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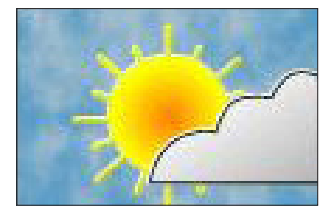


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## TB risk low, say officials

*Case at SMMC prompts testing of employees, 300 patients*

By **BILL McCLELLAN**  
News Editor

A Scenic Mountain Medical Center employee has tested positive for tuberculosis, according to hospital officials, who said the case has been reported to the Texas Department of State Health Services.

The employee, who was not named, is being treated and is not present in the hospital, officials said.

"Although the risk of infection is extremely low, the hospital is taking all recommended precautionary measures and working closely with the Health Department to provide notification and testing for any patient or hospital employee who may have had close contact with the affected individual between Oct. 12, 2008, and Feb. 29, 2009," said George Parsley, Scenic Mountain Medical Center CEO.

Approximately 300 patients who may have had contact with the employee will receive a letter from the Health Department informing them of possible exposure and outlining the process for testing, according to Jose Padilla, communicable disease program manager for Health Services in Region 9/10. He

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HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

**Local Salvation Army commander Capt. Ed Chesire, left, and Citizen's Advisory Board President Sammy Denard unveil an artist's depiction of the new Boys and Girls Club during groundbreaking ceremonies Friday morning.**

## Ground broken

*Dignitaries pave way for new Boys and Girls Club*

By **STEVE REAGAN**  
Staff Writer

Before the year ends, Salvation Army officials hope to open the doors to a new Boys and Girls Club building in Big Spring.

Groundbreaking ceremonies for the planned 17,000-square-foot facility were held just before noon Friday and dignitaries took the oppor-

tunity to salute what the club will mean to children in Big Spring.

"This will provide children who don't have anywhere to go after school ... a place in the world," said Mayor Pro Temp Gloria McDonald, who read a proclamation declaring Friday Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club Day in Big Spring.

Capt. Ed Chesire, commander of

the local Salvation Army office, said no formal construction timetable has been set, but added that officials are hopeful the building, which will be constructed adjacent to the SA headquarters on West Fifth, will be open by the end of 2009.

Once completed, it will provide

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## Stimulus to fund summer jobs for youth

By **BILL McCLELLAN**  
News Editor

The stimulus package signed by President Barack Obama could help area youth get jobs this summer.

The local Workforce Solutions office will take applications Saturday, March 28 from young men and women age 14 to 24 who may qualify



**Gross**

wages to the youth, who are

for the Summer Youth Employment and Training program under the Workforce Investment Act.

"Using stimulus funds, the Workforce Solutions actually pays hourly wages to the youth, who are

placed in local businesses," said Carla Gross, operations manager for Workforce Solutions Permian Basin.

Those who want to apply must meet income eligibility guidelines and are asked to provide copies of their birth certificate, Social Security cards for everyone in their home, a picture identification

if possible, proof of in-school status (such as a report card) and sources of income.

The Workforce Solutions Permian Basin office is located at 501 S. Main, Suite 235, in Big Spring. It is on the 2nd floor of the Big Spring Post Office building.

Youth with last names beginning with A through L

need to arrive between 9 a.m. and noon Saturday. Those whose last names begin with M through Z should arrive from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

Youth selected for the sum-

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## Howard Collegemobile? It's in the works!

By **STEVE REAGAN**  
Staff Writer

If prospective students can't come to Howard College, Howard College is going to come to them.

College trustees are expected to give the green light to a project that would provide a sort of traveling

recruitment center for the college when they hold their monthly meeting at 12:30 p.m. Monday in the Student Union Building Tumbleweed Room.

The Mobile GO Center will consist of a trailer containing computers and other equipment designed

to give prospective students information about the college, President Dr. Cheryl Sparks said.

An added attraction is that it will be free of charge to district taxpayers — money for the program will

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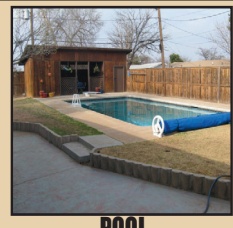
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### Steers head into district with win streak

**Herald Staff Report**

For the past two games the Big Spring Steers baseball team has played, Head Coach Burt Otto has had the same feeling.

"We played probably our most complete this season," he said.

The Steers blasted the Monahans Lobos Friday, 13-4, giving the Steers a two-game win streak heading into District 4-4A play.

Up 4-1 with two runs already across in the bottom of the third, Rance Terry blew the game open for the

Steers, hitting a bases loaded double to left to clear the bags and put the Steers up 7-1.

Monahans answered with a 3-run homer from Blake Hughes in the top of the fifth, pulling within 7-4, but the Lobos couldn't get any closer.

Just for good measure, the Steers added six more runs in the bottom of the sixth, coming one run short of ending the game via the mercy rule.

Matt Ritchey picked up his first win on the mound for the Steers this season, pitching five innings. Left-hander Colby Landis came in and took care of the sixth and seventh,

earning his first save of the year. Monahans helped the Steers greatly, committing six errors.

Terry finished the game with five RBI, while Jeremy Solis knocked in two runs.

The Steers open district play at 7 p.m. Tuesday in Plainview.

**Monahans 010 030 0-4 8 5**  
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Blake Hughes, Ty Horton (4), Kaleb Warden (6) and Ty Horton, Ricky Robledo (4). Matt Ritchey, Colby Landis (6) and Rance Terry. W - Ritchey (1-2). L - Hughes. S - Landis (1). 2B: BS - Terry. 3B: BS - Martin Yanez. HR: MHS - Hughes. RBI: BS - Terry 5, Jeremy Solis 2, Kaegan Hunt, Ritchey, Steven Islas, Mike Enriquez.

### Habitual winners

*No. 1 Hawks remain undefeated with two wins over El Paso CC*

**By JONATHAN HULL**

Sports Editor

Facing the best hitting team they had seen all season, the Howard College Hawks pitching staff got a bit of a scare in the opening innings of two games against El Paso Community College Friday at Jack Barber Field.

Fortunately, the Hawks' bats had a response.

Howard (22-0, 10-0) remained undefeated on the season, sweeping a double-header from El Paso, 13-6 and 15-7.

In both games, El Paso put the No. 1 Hawks in a hole with offensive surges in the first inning. However, Howard's sticks were mightier as the Hawks hit a combined seven home runs in the two games.

"El Paso is always one of the best hitting teams we see," said Howard Head Coach Britt Smith. "This game was good for us in a lot of ways. We came out and got down early, but responded well. We had a real good week of practice. We got some guys back who had been hurt.

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HERALD photo/Tony Claxton

**Howard College slugger Monk Kreder hits a solo home run in the bottom of the seventh inning of the second game of a double-header against El Paso Community College Friday at Jack Barber Field. The Hawks swept EPCC to remain undefeated on the season.**



HERALD photo/Jonathan Hull

**Coahoma's Heather Newton pitches at the Class 2A State Softball Tournament in Austin May 31, 2008.**

### Newton pitches no-hitter in Coahoma's district opening victory over GC

**Herald Staff Report**

COAHOMA — Coahoma has lost just one district softball game in the history of the program.

However, new competition in 2009 was thought to bring potential problems and threaten to end the Bulldogettes' streak of district titles.

So far, so good.

The Bulldogettes made their first district game look routine Friday, routing Grape Creek, 7-0, as pitcher Heather Newton tossed a no-hitter.

Newton struck out 15 batters and would have had a perfect game were it not for two Bulldogette fielding errors.

With the win, Coahoma (13-8, 1-0) has now won 11 straight games after opening the season 2-8.

Joanna Gonzales shined at the plate, going 3 for 4 and driving in three runs. Berkley Iden was also 3 for 4 and scored three times.

The Bulldogettes played a double-header Saturday, hosting Greenwood at 1 p.m. and Marfa at 3 p.m. They pick back up with District 7-2A play at 6 p.m. Tuesday, hosting Jim Ned.

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Aguila and Corey. Heather Newton and Berkley Iden. W - Newton (8-1). L - Aguila. 2B: CHS - Jennifer Castilaw, Breanna Conner, Kalea Neff. 3B: CHS - Newton. RBI: CHS - Joanna Gonzales 3, Newton, Castilaw, Neff.

### Hobbs edges Lady Steers

**By JONATHAN HULL**

Sports Editor

Big Spring's Lady Steers started the District 4-4A season Tuesday with a tough loss to perennial favorite Frenship.

The loss spurred Head Coach John Sparks to make some changes.

With a defensive lineup used for the first time this season Friday, Sparks was encouraged by a 3-2 loss to Hobbs, N.M., at Lady Steer Park in a non-district game.

"We're at a point in the season where we have to figure out what is going to work for us defensively," said Sparks. "I was real proud of the way the girls played. Hobbs got on us early, but we didn't panic and played hard throughout the game. Nobody quit tonight."

All the runs in the game were scored in the first two innings.

Hobbs got on the board first as Cassie Edwards hit a 2-run homer. Jessica Gibson later scored in the inning, courtesy of a base hit by Kayae Burnell.

The Lady Steers put together a small rally in the second.

Linzee Yarbar and Mirella Torres led off the inning with back-to-back one-out singles. Both of them crossed the plate courtesy of a double by Jillian Valle.

Big Spring had a chance to at least tie the game in the bottom of the sixth, managing to get runners to second and third with one out.

Hobbs pitcher Evelyn Duante was able to force a popout and then got a grounder to end the inning.

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### Burton, Burchett lead Buffs in win

**Herald Staff Report**

WINTERS — Make it two district wins for the Forsan Buffaloes baseball team.

The Buffs used strong showings at the plate by Evan Burton and Foster Burchett to cruise past Winters, 8-4, Friday.

The Buffs opened up the scoring in the fourth inning, when Evan Burton took a pitch over the fence for a solo home run.

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### Bulldogs sweep two from Greenwood

**Herald Staff Report**

GREENWOOD — Coahoma's Bulldogs played a rare regular season baseball doubleheader Friday, picking up a pair of wins over Greenwood's Rangers, 11-4 and 13-11.

In both games, the Bulldogs needed late-inning rallies to pull out the victories.

In Game 1, the game was tied at four going into the top of the sixth inning, when Coahoma scored seven runs to take a commanding 11-4 advantage.

The Bulldogs got plenty of help from the Rangers, who committed nine errors. Nathan Deperto benefitted on the mound, claiming the win.

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### Sports in brief

#### Relay for Life Dodgeball Tourney set for Saturday

A dodgeball tournament to raise funds for Relay for Life has been scheduled for Saturday at the Big Spring Junior High gymnasium.

Registration begins at 10 a.m. and costs \$5 a person to play. There must be four boys and four girls to a team. First game is scheduled for 11 a.m.

A concession stand will be available.

#### Lady Steers boosters meeting March 30 at ATC

The Big Spring Lady Steers Booster Club is meeting at 5:30 p.m. March 30 in the Athletic Training

Center.

All parents of Lady Steers athletes in junior high or high school are encouraged to attend.

#### Moss Creek hosting ATV and side-by-side races

The Texas Crossroads Racing Circuit is having an event hosted by Moss Creek Lake Sunday.

Events feature a variety of ATV and side-by-side vehicles.

Registration starts at 7 a.m. with the first races taking place at 8 a.m. A required \$15 for TCRC membership will be charged along with entrance fees for each individual race.

For more information or directions to to event,

visit [www.texasrcr.net](http://www.texasrcr.net).

#### BSCC hosting 3-person scramble April 4-5

The Big Spring Country Club is hosting a 3-person scramble tournament April 4-5 with a 1 p.m. shotgun start both days.

Entry fee is \$60 per player plus golf cart. Private carts are welcome.

Entry includes barbecue on the course April 4 and practice rounds the day before.

Field will be flighted by first round score with the number of flights determined by entries.

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## Obituaries

## Wayne Drewery



Wayne Drewery, 63, of Coahoma, died Thursday, March 19, 2009, at his residence after a hard-fought battle with pancreatic cancer. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, March 23, 2009, at the Midway Baptist Church with the Rev. Jim Binnix and the Rev. Walter McCall officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

He was born Nov. 19, 1945, in Loraine and married Glynn Webster Jan. 8, 1965, in Lovington, N.M.

Wayne worked as a production supervisor for Sid Richardson for 34 years, retiring Oct. 7, 2007, due to illness. He loved working with his hands and enjoyed working with metal and wood. He was a loving husband, father and "Poppy."

He was a member of Midway Baptist Church where he served as a deacon for more than 30 years. He also taught Sunday school, was a member of the choir and served as interim music director.

Survivors include his wife, Glynn Drewery of Coahoma; a son and daughter-in-law, Preston and Seanna Drewery of Keller; a daughter and son-in-law and their children, Shona and Darrell Aberegg, Brice, Sydney and Hayden, all of Leander; his mother, Lilla Drewery of Big Spring; one brother, Dale Drewery of Tyler; five sisters, Audine Harris and husband John of Aubrey, Dot Ditto and husband Loy of Big Spring, Nadelle Williams and husband Lomer of Anniston, Ala., Darlene Bennett and husband George of Scottsburg, Ind., and Shirlene Gunter of Farmington, N.M.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Virgil Drewery; and one brother, Kinard Drewery.

The family suggests memorials to Midway Baptist Church, 6200 S. Service Rd., Big Spring 79720, Compass Hospice, 1003 E. FM 700, Big Spring 79720 or to American Cancer Society, Relay for Life, in care of Sandy Griffin, 1217 E. 17th St., Big Spring 79720.

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

*Paid obituary*

## Eustolia Haro



Eustolia "Emma" Haro, 87, of Big Spring died Friday, March 20, 2009, at Select Specialty Hospital in Midland. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Mona Lue Tonn, minister of Spring Tabernacle, officiating. A prayer service will be at 7 p.m. Sunday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

She was born June 27, 1921, in Big Spring to Maria and Gregorio Moreno. She married Juan R. Haro Feb. 14, 1945, in Chicago, Ill. He preceded her in death Feb. 3, 1994. She was a homemaker and also worked in the cafeteria at Medical Arts Hospital for a number of years. She was a member of the Spring Tabernacle and a lifetime resident of Big Spring.

She is survived by one daughter, Margarita Robles and her husband Juan of Big Spring; eight sons, Johnny M. Haro, Henry M. Haro and his wife Delma, Richard M. Haro, David M. Haro and his wife Katie, and Joe M. Haro and his wife Frances, all of Big Spring, Robert M. Haro and his wife Isabel of Flower Mound, Tony M. Haro of Odessa and Jesse M. Haro and his wife Pricilla of San Antonio; five sisters, Janie Marquez, Rosa Marquez, Margarita Ortega and Anita Bustamante, all of Big Spring, and Lucy Garcia of Waukegan, Ill.; 27 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and a number of nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by one brother, Jose Moreno; one sister, Maria "Lencha" Renteria; and two grandchildren.

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

## Bill Hughes

Bill Hughes, 43, of Garden City, died Saturday in a San Angelo hospital. Funeral services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home of Big Spring.

## Clovis Phinney Jr.

Clovis Phinney Jr., 78, of Coahoma died Saturday, March 21, 2009, at Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas Veterans Home. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Contact  
the Herald  
at 263-7331

## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- MICHAEL NALL, 30, 1205 E. Sixth, was arrested on a charge of no driver's license.
- ANGELA DORD, 46, 1520 Tucson, was arrested on a local warrant.
- MELINDA GAMBOA, 32, 2911 W. Highway 80, was arrested on charges of driving while license invalid and no insurance.
- ASSAULT BY CONTACT was reported in the 1900 block of Highway 87.
- ASSAULT CAUSING BODILY INJURY was reported in the 1400 block of College.
- FAILURE TO MAINTAIN FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY was reported in the 800 block of 11<sup>th</sup> and the 1400 block of FM 700.
- THEFT was reported in the 3300 block of FM 700, the 1800 block of Gregg and the 900 block of Willia.

## Support Groups

## SUNDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous meets from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 5 p.m. until 6 p.m.

## MONDAY

• Encourager's Support Group for all widows and widowers meets the first and third Monday of the month. For more information, call Nancy Hale at 398-5239.

• 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.

## TUESDAY

• Grief share, sponsored by Home Hospice and the First Presbyterian Church, Seventh and Runnels (north end door), meets at 6 p.m.. Drop-ins are welcome. For more information, contact Sherry Hodnett at 264-7599.

• The Path, faith-based addiction recovery, meets at 6:30 p.m. at Spring Tabernacle Ministries, 1209 Wright St.

• Celebrate Recovery, a 12-Step program, meets from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Salvation Army, 811 W. Fifth St.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. and closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

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

## WEDNESDAY

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

## THURSDAY

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

## FRIDAY

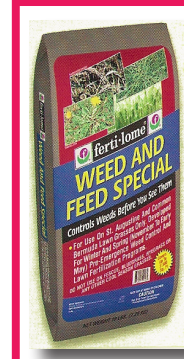
• AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

## SATURDAY

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

## CHANGING DATES

• The local National Alliance on Mental Illness group meets every two weeks in the basement of the Howard County Library. For dates and times, contact Ramona Blassingane at 263-9748.



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## Bulletin Board

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## 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.

• Downton 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 LU-LAC Chapter 4791 meets at 5:30 p.m. at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

• 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. Main St.

• Big Spring Masonic Lodge No. 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Lancaster.

## Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Friday night:  
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# Syracuse rolls over Stephen F. Austin

By **TIM REYNOLDS**

AP Sports Writer

MIAMI — Jonny Flynn and Paul Harris stood in the Syracuse locker room before tip-off, imploring teammates to dash Stephen F. Austin's upset hopes before they could even begin.

As usual, the Orange listened to their leaders — then went out and won their first NCAA tournament game in exactly five years.

Flynn scored 16 points, Rick Jackson and Arinze Onuaku each added 12 and third-seeded Syracuse cruised past NCAA first-timer Stephen F. Austin 59-44 Friday in a South regional matchup.

Syracuse (27-9) ran out to a 20-4 lead over the over-matched Southland Conference champs, and will meet Arizona State in Sunday's second round.

"This is what you play for," Flynn said. "You don't come into the season saying you're playing for the Big East championship. You're playing for the NCAA championship."

Not lately, the Orange haven't been.

They won the title in 2003 behind Carmelo Anthony, then beat Maryland in the second round at Denver in March 20, 2004 — and went 0-3 in NCAA games since, losing in the regional semifinals to Alabama that year, then endured first-round upsets at the hands of Vermont in 2005 and Texas A&M in 2006.

This time, the outcome seemed sealed within minutes.

Stephen F. Austin (24-8) missed 12 of its first 13 shots, started a mind-numbing 0-for-15 from 3-point range, and trailed by 26 points five minutes into the second half. A 1-3-1 zone slowed Syracuse considerably the rest of the way, but the Lumberjacks never made a serious run.

"We didn't play up to our capabilities," Lumberjacks coach Danny Kaspar said. "I think there was a bad case of

the shakes with some of us, and even when that settled down, we just couldn't get it going."

Benson Akpan led Stephen F. Austin with 12 points and Nick Shaw scored 10. The Lumberjacks finished 2-for-21 from 3-point range, and that played perfectly into Syracuse's hands.

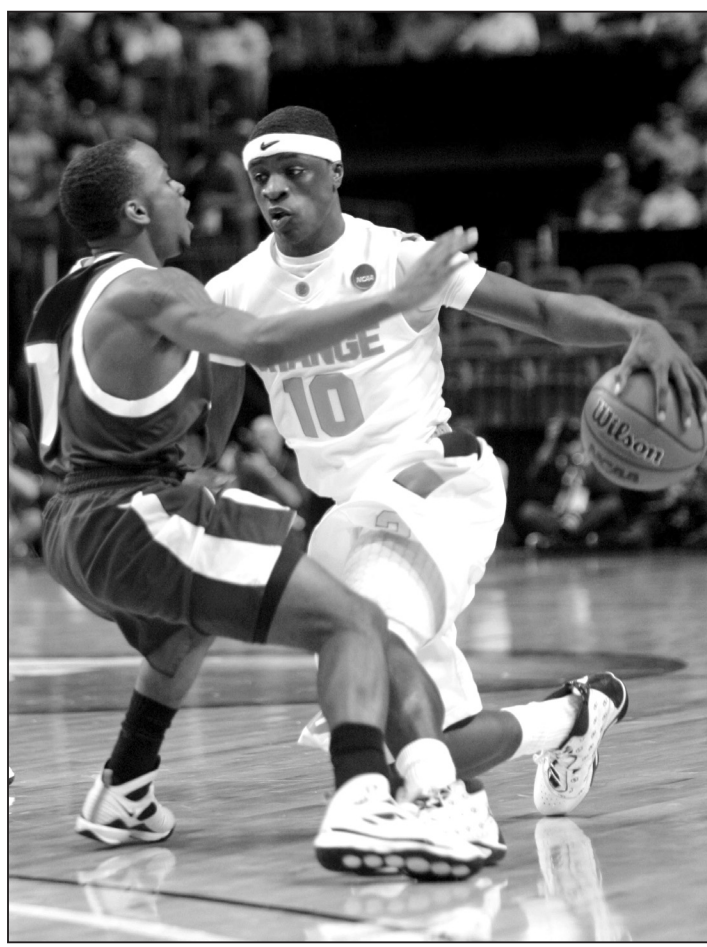
"We just had to stand there and hit them in the first couple minutes of the game, and we just couldn't," said Lumberjacks forward Josh Alexander, who was held to eight points on 4-for-20 shooting, 0-for-7 from 3-point range.

Eric Devendorf had 10 points and Harris had a game-high 16 rebounds for Syracuse, which shot 63 percent in the first half, 32 percent in the second. The Orange only allowed the Lumberjacks to shoot 24.7 percent, their best showing since Alabama shot 24.2 percent against Syracuse on Jan. 11, 1997.

"It doesn't matter how pretty it was," Syracuse guard Andy Rautins said. "We got the win and we're advancing."

In 80 appearances, Syracuse's all-time low for NCAA points allowed was 43 against Princeton in 1992 — and Jereal Scott kept it that way, hitting two free throws for the Lumberjacks with 12.9 seconds left to close the scoring.

"You just want to get a win



AP photo/Wilfredo Lee

**Stephen F. Austin's guard Eric Bell, left, attempts to stop Syracuse guard Jonny Flynn (10) during the second half of Syracuse's 59-44 win Friday in the first round of the NCAA National Tournament in Miami.**

in this tournament and get to the next game," Syracuse coach Jim Boeheim said. "That's what it's about."

Syracuse's 2-3 zone frustrated the Lumberjacks from the outset. Stephen F. Austin didn't score on any of the first six possessions where it tried to score from the post; combine that with the frigid shooting from the outside, and the Lumberjacks' first NCAA trip was destined to be a short one.

The Lumberjacks didn't get on the floor from their final pre-game locker room chat until about 1 minute before the starting lineups were announced.

Considering the way the opening minutes went, they might have wanted to head

back into their dressing room quickly.

Jackson set the tone immediately, blocking Matt Kingsley's shot on the first possession of the game, then setting up Onuaku with a pass from the high post for an easy score that got the Orange on the board a few seconds later.

If there was any hope for another 14-over-3 seed upset like the one Southland member Northwestern State pulled over Iowa three years ago, it quickly vanished.

Flynn got his first score with 17:06 left in the half, making it 6-0, then took his spot atop the Syracuse zone, clapped his hands three times and yelled to no one in particular, "Turn it up."

The Orange responded. Stephen F. Austin led the nation in 3-point field goal defense this year, and lived up to that billing. The Orange were 2-for-16 from long range, plus committed 21 turnovers to the Lumberjacks' six.

It didn't matter, thanks in part to a 51-32 Syracuse edge in rebounding and the worst shooting game by a Stephen F. Austin team since November 1996.

"How big a win was it?" asked Onuaku, repeating a question posed his way. "Can you say huge?"

Playing without top reserve Kristof Ongenaet — sidelined by a flu bug that hit some members of the Syracuse travel party — the Orange

were still never threatened. Even Boeheim had a cough and congestion after the game.

Getting to the second round made him a bit better.

"I don't feel that bad," Boeheim said.

## Midwest Regional Siena 74,

## Ohio State 72

DAYTON, Ohio — Siena strikes again.

Ronald Moore hit a 3-pointer with 3.9 seconds left in the second overtime — from the identical spot he made one at the end of the first OT — as the Saints beat eighth-seeded Ohio State 74-72 on Friday night in the first round of the NCAA tournament.

Moore's two clutch shots advanced ninth-seeded Siena (27-7) into Sunday's second round where the Saints will meet Louisville, the tournament's top team. The Cardinals moved on with a 74-54 win over No. 16 seed Morehead State.

Evan Turner missed a leaper from 15 feet that would forced a third OT for the Buckeyes (22-11), who blew an 11-point lead in the second half of regulation.

Turner led the Buckeyes with 25 points.

Edwin Ubiles scored 20 to Siena.

## Louisville 74, Morehead St. 54

DAYTON, Ohio — Louisville had a few early missteps, but uncoiled its full-court press in the second half and rolled to an easy victory over Morehead State.

With the win, No. 1 seeds improved to 100-0 against No. 16s since the tournament expanded in 1985. There have been a few close calls, and Morehead State (21-16) kept up for a half.

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## ► Anniversary



### Bill and Shirley Davis

40th wedding anniversary  
Saturday, March 21

Bill and Shirley Davis celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary Saturday, March 21, at a party hosted by their daughters, Reba Williams and Robyn Flowers of Wichita Falls and Janet Somers of Big Spring.

The Davises have three daughters, seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Bill is retired from Alon (Cosden) Refinery, and Shirley is retired from TXU (Texas Electric).

## ► Births



Garrett John Creech

Garrett John Creech, a boy, was born at 9:26 p.m. Jan. 26, 2009, weighing nine pounds, 11 ounces and was 20-1/2 inches in length. He is the son of Darrin and Kerri Creech of Austin.

He is the grandson of R.D. and Beverly Hall of Big Spring, Dennis and Netta Creech of Round Rock and Judy Mudge of Austin and the great-grandson of Gene Hall of Colorado City.

He was welcomed home by his sister, Halle Creech.



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## ► Weddings

### Burnett and Gamel

Rachel Leann Burnett and Andrew Jack Gamel, both of Lubbock, were united in marriage at 2 p.m. Nov. 22, 2008, at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring with Bro. Randy Cotton officiating.

The ceremony, which took place before family and friends, was a sacred uniting of two lives before God. The sanctuary was dimly lit by candlelight, decorated with cascading tulle, hydrangeas and lilies and covered in thousands of deep red rose petals.

The bride is the daughter of Deanna Burnett of Big Spring and the late David Burnett. She wore an elegant off-the-shoulder white dress. The dress was accented with beautiful bead work across the bodice and a portion of the skirt. The chapel-length train was complimented by a beaded cathedral length veil accented with a beautiful tiara. She carried a cascading bouquet of white lilies and deep red roses.

The groom is the son of Don and Bob Ann Gamel of Lubbock. He wore a stunning black tuxedo accented with a white vest and tie. A red rose boutonniere completed the ensemble.

Stephanie Cox, sister of the bride, served as matron of honor. Kaci Garmon, Larissa Adkins, Diana Noel and Melissa Houston, all close friends of the bride, served as bridesmaids. The bridesmaids wore floor-length, navy dresses and carried beautiful bouquets of red hydrangeas.

Matt Gamel, brother of the groom, served as best man. Scott Kent, close friend of the groom, and Jonathan Burnett, brother of the bride, also served as groomsmen. The groomsmen wore black tuxedos accented with a navy vest and tie and a red rose bud boutonniere.

Joe Hott, Justin Milam and Lyle Wallace, college friends of the bride, served as ushers, while Melissa Hott and Courtney Milam, also close college friends, attended the guest book.

Following the ceremony there was a reception where cakes and punch were served by the bride's



Rachel Leann Gamel

nieces and close friends. The couple headed off for their honeymoon after being showered with rose petals as they left the reception.

After a honeymoon to Durango, Colo., the couple is residing in Lubbock.

## ► Menus

### Big Spring Senior Citizens Center

Monday  
Spaghetti w/meat sauce, buttered broccoli, tossed salad, dressing, garlic bread, fruit cup, cookies, milk

Tuesday  
chicken strips, potato salad, sliced tomatoes on lettuce, berry crisp, rolls, milk

Wednesday  
ham, black-eyed peas, seasoned cabbage, cornbread, pie, milk

Thursday  
beef & chicken fajitas, sautéed onions & peppers, Spanish rice, refried beans, Jello, tortillas, milk

Friday  
battered fish, tarter sauce, macaroni & cheese, seasoned

spinach, cornbread, cherry crisp, milk

### Coahoma ISD

Monday  
Breakfast: French toast, sausage, orange juice, milk

Lunch: smothered steak, creamed potatoes, fruit, bread, milk

Tuesday  
Breakfast: waffles, sausage, grape juice, milk

Lunch: pizza, corn on cob, peach cup, milk

Wednesday  
Breakfast: biscuits, gravy, sausage, juice, milk

Lunch: breaded chicken, gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, bread, burritos

Thursday

Breakfast: oatmeal, sausage, grape juice, milk

Lunch: hamburgers, chips, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, apple turnovers, milk

Friday  
Breakfast: pancake sausage on stick, orange juice, syrup, milk

Lunch: cheese burger pockets, potato salad, oranges, milk, corn dogs

### Forsan ISD

Monday  
Breakfast: donuts, applesauce, juice, milk

Lunch: chicken fajitas, refried beans, seasoned corn, orange smiles, chocolate pudding cups, milk

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# Jury selection to begin Monday in burglary trial

**Herald Staff Report**

Jury selection is scheduled Monday in the trial of Sabrina Gutierrez Perez, who is charged with the state jail felony offense of burglary of a building. Perez stands accused of helping Enrique Alvarez in the burglary of the Northcrest Apartments main office during the early morning hours of Oct. 23, 2008. If convicted, Perez could face a term of between six months and two years in a state jail facility. District Attorney Hardy L. Wilkerson will represent the state in the trial, while Perez will be represented by attorney Shane Seaton. The trial is scheduled to begin Tuesday, officials said.

# Commissioners convene Monday

**Herald Staff Report**

As the date nears for the new Howard County Jail's completion, county commissioners will discuss last-minute details and future concerns when they hold their regular meeting at 10 a.m. Monday in the county courthouse. Construction of the new \$11 million jail is expected to be completed either later this month or in early April and officials hope to begin moving prisoners to the new facility by mid-April. Other agenda items for Monday's meeting include:

- An executive session to discuss personnel matters.
- A certificate of completion for the Elbow Creek Wind Project.
- A budget work session.
- A contract with Specialized Public Finance to provide financial advisory service.
- Adding new investment pools to the county's portfolio.

# TB

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added that a simple skin test is involved and testing is free. "We are in the process of formatting the 300 names right now," Pa-

dilla said Friday afternoon. "We plan to have the letters mailed no later than Wednesday." Padilla said the letters will have instructions telling the recipient what to do and who to contact. "We'd like them to bring the letter in with

them when they are tested so we can verify who they are," said Padilla. Hospital employees who may have had exposure are also being tested, said Parsley. He added that testing on employees should be completed Monday.

Thus far, all tests have been negative, he said. Tuberculosis is caused by Mycobacterium tuberculosis, a type of bacteria that can be spread when respiratory droplets from an infected person with symptoms are transmitted to another person. TB pri-

marily affects the lungs and symptoms include coughing, shortness of breath, a low-grade fever and possible loss of appetite. "Even for individuals who have been exposed to TB, the risk of infection is very minimal," said Steve Ahmed, M.D.,

chief of staff at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. "When diagnosed, this type of TB is highly treatable with the use of antibiotics."

# CLUB

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a wide range of recreational and educational opportunities for local children, officials said. A gymnasium and rooms for art and music will be among the features. Lt. Col. Henry Gonzales, divisional commander for the

Salvation Army, said the new club will be a safe, fun and educational oasis for area children. "Most of us will never realize just what this facility will mean to the hundreds of young people in Big Spring and Howard County," he said. "The facility will be a place of safety, the environment will be wholesome ... and it will encourage young people to grow and ex-

pand and learn new things, a place where they can be the very best they can be. "We want this facility to be a place where children can come so they can grow and become good citizens of the community," Gonzales added. Among the dignitaries present at Friday's ceremony were Salvation Army Capts. Russ and Linda Keeney, past commanders of the local office who

were instrumental in gathering initial support for the new facility. "We're just excited ... that it's finally coming to fruition," Russ Keeney said. "We believe that great things are going to come from this." *Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 234 or by e-mail at reporter@big-springherald.com*

# JOBS

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mer program will be placed in a

job suited for them. "We've been visiting with employers, assessing their needs and we will be determining the youth's interest and aptitude and

match them up as best we can," said Gross. Anyone needing more information may call the Workforce Solutions office at (432) 263-8373.

# COLLEGE

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come from a pair of grants, Sparks said. "The grants will allow us to purchase a truck and trailer," Sparks said. "We'll use them to go out to the towns in our service area. It will be like parking an office — we will be able to visit with students and parents about college opportunities." Trustees must give formal approval before the grant money can be used for this program. In other business, trustees will hear an update on the progress of more than \$20 million in renovation projects throughout the Big Spring campus. Sparks said there have been a few delays but overall progress of the renovation is proceeding close to schedule. "Work on the science building addition is a little behind schedule. Some last-minute relocation of lines set us back about five or six weeks on that project," she said. "But ... basically all the other projects are on schedule."

Among the major projects underway at this time are foundation preparation for the science building addition and renovation of the administration building's A and E wings, Sparks said. Less visible but also important is an upgrade of the campus' heating and cooling system. The overall project will kick into high gear when the spring semester ends in May. At that time, workers will begin renovation work at the Student Union, Horace Garrett and administration buildings. "We're planning to do most of our classroom work in the summer

in order not to disrupt our normal schedules," Sparks said. "We are anticipating some areas will be offline in the fall but our goal is to minimize those disruptions." In other business trustees will:

- Administer the oath of office to new board member Maxwell Barr.

- Consider approval of a Geographical Information Systems Technology program at SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf.
- Bids and handbook and catalog changes.

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# Take Note

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- Schwan's food distributors will hold a fundraiser for the March of Dimes from 1 p.m. until 7 p.m. March 25 at the Big Spring Mall. A percentage of proceeds from all food orders received during the drive will go to the March of Dimes' "Miracle of the Moment" drive. For more information, contact Cherly Shults at 213-2112 or Louis at (505) 220-3963.
- Mobile Meals needs volunteers. If you can donate one hour per week to our organization delivering meals between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m., you will be helping the senior citizens of Big Spring. Contact Macaria Cantu at 263-4016
- Howard County A&M Club is accepting scholarship applications from high school students who are graduating in May and have been accepted at Texas A&M for fall 2009. Students must be Howard County residents who plan to enroll for at least 12 hours. Deadline for applications is April 1. More information and the application may be found on the club Web site at <http://bondwebs.com>.
- The Family History Center (genealogy library) of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will be open from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesdays. If you need assistance in searching out your ancestors, bring all the information you have about your family and we will be happy to assist you. For more information, contact R.A. McKay at (432) 553-8127.
- Big Spring resident Velma Campbell was on vacation in Arizona when she had a massive stroke. She has since been transported to a hospital in Lubbock. She has many friends and is an avid bowler. If anyone would like to help, a savings account has been set up at Wells Fargo. The savings account number is 9662778118.
- Coahoma alumni will hold an all school, all classes reunion Saturday, Aug. 1 at the Coahoma school building. This year's reunion will highlight sports. Money will be raised for the Coahoma Scholarship Fund as well. The Coahoma Alumni Association is trying to update its e-mail and mailing address lists and asks that you contact Patti Meets at [pmeeks@basin-net.net](mailto:pmeeks@basin-net.net) or (432) 267-6688 with updates.
- The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglect children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nurturing and permanent home. CASA currently has 10 active volunteers to serve the 55 plus children of Howard County in foster care. A class is forming in Howard County and 20 volunteers are needed. For more information on becoming a CASA volunteer, please contact Robyn LaForge at (432) 683-1114.
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NCAA

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Samardo Samuels led Louisville (29-5) with 15 points. Terrence Williams, who danced a little prematurely at midcourt before the game, added 13 points and nine rebounds. Kenneth Faried had 14 points and 11 rebounds for Morehead State.

By halftime, the Big East's regular-season and conference champs led only 35-33. Then they got down to business hitting 3-pointers and using their full-court press to pull away.

Cleveland State 84, Wake Forest 69

MIAMI — Some 23 years later, Cleveland State still has a knack for first-round shockers in the NCAA tournament.

The Vikings raced to an early 17-point lead and stunned one-time No. 1-ranked Wake Forest 84-69. The win was reminiscent of the Vikings' only other appearance in the tournament in 1986, when they upset Indiana in the opening round.

The latest result wasn't as big of a surprise as the win over Bob Knight. The Vikings (26-10) were seeded 14th then; they're 13th in the Midwest region this year. On Sunday, they'll play No. 12 Arizona.

No. 4 Wake Forest (24-7) lost in its first tournament game since 2005. Norris Cole scored 22 points for the Vikings, who committed only six turnovers to 18 for Wake Forest.

Demon Deacons scoring-leader Jeff Teague was shut out for the first 13 minutes, totaled two points in the first half and finished with 10. James Johnson's trio of 3-pointers kept Wake Forest in the game in the first half, and he finished with 22 points.

Norris Cole scored 22, and J'Nathan Bullock 21 for Cleveland State.

Arizona 84, Utah 71

MIAMI — Nic Wise scored 21 of his 29 points in the second half, Chase Budinger added 20 and the 12th-seeded Wildcats proved they belonged in the field of 65.

Jordan Hill added 17 points and 13 rebounds for Arizona (20-13), which has been in the NCAAs 25 years in a row, but hadn't reached the second round since 2006.

Tyler Kepkay scored 19 points for Utah (24-10), which was 8-for-32 from 3-point range and matched a season-high with 20 turnovers. Lawrence Borha finished with 11 points for Utah, which got 10 points and 10 rebounds from Shaun Green.

Kyle Fogg scored 12 for Arizona, which sweated out Selection Sunday, its tourney streak in serious jeopardy after finishing a mere 9-9 and tied for fifth in the Pac-10.

Kansas 84, North Dakota State 74

MINNEAPOLIS — Sherron Collins scored a season-high 32 points and went toe-to-toe with NDSU star Ben Woodside, while Cole Aldrich had 23 points to lead the defending NCAA champions.

Woodside played all 40 minutes and scored 37 points, and fellow senior Brett Winkelman had 15 points and 12 rebounds to keep third-seeded Kansas (26-7) from getting comfortable.

Still, the Jayhawks managed to hang on and will play Dayton in the second round.

In their first season of eligibility for the tournament after a four-year waiting period following their move from Division II, the Bison (26-7) proved they belong.

They were within three points several times down the stretch, but the team from the unheralded Summit League couldn't clear that last hurdle and clearly wore down late.

Michigan State 77, Robert Morris 62

MINNEAPOLIS — Raymar Morgan scored 16 points and Goran Suton had 11 points and 17 rebounds as Michigan State bullied Robert Morris.

Draymond Green added 16 points for the second-seeded Spartans (27-6), who were spotty during the Big Ten season thanks to Morgan's walking pneumonia and Suton's gimpy knees. They both looked fine against the overmatched Colonials and the Spartans regained the form that led to convincing victories over Kansas, Oklahoma State and Texas earlier in the year.

Michigan State will play 10th-seeded USC on Saturday.

Jeremy Chappell was the only player in double figures with 11 for Robert Morris (24-11), a commuter school from suburban Pittsburgh making its first NCAA appearance since 1992.

Southern Cal 72, Boston College 55

MINNEAPOLIS — Taj Gibson had 24 points on 10-for-10 shooting from the field, sending the 10th-

LADY STEERS

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Duante picked up the victory for Hobbs, while Kelly Sage took the loss for Big Spring.

The Lady Steers played Greenwood at 5 p.m. Saturday and get back into district play at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday in Plainview.

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Big Spring 020 000 0-2 6 2

Evelyn Duante and Jessica Gibson. Kelly Sage and Jessica Womack. W - Duante. L - Sage. 2B: BS - Jillian Valle. HR: Hobbs - Cassie Edwards. RBI: Hobbs - Edwards 2, Kayae Burnell; BS - Valle 2.

seeded Trojans to an easy win over the Eagles.

Dwight Lewis had 20 points and DeMar DeRozan added 18 points and nine rebounds for USC (22-12), which maintained the momentum from last week's Pac-10 tournament title and advanced to Sunday's second round in the Midwest Region.

Gibson's perfect shooting was the second-best performance in NCAA tournament history with a minimum 10 attempts, behind Kentucky's Kenny Walker and his 11-for-11 in 1986. Gibson matched Marvin Barnes of Providence in 1973 and Christian Laettner of Duke from 1992.

Corey Raji led No. 7 seed Boston College (22-12) with 15 points.

Dayton 68, West Virginia 60

MINNEAPOLIS — Chris Wright scored a career-high 27 points to lead the 11th-seeded Flyers to their first victory in the NCAA tournament in 19 years.

Charles Little added 18 points for once-mighty Dayton (27-7), which had been 1-13 against Bob Huggins' teams dating to his days storming up and down the Cincinnati sideline.

Darryl Bryant had 21 points and Devin Ebanks added 14 points and 12 rebounds for West Virginia (23-12), which had won at least two games in the NCAA tournament in each of its last four appearances.

Wright's fifth dunk of the game, a LeBron-like hammer in transition, punctuated Dayton's first NCAA tournament win since an 88-86 triumph over Illinois in the first round in 1990.

West Regional Marquette 57, Utah State 56

BOISE, Idaho — Lazar Hayward scored 26 points and Marquette made 10 straight free throws down the stretch to beat Utah State.

Jerel McNeal and Wesley Matthews each scored 14 points for sixth-seeded Marquette (25-9), which blew a 14-point lead before rallying from a six-point deficit to win.

Jared Quayle led Utah State (30-5) with 18 points. The 11th-seeded Aggies recovered from a dismal first half by shooting 12-for-20 to start the second half, but couldn't hang on and lost their fourth straight first-round game.

Hayward put Marquette ahead 52-51 on two free throws with 1:45 left, and the Golden Eagles led the rest of the way. They advanced to play Missouri in the second round.

Missouri 78, Cornell 59

BOISE, Idaho — DeMarre Carroll scored all but two of his 13 points in the second half to help the third-seeded Tigers pull away from the plucky Big Red.

Leo Lyons finished with 23 points and 10 rebounds for the Tigers (29-6), the Big 12 tournament champions who returned to the NCAAs for the first time in six years and will face Marquette in the second round.

Ryan Wittman led the Ivy League champions with 18 points and 14th-seeded Cornell (21-10) hung around in this game for a half, trailing by only four.

But Mizzou's talent took over after the break and the win gave the Big 12 a clean sweep — six wins, no losses through the first round of the tournament.

South Regional Arizona State 66, Temple 57

MIAMI — James Harden's only basket, a 3-point-er with 4:02 left, helped the Sun Devils hold off Temple and reach 25 wins for the first time since 1975.

The Sun Devils' scoring leader 1-for-8 and was held to nine points, less than half his average. Junior Derek Glasser scored a career-high 22 points and Jeff Pendergraph also had 22 for the Sun Devils, playing in the tournament for the first time since 2003.

Dionte Christmas scored 29 to lead Temple (22-12), which was eliminated in the opening round for the second year in a row and hasn't won a tournament game since 2001.

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Sixth-seeded Arizona State (25-9) will play against Syracuse in the second round.

East Regional Pittsburgh 72, East Tennessee St 62

DAYTON, Ohio — DeJuan Blair had 27 points and 16 rebounds as the Panthers, playing their first game as a top seed, survived a frightful 40 minutes from East Tennessee State.

Pittsburgh (29-4) will play eighth-seeded Oklahoma State in the second round.

The Panthers had better improve if they want to go much further. They made 18 turnovers, struggled with ETSU's end-to-end press and hardly looked like potential national champions.

Kevin Tiggs scored 21 for the Buccaneers (23-11), who shot just 31 percent but still had a chance to become the first No. 16 to down a No. 1 until the final two minutes.

It was the 161st win for Pitt coach Jamie Dixon, tying him with North Carolina State's Everett Case (1947-52) for the best start in six seasons.

Oklahoma St. 77, Tennessee 75

DAYTON, Ohio — Byron Eaton found a clear path to the basket for a three-point play with 7.2 seconds left, sending the Cowboys to a scintillating victory over Tennessee.

Oklahoma State (23-11) will play top seed Pittsburgh in the second round.

Tyler Smith had a chance to win it for Tennessee (21-13), but his jumper from behind the arc hit the side of the rim and bounced up to the top of the backboard as the buzzer sounded. Smith led all scorers with 21 points.

Oklahoma State tried to set the run-and-shoot style that made it one of the nation's top scoring teams. Tennessee stuck with its halfcourt game, and it was a stalemate — 10 ties, 17 lead changes — until Eaton, who was playing in his first NCAA game, found that final opening.

Wisconsin 61, Florida State 59

BOISE, Idaho — Trevon Hughes banked in a spinning shot over two defenders for a three-point play with 2 seconds left in overtime to lift Wisconsin into the second round.

Hughes, who had his hands full covering Seminoles star Toney Douglas all game, then capped the win by batting away Florida State's desperation pass at the end and the Badgers (20-12) mobbed him at halfcourt to celebrate the victory.

Wisconsin will play Xavier on Sunday.

Douglas finished with 26 points, not a single one of them easy, thanks to Hughes' huge defensive work. Douglas' 3-point shot with 1:16 left gave the Seminoles (25-10) a 59-56 lead but it wasn't enough to prevent a loss in their first tournament appearance since 1998.

Jason Bohannon led Wisconsin with 16 points.

Xavier 77, Portland St. 59


BOISE, Idaho — C.J. Anderson scored 14 points and Xavier shot 54 percent from the field to reach the second round of the NCAA tournament for the third straight year.

The Musketeers (26-7) stifled Portland State's usual barrage of 3-pointers and showed they could shoot from the outside, too, making eight of 19 tries.

Derrick Brown, B.J. Raymond and Dante Jackson added 13 points each as Xavier overwhelmed the Big Sky Conference champion Vikings, who were in the tournament for just the second time.

Jamie Jones led the Vikings (23-10) with 16 points.

Andre Murray finished with 14 points and Jeremiah Dominguez, the Vikings' sparkplug point guard, finished with 13 points and four rebounds.



By Steve Becker

**Good Detective Work Works Well**

East dealer.  
East-West vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
 ♠ K 5  
 ♥ A J 6 3 2  
 ♦ K 6  
 ♣ J 9 4 3

**WEST**  
 ♠ J 10 8  
 ♥ 5 4  
 ♦ 9 8 5 4 2  
 ♣ 10 7 5

**EAST**  
 ♠ A Q 9 7 3  
 ♥ 9  
 ♦ J 10 7 3  
 ♣ K Q 6

**SOUTH**  
 ♠ 6 4 2  
 ♥ K Q 10 8 7  
 ♦ A Q  
 ♣ A 8 2

The bidding:  
 East 1♠ South 2♥ West Pass North 4♥  
 Opening lead — jack of spades.

Often the bidding by the opponents often helps declarer find his best line of play. In this deal, for example, South has a far greater chance of making four hearts because of East's opening bid than he would if East-West had remained silent. East's one-spade opening drew a neat blueprint for declarer to follow to a successful conclusion.

West led the jack of spades, and East took the king with the ace and cashed the queen. East then returned the jack of diamonds.

Having already lost two tricks, South's problem was to avoid two club losers. This could not be done against most divisions of the East-West cards, but South found the winning solution by relying largely on the clues furnished by the bidding.

Declarer could see 12 points in dummy and 15 points in his own hand. This left only 13 points to account for East's opening bid, and even that number had been reduced to 12 by West's lead of the jack of spades. East was therefore virtually certain to hold both the king and queen of clubs. All that remained was to take advantage of this knowledge.

Declarer won the jack of diamonds with the queen, drew two rounds of trumps and ruffed his last spade in dummy. He then played the king of diamonds to the ace and led a low club.

When West followed low, declarer played the nine. East won with the king but found himself end-played. He had to return a spade, a diamond or a club, and whichever he chose was bound to give South the rest of the tricks.

Of course, if East had held the ten of clubs in addition to the K-Q, the endplay would not have worked. But in that case, no other line of play would have been successful either.

Tomorrow: Famous Hand.  
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**MENUS**

**Tuesday**  
Breakfast: French toast, sausage, juice, milk  
Lunch: meat & bean chalupas, Spanish rice, lettuce & tomatoes, Rosie applesauce, milk

**Wednesday**  
Breakfast: scrambled eggs, toast, juice, milk  
Lunch: pigs in a blanket, pinto beans, baked chips, pineapple orange salad, milk

**Thursday**  
Breakfast: muffins, yogurt, juice, milk  
Lunch: submarine sandwich, lettuce, tomatoes & pickles, tater tots, baby carrots w/ ranch, brownies, milk

**Friday**  
Breakfast: cereal, toast, juice, milk  
Lunch: chicken-fried steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, hot rolls, strawberry short-

cake, milk

**Big Spring ISD**  
**Monday**  
Breakfast: pancakes, syrup, fruit juice, milk  
Lunch: turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, rolls, applesauce, salsa

**Tuesday**  
Breakfast: sausage patty, biscuits, pear cups, milk  
Lunch: pork ribs, barbecue sauce, baked potatoes, strawberries, sugar cookies

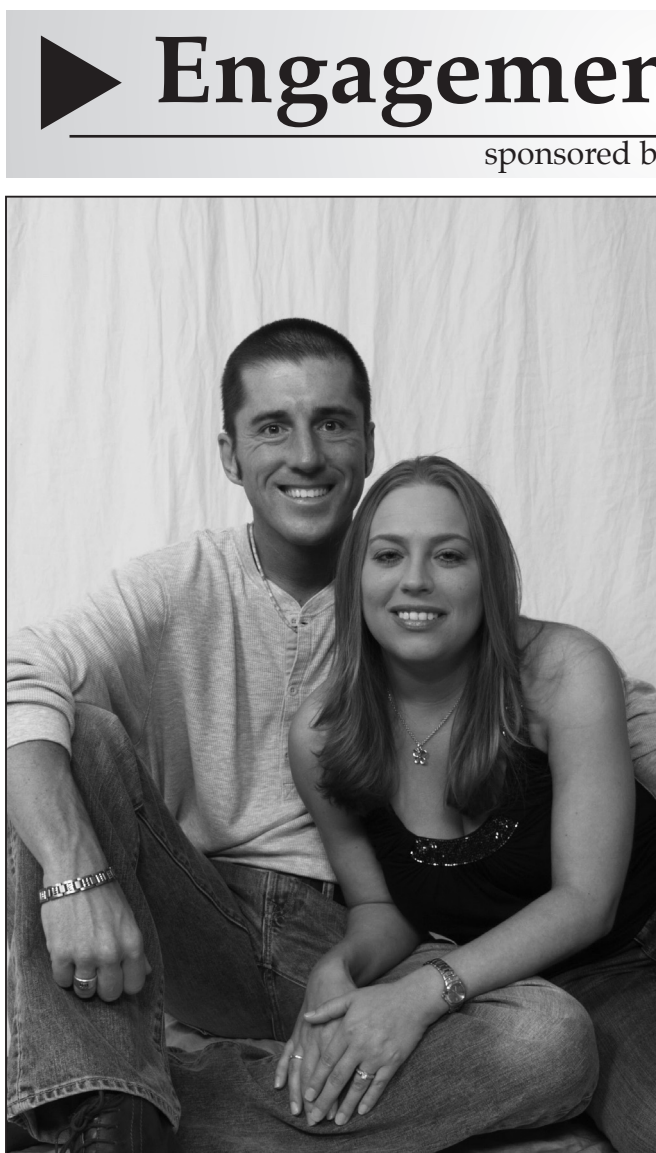
**Wednesday**  
Breakfast: breakfast pizza, fruit juice, milk  
Lunch: char meatballs, mashed potatoes, pears, green beans, rolls, milk

**Thursday**  
Breakfast: PBJ Uncrustables, applesauce, cups, milk  
Lunch: beef taco pie, black-eyed peas, Mandarin oranges, corn bread, salsa, milk

**Friday**  
Breakfast: honey bun, fruit juice, milk  
Lunch: hamburger on bun, French fries, apricots, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, milk

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**Gladden and Bearden**

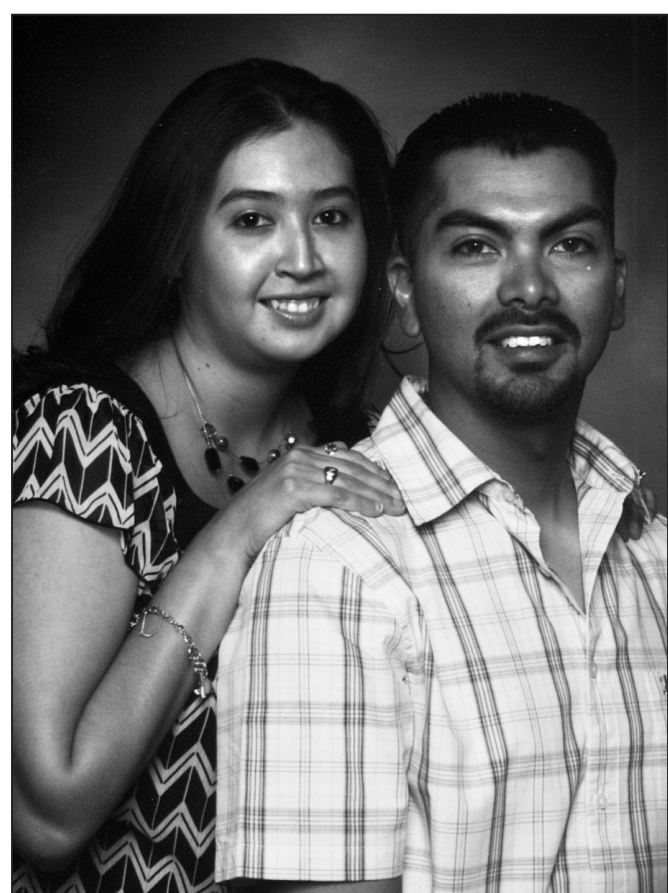
Leisa LeAnn Gladden of Snyder and Gregory Stephen Bearden of Tulsa, Okla., will marry May 30, 2009, at Abiding Presence Lutheran Church in San Antonio.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Thomas Gladden of Sherman and Jan Gladden of Harrah, Okla. She is the granddaughter of Rex and Juanita Glass of Hermleigh.

The future groom is the son of Patricia Bearden of Denison and Frank Bearden, PhD. of Houston.

Leisa graduated from Howard College with an RN degree and a bachelor of science in nursing degree from Texas Tech University. She is an RN in San Antonio.

Gregory graduated as an LVN from St. Phillips College and is pursuing a his RN degree. He is an LVN in San Antonio.



Erica Dawn Guzman and Nicholas Puentes

**Guzman and Puentes**

Erica Dawn Guzman and Nicholas Puentes, both of Big Spring, will unite in marriage at 1 p.m. June 13, 2009, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Philip Guzman Sr. and Eva Guzman of Big Spring. Her grandparents are Eva Dominguez of Big Spring and the late Rodolfo Dominguez Sr., Luz Guzman of Fort Worth and the late Felix Guzman.

The future groom is the son of Rodolfo Puentes of Spring Branch and Corina Aguirre of Irving. His grandparents are Juan Puentes and Lily Puentes of Beeville and Salvador Aguirre and Teri Aguirre of Seminole.

Erica is a 2001 graduate of Coahoma High School and a 2004 graduate of Howard College with an associates in science. She graduated in 2008 from the University of Texas of Permian Basin with a bachelor in business administration majoring in finance. She is employed as a trust officer/internal auditor with First Bank of West Texas.

Nicholas is a 1999 graduate of Big Spring High School and a 2005 graduate of Odessa College with an associated in electrical technology. He is employed for Oncor Electric Delivery.

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## OUR VIEW

# Don't forget we like your letters to us

Spring has officially sprung and there is quite a bit of activity happening in and around our community. We here at the *Herald* want to take this opportunity to remind our readers that we welcome your letters to the editor and want to publish them in the paper.

On almost a daily basis, you can find our policies concerning letters to the editor located on our "Opinion" page, but here is a reminder:

While it is not an absolute requirement, we ask that letters be limited to no more than 300 words.

Yes, we have printed quite a few letters in the past couple of years that were considerably longer than 300 words. Just look at today's edition.

However, letters are printed on an "as space is available basis," and longer letters are more difficult to find space for publication.

Letters must be signed and include a daytime telephone number, as well as a street address, for verification purposes. Anonymous or unsigned letters, or those that do not include a telephone number or street address, will not be considered for publication.

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Unfortunately, the limited size of our staff makes it impossible for us to acknowledge the receipt of letters.

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So, drop us a line and let us hear from you.

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

We can experience a wind of change, Lord, when we trust in You.

Amen

# A celebration of aging

I turned 74 on Christmas Day. (Yes, I know. I share the birthday with a famous person — Humphrey Bogart.)

As ages go, it's without special significance. All it means is that I'm too old to cease to be before my pen has gleaned my teeming brain. My brain doesn't seem as good as it used to.

Which I was reminded of the other day while spending a brisk morning searching for my car keys. I finally found them (in the ignition, oddly enough) and was further reminded of an e-mail forwarded to me by a friend the week before.

It's one of those Internet joke things that show up in one's e-mail from time to time. I generally don't find them terribly amusing but this one seemed to have the relevance of a bad dream.

A Day in the Life:

I decide to water my garden.

As I turn on the hose in the driveway, I look over at my car and see that it needs washing.

As I start toward the garage, I notice mail on the porch table that I brought up from the mailbox earlier. I decide to go through the mail before I wash the car.

I lay my car keys on the table, put the useless mail in the trash basket under the table and notice that the basket is full. So I put the bills back on the table and first take the trash out to the recycling bin.

But then I think since I'm going to be near the mailbox when I take out the trash anyway I may as well pay the bills first. I take my checkbook off the table and see that there is only one check left.

My extra checks are in my desk in the study so I go to my desk where I find a can of Coke I'd been drinking. I'm going to look for my checks but before I do that I need to push the Coke aside so that I don't accidentally knock it over.

The Coke is getting warm and I decide to put it in the refrigerator to keep it cold.

As I head toward the kitchen, a vase of flowers on the counter catches my eye — the flowers need water.

I put the Coke on the counter and discover the reading glasses that I've been searching for all morning. It occurs to me that I'd best put them back on my desk before I lose them again, but first I have to water the flowers.

I set the glasses back on the counter, fill a container with water and suddenly spot the TV remote that someone has left on the kitchen table.

I'm afraid that tonight when we go to watch TV, I'll be look-

ing for the remote but I won't remember that it's on the kitchen table, so I pick it up intending to put it back in the den where it belongs. But first I have to water the flowers.

I pour some water in the flowers but my hand slips and most of it spills on the floor, causing me to set the remote back on the table, get some towels and wipe up the spill.

It takes a while, after which I head down the hall trying to remember why I went to the kitchen in the first place.

At the end of the day:

The car isn't washed, the bills aren't paid, there is a warm can of Coke sitting on the counter, the flowers don't have enough water and there is still only one check in my checkbook.

I'd watch television but I can't find the remote.

I'd read a book but I can't find my glasses.

I'd go to a movie but I don't remember what I did with my car keys.

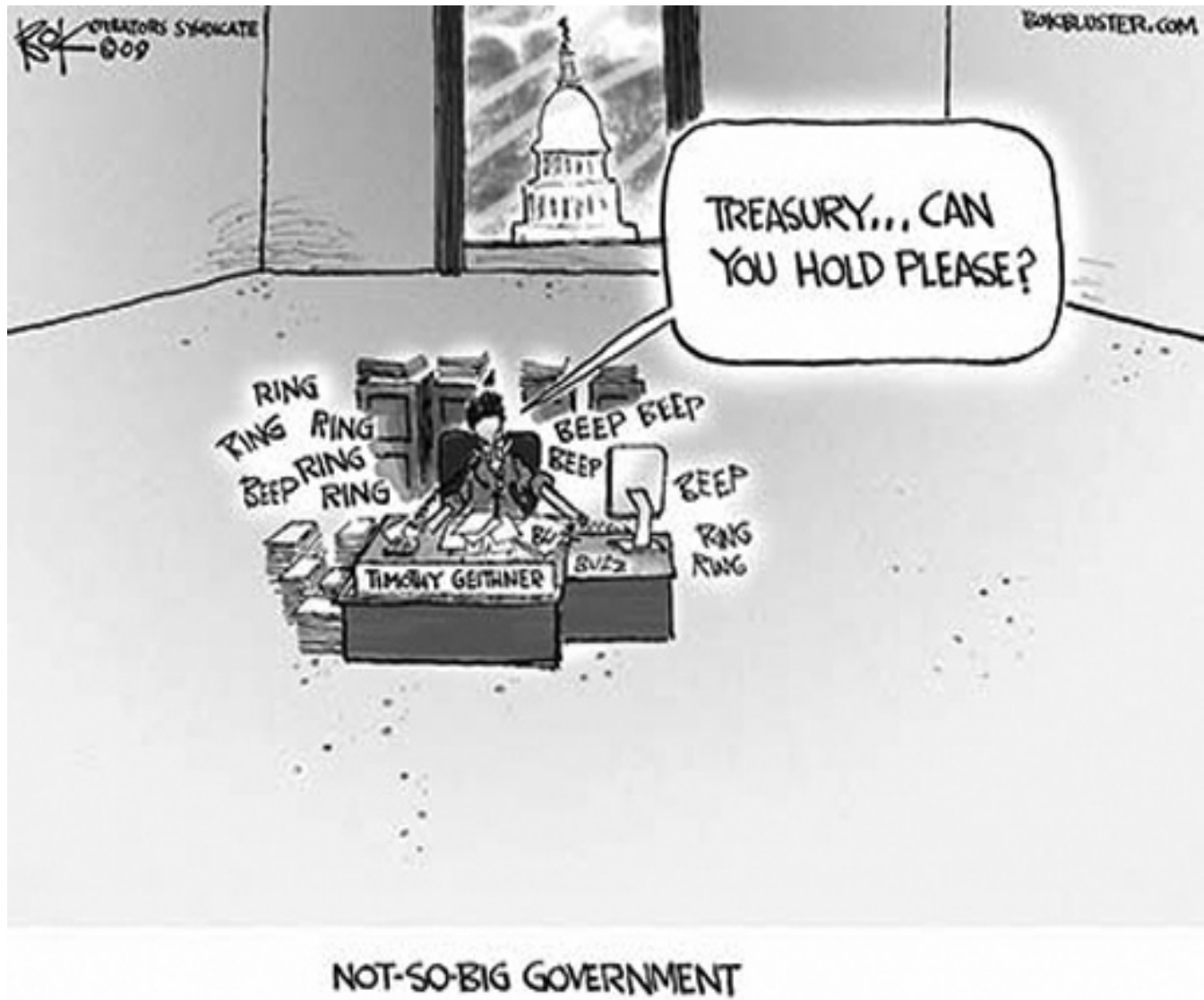
And I have no idea why nothing got done because I was busy all day.

Which I would tell my wife — if I knew where my cell phone was.

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DONALD KAUL



## YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

Thank you and the members of your staff, especially Bill (McClellan) and Steve (Reagan), for the great coverage of our annual Kiwanis Club pancake supper!

We also want to say how much we appreciated all of the publicity provided by Mike Henry and KBST!

This year's pancake supper was one of the largest in recent memory and the funds we raised will be used to support all of our projects for children. We are especially proud of our Big Spring High School Key Club and the help those students gave us that night and the wonderful work they are doing this year!

We also want to say a special thank you to the businesses that were our placemat sponsors.

Thank you, too, to all who attended this very special fundraiser. We appreciate your support of our charitable work.

ANN DUNCAN  
KIWANIS CLUB OF BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

My wife and I would like to extend our sincere thanks to Tim Walsh, manager of Wal-Mart, for his contribution to very needy children in a Kenyan orphanage through discounting utensils for the children to eat from.

We also wish to thank the members of Preceptor Delta chapter of

Beta Sigma Phi for helping with the postage costs which were quite costly.

We feel the children will be extremely grateful to receive the items.

Thank you all for your kindness.

JOHN LEONARDI  
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

The end of an era! I cannot believe the Boys Club of Big Spring is actually being closed! And that everything in it is being auctioned off!

The Boys Club of Big Spring has been an "icon" in our community. C.B. Andries started the Boys Club more than 40 years ago. He played a hand in "raising," or helping many parents raise their children, giving them a place to hang out, instead of running around in the streets.

I truly understand that the Settles Hotel is a landmark and that it needs to be preserved. But I truly believe that so "is" the Boys Club — even though I know that Bert (Andries) has gotten to where he can no longer run the club and that most of the workers there were making minimum, if any, wages.

But the Boys Club has been there; even when the Settles Hotel was open a long time ago, and closed.

I remember when I was growing up, I went to the Boys Club right before I turned 6 years old. I was not allowed to go back, though, until I turned 6. When I did, however, I had some of my best years at this place.

I remember going into the Settles to buy newspapers for Bert. I learned many things there (arts, crafts, woodworking and, especially, how to swim). We even had a Boy Scout troop. We were Troop 7 and, ironically, there were only seven of us in our troop.

Bert did many things for the kids who went to the Boys Club. I believe our favorite spot to go to was Christoval.

There were many trips we went on, (Balmorhea State Park in the Davis Mountains).

There was even a time when the Boys Club had a program with Webb Air Force Base called Camp Mesquite.

I believe we got to go for three summers. The bus would pick us up at the Boys Club, drive us onto Webb Air Force Base the first day. I believe it was a week-long summer camp. We got to see where they trained pilots, aircraft, even the tower.

I believe we as a community owe Charles "Bert" Andries a very deep and sincere thank you for all he has done and tried to do for all the youth in this commu-

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HAWKS

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We worked on our offense a lot and it showed today.”

In Game 1, El Paso posted five runs to open the game, batting around its order in the process. The big hit for the Tejanos came off the bat of Adrian Delarosa, who jacked a three-run homer.

The Hawks responded with two in the inning and each team scored one in its respective half of the second.

The Hawks finally overtook El Paso in the bottom of the third, scoring four runs to take a 1-point lead, 7-6.

“We preach to our guys all season long that the first team to seven runs is going to win,” said Smith. “They got to six, but we beat them to seven.”

Corey Sartor got the win after taking over on the mound for starter Zach Neal in the top of the second inning.

Sartor worked two innings, allowing no runs in the process. Will Calhoun picked up the save — his

second of the season.

In all, the Hawks and Tejanos each used five pitchers in the first game, however, it was Howard getting the better production from its bullpen.

“Really, we pitched pretty well,” said Smith. “Look at the first game. We gave up five in the first inning, one in the first, then we shut them down for five innings.”

The Hawks hit three homers in the game with Runey Davis, who had been hampered by injury for weeks prior to this game, knocking two balls out of the park.

Davis hit a solo shot in the second inning, then belted a two-run bomb in the sixth.

Nick Popescu had the other homer for Howard with a three-run jack in the fifth.

Popescu finished Game 1 with five RBI.

Game 2 saw El Paso once again take an early lead with a three-run first.

However, it took the Hawks less time to respond, jumping out to a 5-3 lead thanks in large part to a grand slam by Joe Leftridge.

Monk Kreder later went yard with a solo shot in the bottom of the seventh, leaving the Hawks shy a run to end

the game via the mercy rule with a 13-6 advantage.

El Paso got a run on the board in the top of the eighth, but saw the game come to a close in the bottom of the frame.

Howard’s Anthony Collazo ended the game with a walk-off 2-run homer that towered over the left field fence.

Blake Barnes picked up the win after relieving starter Dylan Cacciola with two outs in the fourth inning. Cacciola pitched 4.2 innings, allowing five earned runs on six hits and three walks while striking out five batters.

Barnes gave up two runs — one earned — on five hits in 3.1 innings pitched, striking out three batters.

Howard concluded the four-game series Saturday with another double-header.

Smith called this series one of the bigger tests the Hawks have had this season.

“Certain teams in the league can do certain things really well,” said Smith. “They’re one of the best hitting teams in the conference, if not the best. Their numbers might not be the best because they play most of their non-conference season with

wooden bats out in Arizona, but they can hit. This will be a trying four-game series for us.”

Game 1

Howard College 13,

El Paso Community College 6

El Paso 510 000 0—6 8 0

Howard 214 033 x—13 14 0

Michael Saucedo, Mario Rodriguez (1), Alex New (2), Andres Gabaldon (3), Matthew Clark (6) and Salvador Beltran. Zach Neal, Corey Sartor (2), David De La Chapelle (4), Will Calhoun (5) and Monk Kreder. W - Sartor (1-0). L - Andres Gabaldon. S - Calhoun (2). 2B: EP - Nichols Hinojas, Fernando Mora; HC - Nick Popescu, Kreder 2. HR: EP - Adrian Delarosa; HC - Runey Davis 2, Popescu. RBI: EP - Oscar Garcia, Vincent Mejia 2, Delarosa 3; HC - Kreder 2, Popescu 5, Calhoun 2, Andrew Collazo, Davis 3. SB: HC - Caleb Nine, Kreder. Miles Hamblin, Joe Leftridge. LOB: EP 5, HC 3.

Game 2

Howard College 15,

El Paso Community College 7

El Paso 300 021 01—7 11 3

Howard 051 114 12—15 16 2

Sergio Ramos, Bryant Liles (2) and Jordan Fernandez. Dylan Cacciola, Blake Barnes (4) and Miles Hamblin. W - Barnes (3-0). L - Ramos. 2B: EP - Vincent Mejia, Carlos Gutierrez; HC - Will Calhoun, Andrew Collazo. HR: HC - Collazo, Monk Kreder, Joe Leftridge. RBI: EP - Oscar Garcia 3, Mejia, Jonathan Coyne, Gutierrez; HC - Leftridge 4, Bryan Johns, Kreder 2, Nick Popescu, Calhoun 2, Collazo 3. SB: HC - Caleb Nine 3, Collazo, Runey Davis. LOB: EP 8, HC 7.

BUFFS

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Ryan Flores then drew a walk and Foster Burchett imitated Burton with a 2-run shot, placing Forsan ahead 3-0.

Winters pulled within one with two runs in the bottom of the frame, but

another four-run surge from the Buffs put the game out of reach.

Burton started the game, pitching three innings and allowing just one hit, while striking out three batters.

Dylan Lowery took over in the fourth and picked up the win. Lowery allowed four runs — three earned — on five hits and two walks with four strikeouts.

Burton ended up with two RBI at the plate, while Burchett knocked in

three runs.

Forsan Head Coach Jason Phillips is impressed with how much progress the Buffs have made in such a short time together.

“We are further along at this point in the season than I could have ever expected,” Phillips said. “We have come along in a hurry. We got a late start with several players not coming out until after basketball season was over. I couldn’t be happier with the

start we’ve had in district play.”

Forsan is now 3-1 in the district hopes to continue its strong start when it hosts Westbrook at 5 p.m. Tuesday.

Forsan 000 340 1—8 6 2

Winters 000 200 2—4 6 4

Evan Burton, Dylan Lowery and Zach Herrin. Bryan and Daniel. W - Lowery (2-2). L - Bryan. 2B: Burton; WHS - Mikeska. HR: FHS - Burton, Foster Burchett. RBI: Burton 2, Burchett 3, Ryan Flores, Jake Rhoton.

BULLDOGS

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In Game 2, Greenwood led 8-5 after five innings. However, the top of the sixth once again proved to be the

Rangers’ undoing.

Coahoma posed eight runs in the frame, pulling ahead 13-8. Greenwood managed three in the final two innings, but couldn’t muster enough for the win.

P.J. Daylong had three extra-base hits in the two games combined, including two doubles and a triple.

Ray Gutierrez homered in the Game 2.

Coahoma starts District 7-2A play at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, playing host to Jim Ned.

Game 1  
Coahoma 210 107 0—11 8 1  
Greenwood 400 000 0—4 4 9

Nathan Deporto and Donnie Garcia. Dalton

White, Matt Ulcak (6) and Joe Crow. W - Deporto. L - White. 3B: CHS - P.J. Daylong; GW - Jeremy Florez, Blake McCulloch.

Game 2

Coahoma 200 308 0—13 9 0

Greenwood 202 042 1—11 7 3

2B: CHS - P.J. Daylong 2, Donnie Garcia; GW - Dalton White, Cody William. 3B: GW - Jeremy Florez. HR: CHS - Ray Gutierrez; GW - Blake McCulloch, Bevan Moody.

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Wal-Mart recently donated \$3,000 to the Howard-Glasscock Relay For Life. Pictured from left are Manny Negron, Wal-Mart assistant manager; Jenny Sayles and Angela Kennedy, Relay co-chairs; Tim Walsh, Wal-Mart manager; Lisa Brooks, a founder of Relay in Big Spring; and Leslie Kittio and Emery Blanton, American Cancer Society representatives.

## Energy Watch



**Bhupen Agrawal is branch manager and a senior vice president of investments of A.G. Edward's Midland office. He is also a member of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association.**

**Bill Franks, AAMS, is a senior assistant to the branch manager. He is also a member of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association.**



The old saying that you don't have to be crazy to work here but it helps certainly fits with the market action last week. The DJIA was up 11 percent and the S&P 500 13 percent and yet the world and its problems have not done a 180 percent degree turn.

What happened was that stocks and the financials in particular, were so beaten up that any good news or glimmer of hope would be able to spark a rally. The economic news last week was generally less negative than expected and then three money center banks reported two profitable months without more help from the government.

So where do we go from here? Market action last week was a thing of beauty and we believe it says a great deal about the rest of 2009 and the message for us is cautiously positive. Fears about the economy and the stock market have been at very extreme levels and we doubt that will change quickly. Therefore, those few who haven't already capitulated and sold will probably use strength as perceived selling opportunity.

Despite any normal pullback, in our opinion, the market has already discounted almost every conceivable problem. So any additional evidence that the economy is close to bottoming may keep this market headed higher into year's end. We believe the economic storm is at its peak and will soon begin to moderate. Confidence in the future of our economy is so low that it has only one way to go unless some feel that America will never grow again.

We realize that there is a growing concern about changes in Washington in the form of more and bigger government. The concern is valid but the fear is exaggerated in our opinion. Our country can handle some additional government involvement and some moderate increase in taxes. It is a matter of degree and the people are speaking loud and clear to our politicians to keep the degree moderate. We believe this is a multi-year balancing act and not something that will be a major stock market factor intermediate term.

On the commodity front, crude oil traded in an exciting and broad range last week but finished about where it started. Prices fluctuated amid speculation U.S. inventories will continue to grow as demand continues downward. But on the supply side, there were the usual mixed signals out of OPEC ahead their meeting on Sunday.

Of course Venezuela announced in favor of further production cuts but Nigeria and Qatar representatives said OPEC needs 100 percent compliance with existing quotas before discussing a fresh production cut. We feel even if new cuts are agreed upon compliance (or lack thereof) will continue to be an ongoing issue.

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# New or used?

### Rethinking the math around buying a used car

By **KIMBERLY S. JOHNSON**  
AP Auto Writer

DETROIT — For cash-strapped consumers shopping for a car, used would seem like the place to start. Not necessarily. A new one might actually be cheaper.

Consider this: The average cost of a used 2008 Honda Accord EX sedan, certified by the dealership, was \$21,544 earlier this month, according to Edmunds.com, a car-buying Web site. A new 2009 model cost \$80 less.

It's simple supply and demand. With new car sales at a 27-year low and desperate dealers piling on rebates and incentives, prices are plummeting. At the same time, demand is up for used cars and their values are rising.

"The intuitive logic has been that a used car buy is a better buy," said Edmunds CEO Jeremy Anwyll. "But consumers need to check reality. It's very contradictory."

Used cars still generally cost less than new ones, but a mix of



AP photo

**Deborah Thomas of Lansing, Ill., looks at the interior of a Chevy Traverse. Because of supply and demand, the price between new and used vehicles is diminishing.**

drastic price cuts, rebates and financing incentives is narrowing the gap.

Automakers are subsidizing zero-percent or low-interest loans on new cars, while the average rate on a three-year used car loan is about 7.5 percent, according to

Bankrate.com. Factor in the lower cost of financing and the total cost of the new car can be less.

For example, a \$30,000 car with an annual percentage rate of 2.9 percent would cost \$662.70 a

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## 4-H Spotlight

The Howard County 4-H Club has been busy with the photography, sewing and livestock projects this past month.

Jeanie Coor, who led the photography project, gave us many great pointers for taking good photos. We all had great fun, took great pictures and learned there was a lot more to taking pictures than we first thought.

All mounted photos have been judged at the county level and the top three in each category and age group will go on to be judged at the district level in Garden City May 2.

There are many categories that kids can enter at the District 4-H Roundup. It would be great to have Howard County represented with singing, acting or dancing, fashion, public speaking, judging and food show. Any youths between the ages of 9-18

may participate but must be enrolled in 4-H before competing. Contact the Extension Office at 267-2236 for more information.

For the sewing project, Kandy McWhorter demonstrated how to make a swimsuit wrap. If anyone is interested in being in the fashion show at District Roundup they need to register by March 24.

Several 4-H members have been showing off the hard work they put into their livestock projects at the Houston Livestock Show. The Austin 2009 State Fair of Texas opened Thursday, March 19, and we wish those showing the best of luck.

Look for the 4-H table at the 27th Annual Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Health Fair April 18. We'll have great recipes and ideas for healthy snacks.

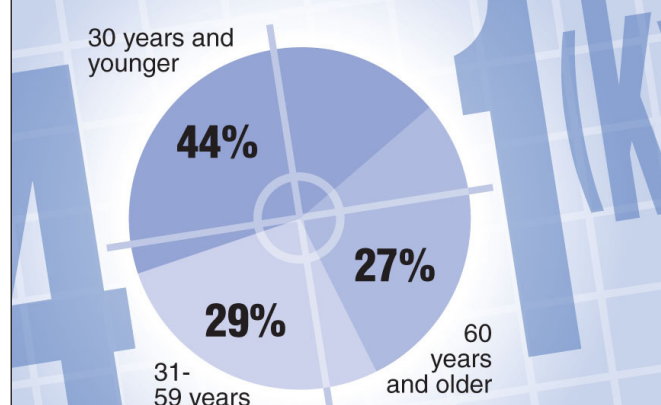
Molly Walker  
4-H Reporter

### BizFact

## Target: Retirement

About 7 percent of assets in 401(k) plans are in target-date, or life-cycle funds, mutual funds that automatically rebalance assets as participants age.

Participants, by age group:



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## New student loans require payments while in school

By **CANDICE CHOI**  
AP Personal Finance Writer

NEW YORK — The running joke about student loans: Don't ever graduate, since you don't have to start paying them back until you do.

Starting Monday, that will no longer be the case for students borrowing from Sallie Mae, the

nation's largest private student lender.

The company, formally known as SLM Corp. is replacing its signature loan with a shorter-term version that requires students to make interest payments while in school. For many families, the move is expected to push private loans out of reach in an already

tight credit market.

The upside is that the cost of a private student loan will be cut by about 40 percent, said Jack Hewes, chief lending officer for Sallie Mae, which is based Reston, Va.

Families would also repay

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LETTERS

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nity. And especially for agreeing to sell the property of the Boys Club, even though I don't believe that is not how it went. We should recognize this man as an outstanding person in our community and maybe even give him the "key" to the city!

There is and always will be a lot of history concerning the Boys Club of Big Spring. I know I have history there. I used to go to the Boys Club, my five older sons used to go to the Boys Club and my oldest grandson loved going to the Boys Club until it was closed recently.

Three generations of my family were raised in "having a place to hang out." And now it is going to be gone. I, for one, thank you, Bert! Thank you for always being there. Thank you for all those trips we went on. Thank you for everything you taught me. I really and truly do appreciate everything you did.

DAVID SALAZAR  
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

I believe it was Brett Harte, the well-known author of Western books, who once commented that a "town is defined by its citizens and the deeds of those who live within it."

I was a stranger to Big Spring when I found myself in the Scenic Mountain Medical Center recently with a burst appendix. I was on my way through Texas, driving to Tucson, Ariz., to visit family and later back through San Antonio and Austin to stay with old friends for a few days.

I had not felt good for days but decided to push on toward my destination regardless. The pain became so debilitating that I had to stop along Interstate 20 and call my brother in Virginia to alert him of my condition. He called the Texas Highway Patrol emergency number and an ambulance was beside me in minutes along with Texas' finest law enforcement.

I was immediately directed to Scenic Mountain Medical Center where emergency personnel attempted to determine why I was in such pain. When it became evident that my appendix had burst, a surgeon was immediately called and I was in surgery within hours.

But this is just the beginning of my story.

The surgeon, Dr. Ladd Hoffman, was with me throughout the six-day ordeal, even as I developed complications from the burst appendix — always there to monitor my recovery and keep me constantly informed of my care. He was there when I first awoke and remained until late at night as I fell asleep.

The nurses were angels of mercy and provided constant care. Though I was alone, without family or friends near, I knew that I was with "family" whenever the staff labored through my recovery and they treated me as though I was a part of their family.

When released, I became the guest of two hospital volunteers, retired minister Allan Guthrie and his wonderful wife Ethel. They opened their home to a stranger and looked after me as I recovered enough to drive back home to Virginia.

I am a retired Air Force colonel who called Texas my home for nearly 30 years. And though I now live in western Virginia near my kids and grandchildren, I realize that Texas is still my "home" and I will always have close friends that I will remember fondly.

I am grateful for all whom I met and Big Spring will always be remembered as the town with caring hearts. You can be very proud of your town!

JAMES MICHAEL FOWLER  
CHRISTIANSBURG, VA.

TO THE EDITOR:

Last summer Thomas Jenkins wrote an excellent column for the *Herald* pointing out the dangers of using a cell phone while driving. An additional frightening fact I have learned is that, according to an AAA study, 46 percent of teens admit to texting while driving.

A number of bills restricting the use of handheld communications devices while operating a motor vehicle have been filed in the state legislature. Some were heard by the House Committee on Transportation on March 10 and left pending.

I called Joe Heflin's office and asked him what was the best way to show support for such a measure.

He suggested contacting Rep. Joe Pickett, who is the chairman of the House Committee on Transportation. His office telephone number is (512) 5463-0596 and his mailing address is P.O. Box 2910, Austin 78768-2910.

He also suggested contacting Sen. John Carona, chairman of the Senate Committee on Transportation. His office telephone number is (512) 463-0116 and his mailing address is P.O. Box 12068, Austin 78711-2068,

Ask for their support for such a measure and then ask both committee chairmen to pass these bills out of their respective committees so the full House and Senate can vote on the measures.

Passage of a suitable measure would be an important step in reducing the number of accidents caused by driver distraction.

JEAN WARREN  
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

The song has ended but the melody lingers on... Thank you, Big Spring and Howard County, for being good listeners to my programs of big band nostalgia music for the past 26 years. It has been a

labor of love playing for you the greatest music of all time. But now it is over, I'm sorry to say.

I was notified recently by the owners and management of KBST that they didn't have a sponsor for my music programs and were going to other programming like more talk and sports. So it's goodbye to the greatest music of all time.

No more Glen Miller, Tex Beneke and the Modernaires, Frank Sinatra, Big Crosby, Perry Como, Tommy Dorsey, Nat King Cole ... Bob Wills, Sons of the Pioneers, Johnny Cash and Gene Autry; and no more locally produced Sunday morning gospel music. What a shame! These and hundreds of other performers and songs will no longer be heard on KBST.

So, Alon Refinery workers, Cornell Corrections employees, the veterans' home, Canterbury North and South, the VAMC and many more places won't have the opportunity to hear the big bands at night anymore.

But don't worry about me. I'm going to enjoy retirement. To paraphrase an old saying, "Old announcers never die — they just fade away." So, I'll just fade into the sunset of West Texas.

So thanks and "thanks for the memories."

LUTHER KELLEY  
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

With a heavy heart I guess we are saying goodbye to an icon named Luther Kelley.

It seems like talk radio has taken over the spot the Luther Kelley Show aired during week nights.

Good luck, Luther. We enjoyed you for about 30 years and you brought back many memories.

I was hoping another station would pick you up, as you have many people here in Big Spring and the surrounding area who listened to you.

GORDON McNEW  
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

Less than six months ago we bought a new home from Faith Builders. We made the same mistake that so many others do, that being the assumption that a person (or company) using "faith" or "God" as their shield must be decent and honest. Not true. We also assumed that by the house being new construction and having had inspections done as required everything must be fine. Again, not true.

Shortly after we moved into our home, things started going wrong, things such as the mortar coming out from between the brick; or stress cracks going up the outside walls; or the grout coming up from the inside tile floors; or discovering we have weight-bearing walls that are not level; or that you can place a marble on the floor and watch it roll downhill; and there are many, many other problems caused by the substructure and foundation settling or poor quality materials being used or poor workmanship.

We attempted to settle the problems with Faith Builders; but each time a contractor was sent to our house to make a minor repair, they had to come again and again. We were told they could not and would not fix the walls and floors. And we sure didn't want the brick and grout messed up or mistakes covered up with possible and probable future problems. Therefore, we have now had to contact the Texas Residential Construction Commission to have them intervene requiring another inspection to be completed. If this inspection does not convince Faith Builders that they need to buy back the house because of the numerous problems then we will need to hire an attorney and use the "Lemon Law For Homes" to force the buy back.

So, please, learn from our lesson and don't rush

into buying a new house thinking your upkeep will be less — check out the builder, his workers, his reputation with other builders and people that know him and his work.

We hope our experience helps others.

SANDY & BETH BETUS  
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

We are asking for your help in getting the word out about the Third Marine Division Association annual reunion. The association is made up of anyone who is now, or has ever been, in the Third Marine Division or attached to the division.

Our Marines have served bravely wherever and whenever asked, from World War II, Korea, Vietnam, the Persian Gulf, Iraq, Afghanistan and peacetime.

The members of our association gather once a year to celebrate old friendships, make new ones and than God we are alive.

The associating will hold its 55th annual reunion Aug. 24-30 in San Antonio.

For more information, contact me at (210) 654-3310 or by e-mail at jumient@hotmail.com.

MIKE SOHN  
SAN ANTONIO

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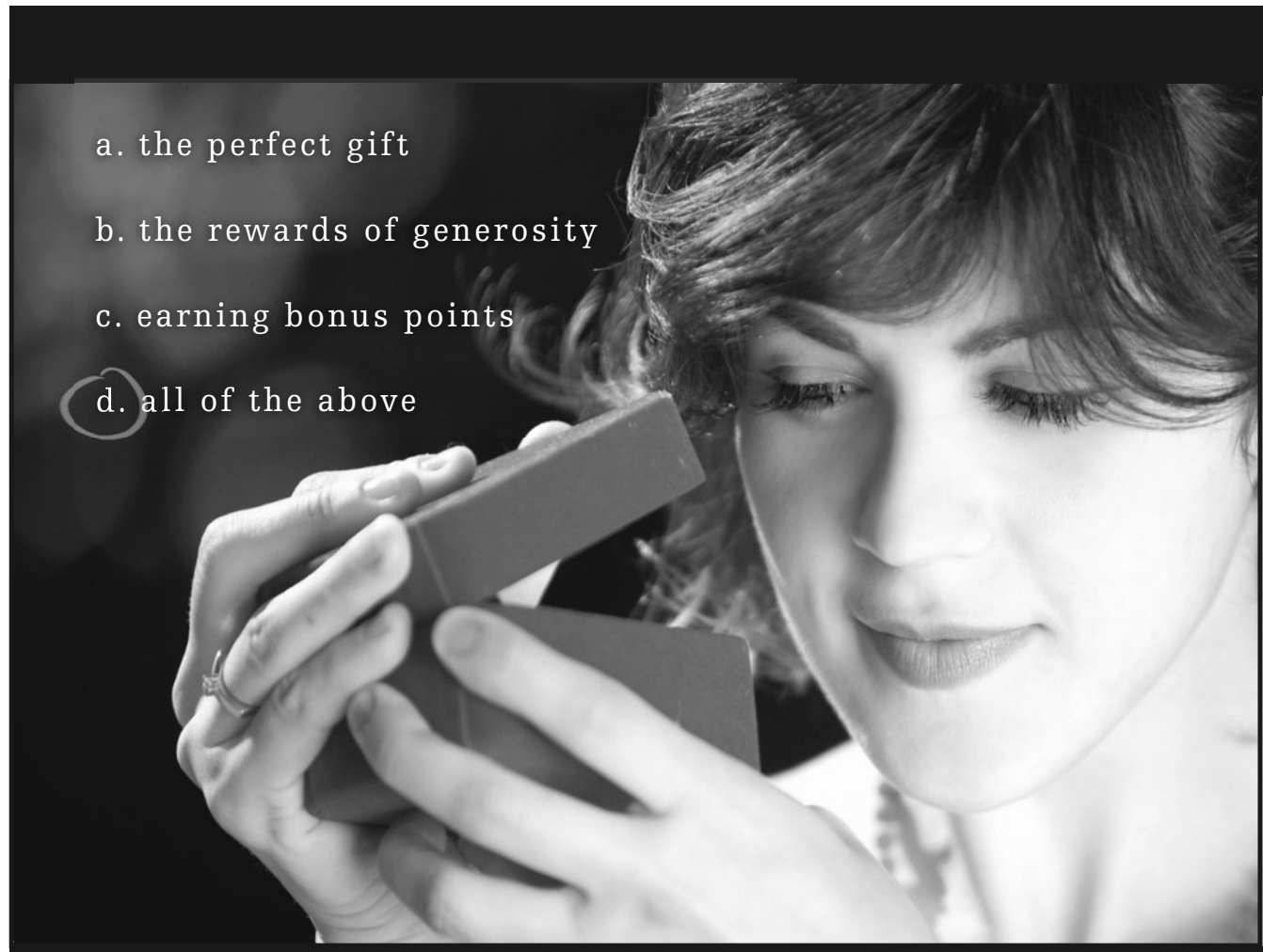
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**County Court Decisions:**  
Probated Judgment: Jose Olivas, driving while license suspended with a previous conviction or suspension, \$500 fine, \$324 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).  
Judgment and Sentence: Cleo-phus Johnson, evading arrest or detention, \$378 court costs, 15 days in jail.  
Judgment and Sentence: Kristie Cuellar, possession of marijuana, \$500 fine, \$328 court costs, 15 days in jail.  
Probated Judgment: Phillip Rene Alcantar, criminal trespass of a habitation, \$326 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 24 months probation).  
Judgment and Sentence: Roberto Cardenas Jr., driving while intoxicated, \$1,500 fine, \$393 court costs.  
Judgment and Sentence: Martin G. Castaneda, possession of marijuana - two ounces or less, \$772 fine, \$278 court costs.  
Judgment and Sentence: Joaquin Aguirre Duenes, failure to identify - giving false information, \$100 fine, \$228 court costs.  
Probated Judgment: Fernando Apolinar Rodriguez, evading arrest or detention, \$1,500 fine, \$278 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).  
Probated Judgment: Theodore Rios, criminal mischief - more than \$500 less than \$1,500, \$500 fine, \$278 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).

**Marriage Licenses:**  
Michael Thomas Courtney, 52, and Kimberly Dolores Campbell, 47, both of Big Spring.  
Randal Wayne Johnson, 44, and Bobbi Jo Nelson, 33, both of Big Spring.  
Jared Chase Brown, 27, and Monica Monique Alvarado, 24, both of Big Spring.  
Joey Sosa, 48, and Maria Lourdes P. Carlos, 51, both of Big Spring.  
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**Warranty Deeds:**  
Grantor: Charles Arriola Viera and Martina Viera  
Grantee: Big Spring ISD  
Property: A tract out of Lot 12, Block 4, Cedar Crest Addition  
Date: Feb. 26, 2009

Grantor: Mildred Reeves  
Grantee: Chuck Rosenbaum  
Property: Lots 1-6, Block 5, Earle's Addition  
Date: Feb. 27, 2009

Grantor: Binhnam Tran and Hanh Nguyen  
Grantee: Ryan Miracle and Faith Miracle  
Property: Lot 5, Block 5, Cedar Ridge Addition  
Date: Feb. 27, 2009

Grantor: Machele Williams  
Grantee: Property Pros of Texas LLC  
Property: Lot 17, Block 7, Stanford Park  
Date: March 2, 2009

Grantor: Joe Rodriguez  
Grantee: Saul Burciaga, Saul Burciaga Jr., Destiny Michelle Burciaga, Romeo David Burciaga and E'Sau D'Ray Burciaga  
Property: Lot 3, Block 16, Boydston Addition  
Date: March 2, 2009

Grantor: David McWherter and Rebecca McWherter  
Grantee: Nei Global Relocation Company  
Property: Lot 1, Block 18, College Park Estates  
Date: March 2, 2009

Grantor: Jeff Rodriguez and Regina Rodriguez  
Grantee: Coronado Hills Apartments LP  
Property: Lots 3-14, Block 1, Coronado Hills; part of Lot 1, Block 12, Coronado Hills  
Date: March 3, 2009

Grantor: Bobby S. Wash  
Grantee: Stephen L. Johnson  
Property: Lots 1-11, Block 8, Original Town of Forsan  
Date: March 4, 2009

Grantor: Frank Long and Glenda Long  
Grantee: Tim Atkins II  
Property: Two tracts out of Section 22, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P Rr Co. Survey  
Date: March 4, 2009

Grantor: Maureen Denio, trustee  
Grantee: Maureen Denio  
Property: A 20.2 acre tract out of Section 19, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P Rr Co. Survey  
Date: March 4, 2009

**Warranty Deeds with Vendor's Lien:**  
Grantor: Daron Hefner and Megan Hefner  
Grantee: Nathanael Meyer  
Property: Lot 25, Block 8, Subur-

ban Heights  
Date: Feb. 26, 2009

Grantor: Michael L. Seal  
Grantee: Mitchell McCormack  
Property: Lot 1, Block 8, Washington Place  
Date: Feb. 26, 2009

Grantor: Thomas W. Moore and Kathryn Moore  
Grantee: Rosa Rivera  
Property: Lot 12, Block 2, Laloma Additio  
Date: Feb. 27, 2009

Grantor: Charles Leek and Thelma Leek  
Grantee: Irene Marsch  
Property: Lot 31, Block 8, Suburban Heights  
Date: Feb. 27, 2009

Grantor: Matthew Bagwell  
Grantee: James Bruce and Elizabeth Bruce  
Property: A 5.08 acre tract out of Section 41, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey  
Date: Feb. 27, 2009

Grantor: Property Pros of Texas LLC  
Grantee: TLC Property Management  
Property: Lot 17, Block 7, Stanford Park  
Date: March 2, 2009

Grantor: Carl Englestad and Caroline Englestad  
Grantee: Ricky Smith and Nikki Smith  
Property: Two tracts out of Section 44, Block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey  
Date: March 2, 2009

Grantor: Michael Workman and Tara Workman  
Grantee: Roger D. Ewing and Kathy Ewing  
Property: Lot 21, Block 2, Colonial Hills  
Date: March 2, 2009

Grantor: Teddy Joe Fowler  
Grantee: C.J. Fowler Properties  
Property: Lot 9, Block 15, Saunders Addition  
Date: March 3, 2009

Grantor: Foundation Mortgage LLC  
Grantee: Samuel D. Pittman and Jessica Pittman  
Property: lot 13, Block 4, Capehart Addition  
Date: March 3, 2009

**CARS**

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month over four years. By comparison, a used car with an APR of 7 percent would cost \$718.38, a total of \$2,673 more over the same period. Automakers like Ford Motor Co. are banking on the phenomenon to drive consumers back to new car showrooms. "There is an equilibrium level which we believe we are getting back to between the

value of used vehicles and the transactional price of new," said Ken Czubay, Ford's sales and marketing vice president, when the company announced its February sales fell 48 percent from a year earlier. "This also portends, we believe, a favorable future for the new business."

Even with the best of terms, however, the monthly payments for a new car are out of some people's reach. That's why leasing became so popular. But many auto finance companies have stopped of-

fering that option because it became unprofitable, and where it is available it may still be out of reach to many consumers.

That's the case with Tom Kostora and his wife, Melanie. They've leased trucks for more than 10 years, but were shopping for a used car this month after turning in their fifth Ford F-150 pickup.

"I want lower payments with my mortgage and tuition for my son's private preschool," the Ford plant worker said while browsing at Law Auto

Sales in Wayne, Mich. "My job could be gone."

Zero-percent financing also can be hard to get without excellent credit, and it's unclear whether the Treasury Department's cash infusions to GMAC and Chrysler Financial have loosened lending. So despite great new car deals, consumer might be relegated to buying used.

"Banks may not finance a \$30,000 car, but they may finance something less, say a \$10,000 to \$15,000 vehicle," said Vach Anderson, used car

manager at Bob Maxey Ford in Detroit. "People are looking to buy less. They have the fear they won't get financing for a new car if they don't have perfect credit."

The make and model of the car also makes a big difference. Used cars from model lines that don't retain as much of their value — like big SUVs from U.S. brands — may be more appealing to people seeking cheap wheels than value-gripping choices like late-model fuel-sippers from Asian brands.

**LOANS**

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loans between five and 15 years, compared with the previous 15 to 30 years. Despite the shorter term, Sallie Mae says the monthly bills upon graduation wouldn't rise dramatically.

This is because the interest payments students make while in school would avoid negative amortization, where the loan balance grows because of deferred interest.

The loans will be available for the 2009-2010 calendar year.

As an example of how the loans will work, Sallie Mae paints the scenario of a student who wants to borrow \$17,000 over two years.

For the first semester of freshman year, the student would pay \$40 a month. That figure would rise each semester, reaching \$160 by the second semester of

sophomore year. The \$160 monthly payments would continue until graduation.

Once out of school, the student would owe only the principal of \$17,000.

This would be paid off over the next six years at \$328 a month. Under the previous setup, the student would have repaid the money over 15 years at \$250 a month.

The new requirement will lower the total cost of the loan to \$28,000, compared to the previous \$45,000.

For Sallie Mae, the impetus for the change is easy to see. Interest payments from students

while they're in school improves cash flow for the company, noted Mark Kantrowitz, publisher of FinAid.org, which tracks the college financial aid industry. The loans are also less risky since families that can't pay while in school are weeded out.

Sallie Mae expects its default rate will drop substantially as a result of the change, Hewes said. In the last fiscal quarter, 4.5 percent of the company's private student loans defaulted.

It's not clear yet how the change will impact the volume of student loans that are made. But

Sallie Mae projects it will issue between \$5.5 billion to \$6 billion in private student loans this year, down from the \$6.3 billion in loans it made last year.

One reason loan volume won't be hugely impacted is that banks and lenders have already

tightened lending standards in the past year, Kantrowitz said.

In addition to lowering the total price of a loan, another potential upside of the change is that families will become more aware of just how costly private student loans can be.

"Students tend to over-borrow, not realizing how much interest they're paying. With this, students will know exactly what it's costing them," he said.

As a result, he noted that more will turn to cheaper federal loans and grants.

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## Coahoma Junior High Math Team excels

The Coahoma Junior High Math Team competed at the Texas Math and Science Coaches Association (TMSCA) Regional Meet recently at Wylie Middle School in Abilene and a number of students qualified for state.

Coahoma Junior High results were as follows:

Number Sense Team, 1st in Class 2A and 4th Boys Club.

Team Members: Wendy Anderson (8th Grade), 1st in Class 2A and 8th Boys Club; Dustin Fontana (8th Grade), Shayla

Martin (7th Grade), 1st in Class 2A and 7th Boys Club; Haley Walker (7th Grade), 2nd in Class 2A.

Calculator Team, 2nd in Class 2A and 7th Boys Club

Team Members: Dustin Fontana (8th Grade), 2nd in Class 2A; Shayla Martin (7th Grade), 2nd in Class 2A; Kim Henry (7th Grade), 3rd in Class 2A; Haley Walker (7th Grade), 4th in Class 2A.

Mathematics Team, 2nd in Class 2A and 10th Boys Club

Team Members: Alberto Meija (8th Grade), 3rd in Class 2A; Wendy Anderson (8th Grade), 4th in Class 2A; Shayla Martin (7th Grade), 1st in Class 2A; Kim Henry (7th Grade), 3rd in Class 2A.

Science Team, 3rd in Class 2A and 10th Boys Club

Team Members: Alexis Jackson (6th Grade), 1st in Class 2A and 9th Boys Club; Dustin Fontana (8th Grade), 5th in Class 2A; Matthew Cisneros (6th Grade), 4th in Class

2A; Morgan Pierce (6th Grade), 9th in Class 2A.

The Number Sense, Calculator and Mathematics Teams have all qualified to compete in the State Championship Meet that will be held in San Antonio April 18. Alexis Jackson and Dustin Fontana have also qualified to compete at state in Science.

"The entire team worked extremely hard this year and I am looking forward to another great year," said Jim Edmondson, sponsor.

## Adopt a spot, highway or road

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We have areas that can be adopted by individuals, families, orga-

nizations, churches or scouts. We have areas in our parks that certainly could use the loving care of one of the above and we have five pavilions that need loving care; we have a scout troop currently looking at one.

The park is one of our most precious attractions and we need citizens' help in caring and beautifying it. We have stretches of highways roads and spots waiting to be adopted

Master Gardeners have adopted a spot on the west end of town entrance, just across from the Shell Service Station. Manuel Ramirez, Jr. Family has adopted the large triangular median area. They already have

adopted the E. Fourth and E. Third from Settles Street to Tulane.

We have two groups that have adopted a road. Sid Richardson adopted the two-mile stretch of N. Midway road that runs next to the plant and Baker's Chapel has adopted Martin Luther King Blvd. from Lancaster to FM 700.

We have several more roads and streets that need adopting, Midway and Wason, just to name a couple.

The Adopt A Highway program is handled through Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT). TxDOT provides the vest and bags for area adopted signage with your name

at each end of area adopted.

You are required to clean the area four times a year.

We have a good number of dedicated participants who are responsible for keeping our community and county clean.

American Legion Post 506 cleans W. Hwy 80 from West Interstate 20 to Jones Street; Concerned Citizens cleans W. Third and W. Fourth streets from to Jones Street to Gregg. Teen Workforce has adopted Third and Fourth streets proceeding east from Gregg to Settles. The next 2 miles from Settles to Tulane is the responsibility of Manuel Ramirez, Jr. family.

The Boys Club cleans on Highway 350 from I-20 to FM 700; the next two miles on 350 going east have been adopted by Price Construction. The next two miles on Highway 350 are cared for by the family of Philip Guzman Jr., who lost his life in this area.

Adult Probations cleans FM700 from I-20 to Wason, while Keep Big Spring Beautiful has adopted FM the next two miles from Wason to Highway 80.

The West Texas VA Health Care System adopted a two-mile stretch going south on Highway 87 from FM 700; followed by InHome Care for the next two miles.

A new member of the Adopt A Highway program is the Disabled

See **SIMMONS**, Page 7A

## Club News



Bill Birrell

### Evening Lions Club

Bill Birrell celebrated his 50th Anniversary as an Evening Lions Club member. He received his 50-year pin during the club's meeting March 16, 2009.

Birrell joined the club in 1959 at the Wesley Methodist Church. Ted Hull was president at the time and the club had 32 members.

### TOPS TX 21

The TOPS TX 21 Club was called to order with a rousing TOPS cheer by Leader Laura Sickles. The TOPS members then gave their cheer led by Dennis Stapel followed by the KOPS cheer led by Laura Sickles. The welcome song was sung by all present.

Linda Stapel was asked to read the minutes of the previous meeting, which were approved. Then two humorous readings were read: Pam Klaus read "Life Explained, followed by Mary Churchwell with "TOPS Club Meeting." A hearty laugh was enjoyed by all.

The business portion began with a TOPS charm being awarded to a member for her six months achievement as a helpful member of the club.

Members were then told that the former District Leader Linda Eschew is now in the hospital in San Angelo with a serious health condition. A get well card was prepared and signed by all members and Frank Sickles will mail it to her.

Members were then advised of a TV program Good Morning America that will highlight a TOPS Club member who has lost 140 pounds. She is a member of TOPS No. 1383 Grand Rapids, Michigan. It will be shown March 25.

Roll call was then given. There were eight TOPS and two KOPS present and the weekly best loser was Frank Sickles.

The program was then presented by Linda Stapel, Marcy Churchwell and Dennis Stapel. They did a fun skit titled "Heart to Heart." It was enjoyed by all.

For more information about TOPS club please call Frank Sickles at 432-213-1342 or Olnee Menges at 432-263-6819. TOPS Club is a program to help people lose extra weight to be more healthy and feel better about their appearance. It does work and we want to help you.

TOPS Club meetings are each Monday evening from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. with weigh-in beginning at 5 p.m. held at the Fellowship Hall of the First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad. All visitors are welcome.

### The West Texas Pachyderm Club

The West Texas Pachyderm (Republican) Club will be holding its monthly meeting at the Big Spring Country Club off Driver Road at noon Thursday. Lunch is for a nominal fee. Everyone is invited. For more information, contact Melanie Gambrel at 267-7387.

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• Weigh-in of snakes

#### Saturday, March 28

10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
• Snake Shows,  
Demonstrations, Races  
• Arts & Crafts Show -  
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#### Sunday, March 29

Noon to 4:00 p.m.  
• Weight-in of snakes  
Noon to 6:00 p.m.  
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Steven Swanson and Joseph Acaba floated outside early in the afternoon, as the station-shuttle complex soared 220 miles above the South Pacific. They promptly made their way to the end of the space station's framework, and loosened bolts holding down batteries that will be replaced on the next shuttle visit in June.

list: deploying equipment storage platforms, installing a GPS antenna and using an infrared camera to photograph a pair of radiators.

It was the second spacewalk in three days for the crew of shuttle Discovery. On Thursday, Swanson and another astronaut installed the final pair of solar wings at the orbiting outpost. The panels were unfurled Friday.

Saturday's excursion, though just as busy, was not expected to have the drama associated with the multimillion dollar, high-priority solar wings. NASA was still basking in that success,

telling the astronauts in a wake-up message that the space station "now looks like the artist renderings that we've been seeing for years."

Swanson and Acaba, a former Florida school-teacher making his first spacewalk, were tackling some chores that were added just this past week. The antenna work, for instance, was supposed to occur on a later spacewalk that ended up being canceled because of shuttle Discovery's repeated launch delays.

The GPS antenna, the second to be installed on the Japanese laboratory, will be needed

when Japan launches a new space station cargo carrier this fall.

Swanson and Acaba's battery work took them to the far left end of the space station framework that holds the space station wings, the opposite side from where Thursday's job took place. NASA said there could be some induced electrical voltage way out there, but the risk of shock was considered small and well within acceptable limits.

# SIMMONS

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## Dating Violence



### What is it?

Dating violence is controlling, abusive and aggressive behavior in a romantic relationship. It can happen in straight or gay relationships. It can include verbal, emotional, physical, or sexual abuse, or a combination of them.

### Controlling behavior includes:

- Not letting you hang out with your friends
- Calling or paging you frequently to find out where you are, who you're with, and what you're doing
- Telling you what to wear
- Having to be with you all the time

### Verbal and emotional abuse includes:

- Calling you names
- Jealousy • Belittling you (cutting you down)
- Threatening to hurt you, someone in your family, or themselves if you don't do what they want

### Physical abuse include:

- Shoving • Punching • Slapping • Pinching • Hitting • Kicking • Hair pulling • Strangling

### Sexual abuse includes:

- Unwanted touching and kissing • Forcing you to have sex
  - Not letting you use birth control • Forcing you to do other sexual things
- Anyone can be a victim of dating violence. Both boys and girls are victims, but boys and girls abuse their partners in different ways. Girls are more likely to yell, threaten to hurt themselves, pinch, slap, scratch, or kick. Boys injure girls more, are more likely to punch their partner, and more likely to force them to participate in unwanted sexual activity. Some teen victims experience violence occasionally. Others are abused more often, sometimes daily.

### If you are a victim of dating violence, you might...

- Think it's your fault • Feel angry, sad, lonely, depressed or confused
- Feel helpless to stop the abuse • Feel threatened or humiliated
- Feel anxious • Not know what might happen next
- Feel like you can't talk to family and friends • Be afraid of getting hurt more seriously
- Feel protective of your boyfriend/girlfriend

### You're not alone

- One in three teenagers has experienced violence in a dating relationship.
- 50 percent to 80 percent of teens have reported knowing others who were involved in violence relationships.
- 15 percent of teen girls and boys have reported being victims of severe dating violence (defined as being hit, thrown down, or attacked with a weapon).
- 8 percent of 8th and 9th grade students have reported being victims of sexual dating violence.
- Young women, ages 16 to 24 years, experience the highest rates of relationship violence.

### Get help

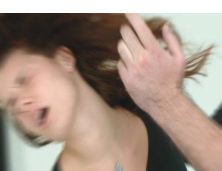
- Being a victim of dating violence is not your fault. Nothing you say, wear, or do gives anyone the right to hurt you.
- If you think you are in abusive relationship, get help immediately. Don't keep your concerns to yourself.
- Talk to someone you trust like a parent, teacher, school principal, counselor or nurse.
- If you choose to tell, you should know that some adults are mandated reporters. This means they are legally required to report neglect or abuse to someone else, like the police or child protective services. You can ask people if they are mandated reporters and then decide what you want to do. Some examples of mandated reporters are teachers, counselors, doctors, social workers, and in some cases, even coaches or activity leaders. If you want to help deciding who to talk to, call our Helpline at 1-800-FYI-CALL, or an anonymous crisis line in your area. You might also want to talk to a trusted family member, a friend's parent, an adult neighbor or friend, an older sibling or cousin, or other experienced person who you trust.
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### Help Yourself

- Think about ways you can be safer. This means thinking about what to do, where to go for help, and who to call ahead of time
  - Where can you go for help? • Who can you call? • Who will help you?
  - How will you escape a violence situation?
- Here are other precautions you can take
- Let friends or family know when you are afraid or need help.
  - When you go out, say where you are going and when you'll be back
  - In an emergency call 911 or your local police department
  - Memorize important phone numbers like the people to contact or places to go in an emergency
  - Keep spare change, calling cards, or a cell phone handy for immediate access to communication
  - Go out in a group with other couples
  - Have money available for transportation if you need to take a taxi, bus, or subway to escape

### Help Someone Else

- If you know someone who might be in an abusive relationship, you can help.
- Tell the person that you are worried • Be a good listener • Offer your friendship and support
- Ask how you can help • Encourage your friend to seek help
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- Avoid any confrontations with the abuser. This could be dangerous for you and your friend.



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After a week dominated by outrage over enormous corporate bonuses at bailed-out companies, Obama used his weekly radio and Internet address to turn the focus back on his budget proposal and getting it through Congress.

But even as he outlined his four major requirements for a spending

plan that would top \$3.6 trillion, there was growing unease on Capitol Hill over a budget that congressional auditors say will generate \$9.3 trillion in red ink over the next decade.

"I realize there are those who say these plans are too ambitious to enact," Obama said. "To that I say that the challenges we face are too large to ignore. I didn't come here to pass on our problems to the next president or the next generation."

Republicans, however, slammed Obama's budget as a breathtaking spending spree.



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**Tomorrow's Horoscope**

Life is brand-new. The problems of yesterday may still be there, but they don't look the same. For those who ask questions like "what if?" there will be possibilities where there weren't any before. Tilt your head sideways and you'll see windows where you thought there were walls, doors where you thought there were windows.



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**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). You'd like to be wild and unfettered, though your reality will challenge your notions of what freedom really is. Can you live on the edge and also have a regular job? You'll push against the boundaries and find out.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Luckily, you don't need to wander the world in order to find out who you are. You just need a good project. Either a new one falls in your lap, or you discover fresh things to love about an old one.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). You are a masterful negotiator. If there's nothing you desperately want at the moment, use your powers of persuasion for another person's cause. It's good practice so you'll be ready when it's time to act on your own behalf again.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). You realize when an arrangement doesn't suit you. That doesn't mean it's easy to extricate yourself, though. A fast and wordless retreat is favored. If you can't say nothing at all, at least say very little. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). You cannot give what you don't have. You've been so dedicated to helping and teaching others that it may feel strange and selfish to love and take excellent care of yourself. It's crucial that you do it anyway.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You want to help more people than you possibly can. Prioritize — it's a must! Also, promises (that you won't want to keep) are likely to fly out of your mouth in a moment of

tenderness, so try and contain yourself.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You don't feel like you're caught up with life. Can you think back to a time when you did? Probably not. There will always be some loose ends somewhere. So pat yourself on the back for all that you have accomplished.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). All that reading you do is paying off. Because you are aware of what's going on in the world you have something to say to a person you don't know very well and have little in common with.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The morning's mental fog will pass soon enough. To get yourself to knuckle down to work you'll have to tease yourself with promises of great reward. Do be sure to make good on those promises, too!

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You may be afraid to show too much enthusiasm. You don't want people to think you're immature or emotionally unstable. Someone around you feels the same way. Dare to show your joy and others will, too.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It may feel as though someone is hurrying you along when you'd rather operate at a leisurely pace. You're doing just fine. You don't have to be busy every moment to feel good about the way you use your time.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). You have pulled off many a successful endeavor without having a clue how you did it. Someone who studies your moves might be able to illuminate things about the way you operate that even you didn't know.

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For more information or to request a proposal package, contact Patti Lindsey at Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission, P.O. Box 60660, Midland, TX 79711, (432) 563-1061. Bid proposals should be received no later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, April 3, 2009.

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# Don't let vet bills leave you in the dog house



(AP Photo/Jacquelyn Martin)

**Jan Rosen, a veterinarian with the Washington Animal Rescue League, brushes the teeth of Toulouse, a cat at the shelter in Washington. To save some money on vet bills have your vet show you how to do some routine care yourself, such as nail clipping and toothbrushing.**



(AP Photo/Jacquelyn Martin)

**Sharon DePauw, left, a veterinarian with the Washington Animal Rescue League, shows Carol Freeman how to brush the teeth of her dog, Dakota, at the league's medical center in Washington.**

By **LINDA LOMBARDI**

For The Associated Press

When her dog Liza starting having seizures, Alison Taub was alone at home for the first time since having major surgery — and her regular vet was closed for the weekend.

The problem turned out to be in Liza's heart. "The emergency vet was actually a specialist in heart problems and pacemakers which was really lucky," she said. "But they were also very expensive and demanded money upfront."

Taub had to leave a \$2,000 deposit before treatment could begin — treatment that would eventually add up to almost \$6,000. The only bright side of the otherwise bad timing? Taub had just signed up for a CareCredit health credit card to pay for her own surgery, a card that was also accepted by the vet.

"The emergency vet had a 3-month interest free option set up, so I knew I had some time to work it all out," said Taub, of Lake Forest, Calif.

Veterinary medicine can do amazing things nowadays, like implant a pacemaker through a dog's jugular vein — treatment that Taub said "had a huge effect." But the bills can be equally astonishing, especially when we're all worried about the economy.

It helps to plan ahead and know what your options are:

#### MANAGING YOUR FINANCES:

- Before you get a pet, make sure you understand what your expenses will be, says Anna Worth, president of the American Animal Hospital Association. The initial cost of a puppy or kitten — whether it's a thousand dollars for a purebred or a smaller fee from a shelter — is a small fraction of the lifetime care costs.

- Consider pet health insurance. A couple of places to start: the guide to plans recommended by the American Animal Hospital Association (<http://www.healthypet.com/sealbuyersguide.aspx>), and the insurance plans offered by the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (<http://www.aspcapetinsurance.com>).

The ASPCA offers options starting with an accident-only plan at \$7.50/month for cats and \$9.50/month for dogs, and part of the proceeds from each plan go to support the work of the ASPCA.

- A health credit card may help you manage your cash flow. Vets who accept the CareCredit card, for example, may offer payment plans with no-interest periods starting at three months.

Be careful to read the fine print for both of these options, however. All insurance plans have some exclusions, and if you don't make the payments on your CareCredit card by the end of the interest-free period, you will owe interest retroactively. You also need to qualify via a typical credit card application process.

## Vet bill prevention cheaper than cures

By **LINDA LOMBARDI**

For The Associated Press

Pet owners are fortunate to have access to many preventative medicines and procedures, but if you've never experienced a problem, you may wonder if the cost of prevention is worth it.

For proof, take a look at these figures provided by Emily Pointer, veterinarian at the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals:

- Heartworm disease  
Prevention: Monthly pills for a 25 pound dog: \$60 per year; yearly test, \$25. Treatment: Exam, bloodwork, radiographs and injections for a straightforward case, about \$500. The cost can go into the thousands for a complicated case and many dogs die or have a shortened lifespan even if treated.

- Flea and ticks  
Prevention: about \$20 per month for topical medication for a 25 pound dog. Treatment for flea- and tick-borne disease: Exam, diagnostic testing and 30 days of antibiotics would cost about \$200 for a simple case; Pointer has one case where the owner has spent over \$3000 treating complications from a tick bite infection.

- Kennel cough  
Prevention: Exam and vaccine \$105. Treatment: Exam, radiograph and medication about \$270. If pneumonia develops, hospitalization and treatment are about \$1,200-\$1,600.

#### AT THE VET:

- Vets do charge differently, so when first choosing a vet, you may want to factor this into your decision. But afterward, Worth recommends that you avoid shopping around for each procedure on the basis of price. Consistency is important to your pet's care, and what's more, a vet is more likely to be flexible when you're in a bind financially if you have a long-term relationship.

- Don't be uncomfortable about mentioning money — there is almost always more than one treatment option. "Talk to your vet and ask what are the simplest things that you can start with. Start with the least expensive. Maybe you don't need to test for everything at once," say Jim Monsma of the Washington Animal Rescue League.

- Don't neglect preventative care and medication, which can save you money in the long run. Spay and neuter your pets, which prevents health problems as well as unwanted litters: for referral to low-cost providers go to <http://www.spayusa.org>.

- Have your vet show you how to do some routine care yourself, such as nail clipping and toothbrushing.

#### AT HOME:

- Feed quality food, but don't overfeed — it's not only a waste of money on the food, but being overweight can cause costly health problems in pets.

- Keep cats indoors: it's safer and better for their health.

- Train your dog. A dog that comes when you call is less likely to run off and get into an accident. Your dog should also respond to a command like "leave it" or "drop it" when he's about to grab and eat something that might make him sick.

- Exercise your dog; it's good for him, and a tired dog is less likely to find ways to get into trouble. And make sure your home is always dog-safe. There's a good reason that ASPCA insurance excludes coverage for multiple instances of foreign object ingestion: It can happen to anyone once, but if your dog eats several tennis balls in a row, you're neglecting to keep him safe from eating tennis balls.

#### IN A FINANCIAL BIND:

- If your vet is accredited by AAHA, he or she can apply to their assistance fund.

- Ask your vet if a payment plan is possible. But remember that most vets are small businesspeople and times are hard for them too.

- Call your local shelter. In a few lucky communities, there are low-cost clinics for low-income residents like the Washington Animal Rescue League in Washington, D.C. But even where these are not established, the shelter may be able to refer you somewhere, especially if the alternative is taking in a surrendered animal because its owner can't pay for its care.

- If all else fails, there is a list of small charities that help with vet bills on the web site of the Humane Society of the United States. But these may be overwhelmed with requests, so your best option is to start local.

[http://www.hsus.org/pets/pet\\_care/what\\_you\\_can\\_do\\_if\\_you\\_are\\_having\\_trouble\\_affording\\_veterinary\\_care.html](http://www.hsus.org/pets/pet_care/what_you_can_do_if_you_are_having_trouble_affording_veterinary_care.html)

# Dear Margo: The booby prize of boyfriends

**Dear Margo:** I have been in a relationship for three years. We are both 33, never married, no kids.

He lives with his aunt and attends college. I live alone and we see each other on weekends. He has always been opinionated and insists his way is always right, but recently it's been getting worse. He tells me things like,

"I don't give a rip about your feelings" and "Your opinion is stupid." I've heard the last one plenty lately. I've given this man my time, love and money, and have received this poor treatment (with attitude) in return.

I have been the best girlfriend I can possibly be, but it's never good enough. He finds fault in the smallest details and has threatened divorce even though we're not married!

He has broken up with me three times so far. He is losing friends because of his attitude, and he's about to lose me. There are some good things about him, but they do not outweigh the bad. I don't know where all this is coming from. I hate to give up on him since we've invested so much time

together. What do I do? — *DeDe*

**Dear De:** You cut your losses, hon, and as the farmers say, rotate your crops. Forget the time you've already invested and concentrate on the time you have in front of you. To stick with him is the romantic equivalent of throwing good money after bad.

I cannot figure out what's kept you in this punishing, if not masochistic, relationship for three years, but you are young enough to chalk him up to experience (a bad one) and invite him to inflict his charms on another young woman.

You might want to look into why you've spent three years being a doormat for Mr. Obnoxious. — *Margo, unambiguously*

#### Delusions Sent by E-Mail

**Dear Margo:** Please help me with this. I'm in my early 20s and have been in a committed relationship for two years.

Nothing to complain about there. The problem is my former boyfriend's friend, who seems to think he's in love with me. At first I was flattered, but told him kindly I had no plans to leave my boyfriend.

I had never done anything to make him think I was interested in him. Over the past few months, however, he's repeatedly sent me messages saying the same thing and implying I

might feel as he does.

I responded as I did before, telling him to please forget about it. That doesn't seem to work. If I ignore an e-mail, he'll send another one. Nothing works. It's to the point where I'm really glad he doesn't know my address.

We live in different cities, so at least I don't ever bump into him. Obviously this guy has a problem, because I'm not the first girl he's done this to.

He seems to mistake friendliness for flirting — but I seem to be the only one he continues to pester.

I don't want to try for a restraining order because I don't think he's a threat to my life. How do I get him to stop? I'm starting to feel like I'm in one of those crazy Lifetime movies. — *Anonymous*

**Dear An:** This chap is obsessive about women, and now he's obsessing about you.

There is clearly a screw loose when someone is told "no" but imagines it is really "yes." I suggest getting a new e-mail address so that the next time he tries to be in touch with you it will hie back.

Perhaps technology will stop him whereas your demurs could not. — *Margo, pragmatically*

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