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# Living in silence

### Deaf Awareness Week offers opportunities for bridging culture gap

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Students and staff at SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf want you to know what it's like living in silence.

National Deaf Awareness Week, which begins Monday, will be marked by several activities at SWCID and across town, officials said.

Plenty of games and other activities are planned, all aimed letting people See SWCID, Page 3A

know what it's like being deaf in a hearing world.

Opening ceremonies will be held at 10 a.m. Monday in SWCID's Maddux Student Center, but the highlight of the week will be when SWCID students visit local elementary schools Tuesday through Thurs-

"It's a really good program," said Michael Lopez, activity director at



Area residents cross the starting line during the annual Memory Walk, sponsored by the Big Spring chapter of the Alzheimer's Association Saturday in Comanche Trail Park. Officials estimated that 200 people participated in the event, which raised funds and awareness in the battle against Alzheimer's Disease.

# Rising student numbers good sign for Howard College

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

The numbers are looking good for Howard College.

Officials announced record enrollment figures earlier this month and another indicator of rising student numbers will

be presented to college trustees when they hold their monthly meeting at 12:30 p.m. Monday in the Maddux Center auditorium on the campus of SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf.

both enrollment and contact state officials use to determine

hour figures during the meeting, College President Dr. Cheryl Sparks said.

Contact hours — the time students physically spend in classrooms or labs — are vital for col-College officials will discuss leges because those are figures

Sparks said.

And those numbers are even more important in 2008, which is considered a "base year" by the state.

"They'll use this year's numbers as a snapshot to determine See **HC**, Page 3A

funding levels for the schools, the amount of funding we'll receive from the Legislature when it meets in 2009," Sparks said.

Simply put, the more contact hours, the better, she added.

"As we increase our contact



**HERALD** photo

Parents Ron and Tina Midkiff proudly pose with son Austin, an Eagle Scout.

# **Boy Scouts: A proud tradition**

By RON MIDKIFF

Publisher

or many years, I have been a member of the Boy Scouts of America. It has been very rewarding to me as well as the rest of my family. This month the local Boy Scout Council is holding signups and School Night for Scouting at local Schools. I encourage every parent with a son to consider this wonderful organization. If you have questions or are not sure, simply give your local council a call or come out to your area school on School Night and someone will be

there to give you as much information as they can to help with your

I would like to give you some idea about Scouting and how it has changed my life as well as my 16-year-old son. My son Austin began his Scouting career when he was just a first grader in elementary school. Since then he has grown to be a very respectful young man. I believe the The Boy Scouts of America has had a lot to do with the person he has become.

While a Cub Scout, Austin participated in many outside and indoor

events including activities with other Boy Scouts. While participating in these events he learned the basics of Scouting that prepared him to become a Boy Scout. The activities he participated in while a Cub Scout centered around God, community, respect and the out-

doors, just to mention a few. Austin crossed over from Cub Scouting after earning the Arrow of Light Award, Cub Scouting's highest honor, and immediately joined a local Boy Scout Troop. His ventures

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# County budget set for approval Monday

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Approval of the 2008-2009 Howard County tax rate — including a 5-cent hike to cover the expected shortfall caused by Alon USAs most recent lawsuit — is expected in commissioners court Monday morning, as the government body moves forward with its fiscal plan for the coming year.

Hopes that the proposed tax rate — which comes in at .5362 cents per \$100 valuation, nearly a nickel above the rollback rate of .4912 cents — could be scaled back if Alon decided not to sue the county appraisal district over its 2008 property valuation were dashed last Monday when the petrochemical company filed the suit in 118<sup>th</sup> District Court.

The lawsuit marks the third

year in a row Alon — owner of on an undisputed valuation, the Big Spring Refinery — has contested its valuation from the Howard County Appraisal District, with values for 2006 and 2007 still pending in district court.

According to County Judge Mark Barr, Alon's lawsuit for its 2008 valuation puts the county between a rock and a hard place.

"In 2007, Alon paid taxes

approximately \$80 million, which was reduced to just over \$50 million after abatements were applied," said Barr.

"When we came up with the tax rate for 2008, we figured on them paying approximately the same amount — \$225,000 — this year if they

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# FRIDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL WRAPUP

### Coahoma stays unbeaten, wins 34-13

**Herald Staff Report** 

TAHOKA — There's supposed to be some sort of transition when a new football coach takes over a program and makes some changes to the system.

Apparently nobody told the Coahoma Bulldogs.

First-year Head Coach Stacey Martin and the Bulldogs cruised to another victory Friday, defeating Tahoka's Bulldogs (1-3) 34-13 and improving their record to

Still, Martin says there's plenty of room for improvement.

"Even after last night, we know we didn't play our best game," he said. "The players

know it. They've started getting very critical of themselves and are still looking to get better. Our best football is still ahead of us."

The Bulldogs outgained Tahoka offensively, 352-174. Powering Coahoma's offensive attack was once again its running game. Coahoma gained 203 yards on the ground with tailback P.J. Daylong accounting for 175 of it. Daylong also scored three of the Bulldogs' five touch-

However, Coahoma put up its best passing numbers since the season opener against Van Horn, despite starting quarterback Josh Paniagua missing his sec-

consecutive Sophomore backup Pete Acosta completed 6-of-17 passes for 149 yards and a touchdown.

"We went into the game planning the throw the football," acknowledged Martin. "Teams are starting to load up on the run against us, placing eight men inside the box defensively. We knew we had to throw the ball to get them out of the box."

Paniagua is out with a high ankle sprain and is to be reassessed by a doctor Monday. Martin said the junior would remain Coahoma's top option at quarterback regardless of what

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Courtesy photo/lain Sloan

Coahoma Bulldogs running back P.J. Daylong (left) breaks away from a group of Tahoka defenders during Coahoma's 34-13 victory Friday in Tahoka.



HERALD photo/Tony Claxton

Big Spring's Matt Ritchey (9) finds room to run behind center Zack Saldivar (72) as tackle Johnny Zambrano (74) follows the play looking to make a block in the Steers' 18-6 win at Andrews Friday.

# Steers spoil Andrews' homecoming

By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

ANDREWS — It took two different game plans for the Big Spring Steers to claim a victory Friday night, but both were effectively built around Monte Anderson and the run game.

Anderson lit up the Andrews Mustangs' defense in the first half, scoring three touchdowns as he

accounted for all of Big Spring's points points on the board with 10:32 left in

the ball 26 times for 181 yards. He had 130 yards on 13 carries in the first half. However, Big Spring's offense was stymied in the third quarter, being held to 1 yard of production.

Andrews capitalized on the Steers' offensive inadequacies and put its first See **STEERS**, Page 2B

in an 18-6 win at Andrews' homecom- the game, courtesy of a 7-yard touchdown pass from Ryan Diaz to Efren The Steers' junior tailback carried Prado. However, that was the last time

the Mustangs' offense touched the ball. The Steers utilized a ball control offense based around the speedy Anderson, who was complimented by power-running

# Forsan claims first victory

By JEFF LANE

Special to the Herald

FORSAN — Nothing cures a team's problems like a much-needed win combined with a boost of confidence.

The Forsan Buffaloes (1-3) found at least a temporary remedy Friday, whipping the McCamey Badgers (0-4), 27-6. But with the win comes a dose of reality, as

the injury bug may have bitten the Buffs as

"We really needed this win. We did not want to go another game closer to district without getting in the win column," said Buffs Head Coach Tommy Thompson. "It is especially big since McCamey was in need of a win just as much as we were. But, it is a little bittersweet, as we had few players get dinged up and will have to make some tough decisions in the next week."

The Buffs were already without running back Jace Sandridge, thanks to a tweaked hamstring and now face the posibility of being witout two more starters. Aaron Valle and Ryan Flores both left the game with injuries and are already listed as questionable for next week.

"You have to go into next week preparing as if they wont be able to go," said Thompson. "Maybe they are able to get back on the field sooner than later, but we wont push our luck. District is just around the corner and we need to be healthy after Iraan and the off

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### Area roundup: Grady gets on track vs. Midland Trinity

### By BRANDON HALLFORD

Special to the Herald

LENORAH — Coming into their game with the Midland Trinity Chargers, there was more than a few questions concerning the Grady Wildcats. The Wildcats answered their

critics Friday, dominating the Chargers 52-6 at M.W. Tunnel Field.

Grady's defense struck the first blow of the night on the third play from scrimmage when Robert Cepero floated a pass into the secondary that Grady's Jacob Rodriquez pulled down, setting the Wildcats up at the Trinity 31.

Facing a fourth and goal from the Chargers 15, Grady's Dylan Cox found Rodriquez in the end zone, putting the Wildcats up 6-0 with just over six minutes left in the opening quarter.

With the Wildcats up by eight early in the second stanza, Cox - 13-for-18 on the night for 219 yards and six touchdowns again connected through the air. the Trinity 6 before being tack-

This time though, it was the led. hands of Shane Teague pulling down the dart for a 22-6 Grady

advantage. Cox struck two more times in the first half a 22-yard catch by Bryley Pinkerton and a 55-yard connection with John Ramirez for a 38-6 Wildcat lead that stood until the half.

It was more of the same after the teams returned from the locker room with Grady's Joseph Cook returning the kickoff all the way to the Chargers 24.

From there, it took Cox and company just two plays to light up the scoreboard again. After a 10-yard run by Cook moved the ball to the 14, Cox decided to go back to Rodriquez, who was open in the end zone.

The Wildcats' defense, which absolutely dominated Chargers, holding them to just 68 total yards on the night while collecting three interceptions, came up big again as Rodriquez snared his second pick, returning it to

With the Wildcats facing a fourth-and-goal from the Chargers 10, Cook — 40 yards on seven carries — took the hand off from Cox running to the left side before cutting all the way back across the field, outrunning the defense to the goal line for the final tally of the evening.

"They thought we weren't that physical of a team, that all we had was speed," said Wildcats Head Coach Joe Helms. "That sort of charged up the boys and made them want to prove they where. We played a great game tonight. The boys came out and just outplayed them."

Cox put it about as simple as anyone can.

"All the guys just stepped up and played a great game," Cox said modestly. "It was a whole team effort that allowed us to win."

Grady celebrates homecoming Friday with Ropes paying a visit to the Wildcats.

**Trinity** 0 6 0 x-614 24 14 x-52

Grady

First quarter G - Jacob Rodriguez 15 pass from Dylan Cox (kick failed), 6:23

G - Rodriguez 19 pass from Cox (Joe

Cook kick good), 3:05

Second quarter

T - Robert John Cepero 3 run (pass failed),

G - Shane Teague 8 pass from Cox (Cook

G - Bryley Pinkerton 22 pass from Cox

(Cook kick good), 4:04

G - John Ramirez 55 pass from Cox (Cook kick good), 2:52

Third quarter G - Rodriguez 13 pass from Cox (kick

failed), 9:42

G - Cook 10 run (Cook kick good), 6:44

Individual stats

Rushing: Trinity - Robert John Cepero, 13-11, Robbie Canon, 3-0, Alex Young, 2-8, Jackson Babb, 1-(-2); Grady: Joseph Cook, 7-43, John Ramirez, 6-16, Dylan Cox,

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HERALD photo/Bruce Schooler

Grady's Dylan Cox (2) jumps to make a catch in front of Midland Trinity's William Tindol in the Wildcats' 52-6 victory Friday in Lenorah.

#### FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD CROSSROADS

WEEK 3

**Big Spring** 18 **Andrews** 6

Coahoma 34 Tahoka 13

Forsan 27 **McCamey**  Stanton 28 Roby **12** 

**Sterling City** 58 Sands

**Garden City** 58 **ACHS** 12

Grady 52 Mid. Trinity

# Life

## SPRING HERALD

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FAMILY FEATURES

ow much will owning a pet cost? How much time do I really need to devote to a pet? These are questions potential pet owners should ask prior to adopting. However, not everyone akes the time to assess the responsibilities and requirer associated with pet ownership, increasing the likelihood a pet will be surrendered to an animal welfare organization. Sometimes a pet is given up for hardship reasons such as displacement after a natural disaster or home foreclosure. But one of the biggest and more controllable factors affecting pet relinquishment is a lack of knowledge on the

The good news is pet relinquishment is often preventable through education. Potential pet adopters who truly evaluate their situations and get answers to important questions before bringing pets into their homes can increase their

chances of a permanent pet adoption.

Adopt-A-Pet.com is North America's largest non-profit pet adoption Web site, with more than 5,766 public and private animal welfare organizations posting information on adoptable pets. Their vast resource of shelter and rescue organizations provides thousands of pets with loving homes each year. These organizations serve as local experts to anyone in search of the perfect furry friend. Recently, Purina Pets for Pet People surveyed more than 180 Adopt-A-Pet animal welfare organizations nationwide to develop a "Permanent Pet Adoption" checklist of the Top 10 most important things pet adopters should consider to ensure they have a successful adoption experience.

#### Making a lifetime commitment is key

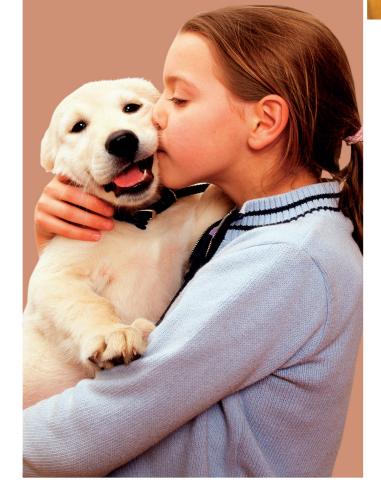
According to the survey, the number one thing a prospective pet owner should consider to ensure a permanent adoption is whether they're ready to make a real commitment to care for the new pet for its entire life, just as they would with a child. Another important factor to consider is that a pet affects other parts of their lives, such as housing and travel, for as long as they have the pet, up to 15 years for dogs and 20 years for cats. More tips from the "Permanent Pet Adoption" checklist can be found at Adopt-A-

Victoria Stilwell, a respected dog trainer, author and host of the television program "It's Me or the Dog," believes that potential pet owners need to ask the right questions prior to adopting, so they are prepared for the rewards and challenges that come with pet ownership.

"Education prior to adoption is one of the best ways to reduce the number of pets surrendered by their owners," says Stilwell. "Prospective pet owners need to clearly understand how a pet will fit into their lives for the long term, and whether or not it's a good fit before they adopt. It's my goal to keep as many deserving dogs and cats in forever homes as possible, and it starts with

#### **Deserving of a permanent home**

The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) estimates that 5 to 7 million pets enter shelters every year. They are not typically bad pets, but often victims of unfortunate circumstances or a lack of education on the part of their former owners. The solution for keeping pets in forever homes lies in education, and the "Permanent Pet Adoption" checklist can be a valuable resource for potential pet adopters. The National Council on Pet Population Study and Policy cites proactive educational efforts as essential to reducing the number of pets that are relinquished to shelters and rescue organizations.



"Selfless animal welfare organization workers are extremely knowledgeable on the pets in their care," says Brenda Bax of Purina Pets for People. "Whether they're mixed or breed-specific organizations, they can offer advice, resources and valuable information to anyone interested in adopting a dog or cat. The better educated prospective adopters are about the pet they are bringing into their lives, the greater the chances that the pet will have a loving permanent home.'

Current and prospective owners can visit Adopt-A-Pet.com to search for adoptable animals in shelters and rescue organizations in their area. While visiting the Web site, potential pet owners can download the "Permanent Pet Adoption" checklist and watch a video featuring Stilwell offering pet adoption tips. Current pet owners, who have made the commitment to have permanent pets in their homes, can keep an eye out in their local papers for Purina Pet Lover Savings coupons on pet food and treats.

#### Permanent Pet Adoption Checklist

A Purina Pets for People survey of the Adopt-A-Pet network of pet-shelter employees and rescue workers revealed the Top 10 most important things pet adopters should consider prior to adoption to ensure a permanent match.

Before you adopt — give this list some thought:

- 1. When you adopt, you need to make a real commitment to care for your pet for its entire life, just as you would with a child.
- 2. Be prepared for a pet to affect other parts of your life for as long as you have the pet, which can be up to 15 years for a dog and 20 years for cat. Your pet's well-being will have to be considered in all decisions, including travel, social life, relocation, adopting other pets, having children, etc.
- 3. Verify in advance you're allowed to keep a pet where you live, especially if you rent or belong to a homeowners' association.
- 4. Make necessary modifications to your yard and fence, if you have one, to provide for your pet's safety and to prevent your pet from escaping.
- 5. Never give a pet as a gift.
- 6. Choose a pet appropriate to your living situation and lifestyle. Figure out what size, age and energy-level pet is most appropriate.
- 7. Never adopt a pet on a whim or because it's love-at-first-sight. Do research and carefully consider every aspect and implication of adopting before you make a decision.
- 8. If you're adopting a pet for your kids, understand the responsibility is yours. Kids often tire of things that were once new and exciting, and this includes their pets. You will most likely end up being the one who provides most
- of the pet's care. 9. Plan for a several-week adjustment period dur-
- ing which there will be challenges. 10. Provide sufficient exercise and stimulation. For example, walk dogs according to individual need, provide playtime and appropriate toys, spend time just petting and talking to your pet, and include your pet in family activities.

To download this Top 10 checklist, visit Adopt-A-Pet.com.

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### **Obituaries**

#### **Louise Proctor**



Louise Proctor, 81, of Big Spring died Thursday, Sept., 18, 2008, in a local nursing home. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, September 22, 2008 at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Chaplain Cherise Felty of Home Hospice, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

She was born Feb. 9, 1927, in Alba and married T.A. Proctor Jan. 1, 1949, in Malakoff. He preceded her in death March 31, 1990.

She came to Big Spring in 1949. She had worked at State National Bank, Webb Air Force Base Credit Union and Citizens Federal Credit Union, retiring in 1996. Louise loved to travel with her best friend, Ann Reed. She was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include one son, Cooper Proctor of Big Spring; three grandchildren, Mandye Garrett and husband Monty of O'Donnell; Shaine Proctor and wife Jamie of Lamesa, and Adam Proctor of Allen; and six great-grandchildren, Kelsie Rhoades, Randy Rhoades, Shandve Proctor, Gracen Proctor, Garrison Proctor and Hunter Proctor.

The family suggests memorials to Home Hospice, 111 E. Seventh, St. Suite A, Big Spring 79720 or to the American Diabetes Association, 3001 N. Big Spring, Midland 79705.

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

### William 'Bill' Milas Irwin Jr.



William "Bill" Milas Irwin Jr. was the 10th of 11 children born to William M. Sr. and Daisy Irwin. His birth was celebrated in Crosbyton Dec. 2, 1919. He lived with his family there until his father moved the family to Grand Junction, Colo., in 1931, during the Great Depression. He went to school and helped his father farm until he went into the Army during World War II. During the war, he was privileged to serve in the main headquarters and

office of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Upon his return from the war, he farmed with his father until he entered Hardin-Simmons College in the fall of 1947. Shortly after his arrival on campus he met the love of his life, Charlotte Holden, and they were married at East Fourth Street Baptist Church in Big Spring June 26, 1948.

After graduation from Hardin-Simmons, he entered Southwestern Baptist Seminary in Fort Worth. After the birth of his daughter Peggy, he began pastoring and was called to be the pastor at Lake Arthur, N.M. In late 1954 he was called to be the pastor at Sand Springs Baptist Church just before his youngest daughter, Debbie, was born. He served there until 1963 when the family moved to Big Spring, where he had been teaching at Boydston Elementary. He taught in Big Spring ISD until his retirement in 1985. He continued to preach and serve in many of the small churches around Big Spring until he moved to Austin in 1995.

He is survived by two daughters, Peggy and husband Howell Martin of Sweetwater, and Debbie Irwin of La Grange; two grandchildren, who their Daddy Bill adored, Michael Martin of Forth Worth and Laura and husband Justin Schlager of Wichita Falls: and a special friend of the family, who is like another daughter, Sally Van Duyn and her daughters, Katherine and Emily from La Grange; a host of nieces and nephews who live all over the United States and survive their Uncle William; plus a sister-in-law, Faye Irwin of Lubbock.

He was greeted at Heaven's gates by his precious wife, Charlotte; his mom and dad; his in-laws, Gladies and George Holden; and all of his brothers and sisters with their spouses; and all the saints who were called home before him.

The first to greet him as he was called home Thursday, Sept. 18, 2008, was his Lord and Savior, who greeted him at he gate and said, "Well done thou good and faithful servant.'

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Monday, Sept. 22, 2008, at the First Baptist Church Chapel in Big Spring with his son-in-law, the Rev. Howell Martin, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

The family suggests memorials to Logsdon Seminary at Hardin-Simmons University, P.O. Box 16235, Abilene 79698 or Aid to the Victims of Hurricane Ike, in care of the First Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 956, Sweetwater

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

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#### **Aubrey Lee Schuster**

Aubrey Lee Schuster, 73, of Carson City, Nev., died Monday, Sept. 15, 2008, in Big Spring. Graveside services were at 11:30 a.m. Friday at Mt. Olive Memorial Park with the Rev. Doug Shelley, pastor of East Side Baptist Church, officiating.

He was born Oct. 7, 1934, in Jonesboro, Ark., and lived most of his life in California. He was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force, serving from 1951 until 1964.

There are no known survivors.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

**Edith Gregory** 

Edith Gregory, 91, of Big Spring, died Friday, Sept. 19, 2008, in a Midland hospital. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

### Police blotter

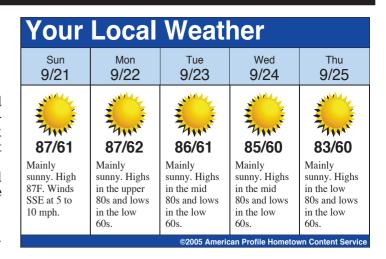
The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity (an arrest report was unavailable Saturday morning):

- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 400 block of Fourth.
- FAILURE TO IDENTIFY A FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE was reported in the 2300 block of Wasson.
- POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA UNDER TWO OUNCES IN A DRUG FREE ZONE was reported in the 600 block of Sixth.
- THEFT UNDER \$50 was reported in the 1200 block of 11<sup>th</sup> Place, the 200 block of Marcy and the 1100 block of
- THEFT OVER \$50 BUT LESS THAN \$500 was reported in the 1800 block of Benton and the 2500 block of Gunter.

### **Take Note**

- · Scenic Mountain Medical Center's Relay for Life team is selling cookbooks to raise funds for the American Cancer Society. The cookbooks can be purchased at the PBX operator's booth for \$10 apiece. For more information, contact Beverly Grant at 268-4952.
- A fund has been established at Big Spring Education Employees Federal Credit Union for Sheena Hill, who lost most of her possessions in a recent house fire. Mail donations to Big Spring Education Employees FCU, 1110 Benton, Big Spring 79720 or call 263-8393.
- Ackerly Lunch Bunch will meet at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 27 at 14<sup>th</sup> and Main Church of Christ Fellowship Hall at 1401 S. Main St. in Big Spring. Lunch will be catered by Al's and Son Barbecue and served at noon. Cost will be \$11 per plate, including dessert and drink. RSVP to Betty Pitts at 267-1449 or Sissy Jones at 213-4452.
- HATS (Hope After The Sadness), an American Cancer Society Resource Room is now available at First Methodist Church. This center provides information and valuable resources for those affected by cancer. This HATS ministry, established in memory of the late Rev. Dr Shane Brue, maintains a room with free hats, wigs and head coverings available for check-out by those dealing with hair loss due to cancer treatment. Other services and resources are also available. Contact the "Hat Lady," Marci Lykken at 267-2915.
- A medical expense account has been established at Cosden Federal Credit Union for Kody Jackson, who was recently disgnosed with lymphoma in his right knee. He has no medical insurance and must start chemotherapy and radiation treatment as soon as possible. Kody is the son of Susan and Johnny Jackson. For more information, contact Cosden FCU at 264-2600.
- The Texas Department of State Health Services is conducting a community health survey. The information will be used to study barriers to health care and other public health issues. Your personal information will not be used, other than the comments portion of the survey. You will not be asked for your name. The survey is available online and takes about 15 minutes to complete. For the English survey, go to www.questionpro.com/akira/TakeSurvey?id=929625. For the survey in Spanish, go to www.questionpro.com/akira/ TakeSurvey?id=929626.
- Mobile Meals needs volunteers to deliver meals Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. The organization delivers approximately 70 meals each day and needs drivers to donate just one hour per week. Mobile Meals also needs back-up volunteers to fill in when regular drivers can't make it. For more information, contact Macaria Cantu at 263-4016.
- Road to Recovery, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, seeks volunteers to drive cancer patients to treatment in Midland. This requires just a few hours commitment each month. To volunteer, or to request a ride for treatment, call Nancy Koger at 267-7809.





### **Bulletin Board**

If you have items for the Bulletin board, contact the Herald news room at 263-7331 or email editor@bigspringherald.com

**MONDAY** 

- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. at the First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 213-1342 or 263-6819.
- The Concerned Citizens Council meets at 7 p.m. at the Howard County Library. For more information, call 264-6116.
- Prospector's Club work night begins at 7 p.m. at 606 E. Third.

#### TUESDAY

- · Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.
- The Powwow Committee of Big Spring meets at 7 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church annex, 809 Scurry, or the fellowship hall at 810 Scurry. Call Robert Downing at 263-3255 for information.

#### WEDNESDAY

- Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. in the Howard College Cactus Room.
- Free blood pressure screenings from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Salvation Army, 811 W. Fifth St., provided by InHome Care.
- · Downtown Lions Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.
- Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big Spring Country Club.
- Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third.

#### **THURSDAY**

- Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at 7 a.m. in Herman's Restaurant.
- Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
- · Citizen's Police Academy Alumni Association meets at 5:30 p.m. in the Big Spring City Council Chambers, 307 E. Fourth.
- League of United Latin American Citizens LULAC Chapter 4791 meets at 5:30 p.m. at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce. The public is invited.
- American Legion Post 506 meets at 6 p.m. Call 263-2084 for more information.
- Rackley-Swords 379, Vietnam Veterans of America meets at 7 p.m. in the Sparenburg Building, 309 S.
- Big Spring Masonic Lodge No. 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Lancaster.

- Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. until about 3 p.m. at 1019 Nolan St. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281 for more information.
- AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant. • Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon at
- the Howard College Cactus Room.
- Dance at the Senior Center, 1901 Simler, from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

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4-6-8. Sum It Up: 18

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# Game at Lambeau carries a lot of weight for Romo, Rodgers

By CHRIS JENKINS

AP Sports Writer

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Three years is forever in football.

But that's how long Tony Romo and Aaron Rodgers had to wait before getting their shot at starting in the NFL. Now

both young quarterbacks will lead 2-0 the Packers to a comeback victory after Phillips said of Rodgers. "And this year, teams into Lambeau Field on Sunday for a prime-time showcase that represents another big step for Rodgers and a homecoming for Romo.

The Cowboys beat the Packers at Texas Stadium last year. But Rodgers nearly led Brett Favre struggled and was injured, showing that he just might be a viable successor to the wily ol' riverboat gambler.

"I think last year, he was going to be a good quarterback," Cowboys coach Wade he is."

The Packers' decision to end the prolonged distraction caused by Favre's unretirement saga by trading him to the

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#### **STEERS**

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quarterback Matt Ritchey. Big Spring picked up five first downs while running the final 17 plays over the final 10:32 of the game, taking the ball to the 3-yard line before time expired.

"Andrews had just scored and had some momentum and we didn't want to give them the ball back," Big Spring Head Coach Phillip Ritchey said, "and we didn't. The offensive line did a great job and created some big running lanes. That allowed Monte to have a great game.

"We felt like we played well enough offensively to score 35 or 42 points," Ritchey continued. "We just didn't put the ball in the end zone."

Big Spring's defense held Andrews to 135 yards of total offense, sacking the quarterback twice and intercepting two pass-

"Our defense played great and I keep preaching to our guys that we're only going to be as good as our defense plays," Ritchey said. "We didn't play very good offensively in the second half, but we won and I'm never going to complain about a victory at Andrews. I promise you that."

Big Spring jumped out to a quick start, taking just two plays and 30 seconds off the game clock to score their first touchdown. After the Steers' defense stopped Andrews on fourth down at the Mustangs' 40, Ritchey ran the ball 13 yards, setting up a 27-yard touchdown scamper Anderson.

The Steers marched right down the field on their second possession as well. Anderson capped the 7-play 50-yard drive with a 5-yard run, placing Big Spring ahead 12-0.

Anderson's final touchdown came 2:12 remaining the in the

first half on a 4-yard run. He down to keep Big Spring's final nearly had an opportunity to score a fourth time in the half, but an errant throw by Ritchey that would have set Big Spring up inside the Andrews 5 was picked off with less than a minute to play in the second quar-

Both offenses fizzled for most of the second half, although each lost key players to offense. For Andrews, starting running back Micah Balderas left the game with an apparent ankle injury earlier in the second quarter while playing defense and didn't return.

Big Spring lost wide receiver Sidney Parker to a dislocated elbow in the first half and he also didn't return. His status is currently unknown for next

Slot receiver Zamir Linton sprained his ankle during the game as well, but he continued to play and made a crucial 11-yard reception on a third

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drive alive.

The Steers play their second set of Mustangs next week, when they pay a visit to rival Sweetwater (3-1) and its famed Mustang Bowl. The Mustangs just won their third consecutive game Friday night, defeating Clyde, 24-6.

"These kids definitely understand what these rivalries are about," Ritchey said. "They've been playing Andrews and Sweetwater since they were in seventh grade and hear from former Steers how important those games are. You can tell by the fans in the stadium how much these games mean. There's just something extra in the air when the Steers take on the Mustangs."

Big Spring 12 6 0 0-18 Andrews 0 0 0 6-6

First quarter

BS - Monte Anderson 27 run (run failed),

10:20

BS - Anderson 5 run (run failed), 1:36

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Second quarter

BS - Anderson 4 run (pass failed), 2:12

#### Fourth quarter

AHS - Efren Pando 7 pass from Ryan Diaz (kick failed), 10:32

First downs: BS 19, AHS 7; Rushes-

#### Team stats

vards: BS 42-277, AHS 20-55; Passing yards: BS 40, AHS 80; Comp-Att.-Int.: BS 4-13-1, AHS 9-24-2; Punts-Avg.: BS 4-31.5, AHS 3-31.7; Fumbles-lost: BS 1-0, AHS 1-0; Penalties-yards: BS 3-25, AHS 3-20; Third down conversion: BS 3-10, AHS 2-11; Time of possession: BS 28:44, AHS 19:16.

#### Individual stats

Rushing: Big Spring - Monte Anderson 26-181, Matt Ritchey 17-111, Team 2-(-15); Andrews - Malachi Melton 8-18, Micah Balderas 3-18, Ryan Diaz 7-15, Brandon Mora 3-7, Jordan Estrada 1-1, Efren Pando

Passing: Big Spring - Ritchey 4-12-1-40; Andrews - Diaz 9-22-2-80.

Receiving: Big Spring - Zamir Linton 2-13, Tevian Parnell 1-10, Thaddeus Straughter 1-9; Andrews - Estrada 4-56, Balderas 1-17, Pando 2-12, Korbin Gilbreath 1-0, Justin Escobar 1-(-5).

### **FORSAN**

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week. Regardless of how we hand out playing time next week, we are happy to finally have something positive to build on."

Among the positive aspects surrounding Friday's win include a punishing, defensive effort

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and a rushing game that was virtually unstoppable.

Jeremy Freitag had an impressive night, rushing for 179 yards and a touchdown on 21 carries, as he ran behind a solid performance by his offensive line.

The line opened running lanes throughout the night, allowing Freitag to make

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Quarterback Alex Huckabee, had a hand in three scores, rushing for and connecting two through the air on a great catch by freshman Ty Johnson, who was brought up to the varsity squad this week.

Defensively, the Buffs won the turnover battle, picking off three Badgers' passes and recovering a fumble. Mikael Hill led the Buffs with two interceptions. Forsan took the momentum early in this one, taking only 22 seconds to

The Buffs only needed three plays before Freitag scampered 21 yards to paydirt, giving the Buffs a 7-0 lead.

Forsan stretched their lead to two scores in the third quarter, scoring on

their first two drives.

Huckabee broke outside containment for the first score, going in untouched from 10-yards, putting the Buffs up, 14-6.

After a McCamey went four-and-out, Huckabee found Johnson, who made a great catch- between two defenders and 37 yards later gave Forsan a solid 21-6 lead.

The Buffs put the game out of reach in the final period, when after one of Hills two fourth quarter picks, they moved quickly to the Badger 3-yard line where Huckbee plunged in for six points. After the extra point kick hit the right post, the Buffs could begin celebrating with 1:29 left on the clock, leading 27-6.

Hill ended any chance of a mop-up score with his second interception and the Buffs were able to run out the clock.

"I couldnt be prouder of effort tonight," the Thompson said. "The guys played from beginning to end with the same intenthroughout. sity Offensively, we did what we needed to do, showing some flashes of what we are truly capable of. And the defense came up big on several third and fourth down situations, keeping savor this win for a day or so, but we may have to piece together a team for next week and will have to have our game back on for Iraan." After traveling to Iraan,

McCamey from getting

anything going. We will

the Buffs will have an offweek before opening district in Stanton for the Battle of the Buffaloes.

Forsan 7 0 14 6-27 McCamev 0 0 6 0-6

First Quarter Forsan - Jeremy Freitag 21 run

(kick good), 11:38

#### **Second Quarter** McCamey - Brett Smith 3 run (kick

blocked), 5:06

#### **Third Quarter**

Forsan - Alex Huckabee 10 run (kick good), 9:03 Forsan - Huckabee 37 pass to Ty

Johnson (kick good), 6:46

#### **Fourth Quarter**

Forsan - Huckabee 3 run (kick blocked), 1:29

#### **Individual Statistics**

Rushing: Forsan - Frietag 21-1/9, Johnson 4-12, Zane Herrin 1-0, Huckabee 9-(-3); McCamey - Smith 15-84, Jose Esparza 8-81, Ethan Richardson 14-29, Ethan Mann 3-8 Passing: Forsan - Huckabee 7-23-86-1-2; McCamey - Richardson 3-10-15-0-2, Smith 0-2-0-0-1

Receiving: Forsan - Jeremy Robbins 2-26. Zane Herrin 2-11. Johnson 1-37, Garrett Pool 1-11, Frietag 1-1; McCamey - Mann 2-15, Daniel Velez 1-0

### **COAHOMA**

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Acosta accomplishes in

his absence. "Pete's doing a good job filling in, but there's no

controversy at quarterback," confirmed Martin. "We want to try to get our best athletes on the field. Pete will move back over to quarterback whenever Josh is ready. We don't know when that will be at this point, but we'll know if he'll play against Kermit about midweek."

Kermit's Yellow Jackets visit the Bulldogs Friday as part of Coahoma's homecoming festivities. Kermit comes in off a bye week, but is also undefeated at 3-0. The Yellow Jackets' most recent victory came against Van Horn, 26-6. Coahoma defeated Van Horn, 25-12, in its season opener at Ratliff Stadium.

"Just from what we've seen on film, Kermit looks like a big, physical team on both sides of the ball," said Martin. "They attempt to play smash-mouth football with an option game coming from the wishbone set. The quarterback is the coach's son, so you can bet he know the intricacies of the offense and how the coaching staff wants it ran. This is by all means

challenge of the season. We're going to have to play our best game this year, if we want to get the win.'

Coahoma 12 6 0 16-34 0 7 0 6-13 Tahoka

#### First quarter

Coa - P.J. Daylong 34 run (kick failed), 10:57

Coa - Daylong 4 run (kick failed),

#### Second quarter

Tah - Antonio Baker 85 pass from Taylor Abell (Adrian Webster kick

Coa - Daylong 15 run (pass failed), 1:00

#### Fourth quarter

Coa - Chase Clanton 28 field goal, 7:56

Coa - Corey Roberts 16 pass from Pete Acosta (Clanton kick good), 5:44

Coa - Jason Martinez 3 run (kick failed), 4:18

Tah - Mitchell Chapa 85 fumble

#### return (pass failed), 3:10 Team stats

First downs: Coa 20, Tah 6; Rushes-yards: Coa 43-203, Tah 31-46; Passing yards: Coa 149, Tah 128; Comp.-Att.-Int.: Coa 6-17-1, Tah 5-22-2; Punts-Avg.: Coa 2-37, Tah 2-25.5; Fumbles-lost: Coa 3-2, Tah 1-1; Penalties-yards: Coa 9-80, Tah 15-130.

#### Individual stats

Rushing: Coahoma - Daylong 23-175, Martinez 8-27, Roberts 6-18, Adrian Amaro 1-(-2), Acosta 5-(-15).

Passing: Coahoma - Acosta 6-17-1-149

Receiving: Coahoma - Hunter Williams 2-44, Daylong 1-52, Roberts 1-16, Lane Douglass 1-19, going to be our toughest Ray Gutierrez 1-18.

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### Miller-Childress



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Amy Dawn Miller and Chad Richard Childress, both of Austin, are pleased to announce their engagement.

Amy is the daughter of Deborah Black and Tip Miller, both of Big Spring. She is the granddaughter of the late Granvil and Joelene Miller of Big Spring, the late Peggy McAmis of Rowlett and the late Warren D. Black of Amarillo.

Chad is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rick Childress of Scottsdale, Ariz. He is the grandson of Mrs. Lyne Childress of Tucson, Ariz., the late Dick Childress and the late Mr. and Mrs. George Reis of Scottsdale, Ariz.

Amy is a 2002 graduate of the University of Texas Health Science Center with a bachelor of science degree in nursing. She is employed as a registered nurse in the neonatal intensive care unit at St. David's Medical Center in Austin.

Chad is a 1999 graduate of Baylor University with a bachelor's degree in management information systems. He is employed as an account executive for Information Builders Inc. in Austin.

# **▶** Weddings

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### Zamora-Vela



Mr. & Mrs. Vela Holy Trinity Catholic Church, St. Thomas Parish July 19, 2008

Donna Katherine Zamora and Eugene Raul Vela were united in holy matrimony July 19, 2008, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, St. Thomas Parish with the Rev. Bernard Gully officiating the double ring ceremony.

They are the parents of Zachary Ryan Zamora, Celestina Elizabeth Vela and Ivan Anthony Vela.

The bride is the daughter of Israel Zamora of Olton and Donna Guzman of Lamesa. She is the granddaughter of Dominga Guzman and the late Ricardo Guzman of Lamesa and the late Israel and Petra Zamora of Olton.

The groom is the son of Raul and Sandra Vela of Big Spring. He is the grandson of Benjamin and Ophelia Garcia and Pascula Vela and the late Eugene Vela, all of Big Spring.

Given in marriage by her children and escorted by her son Zachary, the bride wore an Alfred Angelo spaghetti strapped dress. The bodice was embellished with pearls and crystals. The skirt was also embellished with pearls and crystals with tiered tucks on one side. Her cathedral-length veil was sprinkled with crystals and attached to a diamond tiara.

She carried a bouquet of white tulle roses accented with small red daisies and crystals. She finished off her attire with black converse with red and black laces.

Something borrowed was her sister-in-law's pearl

necklace. Something new was a shier jacket worn over her dress at church, a gift from her mother-in-law. Something blue was her garter. Something old was an angel pin belonging to her grandmother.

Maid of honor was Kristen Dutchover, sister-in-law of the bride and groom. Bridesmaids were Valerie Middleton, Latrica Flores, Anna Robles, all close friends of the bride, Maria Carrilo and Nadia Garcia, both cousins of the groom.

Junior bridesmaids were Dominga Chapa, sister of the bride, Odalys Vela, sister of the groom, Bianca Lopez and Alexis Garcia, both cousins of the groom.

Lopez and Alexis Garcia, both cousins of the groom. Flower girls were Celestina Vela, daughter of the bride and groom, Sadie Garcia, Alexcia Munoz and

Makenna Valle.

The groom wore a black button-up shirt with red and black tie and black jeans.

The best man was Israel Vela, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Jacob Garcia, Rudy Garcia, both cousins of the groom, Chris Mendoza, Rey J. Hernandez and Erick Hernandez. Junior groomsmen were Savi Vela, brother of the groom, Zachary Zamora, son of the bride and groom, and Arron Valle.

Ring bearers were Shawn Mendoza, nephew of the bride and groom, Jason Lopez and Carlos Garcia. Honorary Ring bearer was Ivan Vela, son of the bride and groom.

Vocalist for the ceremony was Cindy Rojas. Readers were Erick Hernandez and Latricia Flores.

A reception and dance followed at the Howard County Fair Barn. The wedding cake was a two-tiered white cake decorated with red and black roses, topped with a bride and groom figurine with two silver diamond accented hearts made by the groom's mother.

Sponsors for the wedding were Raul and Anita Robles, Ricky and Alma Yanez, Chris and Rose Mary Yanez, Jesse and Maria Salazar, Joe and Nancy Ortega, Letty and Diego Flores, Rey J. Hernandez and Valerie Middleton, Ryan Klaassen and Courtney Boyd, Erick Hernandez and Mona Saldana, Eric Padilla, Hilda Zamora, Steven and Malinda Robles and Jennifer Arredando, Martha Alcantar, Juanita Garcia, Ophelia Garcia, Luis and Jessica Moreno and Maria Pineda.

Donna is a 1997 graduate of Levelland High School. She is employed by Pizza Inn. Eugene is a 2000 graduate of Big Spring High School. He is employed by Phillips Fabrication Inc.

They made their home in Big Spring and plan on taking a family trip next summer.

### **Life Policies**

The Big Spring Herald has instituted a 600 word limit for all wedding submissions.

All wedding articles will be edited to fit the above listed policy.

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

Submitting articles by the deadline does not guarantee publication in the Sunday Life Section. The *Herald* attempts to publish articles in a timely manner but because of space limitations submissions may held until the following week.

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hours, we get the opportunity to get a larger piece of the community college allocation pie," Sparks said. "This is definitely a good sign ... but (state funding) will be impacted by what happens at some of the larger community colleges in Texas, too."

Also Monday, trustees will discuss progress on several construction and renovation projects going on at Howard's Birdwell Lane campus. In particular, the board will hear about plans for a new addition to the science building.

"We're finishing planning details on the addition, looking at different surfaces for the building," Sparks said. "We're hopeful we can bring a bid to begin construction on that to the board in November."

In other business, trustees will con-

- Personnel matters.
- A deaf culture overview in conjunction with Deaf Awareness Week, which will be observed Monday through Friday at SWCID.
- · Catalog and handbook changes.

### **SWCID**

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the college. "The elementary kids learn a little bit of sign language, but most importantly, they learn that deaf people can do just about everything hearing people can they just have to do a few things differently, that's all."

SWCID students will visit Moss, Kentwood and Marcy elementaries during the week.

A major focus of the visits is to put to rest misconceptions about being deaf, Lopez said. "I remember last year,

one of the kids asked one of our students if deaf people can drive," he said. "And the answer is, 'Of course they can.' Basically, the only thing deaf people can't do is hear. They can do anything else a hearing person can do."

While education is a major focus of Deaf Awareness Week, fun and games are planned. as well. Activities such as dodge ball and basketball tournaments are planned, as well as a hot dog supper Friday and a "Pizza With the Provost" event Thursday night, featuring SWCID Provost Mark Myers.

An annual part of SW-CID's observance is Movie Night, in which films produced and starring students will be present-

Observances at SWCID end Friday with Silent Day.

"It's sort of a 'turn off your voice day," Lopez said. "People will communicate solely through sign language."

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#### Rescue plan seeks \$700B to buy bad mortgages

WASHINGTON (AP) — The as early as next week. Bush administration is asking Congress to let the government buy \$700 billion in toxic mortgages in the largest financial bailout since the Great Depression, according to a draft of the plan obtained Saturday.

The plan would give the government broad power to buy the bad debt of any U.S. financial institution for the next two years. It would raise the statutory limit on the national debt from \$10.6 trillion to \$11.3 trillion to make room for the massive rescue. The proposal does not specify what the government would get in return from financial companies for the federal assistance.

"We're going to work with Congress to get a bill done quickly," President Bush said at the White House. Without discussing details of the plan, he said, "This is a big package because it was a big problem."

White House congressional leaders hoped the developing legislation could pass

Administration officials and members of Congress were to negotiate throughout the weekend. The plan is designed to let faltering financial institutions unload their bad debt on the government, and in turn the taxpayer, in a bid to avoid dire economic consequences.

Bush said he worried the financial troubles "could ripple throughout" the economy and affect average citizens. "The risk of doing nothing far outweighs the risk of the package, and over time we're going to get a lot of the money back."

He added, "People are beginning to doubt our system, people were losing confidence and I understand it's important to have confidence in our financial system."

"In my judgment, based upon the advice of a lot of people who know how markets work, this problem wasn't going to be contained to just the financial community," the president said.

### **SCOUTS**

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in Scouting include hiking trips in the Colorado Rockies as well as canoeing and rafting trips in New Mexico and Texas. One of his most memorable moments as a Scout, as well as mine, was a trek at Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimarron, New Mexico. Working together as a team and enduring the 62-mile hike through the wilderness was an enlightening experience. Austin has also participated in many civic activities through Scouting.

Austin recently earned his Eagle Scout rank with the Boy Scouts of America. I could not be more proud of his achievements. He has become a leader and a good student, including perfect school attendance for more than 10 years.

Many famous people have been Eagle Scouts. Among them is Henry Aaron, who was quoted that his greatest positive influence in his life was his involvement in Scouting. Also including in the ranks of Eagle Scout are Neil Armstrong, Gerald Ford, H. Ross Perot, Steven Spielberg and Rick Perry.

It has been said, and studies have shown, and records indicate that for every 100 boys who join Scouting:

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- with church
- 1 will enter the clergy
- 5 will earn their church
- 18 will develop a hobby that will last their life
- 8 will enter a vocation that was learned through the merit badge system in Scouting
- 1 will use his Scouting skills to save his own life
- 1 will use his Scouting skills to save the life of another

A recent nation-wide survey of high schools revealed that 85 percent of student council presidents were Scouts and 71 percent of football captains were Scouts.

Scouts also represent 64 percent of Air Force Academy graduates, 68 percent of West Point graduates, 70 percent of Annapolis graduates, 72 percent of Rhodes Scholars, 85 percent of FBI agents and included 26 of the first 29 astronauts.

Take a look at the Boy Scout Oath Law, Motto and Slogan. These are memorized by all Boy Scouts and are a part of every meeting and venture taken on in Scouting. The values behind the Oath and Law should be followed by all citizens of this great country. I highly recommend the Boy Scouts of America to any parent and son.

#### Boy Scout Oath, Law, Motto, and Slogan Scout Oath (or Promise)

On my honor I will do my best To do my duty to God and my country

and to obey the Scout Law; To help other people at all times: To keep myself physically

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#### FRIENDLY

A Scout is a friend to all. He is a brother to other Scouts. He seeks to understand others. He respects those with ideas and customs other than his own.

#### **COURTEOUS**

A Scout is polite to everyone regardless of age or position. He knows good manners make it easier for people to get along together.

#### **KIND**

A Scout understands there is strength in being gentle. He treats others as he wants to be treated. He does not hurt or kill harmless things without reason.

#### **OBEDIENT**

A Scout follows the rules of his family, school, and troop. He obeys the laws of his community and country. If he thinks these rules and laws are unfair, he tries to have them changed in an orderly manner rather than disobey them.

#### **CHEERFUL**

A Scout looks for the bright side of things. He cheerfully does tasks that come his way. He tries to make others happy.

#### **THRIFTY**

A Scout works to pay his way and to help others. He saves for unforeseen needs. He protects and conserves natural resources. He carefully uses time and property.

#### **BRAVE**

A Scout can face danger even if he is afraid. He has the courage to stand for what he thinks is right even if others laugh at or threaten him.

#### **CLEAN**

A Scout keeps his body and mind fit and clean. He goes around with those who believe in living by these same ideals. He helps keep his home and community clean.

#### REVERENT

A Scout is reverent toward God. He is faithful in his religious duties. He respects the beliefs of others.

Scout Motto: Be Prepared Scout Slogan: Do a Good Turn Daily

If you need more information about the Boy Scouts of America call your local office at (432) 263-3407.

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filed suit.

"At this point, we'll just have to proceed (with the proposed tax rate) like we have been. We haven't been able to contact Alon officials vet to get a solid number on the undisputed taxes, but we expect it will be similar to last year's number. However, unless something changes in the very near future, we'll move forward with the proposed rate.'

The Israeli-based company's most recent suit alleges the district's 2008 valuation of the Big Spring Refinery — \$275 million is over-inflated, the same argument it has placed on the valuations from 2006 and 2007.

Robert H. Moore III, 118<sup>th</sup> District Court judge, recently ruled the 2007 market value of the refinery, as of Jan. 1, 2007, was \$218 million, falling between the appraisal dis-



trict's valuation of \$320 million and Alon's claims of \$152 million. However, since that ruling, the court has encouraged both sides to reach a settlement on other allegations.

And while the 5-cent hike will eclipse the rollback rate, a pair of public hearings on the proposed tax rate failed to generate any objections from Howard County taxpavers.

"I really hate that we had to raise property taxes this year. That was something I really struggled with," said Barr. "I had really hoped we'd be able to get the situation with Alon resolved before now, but that just hasn't happened, so we're moving forward. We just have to keep a tight reign on things and make sure we're not needlessly

spending money.

"The department heads have really done an excellent job of keeping an eye on what they are spending, and they should be commended for the job they have done. But like everything else, prices have gone up, and that's something we have to keep an eye on."

Also on Monday's meetingagenda, commissioners will hold a public hearing concerning the county's 2008-2009 budget, which is currently proposed at \$23.4 million. The court is also expected to give its final nod to the fiscal plan during the meeting.

Commissioners will also set the salary and expenses for elected county officials, approve a resolution allowing for a grant for

indigent defense totaling \$19,780 and address several routine items.

The meeting is set to get under way at 10 a.m. in the commissioner's courtroom, located on the second floor of the county courthouse.

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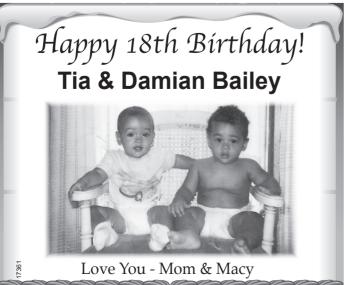
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Cedar Hill 31, Arlington Martin 7 Coppell 49, Weatherford 6 Dallas Skyline 42, Plano East 0 Duncanville 27, DeSoto 20 Eagle Pass Winn 16, Laredo Nixon

Edinburg 24, Weslaco 20 EP Coronado 35, EP Socorro 17 EP El Dorado 48. EP Eastwood 14 Euless Trinity 24, Allen 14 Flower Mound 31, North Crowley

FW Paschal 24, FW South Hills 7 Garland 28, Abilene Cooper 14 Garland Naaman Forest 59, Plano West 35

Hurst Bell 37, Grand Prairie 13 Katy Cinco Ranch 42, Katy Mayde Creek 14 Keller 27, Haltom City 13

Laredo Martin 14, Roma 10 Lewisville Hebron 39, Dallas Jesuit Los Fresnos 35, CC Calallen 19

Mansfield 48, Burleson 27 McAllen Memorial 17, PSJA 15 McAllen Rowe 33, Brownsville Rivera 26 McKinney Boyd 42, McKinney 35

Midland 62, Lubbock 24 Midland Lee 21, Lubbock Coronado 14

N. Richland Hills 35, Keller Central

North Garland 58, Dallas Wilson 12 Odessa 45, Amarillo Tascosa 35 Odessa Permian 47, Amarillo 10 Pflugerville 33, Round Rock 20 Plano 49, Temple 29 SA O'Connor 35, SA Jay 17 SA Reagan 42, SA Churchill 7 SA Warren 45, SA Marshall 13 Smithson Valley 20, New Braunfels

South Grand Prairie 21, Justin Northwest 7 Southlake Carroll 35, Mesquite 10 Tyler 28, WF Rider 24 Victoria Memorial 35, CC Moody 13 Wylie 46, Garland Rowlett 21

CLASS 4A Austin LBJ 23, Killeen Shoemaker

Big Spring 18, Andrews 6 Buda Hays 40. Austin McCallum 9 Carrollton Turner 19, Dallas White

Castroville Medina Valley 44, Eagle Pass 42 CC Miller 41, La Joya Juarez-Lincoln 28 CC Ray 44. Robstown 10

Dallas Lincoln 12, Dallas Madison

Dallas Hillcrest 35, Rockwall Heath

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Dallas Maceo Smith 18, Dallas Dallas Pinkston 40, Dallas Molina 0 Denison 49 Little Flm 7 Dripping Springs 42, Austin Travis

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FW Trimble Tech 28, FW Carter-Riverside 20 Hallsville 23, Henderson 14 Hereford 37, Amarillo Palo Duro 0 Hutto 48, Del Valle 21 Jacksonville 49, Palestine 35 Joshua 20, Alvarado 10 Kilgore 28. Gilmer 14 Killeen 18, Pflugerville Connally 7 Kyle Lehman 28, Austin Lanier 0 Lindale 31, Paris 24 Lockhart 34, Austin Crockett 21 Longview 45, Lufkin 37, 3OT

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Jones 35 Sulphur Springs 56, Mesquite Poteet 21 Waxahachie 15, Lancaster 12 Weslaco East 47. Brownsville

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Lake Travis 46, Evangel Christian Academy, La. 31 Levelland 25, Brownfield 8 Liberty Hill 56, Brownwood 49 Llano 25, Taylor 7 Lordsburg, N.M. 35, Anthony 21 Marion 47, Ingram Moore 6 Mexia 47, Athens 22 Monahans 41. Pecos 13 Nashville, Ark. 52, Texarkana Liberty-Eylau 36 New London West Rusk 28, Hughes Springs 12 Orange Grove 28, Banquete 7 Pearsall 20, SA Kennedy 0 Perryton 21, Pampa 14 Pittsburg 47, Queen City 8 Poteet 35, Pleasanton 21 Princeton 21, Anna 0 Prosper 43 Frisco 6 Robinson 32, Salado 20 Sanger 7. Pilot Point 6 Sealy 22, Brookshire Royal 7 Seminole 48, Fort Stockton 27 Sinton 28. Hebbronville 21 Smithville 41. Hallettsville 12 Snyder 31, Lubbock Estacado 17 Somerset 39, SA St. Anthony 14 Sweetwater 24, Clyde 6 Tatum 13, Atlanta 9 Texarkana Pleasant Grove 31, Gladewater 28 Tyler Chapel Hill 51, Quinlan Ford

Van Alstyne 27, Farmersville 26 Vernon 14, Breckenridge 7 Whitesboro 36, Bonham 0 Yoakum 38, Schulenburg 7 CLASS 2A Alpine 37, Clint 9 Altair Rice 30, Lexington 0 Alvord 14, Windthorst 0 Amarillo River Road 34, Amarillo

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Scurry-Rosser 17, Rio Vista 14 Shelbyville 41, Huntington 21 Spearman 21, West Texas 14 Three Rivers 7, Skidmore-Tynan 0 Tuscola Jim Ned 43, Anson 27 Valley View 32, Howe 29 Vanderbilt Industrial 42, Ganado 14 Wallis Brazos 22, Edna 20 Weimar 15, Louise 14

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Grapeland 27, Elkhart 14 Hale Center 48, Claude 0 Haskell 34, Winters 7 Iraan 45, Reagan County 6 Italy 33, Malakoff 8 Itasca 50, Meridian 26 Lindsay 12, S&S Consolidated 10 Lockney 30, Springlake-Earth 14 Malakoff Cross Roads 41, Fruitvale

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Oakridge 14 Brownsville St. Joseph 32, La Villa Bryan Christian Homeschool 32, Round Rock Christian 25 Bryan St. Joseph's 36, Bryan

Brazos Christian 34 Carrollton American Heritage 27, Gainesville State School 6 Carrollton Christian 31, Garland Christian 12 Central Texas Christian 36, Brenham Christian 32 Dallas Bishop Lynch 23, Terrell 0 Dallas Christian 61, FW Christian 8 Dallas First Baptist 46, Dallas

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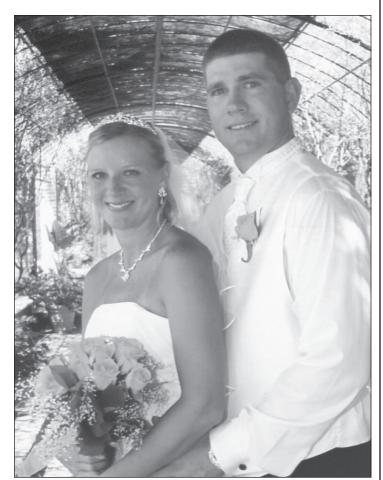
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# Weddings

### Vess-Teston



Mr. & Mrs. Teston Channel Garden of the Clark Botanical Gardens, Weatherford Aug. 2, 2008

Tonya Lee Vess of Big Spring and Timothy Boyd Teston of Bangs were united in holy matrimony at 11 a.m. Aug. 2, 2008, in the Channel Garden of the Clark Botanical Gardens in Weatherford. Don Edmonds, uncle of the groom, officiated.

Tonya is the daughter of Troy and Patricia Vess of Big Spring, the granddaughter of James and Evelyn Moore and the late Dale Fox and Audrey Vess of Big Spring.

Tim is the son of Kyle and Lynne Teston of Bangs and the grandson of Virginia Ligon of Brownwood.

The bride was given away by her father and wore a beautiful, white, strapless A-line dress. The dress was decorated with elegant embroidery beaded flowers on the right side, back and train. The bouquet consisted of yellow roses and white daisies.

The wedding party consisted of Brandy Kinsey of Granbury, matron of honor; and bridesmaids, Amanda Lopez of Woodinville, Wash., friend of the bride' and Jaime Kemper of Big Spring, friend of the bride.

Matt Teston of Texarkana, brother of the groom, served as best man. Kennan Teston of Bangs, nephew of the groom, and Ryan Edmonds, cousin of the groom, served as groomsmen. Ring bearer was Bryson Kinsey, nephew of the bride.

Flower girls were Sarah Wood, friend of the bride, and

Natalie Edmonds, cousin of the groom. The garden-themed reception was held under the Rose

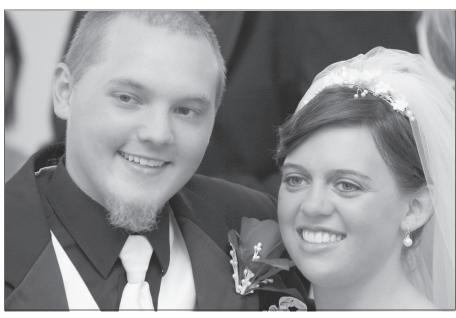
Pavilion at the Clark Botanical Gardens.

Tonya is a 1995 graduate of Forsan High School and a 2000 graduate of Hardin-Simmons University with a

degree in elementary education.

Tim is a 1994 graduate of Bangs High School and a 1998 graduate of Howard Payne University with a degree in youth ministry. Tonya is employed with Early ISD as a teacher and coach. Tim works for AT&T. Following a honeymoon to Disney World, the couple made their home in Brownwood.

### Ballard-Burris



Mr. & Mrs. Burris Midway Baptist Church July 19, 2008

Christin Dawn Ballard of Big Spring and Cody Lee Burris of Stanton were married at 4 p.m. July 19, 2008, at Midway Baptist Church with pastor Kevin Burris, father of the groom, officiating. Bill Ballard, grandfather of the bride's performed the welcome and opening prayer.

The bride is the daughter of Courtney and Kelli Ballard of Big Spring. Her grandparents are Helen and the late Marvin Kendrick, Bill and Barbara Ballard and Enola Myrlene Ballard, all of Big Spring.

The groom is the son of Kevin and Deana Burris of Amarillo. His grandparents are Wesley and Sue Lloyd of Deleon and Mildred and the late LeRoy Burris of Norton.

Given away by her father, the bride wore a white satin wedding gown with an A-line cut and chapel train. It had beaded lace on a tulle overlay and featured an empire bodice with a bow. The veil was white tulle with pearls strung along the bottom.

She carried a bouquet made of large deep red roses and had pearl accents among the roses, along with white ribbon flowing from the bottom.

The groom wore a black tuxedo with a black shirt, a white vest and tie. His boutonniere was a single red rose with pearl accents.

Maid of honor was Jessica Ballard, sister of the bride;

and bridesmaids were Tessa Kendrick, cousin of the bride, Selita Burris, sister of the groom, and Molly Mason, friend of the bride.

Best man was Seth Lloyd, cousin of the groom; and groomsmen were C.J. Ballard, brother of the bride, Chase Anderson and Blake Anderson, both friends of the groom.

Ring bearer was Zac Ballard and flower girl was Hannah Lloyd, both cousins of the groom. Candle lighters were Travis Ballard and Sarah Ballard, both cousins of the bride.

Ushers were Tim Ballard, cousin of the bride, Tanner Ballard, cousin of the bride, Treagan Kendrick, cousin of the bride, Johnathon Ireton, friend of groom, and Michael Graves, friend of groom.

Vocalists for the ceremony were Bo and Melody Spradling and Courtney Ballard. The pianist was Debbie Newell.

The reception was held in the fellowship hall of Midway Baptist Church. The tables were decorated

with white table cloths featuring a floating candle centerpiece with rose petals along the table. There were two votive candles placed on mirrors on the far sides of the table. The bride's table was decorated with tulle and lights, white satin and red rose petals. The cake was a four-tier white cake with butter cream frosting. The groom's cake was a cowboy boot with a rope made of chocolate cake and chocolate frosting. His table had a red table cloth and cowboy decorations.

Christin is a 2005 graduate of Forsan High School in 2005, she received an associates of arts from Howard College and now attends Texas Tech University in Lubbock with a projected graduation date of December 2008 with a bachelor of human development and family studies. She plans to be an elementary school teacher. She is employed at First Baptist Church Child Development Center in Lubbock.

Cody is a 2007 graduate of Stanton High School. He plans to attend Howard Payne University in the fall of 2009. He is employed at Bill Williams Tire in Lubbock. Following a honeymoon in Meeker, Colo., the couple made their home in Lubbock.

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OTHER VIEWS

# Gen. Petraeus: A job well done

en. David Petraeus, who relinquished command of U.S. forces in Iraq on Tuesday, leaves the country in dramatically improved shape after 19 months of strong and imaginative leadership. U.S. casualties have dwindled, daily attacks are down to 25 from an average of 180 in June of 2007, and overall violence is down by 70 percent, according to the Pentagon. These are encouraging trends, for which Gen. Petraeus deserves a full measure of credit.

But as the general never tires of saying — the gains are fragile and serious challenges remain. With that in mind, it is worth making three observations about how progress was achieved and what must be done to keep Iraq from returning to the path of self-destruction.

—The surge. The addition of 30,000 U.S. troops last year made progress possible, but this was not the only — or even the most important — factor in the turnaround. Other elements of the successful strategy included the increase in U.S. civilian reconstruction teams to 30 from 10; the withdrawal of the Shia Muslim "Sadr militia" following excessive violence in Karbala; and the "Sunni Awakening" that prompted 100,000 Sunni Muslims to turn against al-Qaeda in Iraq and work with U.S. forces — for a salary of \$300 a month.

—The Iraqi army. The role of this Sunni militia, the "Sons of Iraq," may be the most important piece of the puzzle, along with a change in strategy that united U.S. and Iraqi soldiers in combined units to reduce violence in Baghdad.

Now it is up to the government of Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki to incorporate as many of these fighters as possible into the Iraqi army when the United States stops financing the Sunni militia next month. Without them, Iraq does not have a national army — it has a Shia militia armed and paid by the government. A failure to incorporate the "Sons of Iraq" into the armed forces and to find civilian jobs for those left out could spark a resumption of sectarian fighting on a large scale.

—Reconciliation. Creating a national army is just part of the larger effort to unite Iraqis, but much remains undone and there is no persuasive evidence that the Maliki government is up to the job. This includes settling provincial boundary disputes, distributing oil revenues evenly, and holding free and fair provincial elections on schedule.

Fragile or not, the gains were enough for Gen. Petraeus to recommend a small but important drawdown of U.S. forces. This signals that the mission of U.S. forces is changing from front-line fighting to training and support. An acceptable outcome can still be salvaged, but only if Maliki and Iraq's leaders assume greater responsibility for fighting the war and for creating a better future for their country.

Now that the U.S. withdrawal of forces from Iraq has started, it is unlikely to stop until most of the troops have left. The end game has begun.

THE MIAMI HERALD

### Your Views

### School zones

TO THE EDITOR,
My son is a student
at Marcy Elementary
School. I want to first say
that Marcy is a wonderful
school. From the staff to
the kids and parents, I
couldn't ask for a better
place for my child to
be. The teachers are
dedicated, the principal
and rest of the staff
focused on what's best for
my child and the kids are
fun to be around. I can

not say enough wonderful

things about the people that surround my son every day.

The group of people that I would like to write about today, however, are the crossing guards. You should see them in action. They protect my child by walking across the street with him, stop traffic, and make sure that he is safe.

I sometimes wonder about their safety, however. I have seen vehicles turn around in

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# Spotlight shines on swine

wine, perhaps since Noah's Ark, have hogged the lowest tier of barnyard animals, sharing "no respect" status with the late Rodney Dangerfield.

We feed cattle, sheep, horses, chickens and turkeys, but — you'll pardon the expression — we slop the hogs.

Word pictures are no better. Some of us eat like hogs; others "pig out." Still others are as fat as hogs or squeal like hogs. We are warned not to buy "pigs in pokes," and urged always to close

the door. To leave it ajar is to invite the indignity posed by the old "were you raised in a barn" question. The barn, of course, is the building right next to the pig pen.

Rightly or wrongly, the general view is that swine are anemic on the IQ scale. This notion dates back to pre-kindergarten days, when the nursery story of the Three Little Pigs buoyed allegations of their being "dim of wit." This story was a dead giveaway, or would have been if one of the pigs hadn't built his house of bricks.

Even the Holy Bible besmirches these split-hoofed animals, warning us against "casting our pearls before swine."

However, comments by presidential hopeful Barack Obama have caused a spotlight swing to (drum roll) PIGS!

Too many people have their "snouts out of joint" on both sides of the political aisle.

I say that slack should be cut for him and for vice-presidential candidate Sarah Palin.

We don't take most statements from politicians seriously, so why should we magnify these few words about pigs, lipstick and such? Intentionally or not, they've "perked up" the economy. And isn't it preferable to consider pork in a new light? Usually, it's Congress shining dim lights of crooked beams into smelly pork barrels.

TV newsman Bill O'Reilly invites viewers into his "no spin" zone. Madison Avenue ad writers, however, will do what they do best: spin away.

Suffice it to say that we need to consider investments in "anything pork."

You can bet that Revlon, Clinique, Maybelline, Cover Girl, L'Oreal and Max Factor people have picked up on the banter. They're "licking their lips" at new cosmetic spins.

Look for unprecedented consensus efforts by members of all the companies' advertising departments.

They'll all be emphasizing their products' "smearability."

Another common goal will be to achieve the "just right," uh, "PIGmentation."

They'll unveil a plethora of dazzling "new and improved" products. And straight ahead are glitzy new names for all the "make-over" businesses. For years, "beauty shop" sufficed. Then, "salons" came along. What's next?

I suggest a prize for the new name that captures the essence of our "porcine preoccupation." How about "PIGSTYlist?"

Oh, my. Who would have guessed that "swine talk" would elevate so quickly from lowest tier to sacred cow status? (This is NOT your grandfather's "pig" Latin.)

For years, pork-processors have bragged about marketing "everything but the squeal."

Forward-thinking entrepreneurs in the field may find uses for the squeals, too, but right now, they're working around the clock, filling back orders for silk purses made from sows' ears....

Long have I wanted to present a favorite poem in this space, but promised myself not to do so "until pigs fly." I mean, how often do pig poems "fit?" Now!

In researching it, my eyes crossed, since the Internet doesn't provide "for sure" documentation as to authorship. The 'Net sources don't even come to terms on the name of the piece, and there's uncertainty whether it is a poem or a song. I now know that the piece is sometimes called The Pig Song, and at other times, The Pig and the Inebri-

The author likely was the late Clarke Van Ness, who checked out back in 1925.

I've recited the work many times over the years to audiences of youth.

Turns out my recitations were the first verse only. (On your down time, you might want to "Google" the poem/song for the full dose.)

Anyway, here's the way I presented the work:

It was late in cold November, in a town I can't remember,
I was carrying home a jug with

foolish pride. When my feet began to stutter, I fell

down in the gutter, And a pig came up and lay down by

my side.
As I lay there in the gutter thinking

thoughts I dare not utter,
A lady passing by did chance to

You can tell a man who boozes by the company he chooses,

And the pig got up and slowly walked away.

What a temptation it is to close with Porky Pig's famous line: "That's all, folks!"

But this, quite simply, would be untrue.

As I mentioned, the piece has verses about several barnyard animals. But the pig was listed first. You can look it up.

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# Don't fret about job security

re you worried about losing your job? Media reports certainly suggest you should be. The unemployment rate jumped again last month to a five-year high. Stories about job losses fill the news.

Many politicians claim America is in a recession (that only they can get us out of!). Large numbers of Americans understandably worry that a pink slip could arrive at any time.

Fortunately, these fears are largely unfounded. The vast majority of American workers are not at risk of being laid off.

America is not in a recession. Though the economy is hardly booming, it has grown modestly since the start of the year. Contrary to political rhetoric, America isn't in an economic crisis.

America does face serious economic challenges. The collapse of the housing bubble, like the collapse of the tech bubble before it, has cut the wealth of American households by trillions of dollars, and many Americans are at risk of foreclosure.

The high cost of energy has taken a bite out of everyone's pocketbooks. As the economy has absorbed these blows, the unemployment rate among adults has shot up a full percentage point since Jan. 1.

But conditions are less dire than they appear. Relatively few workers who already have jobs are losing them. Employers are no more likely to lay off employees today than a year ago. Just one-third of that increase in the unemployment rate occurred because employees lost their jobs.

Most of the uptick in unemployment occurred because new workers entered the labor force but couldn't find work. Employers have put the brakes on hiring new work-

Hire rates have fallen 10 percent since last December. Difficulty finding work is painful, but less painful than employers unexpectedly letting good workers go.

The majority of the job losses that have occurred are in sectors affected by the housing bubble and soaring energy prices: residential building construction, auto manufacturers and dealers, credit institutions and home-building supply stores.

These industries account for three-fifths of the net job losses this year. Job losses in employment services, such as temporary help agencies, account for most of the rest. Companies are choosing not to hire temporary workers, but few sectors are letting workers go.

Workers also have much better job security now than in past downturns. For all the talk about globalization meaning the end of job security, economic research shows the opposite: Workers are much less likely to be laid off from their jobs now than in the past. Workers are more than a third less likely to lose their jobs now than in the recessions of the 1970s and early 1980s

America has faced much more serious problems in the past. If you have a job today that isn't directly affected by housing markets or energy prices, then you have little to fear from reports of rising unemployment.

That's not to say these aren't challenging times. Difficulty finding a job causes families financial and emotional distress. Rising food and energy costs have cut workers inflation-adjusted wages.

What should be done? Many mem-

bers of Congress are proposing a second stimulus package, but this would do little to help. Even if most of the "stimulus" proposals weren't pork projects masquerading as economic assistance, another stimulus package wouldn't address the real problem: high energy prices and

the housing bubble.
Congress can't do anything more to fix the housing bubble than it could the tech bubble. (How productive would it have been to use your tax dollars to prop up the price of Pets.com and other worthless tech stocks?) But lawmakers can address

the cost of energy. Fortunately the price of gas is already dropping. Congress can send prices even lower by ending the offshore drilling ban and allowing the development of unconventional oil reserves in Colorado and the West. Congress also can immediately end the ethanol mandate, which requires all gasoline sold to include more expensive corn-based ethanol. Not only would this make gas less expensive, it also would cut food prices. Researchers at the World Bank estimate that Congress's decision to turn one-quarter of the U.S. corn crop into fuel accounts for most of the run up in global food prices.

Congress shouldn't pass a stimulus package that won't address the real challenges America faces. It should act to make energy more affordable.

If members can't do that, maybe they're the ones who should be worrying about pink slips.

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### LAMBEAU

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New York Jets was a painful way to start training camp. The ordeal left fans stamping their feet and scratching their heads — but not for long. Rodgers' play in the first two games has given second-guessers very little to criticize.

Rodgers is gradually playing his way out of Fayre's shadow in a style more akin to sound financial planning than high-stakes poker. Rodgers strives for efficiency and consistency, showing an ability to make big plays when possible but taking care of the ball above all.

His record so far: four touchdowns, zero interceptions, two wins. Rodgers even threw in a few scrambles for first downs

Passing: Trinity - Cepero, 5-11-2--44,

Receiving: Trinity - Wilson Echols, 3-31,

Young, 1-8, William Tindol, 1-5; Grady -

Ramirez 4-70, Rodriguez, 3-47, Bryley

Pinkerton, 2-54, Shane Teague 2-13, Cook,

ROBY — Stanton's Buffaloes

found victory for the first time

in 2008 Friday night, riding the

legs of tailback Robbie Noland

Noland finished with 172 yards

and four touchdowns on 22 car-

for a 28-12 win over Roby.

Cox, 13-17-0--215, Ramirez,

Babb, 0-2-1--0, Russell Stimmel, 0-1-0--0;

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1-18, Tyler Matthews, 1-3.

Stanton 28,

Roby 12

ries. He got an early start on his big night, scoring on a 32-yard run on Stanton's first offensive drive.

along the way, adding a new

dimension to the Packers'

big moment in Dallas last year.

said. "We've moved on."

And it shows.

time MVP.

And he's not dwelling on his

"That was last year," Rodgers

Romo, meanwhile, grew up in

Wisconsin looking up to Favre.

Romo's freewheeling ways —

on and off the field — and aw-

shucks persona make him far

more Favre-like than the man

who actually replaced the three-

The numbers are there, too.

Romo is coming off a 312-yard

performance in a victory over

Philadelphia on Monday night,

with three touchdowns, an inter-

Packers coach Mike McCarthy

said. "That's obviously very

important. Just in the game

"He doesn't get rattled,"

ception and a fumble.

Noland added a 2-vard score later in the first and had two 7-yard scampers in the third period.

Stanton played a bend, but don't break defense, giving up 283 rushing yards to Roby, but allowing the Lions to score just two touchdowns.

Stanton goes into its bye week with a win and will try to build off its momentum against Iraan Oct. 3.

Monday night, he had a couple bumps in the road and responded very positively. He gives them a chance every time he's under center, and that's what you're looking for in your quarter-

Romo was hailed as a downhome hero for stopping to help a couple fix a flat tire last week. Can a blue jeans commercial be far off?

"I take my job and take what I do in football very serious, but I don't take myself that serious," Romo said. "I don't think I'm that important of an individual. I think I'm blessed with the ability to play a game and I think that I'm doing some good things in that. But I also think outside of that, it's not as if I'm someone who is changing the landscape of anything that's of a relevance that's really super-important in this world."

SHS - Noland 2 run (Ramos kick), 6:55

RHS - Zach Floyd 46 run (pass failed)

Third Quarter

SHS - Noland 7 run (Ramos kick), 9:03

SHS - Noland 7 run (Ramos), 5:58

RHS - Floyd 1 run (pass failed), 3:29

Individual stats

3-9-1-28.

Rushing - Stanton, Robbie Noland, 22-172, Adam Montez, 6-45. Stanton, Tyler Fulton. Passing

Receiving — Stanton, Jacob Cazares

first time this season, the Sands Mustangs have to figure out how

This is Romo's third visit to Lambeau Field, a place the Cowboys have never won.

Romo was at Lambeau as a player for the Cowboys' loss in 2004 — he didn't become a starter until midway through the 2006 season — and remembers attending a preseason game as a teenager. But Romo doesn't seem particularly giddy about returning to his home state as a start-

"It was fun to go against the Packers, a team vou watched growing up, and fun to go against Favre," Romo said of last year's game. "But I'm getting a little older now, so you've been around certain different situations again. And it will still be fun, but I'm not in my second or first year anymore. So I think I'm obviously a wily veteran now."

And even as a (wink, wink) veteran player who has seen it

to respond after a loss.

The Mustangs proved to be slightly overmatched as the Sterling City Eagles used a balanced offense, rushing for 188 yards while passing for another

Meanwhile, the Mustangs' running game, which it had relied on heavily this season, was held to a mere 49 yards.

Quarterback Johnny Rogers did pass for four touchdowns, including a 62-yarder to Daniel Armendariz. Armendariz alse returned an interception 36 yards and a kickoff for 72 yards for scores.

#### Garden City 58, **Abilene Christian 12**

ABILENE Abilene all, Romo can't imagine what it's like to be in Rodgers' shoes.

"I don't think it was ever quite like that in a sense," Romo said. "I can relate to waiting, being behind, trying to get better as a player and (being) ready when your opportunity came about. But that was a little more than I went through, I think."

Romo has the tabloids and paparazzi; which superstar is he dating these days?

And do you think she's ruining the team? Rodgers, meanwhile, was ruthlessly heckled by little kids during the Favre saga. But he still says Romo has it worse.

"His life has been scrutinized, I think, as much as anybody's, and I think he does a great job balancing his personal life and his professional life," Rodgers said. "And he's a hell of a football player."

Christian's Trey Tyson took the game's opening kickoff 75 yards for a touchdown.

That proved to be an agent of false hope for ACHS, though, as the Garden City Bearkats scored the next 44 points en route to a 58-12 slaughter. The game didn't even last until halftime with officials executing the 45-point mercy rult with 1:41 left in the second.

Josh Colunga scored four of Garden City's eight touchdowns, including three in the first quarter. Jake Schwartz had two touchdowns, including a gameending 74-yard run.

The Bearkats celebrate homecoming next week, hosting Santa Anna.

#### Sterling City 58, Stanton 14 0 14 0-28 Sands 40 6 0 6 0-12 Roby STERLING CITY — For the First Quarter SHS - Robbie Noland 32 run (Thomas Ramos kick), 11:45

















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# GM officially raises the curtain on Volt

By SHAWN LANGLOIS

MarketWatch

SAN FRANCISCO — General Motors Corp. offered investors and its customer base a ray of hope on Tuesday when the troubled automaker officially unveiled its battery-powered Chevrolet Volt as part of its 100th anniversary celebration.

Chevy's plug-in hybrid, if it manages to live up to the lofty expectations, could become the new face of a company that's long been known more for horsepower and lots of metal.

The production version is less angular, and in the eyes of some critics, less interesting than the concept model that was the darling of the big Detroit auto show last year.

Design critiques aside, the hype compact offerings.

surrounding the planned 2010 launch has only seemed to gather momentum in recent months as demand for more fuel-efficient vehicles continues to grow.

The compact sedan's drivetrain runs solely on electricity and can go 40 miles on a single charge, with another 360 miles or so available when the gas in its small fuel tank kicks in to recharge the battery.

The engine will deliver the equivalent of 150 horsepower with a top speed of 100 miles per hour, the Detroit giant said.

GM still hasn't put a price tag on the vehicle, but some analysts have said it could reach as high as \$40,000, about double the cost of traditional

This isn't the first time the public has seen the production model. GM posted photos of the Volt on its media Web site earlier this month, claiming human error, although some were convinced it was a marketing ploy.

GM is celebrating its centennial birthday against a backdrop of plunging vehicle sales, tightening credit, still-high gas prices and the shakeup of the U.S. financial system.

In fact, the federal government's refusal to save brokerage Lehman Bros. from bankruptcy cast a shadow of doubt as to whether automakers would gain access to \$25 billion in loans that were written in to last year's energy bill.

### Suddenlink launching video on demand

**Special to the Herald** 

LUBBOCK — Beginning this week, Suddenlink plans to launch video-ondemand (VOD) service in its Abilene, Amarillo, Lubbock, Midland, San Angelo, Snyder and Sweetwater cable systems. Existing Suddenlink customers will start receiving more information by mail this week and next.

The new VOD service will be offered in Andrews, Big Spring and Plainview, as well as Clovis, N.M., later this year.

Access to this service will MTV, Comedy Central and

active program guide, Macrovision's i-Guide®, which Suddenlink is pre-loading on set-top boxes slated for delivery to new digital customers. The same guide will be deployed electronically to digital boxes that are already in customer homes.

Once enabled, Suddenlink's VOD service will offer thousands of viewing choices, including movies, sports, news, music and shows from popular cable networks such as Nickelodeon. NOGGIN.

be enabled by a new inter- Discovery. Local programming, including sports. news and events, also will be available.

> An expanded inventory of more than 40 channels of high-definition (HD) programming will be included in the mix. More than a third of the Suddenlink VOD library will be

The rest will be available for either a per-view charge or monthly subscription.

VOD allows viewers to order the titles of their choice via remote-control, at any

those titles for an extended period; typically, 24 hours. Viewers can also pause, rewind, and fast-forward their choices, much as they do with a VCR (video cassette recorder) or DVR (digital video recorder). In contrast, pay-per-view or PPV service offers a far more limited slate of programming than VOD and makes that programming available only at certain, pre-scheduled times.

"VOD service clearly puts more control in the customer's hands," said Dave Gilles, Suddenlink's West Region vice president.

# **Energy Watch**



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Last week was certainly action-packed when it comes to the energy markets. Crude managed to break a sixday fall but continued to hover around \$100, OPEC announced production cuts, global demand numbers were cut (again), and Hurricane Ike bore down on Texas, bringing with it warnings of "certain death."

Monday's oil prices did break a six-day fall but ended the day nearly flat. Prices for the day were bolstered by a rebounding dollar as the dollar hit an 11-month high against the Euro. However, many traders believe the dollars strength equals hard commodity assets weakness. One trader was quoted as saying, if the dollar continues to climb, "I think it's the end of the commodity boom, despite what so many of the commodity bulls will say." Oil has slipped more than \$40 from its mid-July crest above \$147 a barrel. That fact was front and center in Vienna as OPEC came together.

On Wednesday, OPEC agreed to cut production by 520,000 barrels a day as part of a broader move to lower its official production targets, in order to rein in what it considers excess oil supply on global markets. This decision was anticipated from OPEC, which supplies 40 percent of the world's oil. They are expected to implement its production cut over the next 40 days.

The focus now is how OPEC's change will be delivered to the market. The leadership has warned members to stick to the overall quota of 28.8 million barrels a day, down from the previous 29.67 million. However, there is seemingly room for a wide interpretation as to how the cuts will be achieved. One analyst believes it is not only Saudi Arabia but also Iran that would need to reduce production. We would not bet on Iran doing so, therefore the most likely scenario we see is for Saudi Arabia to make a slight cut, around 300K barrels a day and to readjust depending on the out put from Nigeria.

Also Wednesday, early gains were tempered by the International Energy Agency cutting global oil demand expectations for 2008 and 2009 on a weak outlook for the U.S. economy. The IEA said weaker economic growth and the effects of high oil prices were easing tight world crude market conditions, suggesting more downward pressure on energy prices ahead. "I think demand destruction is overwhelming at the moment. The economy looks bad, the EIA/IEA numbers are weak again," said a crude trader based in London, adding that it could be at least one to two months before any production cuts are felt in the market.

On Friday, oil prices rose as Hurricane Ike bore down on Texas. Forecasters warned residents of "certain death" if they ignored a mandatory-evacuation order. Oil prices rose modestly on concern about Ike's impact on production and potential damage. About 19 percent of U.S. refining capacity was shut in preparation for Ike's arrival, the storm shut in 97 percent of Gulf oil production and 93 percent if natural gas output. For the day, traders focused squarely on Ike. Temporarily putting aside their anxiety over shrinking demand amid a slowing global economy.

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### 4-H off to good start

Howard County 4-H kicked off its new year with an enrollment meeting Saturday, Sept. 13, at the Howard County show barns. There was a great turnout at the event. Those who haven't filled out membership forms can still do so at the Texas Agrilife Extension office, 300 S Main, in the courthouse basement.

**County Extension** Agents Kandy McWhorter and Lorena Gomez demonstrated how to make disaster kits for the home. Ali Knight won the drawing for the demonstration

Hot dogs and hamburgers were served for lunch.

### 4-H Spotlight

The young people participated in games and making origami cranes.

Our next meeting will be the Achievement Banquet Tuesday, Oct. 7, at 7 pm at K.C.'s Steakhouse. We will be recognizing our Gold Star winner, Outstanding **Adult Volunteer Leaders** and 4-H members who completed projects during the past 4-H year. Martha Couch, recently retired associate director for 4-H and Youth Development

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**Courtesy photo** 

Howard County 4-H held a registration event last Saturday at the county show barns.

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## FISD, Elbow Elementary honored





Courtesy photos

In the photo at left, Forsan Independent School District Superintendent Randy Johnson, right, receives a plaque from FISD School Board President Tom Bill Kuykendall honoring the district for its "Recognized" rating by the Texas Education Agency. In the photo at right, Kuykendall presents a similar plaque to Elbow Elementary Principal Steve Osborn in honor of his campus' TEA ranking. The presentations were made during Monday's school board meeting.

### **LETTERS**

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the middle of the road in front of Marcy, not stop when the crossing guard steps out, swerve to miss them, drive at least 45 in a 20 mph zone, etc. I am of course concerned about my child, but I also concerned about these crossing guards.

Some have become good friends, and I look forward to talking to them or waving at them every day. I am asking the public that drives near Marcy during school times, please, please be careful of our kids and those wonderful crossing guards. They're dedicated to their jobs, but shouldn't have to feel in danger every time they step out into the road. Thank you

from a concerned mom!
Shelley Futrelle
Big Spring

Way to go!
TO THE EDITOR,
Just wanted to
congratulate the Steers on
their Homecoming win
over Pampa. Wow! What
a game. The Steers played
great

KC PAYNE BIG SPRING

### Do it at the polls

In answer to Mr. Thomas Jenkins column on the Sept. 16. There are plenty of objections to the 5 cent increase (in the county tax rate), but to object in our commissioners court would not do any good other that to raise ones blood pressure. I believe the way to show our

dissatisfaction is at the polls.

KERRY MILLS
BIG SPRING

### Thank you To the Editor,

To all my friends in Big Spring, thank you for all the wonderful calls, cards, and flowers sent in behalf of Richard's "going to be with the Lord."

Our home was in Big Spring for 30 years. We were married in East Fourth Street Baptist Church, our sons were born there and we love all of you very much. We have family ties in Big Spring, and we will always cherish those memories we hold so dear.

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Grantor: Harvey C. Hocker

Grantee: Pete Rosenbaum

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Grantor: T.J. Rios and

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Date: Sept. 17, 2008

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Grantee: Toby Clanton

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Grantee: Joseph Dekeyser

Property: The S/50 feet of

of Block 21, College Heights

the S/100 feet of the NW/4

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Grantor: Kathy Mase

Date: Sept. 12, 2008

Hillcrest Terrace

Grantee: Michael Nairn

Property: Lot 2, Block 3,

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Date: Sept. 16, 2008

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Date: Sept. 15, 2008

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contest as a fund-raiser. County Judge Mark Barr, Big Spring Mayor Russ McEwen, State National Bank President Jim Purcell and KBST Radio personality Tim Larson have all volunteered their time and lips. Each volunteer will have a jar with

their picture on it. The jar with the most money will determine who will have the honor of kissing the pig. Donations will be accepted throughout the fair. Please come by and donate money into the jar of one of our great volunteers.

> Molly Walker, 4-H reporter

**District Court Filings:** Krista Pauline Carroll

vs. Charles Elvis Carroll, Alon USA LP vs. Howard

County Appraisal District. civil suit.

Ford Motor Credit Corporation vs. Travis W. Collins, civil suit.

Nora Valles vs. Martin Castaneda, protective order. Melissa Dawn Pena vs. Albert Smith Jr., protective order.

Debbie Rios vs. Joe Alvarez Rios, divorce. Citibank of South Dakota vs. Heston Fry, accounts, notes and contracts. Thomas W. Ross vs.

Vonda Lee Ross, divorce.

**Marriage Licenses:** 

Dennis Lynn Sweatt, 51, and Patsy Joyce Schlussel, 43, both of Odessa.

Wendell Gene Brown, 68, and Judy Charlene Akin, 64, both of Ft. Worth.

Christopher Scott Martin, 25, of Georgia, and Ami Lynn Williams, 25, both of Big Spring.

Oscar Short Melendez, 31, and Sheri Lyn Favel, both of Big Spring.

Jimmy Wayne Bledsoe Jr., 35, and Amy Marie Horton, 27, both of Big Spring.

Sean Edward Brooks, 19, and Jennifer Laverne Irwin, 20, both of Big Spring. Gene Woodrow Fowler, 59,

and Bonnie J. Chandler, 61, both of Big Spring. Adam Leos, 21, and Miranda Beth Cassidy, 19,

**Warranty Deeds:** Grantor: Jackie L.

both of Big Spring.

Murphree Grantee: Lyndon Young and June Young Property: A tract out of Section 43, Block 31, T-1-N,

T&P RR Co. Survey Date: Sept. 11, 2008 Grantor: Pearl Shifflett

Grantee: Steven Douglas Pilkington and Kathleen Pilkington Property: The S/18 feet of

Lot 4 and all of Lot 5, Block 6, Furrh Addition Date: Sept. 11, 2008

Grantor: Isabel and Pedro Sanchez

Grantee: Lucero Rosalinda **Dunn and Cherish Turner** Property: Lot 1, Block 2, Manning

Date: Sept. 12, 2008

Grantor: Maria Hamilton and James Hamilton Grantee: Swartz & Brough

Property: Lot 9. Block 2. Central Park Addition Date: Sept. 12, 2008

Grantor: First United Methodist Church of Big Spring

Grantee: Jill Brue Property: Lot 19, Block 2, **Edgemere Subdivision** Date: Sept. 12, 2008

Grantor: Cheryl Lain Cahill, executor for Jimmy Royce Cahill

Grantee: Cheryl Lain Cahill Property: One-half interest in four tracts out of Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey Date: Sept. 15, 2008

Grantor: Keith Greni and Jessica Greni Grantee: Ronald N. Parks

Property: A 2.5 acre tract out of Section31, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey Date: Sept. 12, 2008 Grantor: Marlene B. Woods Grantee: Jason Canales Property: Lot 11, Block 9, Stanford Park Date: Sept. 12, 2008

Grantor: Nathan Brian Day

Grantee: Richard H.

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Grantor: Dillard Teal Grantee: Brian Rawls Property: Lot 12, Block 23, College Park Date: Sept. 15, 2008

Grantor: Foxwest Properties LTD Grantee: Stephanie D. McIntosh Property: Lot 17, Block 4, **Douglass Addition** Date: Sept. 17, 2008

Grantor: Kenneth B. Scott Jr. and Brenda Scott Grantee: Toby Clanton Property: Lot 7, Block 5, Highland South No. 8 Date: Sept. 17, 2008

Grantor: Cleta Pike Grantee: Viana Porras Property: Lot 4, Block 17, Kentwood Unit No. 2 Date: Sept. 17, 2008

Grantor: Jimmy Clanton and Sharon Clanton Grantee: Cynthia Marie **Flowers** 

Property: The S/57 feet of Lot 14, Block 7, Washington Place

Date: Sept. 17, 2008

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### News in briefs

#### Official: At least 40 dead in Pakistan blast

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — Police say at least 40 people have died in a massive explosion that destroyed the luxury Marriott Hotel in Pakistan's capital.

Senior Police Official Asghar Raza Gardaizi says he fears "there are dozens more dead inside." He said that the Saturday blast, which reverberated throughout Islamabad, was caused by more than 1,000 kilograms of explosives.

The hotel is a favorite spot for foreigners to stay and socialize. It has heavy security, but has been a target of militants before.

#### Some 45,000 hurricane evacuees can return to Galveston

GALVESTON (AP) — One week after Hurricane Ike wiped out whole neighborhoods and nearly every basic service in Galveston, there is a plan to start letting some 45,000 evacuees back to their hobbled hometown.

Those who left heeded dire warnings to flee.

Now they've been given a new warning: Going home won't be easy.

No power, limited sewer services and spotty water utilities are among the trials that city officials say could await residents when a gradual reopening of Galveston begins next week.

"You will need to decide if you want to come back in those conditions," city manager Steve LeBlanc said Friday.

#### Bankruptcy judge OKs Lehman **Brothers sale of key businesses**

NEW YORK (AP) — A bankruptcy judge approved a plan just after midnight Saturday under which Lehman Brothers will sell its investment banking and trading businesses to Barclays.

The deal was said to be worth \$1.75 billion earlier in the week but the value was in

the terms on Friday. It may now be worth closer to \$1.35 billion, which includes the \$960 million price tag on Lehman's Midtown Manhattan office tower.

Lehman filed the biggest bankruptcy in U.S. history Monday, after Barclays declined to buy the investment bank in its entirety.

The British bank will take control of Lehman units that employ about 9,000 employees in the U.S.

"Not only is the sale a good match economically, but it will save the jobs of thousands of employees," Lehman lawyer Harvey Miller of Weil, Gotshal & Manges said.

#### McCain raises, spends personal best, transfers balance to the GOP

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican presidential nominee John McCain doubled his travel expenditures in August and increased his payroll and his media spending from the previous month while enjoying his biggest fundraising stretch of the campaign.

McCain reported raising \$47.5 million in August, with more than \$9 million coming in the three days after he announced his selection of Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin as his running mate, according to a report filed late Friday with the Federal Election Commission.

Overall, McCain spent nearly \$41 million in August — his most exorbitant month so far, but still shy of Democratic rival Barack Obama's whopping \$55 million in August expenditures.

McCain spent about \$23 million in advertising, his highest as he jockeyed for position against Obama in battleground states. McCain increased his staff spending, building up a payroll of nearly \$1.2 million. He also spent more than \$3 million on travel, at least twice as much as what he spent in July.

Obama had not yet filed his FEC report.

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campaign has announced he raised \$66 million in August, a record for a presidential campaign

#### Frustration brews in battered Ohio where some mark fifth day without electric power

CINCINNATI (AP) — Facing a fifth day without power, the residents of a senior housing community in western Ohio took to the street with foam signs to protest the failure of Dayton Power and Light Co. to restore electricity.

"You would think that based on our abilities, our capabilities, residents here should draw some priority," resident Bob Williams, 80, told the Dayton Daily News.

Power outages are more than an inconvenience at the Fairwood Village retirement community where some residents depend on oxygen devices, 911 service and working elevators.

Friday's protest seemed to get a reaction. Within three hours of residents heading to the curb with their placards, crews were working to restore power.

The protest was one of many indications that frustration continues to grow as utility crews work to restore electricity to the remaining 330,000 homes and businesses left in the dark since the remains of Hurricane Ike blew through Ohio on Sunday.

#### Bush administration urged to move quickly to carry out law ending HIV travel ban

WASHINGTON (AP) — Experts at an early August international AIDS conference in Mexico City were full of praise for the United States for having reversed a 15-year-old law banning HIV-positive people from entering the country.

But nearly two months after President home.

flux after lawyers announced changes to It is due at midnight Saturday. But his Bush signed that act into law, his administration has yet to take the steps needed to put the new law into practice. and lawmakers and advocacy groups are wondering what is going on.

> "We write to encourage you to act quickly to remove HIV from the list of communicable diseases of public health significance and end the HIV travel and immigration ban," Sens. John Kerry, D-Mass., and Gordon Smith, R-Ore., main backers of the measure in the Senate. wrote to Health and Human Services Secretary Michael Leavitt last month.

> Fifty-eight House Democrats last week went right to the top, writing a letter to Bush that urged him to take "swift action on this issue." The signees included California Reps. Barbara Lee, chief sponsor in the House, House Oversight Committee Chairman Henry Waxman, and House Foreign Affairs Committee Chairman Howard Berman, all California Democrats.

#### Fla. Medicaid recipients file federal lawsuit, say state forces them to live in nursing homes

PLANT CITY, Fla. (AP) — Charles Todd Lee spent a lifetime going backstage at concerts, following politicians on the campaign trail and capturing iconic shots of everyone from Martin Luther King Jr. to Mick Jagger to Mickey Mantle. Today, he enjoys such freedom only in his dreams.

The 67-year-old photographer has been confined to a nursing home for five years, the victim of a stroke that paralyzed his left side. And he's angry.

"Most of the people come here to die, so you want to die," he said. "It is a prison. I can't escape it."

Lee is among the Medicaid recipients across Florida challenging the nightmare of the old and disabled: to be forced from comfort and familiarity into a nursing



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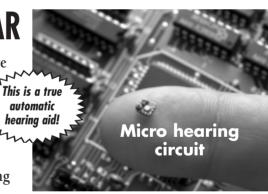
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Hormonal changes can cause her to become needy and demanding, or cranky and prone to growl and snap when handled. (Its called PMS in humans.)

She should never be allowed to mate before she is 18 to 24 months old. A dog may look and seem like an adult by 12 months of age, but they are still growing and maturing.

Her body isn't physically ready to go through pregnancy and she isn't mature enough to care for babies. She is still a baby herself. Raising a litter of puppies can be more expensive than the cost of spaying. The eight weeks of caring for a pregnant mother and eight more weeks of caring for mother and babies is expensive and time consuming.

Spaying is usually done between the ages of six and nine months. A spayed female will not have the heat cycles twice a year that require vigilant care and watching to prevent pregnancy. She will not have the hormonal mood swings and urges to go roaming. She will be more devoted to family and home. Spaying eliminates the visiting males that are attracted from great distances by her exciting perfume. These guys can be very persistent and will usually hang around your yard for two to three weeks. You may have to deal with dog fights, howling and serenading through the night.

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are the cause of weight gain Most spayed dogs and their owners live a happier, less stressful life.

Intact male dogs are much more difficult to live with than neutered males. It is almost impossible to have an intact male and not have to deal with leg hiking and marking in the home. This is his way of saying "I'm here and this is my kingdom." Males can become very aggressive and territorial when they are attracted to a female in season. It's not that he doesn't love you anymore, nature takes over and the hormonal urges will usually over ride the desire

eating and lack of exercise to stay with home and He will actually family. Determined males can chew through walls and doors, and have been known to break through windows and glass doors, causing damage to themselves.

> Neutering is usually done between the ages of six and 10 months. A neutered male will be more content to stay home and not roam. He will be less interested in marking territory and looking for attractive girls. He will get along with other dogs and pets better, and have fewer dominance issues. Being neutered will not interfere with his masculinity or his value as a watch dog.

be more interested in being at home to watch and protect than his intact counterpart. Being neutered also has some health

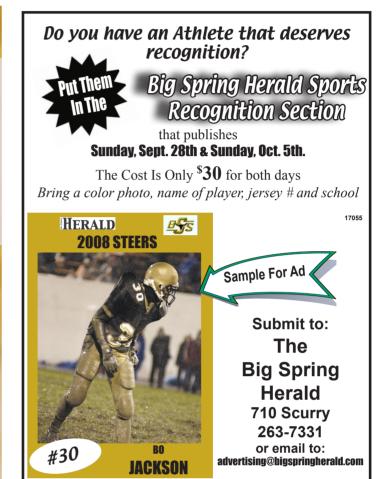
benefits, it prevents testicular cancer and some prostate problems in older dogs. A neutered male makes a much better pet and companion.

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### Y to promote better fitness

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

The YMCA wants you to get moving.

To celebrate America On The Move Week, the local Y will hold an open house for everyone in the community Monday through Friday, Director Pete Thiry said.

vance is just part of a larger effort being undertaken by YMCAs across the country — called Activate America — to encourage people to

The week-long obser-

— to encourage people to pursue a more active lifestyle.

America on The Move is for one week. Activate America is the umbrella program designed to do exactly that — to get people to have an active, healthy lifestyle," Thiry said. "We're trying to encourage that by hosting the open house."

Statistics bear out the need for Americans to become more active — more than 50 million people in this country are either overweight or obese, with the largest increase coming from young people under the age of 18. To blame

"America On The Move is the sedentary lifestyle is for one week. Activate America is the umbrella program designed to do extelevision, officials said.

To encourage a more active lifestyle, the local YMCA is offering a variety of activities free to the general public this week, including swimming privileges, free fitness classes and access to the Y's fitness center, game room and skate park.

The new game room features more traditional table-top games such as ping pong, air hockey and foosball, as well as more high-tech attractions as exercycles that work with Playstation racing games, Thiry said.

Those interested in joining the YMCA Big Steps Walking Program will receive a free pedometer to track the distance they walk every day, he added.

For more information, contact the YMCA at 267-8234.

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 234 or by e-mail at reporter@ bigspringherald.com









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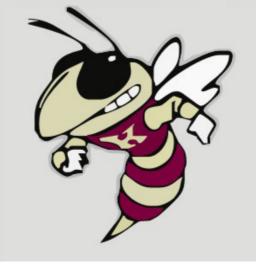


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- 1 Vandals, e.g.
- **10** Analysis **15** Pier
- **16** Went for
- boxer's training
- **20** Bad
- 24 Words before a showdown
- of '57
- 30 Stock
- 33 Present itself
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- contemporary 41 Low fellow 42 Electrify
- kid 44 Take a dip 45 Tweed
- antagonist **47** Physicist
- 55 Future GP's

#### **SATURDAY STUMPER** by Doug Peterson Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

**Newsday Crossword** 

- picker-upper
- 17 Part of a
- 18 Selling
- points 19 SALT subj.
- 21 Pound pieces 22 Etc. category
- 26 Grant costar
- 28 Rusted
- comments 32 Crick
- 36 Least refined **38** Triple Crown
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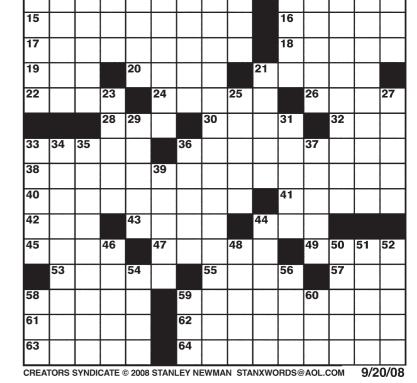
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- 52 Barbra's Yentl costar 54 Foster
- 56 Bound **58** Organizer **59** Three-striper
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#### Legals

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

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Cynthia Galvan #48 Lucy Garza #140 Sonya Hall #36 Beverly Wren C-6 James Cogburn #117 Oralia Mojica C-21 Armando Lopez #132 Manuel Chavera #178 #5909 September 21 & 28, 2008

#### **AMERICAN SELF STORAGE** Pursuant to Chapter 59, Texas Property Code, American Self Storage which is located at 3314 E. FM 700 Big Spring, TX 79720 will hold a public auction of property being

sold to satisfy a landlord's lien. Sale will be at 11:00 o'clock A.M. on Saturday, October 4th, 2008, at 3314 East F.M. 700 Big Spring, Texas. Property will be sold to highest bidder for cash. Seller reserves the right to not accept any bid and to withdraw property from sale. Property may be sold item by item or in batches, or by the space. All sales are subject to Texas State Sales Tax. Sale is on the contents

Tenant: Unit #154 Raul Guerra Tentant: Unit #25 Rodney Robert-

Tenant: Unit #35 Jose L. DeLaCruz Tenant: Unit #145 Jason Lopez Tenant: Unit #120 Jacob Strain #5906 September 21 & 28, 2008

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#### Legals

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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 9th day of September, 2008, at 10:00 a.m., levy upon and will proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder at public auction on the 7th day of October, 2008, 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-4751 Howard County, et al vs. Armando Franco, Jr., Mary Ann Franco and Petra Franco Being a 2.33 acre tract of land out of the NW/4 of Sc 28, Bk 32, T1N T&P RR Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas, Howard County, Texas, to include Personal Prop-Mobile Home 28x48 Lbl#TEX0554751 & TEX0554752

T-5038 Howard County, et al vs. Grace M. Grandstaff and O. L. Grandstaff

A 3.5 acre tract out of Section 44, Block 32, T1N, Howard County, Texas, Howard County, Texas

Howard County, et al vs. Grace M. Grandstaff and O. L. Grandstaff

That portion of a 2.26 acre tract lying North of the 80' right-of-way for Second Street; Said 2.26 acre tract being out of Section 44, Block 32, T1N, Howard County, Texas

T-5231 Howard County, et al vs. Johnny Rueda

Lot 4, Blk 17, Jones Valley Addition, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas T-5358

Howard County, et al vs. Lois Corning and Tessie Harris Lot 2, Blk 2, Highland Park Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

T-5368 Howard County, et al vs. Proffitt Day Care, Inc. Being a 0.72 acre tract of land, more or less, out of the SE/4 of Section 12, Blk 33, T1S, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas

Howard County, et al vs. Jose R. Martinez and Maria De La Luz Martinez Lot 4, Blk 5, Avion Village Addition, City of Big Spring, Howard County,

T-5418 Howard County, et al vs. Angel Arleta Callaway ot 12 Blk / Maca Spring, Howard County, Texas T-5418

Howard County, et al vs. Angel Arleta Callaway Lot 11, Blk 4, Mesa Addition, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas T-5491

Howard County, et al vs. Andy Lopez and Aminta Lopez Undivided one-half (1/2) interest in Lot 11, Blk 10, Government Heights to Bauer Addition, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas Undivided one-half (1/2) interest in Lot 11, Blk 10, Government Heights to Bauer Addition, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

Howard County, et al vs. Andy Lopez and Aminta Lopez Undivided one-half (1/2) interest in Lot 12, Blk 10, Government Heights to Bauer Addition, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas Undivided one-half (1/2) interest in Lot 12, Blk 10, Government Heights to Bauer Addition, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

Howard County, et al vs. Chon Subia and Angelita Robles Lot 12, Blk 8, Government Heights to Bauer Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas T-5507

Howard County, et al vs. Cherie Lynn Dorton Estate Lot 15, Blk 11, Monticello Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County,

Texas

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 9th day of Septem-

ber, 2008. Dale L. Walker SHERIFF OF HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS BY:George Quintero Jr. Deputy

#5902 September 14, 21 and 28,

### Tomorrow's Horoscope

don't take them up on it,

vour "score" goes way up.

CANCER (June 22-July

22). A thing of beauty is a

joy forever, not because it

lasts, but because it does-

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and artful moments of

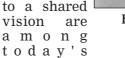
connection today never to

be repeated. You can,

### BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

with life as spiritual Neptune

engages Mars today. Neptune stirs creative impulses, so artmaking or contributing to a shared vision are



favored= activities. If you're running on creative or energetic "empty," consider that both are limitless in supply, and emanate from an invisible source to animate all things.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You do have something important to impart to the people around you, but don't be surprised if, when the time comes, you freeze up a bit. Follow your gut. When the moment is right, the message will be effortless.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You're about to get wildly busy doing something you've never done before. This whirlwind will invigorate your life. Rest, eat right and get good and ready. The first signs that it's coming happen this afternoon.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Having large lines of unused credit makes you look stable in the eyes of banks. The same goes for the favors among friends. When they offer and you

#### Legals

Westbrook ISD is currently accepting bids for the purchase of a 2008 Suburban LT with standard options in either creme, cobalt, or white. Bids shall be submitted and addressed to:

Mr. Todd Burleson Superintendent Westbrook ISD P.O. Box 99

Westbrook, Texas 79565 The bid deadline is 2:00 p.m. Thursday, October 10, 2008. Telephone inquiries may be made to Mr. Todd Burleson, at (325)644-2311. Westbrook ISD reserves the right to accept and/ or reject any and/ or all bids and waive any irregularities. #5911 September 21, 2008

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Pursuant to Chapter 59. Texas Property Code, AAA Mini Storage which is located at 3301 E. FM 700 Big Spring, TX 79720 will hold a public auction of property being sold to satisfy a landlord's lien. Sale will be at 10:00 o'clock A.M. on September 27, 2008, at AAA Mini Storage, 3301 East FM 700, Big Spring, TX 79720. Property being sold includes contents in spaces of following tenants, with brief description of contents in each

Matthew F. Scroggins Jamia Dickens Leighann Leal Laura A. Villa Tris Clemons Jaqueline Byrd Justin Flentge #5903 September 14 & 21, 2008.

Claudia H. Martinez

#### CITY OF BIG SPRING **NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

Pursuant to the authority granted by the City Council of the City of Big Spring, Texas, the City of Big Spring will receive sealed bids on the following date/time for the purchase of the below items/equipment:

1. Date/Time: Tuesday, October 6, 2008, at 2:00 p.m., for the following

- 1. Aluminum Sulfate 2. Calcium Hydroxide
- 3. Radio and Tower Maintenance

4. Uniforms for City Employees Bids are to be opened and read aloud in the City Council Chambers at 310 Nolan Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720, with award to be made at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Big Spring City Council. Bid information and specifications may be obtained from the Office of the Purchasing Agent, 1380 Airpark Drive East, Bldg. #19 Big Spring, Texas 79720. All bids must be marked with the date of the bid and a general description of the bid item(s). The City of Big Spring reserves the

right to reject any or all bids and to waive any or all formalities. #5910 September 21 & 28, 2008

### We feel "in the flow'



MATHIS

however, always reflect back on their perfection. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). When you listen to your heart, it tells you to take more time with your daily tasks. From dressing to sharing with loved ones or cooking your meals, it's all an opportunity for the grace of the universe to shine through

you. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Give yourself a break from wondering what someone else is doing. Stay focused on what you're doing. Suspicion is exhausting. Once someone has earned your trust, let it stay earned for a while.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You're finally feeling ready to express your needs and concerns to your significant other. Be honest and straightforward about an issue that has been weighing on your heart. Don't worry about saying the wrong thing, just speak up!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You really want justice for all. Your ability to see a problem from both sides today will be extremely useful to those closest to you. Sharing your clarity and focus will result in an unexpected compromise.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You have the time to do exactly what you want; however, only if you forgo doing what someone else wants. The one who is truly on your side -- perhaps a Taurus -- will completely under-

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The laugher is welled up inside you, just looking for a release. It's not difficult for you to see how the world is funny. And it's even more wonderful when someone shares your keen sense of humor.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You're drawn to ethereal ideas and are growing in your understanding of spiritual realms. Inclined to surrender yourself to a higher power, you get answers through meditation or old-fashioned good prayer.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You're feeling open to new ways of thinking. So be careful whom you hang out with. Your impressionable and alltoo-trusting nature could make you vulnerable to unsavory advice. Stick with those you truly admire.

**CELEBRITY** PRO-FILES: Nicole Richie could have been a precocious starlet with oodles of attitude, but that's just not her style. Nicole is a modest-minded Virgo who takes the talent and privilege she's blessed with, with a grain of salt. This doesn't mean she doesn't experience the temptations and engage in the glamour of being a public personality, but it's her Virgo nature to have a measure of selfcontrol.

Holiday Mathis is the author of "Rock Your Stars." If you would like to write to her, please go to www.creators.com and click on "Write the Author" on the Holiday Mathis page, or you may send her a postcard in the mail. To find out more about Holiday Mathis, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators

### Annie's Mailbox •

now I have a real problem. One of my highacquaintances school achieved considerable success as an actor. You would probably recognize his name.

Over the years, we have been in occasional contact, always discussing ideas and events as opposed to personal matters. I've never misrepresented my lifestyle, but neither have I ever had any reason to bring it up, so my friend knows nothing about our circumstances. After all these years, he and his wife will be passing through our town on their way to a vacation abroad. He writes that they would love to spend a few days with us in the old hometown, and of course, we would love to have them.

The gulf between our situations is vast. He's long retired and well-to-do socializes celebrities. We live in a two-bedroom house. We have no savings and our only income is Social Security. By very careful budgeting, we've managed to stay afloat. How can we possibly host these people in a way that will not embarrass them (and us)? Panicked in New England

Dear Panicked: If your friend wanted four-star accommodations, would have booked the

Answer to previous puzzle G A B B L E S C L E M E N S
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Dear Annie: At 81, I Ritz. He's looking to thought I had my life pret-spend time with an old ty well under control, but friend in relaxing surroundings. If you try too hard to impress him, neither of you will have a good time. You might give him a brief alert: "We're thrilled to have you, Cary, but I hope you're not expecting anything fancy. The accommodations are quite modest." Otherwise, please treat them as you would any other guests. If your meals won't stretch far enough, perhaps you can arrange to split some hosting duties with other hometown friends, which will not only give you some relief, but allow your guests to enjoy a change of scenery. Have

Dear Annie: I have a wonderful friend who has become a complete cell phone addict. Last week I gave her a ride to the airport, which I was happy to do, but it was clearly a favor. All the way there, she ignored me and yakked on her cell phone to her grown children.

I was insulted, but figured if I complained, I would appear jealous of her relationship with her kids, of which she is quite proud. Don't cell phone addicts realize they make the people they are with feel like a dime waiting on a dollar? What can I do? -- Cell Free

Dear Cell Free: People who are overly attached to their phones do not realize how rude they are, and in this instance, your friend may have been showing off a bit. You can tell her that it bothers you to be deliberately ignored and hope she will shape up. Or, you can simply stop whatever you are doing and pointedly but politely wait for her to finish her conversation. If that means parking the car, do it.

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### Area Menus

#### **Big Spring City Senior** Citizen's Center Monday

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chocolate pudding. **Tuesday** 

chicken-fried steak, seasoned rice, green beans, rolls, milk, cherry pink cloud.

Wednesday

barbecue sandwich, potato salad, pinto beans, milk, ambrosia

**Thursday** chicken spaghetti, tossed salad, bread sticks, milk, strawberry cobbler

Friday fried catfish, French fries, pinto beans, coleslaw, milk, cornbread, cake.

#### Coahoma ISD Monday

Breakfast: biscuits, gravy, sausage, orange juice, milk.

Lunch: hamburgers, salad trays, chips, peaches, milk. **Tuesday** 

Breakfast: waffles, syrup, sausage links, orange juice, milk.

Lunch: chili-dogs, ranch beans, applesauce cups, milk, burritos.

Wednesday Breakfast: pancakes sausage-on-a-stick, applesauce cups, syrup,

milk.

Lunch: shake/bake chicken, creamed potatoes, grapes, bread, milk, corn dogs.

**Thursday** Breakfast: Pop Tarts, sausage links, grape juice,

> milk. Lunch: pizza, corn, pineapples, milk. **Friday**

Breakfast: oatmeal, sausage, grape juice, milk.

Lunch: nacho grande, baked beans, fruit cups, milk.

### Forsan ISD

Breakfast: cereal, juice, milk.

**Monday** 

Lunch: pizza, tossed salad, fresh bananas, chocolate cake, milk.

> **Tuesday** Breakfast: muffins.

bananas, juice, milk. Lunch: barbecue chicken, macaroni and cheese, tossed salad, chilled pears, corn bread, milk.

Wednesday Breakfast: cheese toast, juice, milk. Lunch: burritos, Spanish rice, tossed salad, fresh fruit choice, sugar cookies,

#### milk. **Thursday**

Breakfast: cinnamon rolls, juice, milk. Lunch: fajita chicken over rice, broccoli and cheese. seasoned corn, fresh bread sticks, apricot fruit fluff, milk.

#### **Friday**

Breakfast: sausage-on-astick, juice, milk. Lunch: streak fingers, mashed potatoes w/gravy, green beans, hot rolls, frozen cherry bars, milk.

#### **Big Spring ISD** Monday **Breakfast**

Elementary: breakfast pizza, grape juice, milk. High School: French Toast Sand. BB, milk. Lunch: pork rib sandwich, hoagie rolls, strawberries, sugar cookies, baked potatoes, milk.

#### **Tuesday Breakfast**

Elementary: sausage patty, biscuits, applesauce cups, milk.

High School: breakfast pizza, apple juice, Honey Nut Cheerios BB, milk. Lunch: tuna and noodles, carrot sticks, applesauce,

#### yeast rolls, milk. Wednesday Breakfast

Elementary: cereal, sausage links, orange juice, milk.

High School: breakfast pizza, apple juice, Frosted Flakes BB, milk.

Lunch: char-meatballs, barbecue sauce, mandarin oranges, wheat rolls, green

#### peas, milk. **Thursday**

Breakfast Elementary: PBJ uncrustables, fruit punch, milk

High School: breakfast pizza, apple juice, Lucky Charms BB, milk. Lunch: beef taco pie, raw broccoli, ranch dressing, apricots, corn bread, milk.

#### **Friday**

Breakfast Elementary: strawberry Pop Tarts, pears, milk. High School: Strawberry Pop Tarts, fruit cocktail,

milk. Lunch: sausage pizza, corn on the cob, grape freeze, yeast rolls, fresh fruit, milk.

#### **Stanton ISD** Monday

Breakfast: waffles/syrup. Lunch: barbecue on a bun or tuna sandwich, vegetarian beans, vegetable sticks, fresh fruit, chips, ranch dressing.

#### **Tuesday**

Breakfast: oatmeal. Lunch: spaghetti or salisbury steak, green beans, garden salad, applesauce, French bread.

> Wednesday Breakfast: bacon or biscuits & gravy.

Lunch: pizza or chef salad, peas & carrots, garden salad, pears, ranch dressing.

**Thursday** Breakfast: French toast.

Lunch: soft burritos or beef/bean chalupa, Spanish rice, corn, lettuce/tomato salad, pineapple.

Friday Breakfast: burritos.

Lunch: hamburger or cheeseburgers, French fries, hamburger salad, orange smiles.

### Stork Club



Nathan Alexander Franco Aug. 20, 2008

Nathan Alexander Franco was born Wednesday, Aug. 20, 2008, weighing 7 pounds, 10 ounces and was 19 inches long. He is the son of Julie Anderson and Raymond Franco. His grandparents are Dolores Franco, Julian and Rosie Franco, all of Big Spring; and Doug and Ginger Anderson of Richardson. His great-grandparents are Manuel and Lupe Martinez of Coahoma and Oscar and Cleofas Franco of Big Spring.

### 5 Generations



Pictured are baby Jolee Rae Battle, father Jason Battle, grandparent Roger Battle, great-grandparent Myrtie Lee, and great-great-grandparent Fabris Moore.

"Someone is picking on me."

# Bullying and Harassment

#### What Is It?

Bullying is when one person hurts or threatens someone in their peer group. Anyone can be a bully, and bullying can be carried out in different ways. Physical bullying may include shoving, pushing, and hitting. Words and non-verbal behavior can also be used to hurt someone by spreading rumors, taking part in gossip, or threatening someone with looks, notes, or pictures. Bullies may choose to pick on peers who are smaller or younger than they are, or who are from a different race or culture, or they may pick on someone who is different in some other way.

Bullying might happen once or over and over again. If bullying includes physical or sexual harm or damage to property, makes you feel intimidated or afraid to go to school, or disrupts the regular school day in a threatening way, it is probably also assault or harassment. These behaviors are against school rules and many are also against the law. If a bully attacks you or steals something from you, you can report the incident to the police. You can also report school-related bullying to your school, and you should expect the school to take action to confront the behaviors, discipline the bully, and ensure your safety at school, traveling to and from school, and at school activities. Check with an adult in your school to find out more about your rights.

### If You Are a Victim of Bullying, You Might:

- Feel angry, sad, lonely, or depressed.
- Feel like you have no friends.
- Find that you are getting into fights.
- Want to hurt someone else or yourself. Feel like taking steps to defend yourself.
- Feel helpless to stop the bullying.
- Feel hopeless that anything can be done.
- Be afraid to go to school, or feel anxious all the time.
- Feel bad about yourself.



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