's stories are either gossip or are too far

## Answer to previous puzzle

|          |          |        |
|----------|----------|--------|
| ALGAE    | BOMB     | TRAP   |
| PYREX    | AMOR     | HULU   |
| TRUST    | DANA     | ANTZ   |
| SABOOTER | HT       | TIGOO  |
| PRO      | HMO      |        |
| USA      | TILT     | SNARLS |
| PUCE     | LAYS     | GRAIL  |
| FERDCRIP | POOATIVE |        |
| OMEGA    | KELP     | STEP   |
| RESENT   | BIRD     | TNT    |
| DAB      | ARC      |        |
| NURSOOY  | SCHERLOO |        |
| OHIO     | ISLE     | VAULT  |
| DOLL     | SEAN     | INSET  |
| SHED     | MATT     | LETGO  |

**FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:**

The Memorial Day weekend started out as a high-energy adventure, and Saturday's trine of Jupiter and Saturn suggested the rules might even be bent to facilitate some of the fun. If that led to a little too much wild energy, the moon slips into Taurus this evening to tone things down. Monday will have a lazy feel. Those who are able to achieve deep levels of relaxation will be in a better position when the action kicks back up on Tuesday.

The new moon on Wednesday will be the sweet spot of the week. This sociable, intelligent aspect is a ray of sunshine and a source of ease that helps to set us up for the games of the rest of the week. This is a lucky moon for making a deal, a friend, some mischief or, better yet, all of the above. Also on Wednesday, lovely Lady Venus slips into one of her favorite homes, the sensual realm of Taurus. In this part of the sky, she may as well be Marilyn Monroe singing "Diamonds Are a Girl's Best Friend," as love, money, music and sensuality get all wrapped up into the same musical number of our lives. Enjoy the glamour and pop of beauty that come with this transit, but don't forget what really matters. How good of a best friend could diamonds really be? They rarely hold up their end of the conversation.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** Mike Myers, who said that fatherhood has made him the happiest he has ever been in his life, has recently been blessed with a new baby girl. This versatile, witty Gemini was born under a Cancer moon, which favors home life and nurturing relationships. Myers has Mars in entertaining Leo -- an aspect sure to shine through the next "Austin Powers" sequel rumored to be coming together.

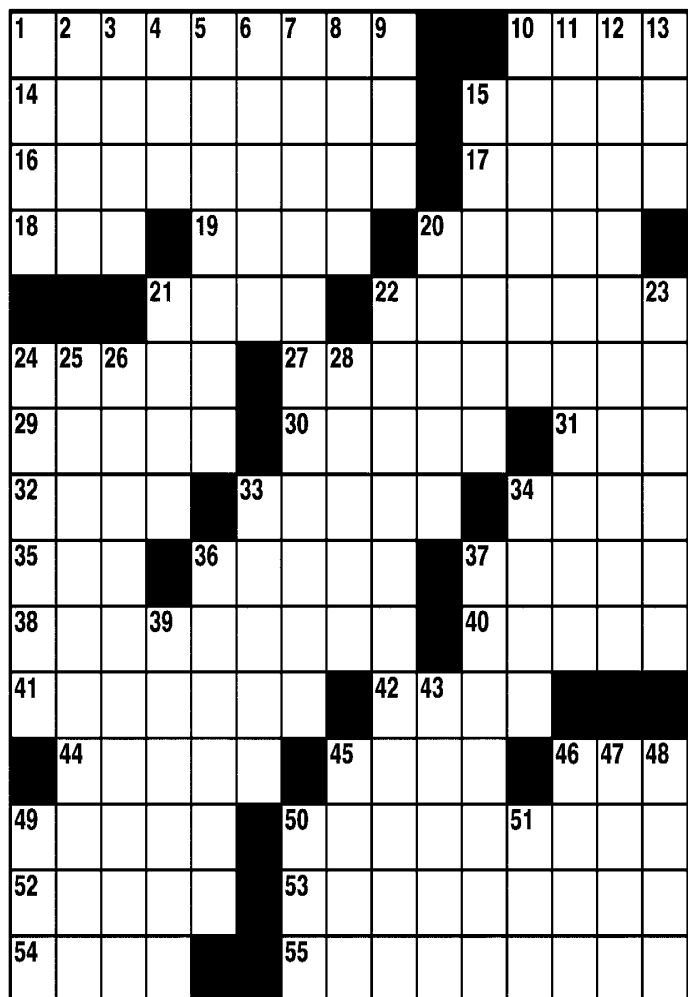
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  - 14 At length
  - 15 Striped aquarium fish
  - 16 Museum staple
  - 17 Topspin producer
  - 18 French bread ingredient
  - 19 Ridges-per-inch measure
  - 20 60's activist in a 90's Ben & Jerry's commercial
  - 21 Straightening, perhaps
  - 22 First MTV Video of the Year winner
  - 24 "Pixar's ninth consecutive wonder," per *Variety*
  - 27 Bending over backward, maybe
  - 29 Traditional sled builders
  - 30 Licks
  - 31 Sphere opening
  - 32 It's often cutting
  - 33 They're divided into arguments, in part
  - 34 TV-screen suffix
  - 35 Ross' employer, on *Friends*
  - 36 Preposition in "The Sound of Silence"
  - 37 Savvy
  - 38 Quagmire
  - 40 They're unsettled
  - 41 *Nineteen Eighty-Four* superpower
  - 42 "\_\_\_ ne va plus" (roulette call)
- DOWN**
- 1 Withdrawal source: Abbr.
  - 2 Path heading
  - 3 \_\_\_ history
  - 4 Nielsen started rating it in 2009
  - 44 Claw
  - 45 Some web manuals
  - 46 Stone piece debated by historians
  - 49 Prepare on a gridiron
  - 50 Common rag material
  - 52 Ned Flanders' wife on *The Simpsons*
  - 53 Density gauge
  - 54 His novel inspired *Lost in Space*
  - 55 Iago specialty
  - 5 "Awwww!"
  - 6 NATO alphabet letter
  - 7 Shoulder serving
  - 8 Backup introducer
  - 9 Cousin of lawns
  - 10 Pace setter, maybe
  - 11 Fiat-like
  - 12 Church's "mercy seat"
  - 13 Zinger
  - 15 They're short on social capital
  - 20 Attempts
  - 21 A straightening ends it
  - 22 Slumber party question
  - 23 Coffeehouse array
  - 24 Frank
  - 25 BBC's Sports Personality of the Year for 2013
  - 26 Dismal
  - 28 One in the raccoon family
  - 33 Walk
  - 34 Artemis, for one
  - 36 Former key phrase in retailing
  - 37 Staggering
  - 39 They're faster than a run
  - 43 Backup introducer
  - 45 Landing spot
  - 46 Scintillas
  - 47 Bail
  - 48 Designer favored by Michelle Obama
  - 49 Former Land Rover owner
  - 50 Lowbrow fare
  - 51 John D. Rockefeller IV, for one



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### Howard County High Schools Graduation

**Big Spring High School** Coliseum, Howard College campus. Guest speaker is Kim Nichols, former CISD kindergarten teacher  
May 30, 8 p.m., Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, Howard College campus.

**Coahoma High School** May 31, Forsan High School  
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### Coahoma Scholars' Banquet

The banquet will be held Tuesday, May 27, at the Settles Hotel. The banquet will honor Coahoma's top 10 academic seniors, top 10 academic juniors, scholar alumni award, scholar teacher award and community pride award.  
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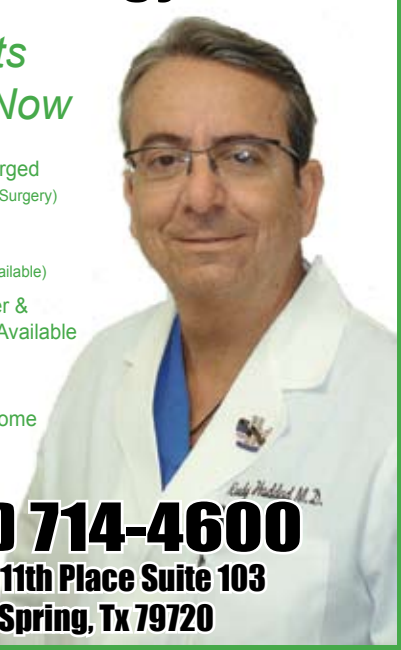
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