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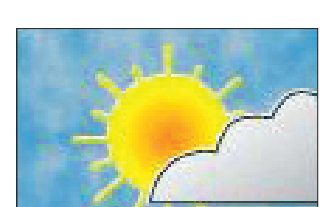


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Council set to amend city's budget for 2010

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

The Big Spring City Council is expected to consider first reading of an amendment to its 2010 budget Tuesday as the municipality looks to adjust its property tax revenue in light of an error recently discovered in the certified values provided by the Howard County Appraisal

District. Facing a \$91,000 shortfall in taxable revenues thanks to a \$9 million glitch in its certified values, the Council will entertain first reading of an ordinance amending the annual budget for the fiscal year, which began Oct. 1, 2009. The amendment would provide for a decrease in the general fund's balance for the purpose of decreasing property tax revenue for

the city. According to Brett McKibben, chief appraiser for the Howard County Appraisal District, equipment at Western Container was accidentally added into the local company's tax valuation twice, creating a \$9 million discrepancy in the certified taxable values submitted to the council last year. "It was a clerical error. The new

assets were added to Western Container's valuation in two different areas, and you can't tax someone twice for the same thing," said McKibben. "Once we caught the error, we corrected it and resubmitted our certified values." The amendment comes on the heels of an emergency meeting of the

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Kem Hooper, left, and Jeremy Grant talk while participating in a chili cookoff to benefit the West Texas Centers for MHMR's Children In Need Fund at the Eagles Lodge Saturday morning. Officials said 38 teams participated in the event.

MLK March set for Jan. 18

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

A day on, not a day off. That's the idea event coordinators will be promoting Monday, Jan. 18, as area residents prepare to hit the pavement and march in honor of civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. The event will begin at 6 p.m. and walkers will head west on Martin Luther King Boulevard to FM 700, where the group will hold a prayer. "The march is going to start at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home, which is located at the corner of Martin Luther King Boulevard and Gregg Street," said Stephanie Horton, the march's coordinator. "The people at Nalley-



Horton

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Dropout recovery program not meeting goal

HOUSTON (AP) — About 20 percent of Texas high school dropouts have graduated within a year in a \$6 million recovery program that has fallen short of expectations. Computer-based classes and career counseling have helped the 1,173 students enlisted in May 2008 in the Texas Dropout Recovery Pilot Program. However, providing child care, night classes and financial incentives haven't yielded the higher graduation rates educators expected, according to the program's preliminary results. The Houston Chronicle reported Sunday that the biggest obstacle since the program's launch in August 2008 was tracking down dropouts. Texas is offering participating districts up to \$1,000 for each student who graduates. So much incentive money remains unspent that the state extended the program's first cycle to May. "It has been very encouraging, especially for something that's not the typical grant program," said Jan Lindsey,

the Texas Education Agency's director of College and Career Readiness. "So little work has really been done in the area of dropout recovery. Most of the funding and research is around dropout prevention." The research is important in Houston, where experts say as many as 50 percent of students fail to graduate within four years, costing society \$70,000 each in increased welfare, health and criminal activity costs over a lifetime. "Texas has done such a poor job when it comes to our high school dropouts," said Robert Sanborn, president of Children At Risk, a Houston nonprofit research and advocacy group. He applauded the state's push to recover dropouts but said money is best spent engaging children in elementary and middle school. The Houston suburb of Pasadena used its grant money to target dropouts who needed only to pass a portion of the state-mandated Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills tests. So far, 46 of 123 students in the Pasa-

dena ISD have graduated. In the Clear Creek school district, officials added services such as day care and transportation to entice 40 dropouts to return; 15 of those students have graduated. "There's no specific reason why kids dropped out," said Deanne Cooney, a Clear Creek social worker. "The biggest key is once they're gone, they don't know how to get back and restarted." Programs that yield the best results will likely be eligible for more funding and their results will provide important insight into how dropout recovery efforts should be designed, Lindsey said. Experts warned against drawing broad conclusions from this initial report, however. The low success rate of students using school-provided day care, for example, is probably more of a reflection of how difficult it is for young parents to return to school. "Whenever we pay individual attention to students, the levels of success are dramatically higher," Sanborn said.

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Obituaries

Robert Stanley 'Bob' Wheeler

Robert Stanley "Bob" Wheeler, 75, of Andrews passed away in Odessa Friday, Jan. 8, 2010. Bob was born in Big Spring on Jan. 9, 1934, to Stanley W. and Dona Belle Wheeler. Bob grew up in Big Spring. He graduated from high school there and attended Howard County Junior College. He later graduated from North Texas State University in 1955. Bob married Jan Masters in Big Spring on Aug. 21, 1954. He was in the Army, where he served in the Panama Canal Zone for 17 months.

Bob and Jan moved to Andrews in January 1959 and opened Wheeler Buick-Pontiac-GMC Truck dealership. They later moved the dealership to new facilities in 1983. Bob received several Dealership Awards over the years they were in business. He retired in 2006.

Bob was a past member of the Jaycees, an active 50-year member and past president of the Andrews Lions Club and was a Melvin Jones Recipient in Lions, a past member of the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and a past member of the Industrial Foundation.

He served as a city councilman and on the School Lay Advisory Board. He served two terms on the Andrews Independent School Board and served as a deacon and an elder for the Andrews Presbyterian Church. Bob was an avid Mustang fan and a past member of the Band Booster Club.

Survivors include his wife, Jan Wheeler of Andrews; daughter, Amy Wheeler of Andrews; and brothers, Jim Wheeler of Stanton and Bill Wheeler of Midland.

Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday in McNett Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Mary Breden, pastor of Andrews Presbyterian Church, officiating.

The family request memorials to Lions Crippled Children's Camp.

Paid obituary

Rose Elizabeth Mills

Rose Elizabeth Mills, 28, of Big Spring died Friday, Jan. 8, 2010, at her residence. Memorial services will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 13, 2010, at Christ's Community Church.

She was born July 15, 1981, in Big Spring. She was a life long resident of Big Spring, a homemaker and attended Life Church.

Survivors include her husband, Kerry Mills of Big Spring; one son, Gage Mills of Big Spring; two daughters, Alexia Mills and Dawn Rey Mills, both of Big Spring; her mother and stepfather, Rhonda and Charles Bronaugh, and her father and stepmother, Andy and Roberta Rodriguez, all of Big Spring; her maternal grandmother, Geraldine York, and her paternal grandfather, Juan Rodriguez, both of Big Spring; five brothers, Robert Kemp, Roque Rodriguez and Juan Rodriguez, all of Big Spring, Paul Moreno of League City and Andy Rodriguez Jr. of Austin; and three sisters, Christina Moreno of Seattle, Wash., Christian Rodriguez and Paula Rodriguez, both of Big Spring.

She was preceded in death by her brother, Adam Kemp; her paternal grandmother, Maria Rodriguez; her maternal grandfather, Ronald York; and her step-father, Kenneth Kemp.

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

Lottery

- The winning numbers drawn in the Lotto Texas drawing Saturday night: 3-7-28-35-40-54
Estimated jackpot: \$32 million
Next Lotto Texas game: Wednesday night.
- The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery: 4-14-18-30-33.
- The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Saturday night, in order: 8-3-0-4. Sum It Up: 15.
- The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Saturday night, in order: 5-0-2. Sum It Up: 7.
- The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Saturday afternoon, in order: 4-9-6-3. Sum It Up: 22.
- The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Saturday afternoon, in order: 7-1-3. Sum It Up: 11.

Luis (Tito) Dominguez

Luis (Tito) Dominguez, 74, died Saturday, Jan. 9, 2010.

Survivors include his wife, Ramona S. Dominguez of Midland; two sons, Luis Dominguez Jr. of Midland and Ricky Dominguez of Big Spring; two daughters, Susana Rios and Emelda Dominguez, both of Midland; four brothers, Tony Dominguez, Andy Dominguez, Manuel Dominguez and David Dominguez, all of Big Spring; one sister, Oralia (Betty) Hernandez of Eagle Pass; numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nephews, nieces and cousins.

A rosary will be held Monday, Jan. 11, 2010, at 7 p.m. at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Chapel. Funeral mass will be held Tuesday, Jan. 12, 2010, at 11 a.m. at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church with Father Edward de Leon OMI officiating. Interment will follow at Serenity Memorial Gardens.

Funeral services are under the direction of Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home. Family messages and condolences may be emailed to pipkin@nts-online.net.

Bessie Lara

Bessie Lara, 58, of Big Spring died Sunday, Jan. 10, 2010, at her residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 9 a.m. Saturday and 7 a.m. today:

- SALVADOR GUTIERREZ PEREZ, 38, of 1405 Lancaster Apt. 2, was arrested Saturday on a charge of public intoxication.
- LARRY WAYNE HOBBS, 25, of 1900 Martin Luther King Blvd Apt. 709, was arrested Saturday on a charge of assault.
- LESLIE ANN RODRIGUEZ, 22, of 1425 E. Sixth St. Apt. 125, was arrested Sunday on a local warrant.
- RICARDO LOYA, 25, of 609 W. 16th St., was arrested Sunday on four local warrants.
- JOSEPH ANTHONY GUTIERREZ, 20, of 1605 Lincoln, was arrested Sunday on a local warrant.
- THEFT was reported:
In the 1700 block of FM 700.
In the 1200 block of 11th Place.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported:
In the 1300 block of Lexington.
In the 1400 block of Sixth Street.
In the 2500 block of Fairchild.
In the 500 block of Birdwell Lane.
- ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported:
In the 1400 block of Sixth Street.
In the 2600 block of Hunter.
- DEADLY CONDUCT - DISCHARGE OF A FIREARM was reported in the 1700 block of First Street.
- BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Blvd.
- ASSAULT CAUSING BODILY INJURY - FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 1900 block of Martin Luther King Blvd.
- ASSAULT CAUSING BODILY INJURY was reported in the 1800 block of FM 700.
- ASSAULT BY CONTACT was reported:
In the 1900 block of N. Highway 87.
In the 1000 block of Runnels.
In the 1900 block of N. Highway 87.

Sheriff

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

- Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 59 inmates at the time of this report.
- DEBRA JUNE ADWELL, 40, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.
- CARLOS NOEL APONTE, 22, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on revoked bond charges for failure to identify - giving false information and possession of marijuana - two ounces or less, and charges of evading arrest or detention with a vehicle and driving while intoxicated - open container.
- KAILA ROCHELLE EDWARDS, 20, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on charges of issuance of a bad check, violation of a promise to appear and driving while license invalid.
- JENNIFER ANN GARZA, 22, was arrested Sunday by DPS on a charge of driving while license suspended.
- JOSEPH ANTHONY GUTIERREZ, 20, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of minor in possession of tobacco product.

Today's Weather

Local 3-Day Forecast

Tue 1/12	Wed 1/13	Thu 1/14
54/30 Mostly sunny skies. High 54F. Winds light and variable.	58/39 Plenty of sun. Highs in the upper 50s and lows in the upper 30s.	55/35 Occasional showers possible. Highs in the mid 50s and lows in the mid 30s.
Sunrise: 7:48 AM Sunset: 6:01 PM	Sunrise: 7:48 AM Sunset: 6:02 PM	Sunrise: 7:47 AM Sunset: 6:03 PM

- SANDRA LEE HECTOR, 49, was arrested Sunday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- LARRY WAYNE HOBBS, 25, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of assault causing bodily injury - family violence.
- CREIG WARNER HOLLAND, 51, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on charges of public intoxication and driving while intoxicated - third or more offense.
- GARY LYNN JONES, 49, was arrested Saturday by DPS on a charge of contempt of a child support order.
- MARTIN LOPEZ MURUATO, 41, was arrested Monday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- MONIC VICENTA LOPEZ, 28, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on contempt of court charges for violation of a promise to appear and changing lanes when unsafe.
- RICARDO LOYA, 25, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on contempt charges for failure to maintain financial responsibility and failure to appear (three counts).
- DAVID LUERA, 47, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- JIMMY RAY MELCHER, 47, was arrested Saturday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated - second offense.
- ARMANDA MESA, 40, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on charges of public intoxication and open container.
- OSCAR MIER, 35, was transferred to the county jail Monday by the Glasscock County Sheriff's Office on a charge of public intoxication.
- SALVADOR GUTIERREZ PEREZ, 38, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- JEFFREY RAY PIERSON, 19, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on charges of driving while intoxicated and purchasing/furnishing alcohol to a minor.
- DERRECK WILLIAM POPE, 26, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on charges of no driver's license and violation of a promise to appear.
- LESLIE ANN RODRIGUEZ, 22, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a contempt charge for no driver's license.
- GARY DON WEEKS, 50, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of disorderly conduct - vulgar language.

Fire/EMS

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

- TRAUMA was reported in the 1000 block of N. Main Street. Service was refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 2300 block of Lynn. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 2300 block of Parkway. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1000 block of N. Main Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 700 block of Willia. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 200 block of S. Second Street in Coahoma. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported near the 174 mile marker of Interstate Highway 20. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 1300 block of State Park Drive. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 500 block of Bell. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1600 block of Lark. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1700 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1300 block of Lindberg. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 2300 block of Merilly. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 900 block of Debra Lane. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 500 block of W. 17th Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 600 block of Johnson. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1600 block of Old Mill Road. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 1300 block of Sycamore. Service refused.
- STRUCTURE FIRE was reported in the 1300 block of Sycamore.
- GRASS FIRE was reported in the 1400 block of Stanford.

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TEXAS NEWS BRIEFS:

Perry at evangelical church in Frisco

FRISCO (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry appeared at a Dallas-area evangelical church and described the U.S. Constitution as a document based on “godly principles.”

Perry on Sunday was among the crowd of about 1,000 to celebrate the 10th anniversary of Elevate Life Church in Frisco.

Perry, who faces U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison in the March 2 GOP primary, says the federal government was created by states, to be an agent of the states, “not the other way around.”

Hutchison campaign spokeswoman Jennifer Baker says the senator believes it is important to have people of faith in political office. But Baker says leave it to Rick Perry to “turn a day about the Lord into a day about Rick Perry.”

Pastor Keith Craft says a governor would be invited whether the person is a Democrat or a Republican.

Starvation blamed for donkey deaths

LEONARD (AP) — At least 23 miniature donkeys and two horses have been found dead at a north Texas ranch and rescuers say the animals starved.

Fannin County sheriff's deputies and a team from Habitat for Horses on Sunday surveyed the scene near Leonard, about 55 miles northeast of Dallas.

Habitat spokeswoman Deanne Murillo says eight mini donkeys and seven horses were found alive and removed for rehabilitation. She says the other animals starved, plus recent cold weather contributed to their demise.

Property owner Lee Epperson told KXII-TV that he is unemployed, is not really a country person and “I apologize for my stupidity.”

Epperson says he didn't have the money to pay for proper care of the animals.

Lt. Daryl Parker says Epperson is expected to face animal cruelty charges.

Some Houston teachers could be fired

HOUSTON (AP) — Some teachers in the largest public school system in Texas could be fired for failing to improve student test scores.

Trustees are the Houston Independent School District on Monday were scheduled to review the proposal, which could face a vote Thursday.

Superintendent Terry Grier wants to tie teacher evaluations to the progress of their students on standardized tests.

The two largest teacher associations in HISD, with 295 schools and more than 200,000 students, oppose the plan. Houston Federation of Teachers president Gayle Fallon said she is considering a court challenge.

HISD already uses a statistical analysis of student test scores to decide which teachers get performance bonuses.

The Houston Chronicle reports that same complex formula, the so-called value-added method, would be used to highlight ineffective teachers

starting next school year.

Owner finds pet cat lost after 2008's Ike

WEBSTER (AP) — A cat that ran away during Hurricane Ike evacuation in the Galveston area has turned up more than a year later in a neighborhood not far from home.

Juliet Pennay (puh-NAY) says Simon was living with her mother in Webster, while Pennay was in Paris studying French, but was being moved to at uncle's place as Ike approached.

The cat bolted.

Pennay returned home for Christmas 2009 and took walks, thinking she might see her long-lost cat. Pennay says she was about to give up when she noticed something furry and gray near a garage.

Pennay says her “heart just stopped” when she recognized her kitty.

The animal is back with an uncle. Pennay, who has returned to France, does not know where Simon has been since Ike came ashore in September 2008.

Talks to resume between AA, attendants

FORT WORTH (AP) — Contract negotiations that began in 2008 between American Airlines Inc. and its flight attendants reunion are resuming.

Talks were scheduled to resume Monday between the Fort Worth-based carrier and the Association of Professional Flight Attendants. The so-called “lockdown” negotiations were scheduled to run for two weeks.

American's parent, AMR Corp., has lost \$3.2 billion in less than two years amid the drop in travel during the recession.

American says it will continue to work with APFA to reach an agreement that recognizes the service and dedication of flight attendants, while positioning the company for long-term success.

Union president Laura Glading told the Dallas Morning News that she is hopeful, but if no deal is reached the union will seek the guidance of the National Mediation Board.

Christian views pushed for social studies

AUSTIN (AP) — Christianity could get more attention in Texas social studies textbooks.

The State Board of Education meets Tuesday through Friday in Austin and a preliminary vote could be taken on social studies standards. A final vote is expected in March.

Conservatives David Barton and the Rev. Peter Marshall are among six reviewers chosen by the board to make curriculum suggestions.

The 2009 recommendations from Barton and Marshall include more emphasis on documents like the Mayflower Compact of 1620, written by Christian pilgrims.

History professor John Fea with Messiah College in Grantham, Pa., a Christian institution, says Barton and Marshall are not experts on social studies and history and are promoting a political agenda.

Barton declined comment. Marshall told the Austin American-Statesman that he has nothing further to say, other than what was said in the fall.

COUNCIL

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council held last week. During the emergency meeting, the council agreed to keep the current tax rate and try to absorb the missing revenue within the existing budget.

“No formal vote was taken on the tax matter, but the consensus of the council members was for the city to try to absorb the shortfall,” said City Attorney Linda Sjogren following the emergency meeting. “We plan to hold off on

some hiring and other expenses in order to make up the \$91,000 shortfall. If at the end of the year we have to dip into the general fund because of this, that's something we'll just have to deal with at that time.”

Sjogren said the city had the option to go through the process of resetting the tax rate but decided against it.

“We spoke with TML (Texas Municipal League) to see what options we had in front of us, and according to their officials, the council had the option to go through the process of setting the tax rate all

over again,” said Sjogren. “It's unprecedented, and the people at TML said this is the first time they've heard of this happening. However, Texas law says a city has 60 days from the time the certified values are set by the district to set its tax rate.

“Technically, with the appraisal district resubmitting its certified values, the city has the option to go back through the entire process, including public hearings, and reset the tax rate. However, that was not something the council wanted to do, opting instead to absorb

the shortfall from within the budget.”

Also during Tuesday's meeting, the council will consider:

- Final reading of an ordinance increasing the speed limit to 45 mph on South Frontage Road of Interstate Highway 20 from the city's eastern limit to Tulane Avenue.
- A change order for the Wastewater Treatment Plant's final clarifier and trickling filter project.
- First reading of a resolution calling for an election to be held May 8.
- Approval of a professional services agree-

MARCH

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Pickle have been gracious enough to let us use their facility as the starting point for several years now, and we are so grateful for that.

“We'll march all the way down Martin Luther King Boulevard to FM 700. When we get there we'll have a prayer. We want to acknowledge the Lord and how far he's brought us, and that's a mighty long way.”

For motorists in the area, the city of Big

Spring Street Department will be blocking off Martin Luther King Boulevard from Lancaster to FM 700 from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m.

Horton said people that would like to participate in the march but are unable to make the walk are invited to bring their vehicles.

“I really look forward to this every year. We usually go down the march singing with flashlights, candles, whatever kind of light you want to shine,” said Horton. “We just like to have a really good time with it. The people that

can't walk usually drive their cars behind the marchers, and when all of the walkers and cars get down to the end, we'll hold the prayer.

“We want to encourage people to use the day to do some good in the community. You can go to one of the nursing homes and just visit with the elderly, or do something right there in your neighborhood. Don't just sit in front of the television that Monday. Get out and make a difference in our community.”

At the age of 35, Martin Luther King Jr. was the youngest man to have

received the Nobel Peace Prize, leading a struggle for racial equality that doomed segregation and changed the face of the United States forever.

On the evening of April 4, 1968, while standing on the balcony of his motel room in Memphis, Tenn., where he was to lead a protest march in sympathy with striking garbage workers of that city, King was assassinated.

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Fire expert expected to testify in hearing

AUSTIN (AP) — A fire expert whose report on a death penalty case raised concerns that Texas may have executed an innocent man is expected to testify before state lawmakers.

Craig Beyer of Baltimore is on the witness list for Monday's meeting of the state House Criminal Jurisprudence Committee at the Capitol.

Beyer's 2009 report on the case of Cameron Todd Willingham said fire science does not support the original finding of arson in the deaths of Willingham's three young children.

That report led some to conclude Willingham was wrongly executed in 2004.

Willingham maintained his innocence, even from the death chamber. A state fire marshal, who also is deceased, and a local fire investigator ruled it was arson.

Cold snap strands, kills sea turtles

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — Officials say at least 38 endangered sea turtles stunned by cooler water from the recent Texas cold snap washed up near the Gulf Coast and couldn't be saved.

Jeff George of South Padre Island's Sea Turtle Inc. said Sunday the dead turtles were among about 150 Atlantic green turtles that washed up in the shallow bays and channels near South Padre and Corpus Christi.

Wildlife experts were hopeful that most turtles had already headed south before last week's cold front brought subfreezing temperatures to most of Texas.

George tells the San Antonio Express-News he didn't know the exact water temperature but that a sudden 10 degree drop would send the turtles into a coma.

Officials say about 50 rescued turtles were headed Monday to the Texas State Aquarium in Corpus Christi.

Dallas freeway shooting leaves 4 wounded

DALLAS (AP) — Police say a freeway shooting that followed a disturbance at a Dallas nightclub left four people wounded.

A Dallas police report says the incident occurred before dawn Sunday.

A Dallas police report says two groups had been fighting at the club before leaving in separate vehicles before dawn Sunday. Occupants of one vehicle opened fire on the other after the vehicles had entered the freeway.

The victims stopped at a convenience store along the freeway, where police responded. The victims were taken to a Dallas hospital.

Police did not release any other details and said they were looking for the suspects.

Student says he didn't hire classmate

HOUSTON (AP) — A high school student accused of hiring a classmate to kill his mother says he wasn't involved in the November stabbing.

“I was not involved in my mother's killing,” Danish Moazzam Minhas, 17, told the Houston Chronicle in a jail interview.

Minhas is accused of hiring Nur J. Mohamed, 18, to kill Tabassum Khan, who was stabbed multiple

ment for Comanche Trail Swimming Pool with Water Technologies Inc. The meeting will get under way at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in the City Council Chambers, located at 307 E. Fourth St.

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OTHER VIEWS

Mexican drug cartels danger like terrorism

For years, the drug war in Mexico — the United States' southern neighbor — resembled the low-intensity conflicts that smolder in the developing world. Government forces, sometimes compromised by corrupt officials, grappled with well-financed and well-armed cartels. Yet social order and stability were, on the whole, preserved.

That situation has changed as the increasingly powerful and increasingly lethal cartels have raised the level of violence and the government of President Felipe Calderon has escalated the battle against them. Mexican border towns are now hot zones of conflict that resemble Baghdad and Beirut as much as their American counterparts across the Rio Grande.

Assassinations of politicians, police chiefs and journalists are common occurrences throughout Mexico. About 7,000 soldiers and 2,000 federal police patrol the streets of Ciudad Juarez, opposite El Paso, where more than 2,500 people have been killed this year in violence fueled by cartel turf battles.

If there were any doubts about the comparable ruthlessness of Mexican cartels and Middle Eastern terrorist groups, those were laid to rest last week along with the family of Melquisedet Angulo Cordova.

Angulo, a marine commando, lost his life last week in a raid that killed one of Mexico's drug kingpins and six armed thugs. Angulo was honored as a national hero, and Calderon hailed his role in an operation that ranks as a major victory in the drug war.

The cartels are far from finished, however. In a brazen act of retribution, more than a dozen gunmen wielding assault rifles stormed the home of Angulo's grieving family Monday night, killing his mother, brother, sister and aunt.

The message of terror from the drug lords is unmistakably clear. The resolve of the Calderon government to defeat them — and the U.S. commitment of support — must be equally clear.

Drug cartel violence poses an immediate threat to the stability of Mexico, with attendant consequences for the United States. If al-Qaida or Hezbollah hit squads were operating across the border, that threat would be more evident to more Americans. The murderous cartels should be viewed no differently.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

You, Lord, give us a good life.

Amen

My cat is no fat cat

It's a good thing my long-haired calico Hyacinth can't read the newspaper. Otherwise I'm sure she'd be deeply offended by all the recent headlines about "fat cats."

President Obama used the derogatory term in an interview on CBS's "60 Minutes." "I did not run for office to be helping out a bunch of fat cat bankers on Wall Street," he said.

Granted, Hyacinth may be on the pudgy side, but she has little in common with greedy financial executives.

First of all, her pleasures are simple ones. Fresh water, regular meals, and a ball of string are all it takes to keep her purring.

Wall Street executives are the ultimate in high maintenance. Ever since the government put the most modest of restrictions on compensation at bailout firms, they have been in panic

mode. Desperate to free themselves of these constraints and protect their nine-figure-paycheck lifestyles, they are rushing to return the bailout funds.

Never mind that the top banks haven't found the resources to provide sufficient credit to people who need it for their homes, businesses, or school tuition. The number of zeroes on their executive paychecks seems to be what matters most.

Secondly, how much damage could Hyacinth do to the world? A few hairballs here and there on the carpet — nothing a damp sponge can't handle.

Wall Street executives, for their part, drove the global economy off a cliff. Their reckless behavior is largely responsible for tens of millions of people falling into poverty and joblessness. And now they are lobbying to block Congress from enacting new regulations to prevent future crises.

For thousands of years, cats have had one primary job: rodent control. They've done it well, with pride, required no training or exorbitant perks,

and made only the most minimal demands on the rest of society.

In fact, recent research indicates that cats give back to us humans — big time. The University of Minnesota studied more than 4,000 Americans for 10 years and found that cat ownership reduced the risk of heart attack by nearly one third. Think having a banking CEO around the house would have the same healthy effect?

Contrary to popular belief, cats aren't even all that lazy.

A recent study by animal behavior specialists for the Nestle Purina PetCare Company found that cats spend only about six percent of their daytime hours napping.

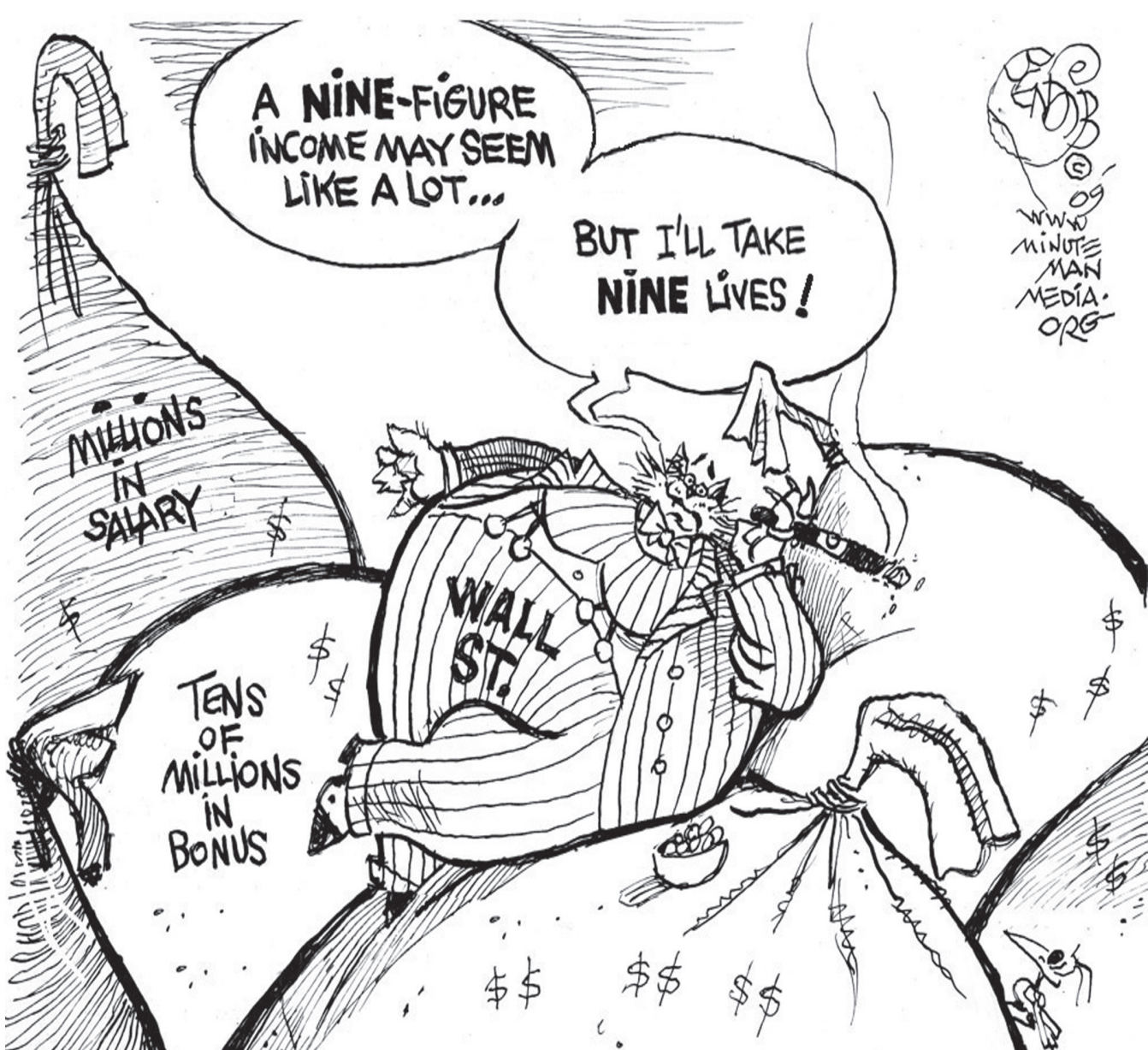
I think it's time to stop maligning our feline friends by comparing them to Wall Street executives.

Whether fat or not, cats deserve much more respect.

Sarah Anderson is a fellow of the Institute for Policy Studies in Washington, D.C., a progressive multi-issue think tank that transforms ideas into action.



SARAH
ANDERSON



Our national pastime is too brutal

Football is our national pastime. It used to be baseball — no longer.

It's hard to believe but there was a time when there was hardly a town or village that didn't support some sort of baseball team, be it minor league, semi-professional or amateur. Baseball players were national heroes. The World Series was a big deal. For six months of the year the sport dominated the water-cooler-lunch-room chitchat.

No more. Now it's football, football, football. And it's not just six months a year, what with the draft and training camps and exhibition games it's more like eleven.

It's all poor baseball can do to seize the nation's attention for a couple of weeks when it plays its World Series and even then its hold is tenuous. (Quick, who was the losing team in the World Series this year? I thought so.)

Yes, football is king; of that there can be no doubt. There's only one more thing that needs to be said about it:

It's a truly awful game. It's a brutal game played by bullies for the enjoyment of people who would be at home watching gladiators fight to the death in the Coliseum of ancient Rome.

And, like ancient Rome, football uses its combatants like Kleenex, then discards them with hardly a thought.

Just before Christmas the National Football League announced its ongoing study of the effects of head injuries on players was so compromised by conflicts of interest that it was shutting it down.

After stonewalling critics and players for years on the subject of concussions and their aftereffects, the league finally acknowledged that yes, perhaps concussions were a bad thing.

"It's quite obvious from the medical research that's been done that concussions can lead to long-term problems," a league spokesperson said.

And just now they figure out that getting hit in the head repeatedly might be bad for you?

Dozens of cases of dementia, early Alzheimer's disease and cognitive decline among older players have surfaced in recent years. Autopsies performed on the brains of deceased players have revealed signs of unusual damage, traceable to brain trauma.

Nor is a head injury the only fruit of a career in football. Sports Illustrated recently ran a piece about Dave Pear, a former Pro Bowl defensive lineman and Super Bowl champion who ended a five-year playing career in 1980.

"I wish I never played football," he told the magazine.

Because of injuries he sustained playing football, injuries he was encouraged — indeed, required — to play through as a player, he walks with a cane, when he walks at all. He suffers from vertigo and memory loss and is in virtually constant pain. He has undergone eight surger-

ies in the past 18 years, including disc removal and rod fusion in his back, arthroplasty in a hip, as well as a neck operation.

The Sports Illustrated writer Jeff Pearlman, who has interviewed more than 150 former players on the subject, says that roughly 60 percent of them live with extraordinary physical pain as part of their daily lives.

Barry Sanders was a favorite player of mine. I thought that the Detroit Lions player the most spectacular running back I'd ever seen. I still think that.

He retired suddenly about 10 years ago and no one could figure out why. He seemed in good health. He was at the top of his game. But he quit.

Recently he revealed that in the summer before his retirement he'd gone to Texas for a golf tournament and seen Earl Campbell there.

If Sanders was the flashiest runner, Campbell was the one who best combined power and speed. He was a monster, a punishing running back who ran over people, then away from them.

And when Sanders saw him that summer, he couldn't walk. He needed a golf cart to get around. Earl Campbell, the indestructible. That's when Sanders decided to quit.

If football players were animals, then football would be, like dog-fighting, outlawed. The players are our pit-bull; we are their Michael Vicks.

Some national pastime.

Minuteman Media columnist Donald Kaul lives in Ann Arbor, Mich.

Annie's Mailbox®

Should we support husband's brother?

Dear Annie: I am married to a wonderful man who loves my kids and me very much. Since the first of our five children was born, I've stayed home to raise them. The problem is his family.

My husband's brother has been in and out of jobs, jail and rehab his entire life. Several months ago, he was hurt on the job and has been fighting to get worker's compensation. Since he currently has no job and no money, my mother-in-law and sister-in-law think we should contribute to pay his rent, which is about \$600 a month. Annie, we cannot afford this. We have five kids and our own expenses. We live comfortably, but we don't have a lot to spare.

Another of my husband's brothers recently asked us for a loan of several thousand dollars. We already loaned this brother money a few years ago and have yet to see a dime paid back.

Is it just me, or is it wrong of my in-laws to ask us to help support my 51-year-old

brother-in-law, who is also an alcoholic and drug user? All these requests for money are causing a rift between my husband and me. Please help. — Bad Daughter-in-Law

Dear DIL: No, you do not have to help your grown relatives out of their own jams, especially when they have proven to be poor risks in the past. However, this is your husband's family, and he apparently wants to continue giving to the cause. Discuss it calmly with him so he can understand that his family members are taking advantage of his generous nature. If he still insists on loaning money to his brothers, put aside a specific amount that you can afford to lose, and let him do with it as he pleases. It is not worth wrecking your marriage over this.

Dear Annie: I am a 66-year-old woman, married 42 years, and I can't take the clutter in my house any more.

My husband saves everything — including the corners he tears off of envelopes. Our spare bed always has papers on it, as does the



KATHY MITCHELL
MARCY SUGAR

top of the dresser. I can't store sheets or blankets in the drawers, because he has too much junk in there. Wherever there is a place to put anything, he does.

One day when I got mad, he said, "I guess I will have to move into the basement." He would never consider getting rid of the accumulated junk.

What do I do? — All Cluttered Up

Dear Cluttered: You've been putting up with this for 42 years? We're impressed with your forbearance. It sounds as if your husband is suffering from a form of obsessive-compulsive behavior. If he recognizes the problem, he may allow you to throw things away for him. Otherwise, please contact the International OCD Foundation (ocfoundation.org) at P.O. Box 961029, Boston, MA 02196.

Dear Annie: I truly felt the pain of "Sad at Christmas." For years, I bought gifts, organized parties and put up decorations, and often my family totally forgot me. One day, while looking at family pictures, I realized I wasn't in any of them because I was always the one snapping the photographs.

The following year, I chose one family member to be in charge. I then booked a cruise and spent the holidays

in the Caribbean dancing under the stars and meeting wonderful people, including a wonderful man from England who is still in my life. I didn't miss my family at all.

Now I look forward to the holidays, and this year will be my seventh cruise. I come home relaxed, happy and ready to start the new year. I highly recommend it. — Loving Christmas

Dear Loving: Good for you for finally finding a way to enjoy the holidays.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

The Sagittarius moon puts a touch of wanderlust into the mix.

Whatever the problem is, it can probably be solved by a bit of meandering. Walk away,

drive away or take a plane.

What you see in the new part of the world will give you the answer. Do come home and apply what you've learned,

though. Otherwise, it's just avoidance.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). If you're not a frequent flier, you may make efforts to become one now, as you realize the benefits provided by a change of location. The more you see of the world the more you like it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You are kind and sweet, though you don't want to be thought of as "harmless" as it implies "powerless," too. Better for others to think of you as "dangerous" and stay on their toes wondering what you'll do next.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). If you tell it like it is, everyone will fall asleep. The action is just too boring unless you give it a juicy spin. Embellish, even mythologize, the events. You have an amazing gift for storytelling.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Figure out how you'd like others to react to you. If you know what you want from them, you'll be in a position of power today. Your innate charm attracts attention and compliance.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Embrace innovation, but do so in theory only. Investigate the possibilities without making any major decisions. More research will be necessary. Don't download any new software.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your maturity and ability to see the big picture will win out

over your emotional sensitivity. Your self-confidence will allow you to take risks that others dare not endeavor for fear of rejection.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll implement games, stir up a bit of drama and blow things out of proportion. There's no harm in making life a little more colorful. In fact, others are counting on you to do so.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). When loved ones need you, you will be tough and adaptable, helping them however you can. You'll be an advocate for someone weaker, younger or less experienced.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Relating to others usually comes easily to you — sometimes too easily. You long for the challenging job of getting to know someone whose ways are foreign to you. You'll meet just the person.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). If you're going to rally behind a cause today, it should be one that benefits you personally in a very tangible and exciting way. You can only change the world by changing yourself.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You put something on the agenda that requires physical and emotional daring. You're not accident prone, though you can expect a certain amount of wobbliness when trying something new.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Does the cyclical nature of life mean it is unending? You'll feel a strong connection to a situation or person and may assign a mystical meaning to this resonance.

TODAY'S

BIRTHDAY (Jan. 11). Realizing the impermanence of a situation, you push the boundaries. It's this disregard for establishment that makes you a compelling and artistic person to watch. Singles attract the attention of new love in February. Couples experience a new wave of romance, too. Family additions happen in April. Taurus and Pisces people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 17, 4, 15, 43 and 52.

JANUARY MAKEOVER MADNESS — NEW YEAR, NEW YOU: The energy of transformation is powerful fun. What better time to apply it than in the first weeks of the new decade? Furthermore, makeovers aren't just for faces. Each sign has a special focus for its transformational energy. Last week we looked into Aries, Taurus, Gemini, Cancer, Leo, Virgo, Libra, Scorpio, Sagittarius and Capricorn for their focus on luck and success in the new year. **AQUARIUS** benefits from improvements that focus on the financial sector of life. And since Aquarians adore technology, software may be involved in the process. Getting organizational tools in place to help with budgeting, planning and bill paying will definitely be worth the effort. The startup cost will be quickly outweighed by the immediate benefit of feeling masterful on the subject of money. It's not how much you have but how well you manage it that counts. **PISCES** makes improvements in the area of communication. This is about more than upgrading one's phone service, although that might be part of the process. Pisces will enjoy creating a better

system for contacts, making it easy to get in touch with friends, family, supporters and colleagues. Facilitating these connections will be immediately and impressively rewarding.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Nine-time Grammy Award-winner Mary J. Blige is a Capricorn who is devoted to hard work and

bettering her best. And even though this multi-platinum-selling songstress leads with her ambition and powerful voice, her moon is in sensitive Cancer, indicating a deeply emotional makeup. Her latest album's title says it all: Stronger with Each Tear.

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Skid halted, Cowboys hope playoff run lasts



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With a decade-long playoff losing streak busted, the Cowboys can focus on a deep playoff run.

Associated Press

ARLINGTON — Their embarrassingly long wait between playoff wins is history, shredded to pieces alongside their December jinx. Now it's time to consider something a lot more meaningful about the Dallas Cowboys, like how long this playoff run might last.

A 34-14 victory over Philadelphia on Saturday night guar-

antees Dallas will play at least once more, in Minnesota on Sunday. Yet the way the Cowboys dominated the Eagles, and the way they've won their last four games, suggest they are the team to beat in the NFC.

"If we beat Minnesota, something special can happen here," team owner Jerry Jones said. "I don't know that we will, but there's no reason why we can't."

Dallas hasn't trailed during its four-game surge and hasn't been tied other than 0-0. The Cowboys are doing it with the basic formula for playoff success: a solid quarterback and a stingy defense.

Tony Romo is putting up points early and often without making the careless mistakes that fueled those now-erased hexes. He has six touchdowns and two interceptions over the

last four outings, putting up 24.8 points per game. He guided Dallas to a franchise playoff-record 27 points in the second quarter Saturday night, putting the Cowboys well on the way to their NFL-record 33rd playoff win, but first since Dec. 28, 1996.

Earlier this season, the offense piled up yards but not points. Lately, they've been getting the

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HERALD PHOTO/Tony Claxton

Anthony Garcia accepts the Antwoyne Edwards Memorial Award at the Big Spring High School Fall Sports Banquet on Saturday night. Garcia was recognized for his positive attitude and effort.

Garcia selected for Edwards Award

BY JOE ZIGTEMA
Sports Editor

Anthony Garcia did not see the field a lot as a senior in 2009 for the Steer football team, but Big Spring's coaches made sure he was recognized for his contribution.

Garcia was honored as the 2009 Antwoyne Edwards Memorial Award winner at the Fall Sports Banquet on Saturday night for his efforts on the field, in practice and his positive attitude in the locker room.

A Lady Steer was also honored at the banquet with the creation of a

new award, titled "The Heart of a Lady Steer." Tiffany Garcia took home that award for her outstanding effort throughout the entire season, volleyball coach Lynn Osbourne said.

The two were honored along with athletes from the other fall sports in a season to remember.

Marisol Rodriguez, the cross country team's lone senior, placed seventh at the district meet and competed in regionals.

The volleyball team made it to the postseason for the second year in a row, an accomplishment not seen at Big Spring in a long while.

And the crown jewel of the fall season, the football team, completed a magical 10-win season with 17 seniors that was widely regarded as the best team in years.

The Edwards award is named for one of Big Spring High School's best running backs. He was a 1998 Big Spring graduate who played tailback at Ouachita Baptist University in Arkadelphia, Ark.

Edwards' life came to an early end at the age of 20 in a tragic boating accident at Lake DeGray near Arkadelphia.

While his efforts on the football field will always be remembered,

it's the impact Edwards had on the lives of those he encountered off the field that is his true legacy.

"He was an outstanding Christian man who was a tremendous leader mainly by the way he lived his life," former Big Spring Athletic Director Dwight Butler said upon the creation of the award in 2000. "He was extremely self motivated and an outstanding role model. He always had a smile on his face and was extremely respectful to any adult or peer. Antwoyne Edwards was an awesome young man."

Tech falls to OK. State in 1st Big 12 matchup

Associated Press

STILLWATER, Okla. — Travis Ford kept imploring Oklahoma State's players to quit standing around and start running the offense. Once James Anderson got going, the Cowboys couldn't be stopped.

Anderson scored 25 of his 28 points in the first half and Oklahoma State surged past No. 22 Texas Tech on its way to an 81-52 victory Saturday night.

Anderson, the Big 12's scoring leader, had 16 points during a 29-1 charge in the first half that turned a six-point deficit into a commanding 44-22 lead for the Cowboys (13-2, 1-0 Big 12). He also hit a 3-pointer to finish a string of 10 straight points for OSU to put the game out of reach at 73-45 with 6:10 to play.

"When we couldn't score, we just kind of said, 'All right, James. We're just going to kind of jump on your back and you carry us,'" said Ford, OSU's head coach. "And we were wearing him out a little bit."

Anderson was 8-for-12 and hit four 3-pointers as Oklahoma State built a 17-point halftime lead. The Red Raiders (12-3, 0-1) never got closer than 13 after that.

"They made their run, so we had to make our

run and I was just feeling it," Anderson said. "It was one of those nights, and my teammates kept finding me."

Ray Penn and Obi Muonelo each added 12 points and reserve Matt Pilgrim had 11 points, seven rebounds and four steals as Oklahoma State won its fourth straight Big 12 opener. Muonelo also had 10 rebounds.

Mike Singletary scored 13 points and David Tairu had 10 points off the bench for Texas Tech, which had its lowest scoring total of the season and committed a season-high 21 turnovers. John Roberson, Tech's second-leading scorer with a 13.9-point average, was held scoreless for the first time this season on 0-for-5 shooting.

Tech coach Pat Knight opened his postgame comments by requesting that reporters ask him about the Red Raiders' plans to hire Tommy Tuberville as their new head coach on Sunday instead of the game.

"I really don't know what to tell you. We thoroughly just got whooped after the first 8 minutes," Knight said. "I really believe my team is a lot better than what they showed tonight. This isn't the same team that was 12-2 in the preseason."

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Tuberville introduced as new Tech coach; Promises 'new heights'

Associated Press

LUBBOCK — Tommy Tuberville says he's certain he can take Texas Tech to new heights.

"There's no doubt in my mind we can take it to the next level," Tuberville said Sunday after being introduced as the new coach at Texas Tech, replacing the fired Mike Leach.

The first step for the Red Raiders would be to win the Big 12 South outright, followed by a berth in a BCS bowl game and perhaps a shot at a national title.

The former Auburn and Mississippi coach says the road to improvement includes improving on defense and adding a "few new wrinkles" to a pass-happy offense.

Tuberville walks into a situation a few weeks after Leach was fired amid allegations he mistreated a player who suffered a concussion.

Tuberville took the job Saturday and was expected to sign a contract later this week, officials said. A person close to the contract talks who was not authorized to speak because terms are not final said Tuberville

will receive a five-year contract averaging about \$1.5 million a year.

The 55-year-old Tuberville gave the Red Raiders' 'Guns Up' hand sign as he walked in to be introduced. He wore a striped red-and-black tie with the school's Double T logo embroidered at the bottom. After athletic director Gerald Myer introduced him, Tuberville donned a white Texas Tech hat.

He plans to meet with players on Wednesday.

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AP PHOTO via Lubbock A-J/John A. Bowersmith
Tommy Tuberville is introduced as Mike Leach's successor Sunday at a press conference in Lubbock.

Sports in brief

Tuesday's hoops schedule Check Wednesday's Herald for results

- Big Spring boys vs. Andrews, 7:30 p.m.
- Big Spring girls vs. Plainview, 6 p.m.
- Coahoma girls at Ballinger, 6:30 p.m.
- Forsan at Baird, 6:30/8 p.m.
- Grady vs. Klondike, 6:30/8 p.m.
- Stanton vs. Midland Trinity, 6:30/8 p.m.
- Sands vs. Dawson, 6:30/8 p.m.

Howard College to start conference slate

The Howard College Hawks are set to begin their conference schedule starting tonight at South Plains College in Levelland.

The Hawk men are 13-1 on the season and winners of their last nine games. South Plains is 10-4 on the season and a perfect 6-0 at home.

The Hawk women are 15-1 on the year and take on a 9-6 South Plains squad. They tip off at 5:45 p.m., followed by the men's squad.

Coaches' meeting scheduled in Midland

A West Texas All-Star and competitive fast-pitch softball meeting will be held in Midland on Feb. 6.

Recreational coaches will meet from 1-3 p.m. and competitive coaches will meet from 3-5 p.m.

The meeting will be held at the Clarion Hotel, 4300 Business Interstate 20.

For more information, contact Freddie Ezell at 638-3024 or Scott Stone at 631-8320.

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6:PM	News Ent. Ton.	Jeopardy! Wheel	Gancho	Two Men	News Ent. Ton.	12 Cora-zones	Millionaire	Seinfeld	Van Impe	PBS News-Hour	MythBusters	MythBusters	UFC's Ultimate 100	Bones		Wizards	Interrupt	College Basketball: Villanova at Louisville.
7:PM	The Bachelor: On the Wings of Love	The Bachelor: On the Wings of Love	Nombre-Amor	House	How I Met Purpose	Más Sabe el Diablo	Chuck	Fam. Guy	Hansen	Antiques Roadshow	MythBusters	Movie: Spy Game, Catherine McCormack	UFC's Ultimate 100	Bones	Game Game	Chronicles of Narnia: Lion, Witch and the Wardrobe	College Basketball	College Basketball
8:PM	Castle	Castle	Cristina	Simpsons Friends	CSI: Miami	Victorinos	The Jay Leno Show	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	American Masters	Motor City Motors		UFC Fight Night	Bones	Movie: A Day in the Life, Omar Epps	Cory	Poker	College Basketball
9:PM	Castle	Castle	Cristina	Simpsons Friends	CSI: Miami	Victorinos	The Jay Leno Show	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	American Masters	Motor City Motors		UFC Fight Night	Bones	Movie: A Day in the Life, Omar Epps	Cory	Poker	College Basketball
10:PM	News Nightline	News Nightline	Impacto	Raymond	News	Noticias	News	Lopez Tonight	Upd Sala	Charlie Rose	MythBusters	Movie: The Fan, Ellen Barkin	Blue MAN	The Closer	The Mo'Nique	Wizards	World Series	SportsCenter
11:PM	Insider Jimmy Kimmel Live	Jimmy Kimmel Live	La Escuelita VIP	Law & Order: SVU	Late Late	Decisiones	Late Night	Name Sex & Upd	Sex & Upd	(Off Air)	Motor City Motors	Movie: The Fan, Ellen Barkin	UFC Fight Night	Law & Order	W. Williams	Suite Life	Final	NFL Live
12:AM	News	News	Torrente, un Torbel	King-Hill	Insider	Pagado	News	Sex & Cortes	Sex & Cortes		Motor City Motors	Movie: The Fan, Ellen Barkin	MAN	Saving Grace	Movie: A Day in the Life, Omar Epps	Kim	NFL Films	SportsCenter
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YOU KNOW, THAT'S PRETTY CRAFTY THINKING.
YOU GOTTA STAY ONE STEP AHEAD OF THE MAN, MR. B.
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DON'T JUST STAND THERE! PATROL THE AREA! YOU'RE ON GUARD DUTY! MOVE!
DID SARGE FIND MY "SNOW-BEETLE"?
HE'S THAWING YOU OUT NOW

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Monday, Jan. 11, the 11th day of 2010. There are 354 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On Jan. 11, 1935, aviator Amelia Earhart began an 18-hour trip from Honolulu to Oakland, Calif., that made her the first woman to fly solo across the Pacific Ocean.

On this date:
In 1805, the Michigan Territory was created by an act of Congress.
In 1815, Sir John A. Macdonald, the first prime minister of Canada, was born in Glasgow, Scotland.
In 1861, Alabama seceded from the Union.
In 1908, President Theodore Roosevelt proclaimed the Grand Canyon National Monument (it became a national park in 1919).
In 1913, the first sedan-type automobile, a Hudson, went on display at the 13th National Automobile Show in New York.

Movie director Joel Zwick is 68. Country singer Naomi Judd is 64. Golfer Ben Crenshaw is 58. Singer Robert Earl Keen is 54. Musician Vicki Peterson (The Bangles) is 52. Actress Kim Coles is 48. Actor Jason Connery is 47. Contemporary Christian musician Jim Bryson (MercyMe) is 42. Rock musician Tom Dumont (No Doubt) is 42. R&B singer Maxee Maxwell (Brownstone) is 41. Movie director Malcolm D. Lee is 40. Singer Mary J. Blige is 39. Musician Tom Rowlands (The Chemical Brothers) is 39. Actor Marc Blucas is 38. Actress Amanda Peet is 38. Actor Rockmond Dunbar is 37. Reality TV star Jason Wahler ("Laguna Beach"; "The Hills") is 23.

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Newsday Crossword

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ACROSS
1 Hold tightly
5 Writing tablets
9 Bank holdings: Abbr.
14 Simplicity
15 Not many
16 Yell
17 Lean slightly
18 "Tall" story
19 Christmas Eve visitor
20 Winter activity
23 Frankenstein's assistant
24 "___ the season..."
25 Catch in a trap
27 Gets up
30 Beatnik's drums
32 Cry of wonder
33 Tavern
34 Sir ___ Newton
37 Winter activity
42 Say something
43 Devoured
44 Cow's greeting
45 Pal
47 Give a leg up
49 Uses a buckle
52 Took a chair
53 Voice below soprano
54 Winter activity
60 Eastern Europeans
62 Start of a play
63 Neighborhood
64 Lugs around
65 Versifier

DOWN
1 Fetches
2 Stairwell
3 Castaway's spot
4 Small dress size
5 Hiking trails
6 Miles off
7 Cold-cuts seller
8 Stockholm's country
9 Beast of burden
10 Tree removal tool
11 Tall drum
12 Teach
13 Look too long
21 US soldiers
22 Locomotive
26 Nothing special
27 Steal from
28 Promissory notes
29 Pack and send
30 Forbid
31 Church instrument
33 Two-piece bathing suit
35 Bullets, briefly
36 Corp. bigwigs
38 Uneaten
39 Take a risk
40 Regular: Abbr.
41 "___ a chance!"
46 Get away
47 Sheep sound
48 Canadian capital
49 Abstains from food
50 Dole out
51 Idaho or Iowa
52 Variety show sketches
55 "Green" sci.
56 Originate (from)
57 Tehran's country
58 Home in a tree
59 Empty spaces
61 Tax form ID

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DALLAS

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ting the most out of their drives, a testament to offensive coordinator Jason Garrett having figured out how to blend the pass and run, and how to mix up his stable of running backs to keep defenses guessing.

Meanwhile, DeMarcus Ware and the defense are keeping offenses frustrated.

Dallas has given up only 31 points the last 16 quarters, just four touchdowns in four games. And three of those games were against New Orleans and Philadelphia, the teams that scored the most and fifth-most points in the NFL this season. The Eagles had just 18 snaps in the decisive first half Saturday night, and they finished 2 of 11 on third downs.

"There's no miraculous answer," nose tackle Jay Ratliff said. "It's just people doing their job and everybody playing together."

Coach Wade Phillips is also the defensive

coordinator and he's drawing lots of praise for his unit's performance. What he hasn't drawn is Jones' guarantee of sticking around next season. That seems pretty moot, though, especially with Jones joking about it.

"I'm superstitious," he said, "and I wouldn't want to touch anything that's going pretty good."

Another key to post-season success is being healthy, and the Cowboys have that going for them, too.

The only banged-up starter is running back Marion Barber, who lasted just three carries against Philadelphia because he aggravated a knee injury. It wasn't much of a problem, though, because running back might be Dallas' deepest position.

Felix Jones turned his increased workload into a career-high 146 yards, half coming on a 73-yard touchdown run that was the longest in franchise playoff history. Third-stringer Tashard Choice added another 42 yards and

a touchdown. But he got knocked around pretty good one week after suffering a mild concussion, so his and Barber's status will be worth watching over the coming days.

Otherwise, what is the Cowboys' biggest weakness?

They're still not certain about recently signed kicker Shaun Suisham, although he did make field goals of 48 and 25 yards against the Eagles.

They're still hurting themselves with penalties, especially the pre-snap kind, but the Cowboys are 4-1 when drawing at least 10 flags, so it's apparently not hurting too badly.

The biggest fear might be that they're due for a bad break, or for some sort of off-field distraction. Then again, Terrell Owens and Jessica Simpson are long gone.

"We believe in each other, no matter what the situation is," tight end Jason Witten said. "You can't say enough about that."

If the Saints win their game Saturday, the

NFC championship will be in the Superdome. If they lose, the Dallas-Minnesota winner will host the Super Bowl play-in game.

That's why Jones feels so good about his team's chances if it can get past the Vikings.

The Cowboys already have won at New Orleans; in fact, that's the game that sent both teams in opposite directions. Dallas hasn't lost since, and the Saints haven't won since.

New Orleans still landed the No. 1 seed in the NFC because Minnesota lost two of its last three games, which indicates that Brett Favre and the Vikings are also vulnerable.

The Cowboys have flaws, too, of course. They just aren't readily apparent right now.

"The critical thing is when (this team) got in tight situations, it would drop the ball or shy away. I think now we see that it won't," Jerry Jones said. "It has sound fundamentals and has substance and that it will compete. This stage isn't too big for it."

Around the AP Top 25

WASHINGTON (AP) — Austin Freeman scored 28 of his career-high 33 points in the second half, helping No. 12 Georgetown erase a 15-point halftime deficit in a 73-69 victory over No. 13 Connecticut on Saturday.

Greg Monroe added 15 points and 10 rebounds for Georgetown (12-2, 3-1 Big East), while Chris Wright scored 14 points. Stanley Robinson led UConn (11-4, 2-2) with 16 points and eight rebounds.

No. 16 Tennessee 76, No. 1 Kansas 68

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Scotty Hopson had 17 points and No. 16 Tennessee, with a lineup thinned by suspensions, dismissals and injuries, beat No. 1 Kansas 76-68 on Sunday night.

Sherron Collins, who bailed the Jayhawks (14-1) out of a near loss to Cornell on Wednesday with a career-high 33 points, missed three shots before time expired. He had 22 points.

The loss leaves No. 2 Texas and No. 3 Kentucky as the only unbeaten.

No. 2 Texas 103 Colorado 86

AUSTIN — Freshman Avery Bradley scored 29 points and Texas won its Big 12 opener to improve to 15-0 for the first time since 1932-33.

Damion James added 20 points and 14 rebounds for the Longhorns.

Marcus Relphorde scored 24 points for the Buffaloes (9-6, 0-1). They dropped their 22nd consecutive road game overall and their 30th in the Big 12.

Missouri 74 No. 11 Kansas St. 68

COLUMBIA, Mo. — Marcus Denmon scored nine of his 14 points in the final 6 minutes, and Zaire Taylor hit a big 3-pointer late for Missouri (13-3) in the Big 12 opener for both teams.

No. 25 BYU 83 UTEP 77

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — Tyler Haws scored 20 points to help BYU improve to 16-1.

Jeremy Williams had 17 points for UTEP (10-4).

COACH

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He stepped down at Auburn in December 2008, ending a 10-year tenure that included

a perfect season and a string of teams that contended for Southeastern Conference championships.

Without mentioning Leach's name, Tuberville called the recent problems "a small bump in the road" in light of the program's 85-year history.

"I like that people are disappointed. They should be," Tuberville said. "But it's not the end of the world because there is another day. And I'm telling Texas Tech fans right now that we're going to be fun to watch."

Added Myers: "He's won championships. He's played in BCS games. We wish him the best in developing a program that all of us hope that he can."

Tuberville said he plans to interview four or five people each for defensive and offensive coordinator jobs — all

of them outside the program.

He met with members of the coaching staff late Saturday but Ruffin McNeill, the lone other candidate for the job, was not among them. He will meet again with some of them at the American Football Coaches Association convention in Orlando, Fla., on Monday

"I'll just have to wait and see if anybody strikes something in me that I feel, 'Hey, I think they can get this job done,'" Tuberville said.

Tuberville will inherit a proven spread offense two years after abandoning his attempt at implementing one midway through his final season at Auburn. In 2000, Leach brought a pass-happy offense to Texas Tech that put up gaudy numbers. All but two of his quarterbacks led the nation in pass-

ing in his 10 seasons.

Tuberville said he'll make "subtle" changes in the offense to "enhance" it. There will be more running, but the passing game will remain — and improve.

"We're going to keep the Air Raid," he said. "I like to control the ball, and you can do that in the air as well as you can on the ground."

Tuberville said he has spoken to many of the program's recruits and none told him he'd changed his mind about coming to Texas Tech.

"The reception was great," he said, adding that his national exposure as an ESPN analyst during the year he was away from coaching helps. "Most players know who I am, and that helps."

Tuberville was 85-40 at Auburn, including a 13-0 season in 2004 when the Tigers finished No.

2, won the SEC title for the first time in 15 years and Tuberville won the AP Coach of the Year award.

Before going to Auburn, Tuberville coached at Mississippi and was 25-20 in four years after inheriting a program under NCAA sanctions. He also spent a year as defensive coordinator at Texas A&M when the Aggies finished 10-0-1 and were among the nation's defensive leaders.

Calling himself a riverboat gambler, Tuberville said fans and players should not be surprised when he takes chances.

"I do it for momentum," he said. "I like for the fans to understand, if you go on a punting down to get your a Coke or a bag of popcorn, you might miss something that's going to be fun."

TECH

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"I think we had some guys satisfied and actually some guys scared. That's the part about being in the Big 12. It's a nasty league and an unforgiving league, and tonight was one of those nights where it was pretty unforgiving."

The Red Raiders had been one of the surprises in the conference after finishing 11th in the Big 12 last season and getting picked near the bottom of the league in the preseason. Instead, they rolled into the Top 25 on the strength of an upset of Washington in non-conference play.

Then they arrived at their house of horrors and lost for the seventh straight time in Stillwater.

Texas Tech scored the first six points of the game and opened a 16-7 lead before Anderson started bringing the Cowboys back with a 3-pointer and a three-point play on consecutive possessions.

He then hit back-to-back 3-pointers to spark Oklahoma State's huge run and had 21 of the team's first 27 points, including a steal that led to a right-handed, fast-break dunk. The Red Raiders went more than 8 minutes between baskets as their deficit kept growing.

"God, everything just went bad for us," Knight said.

When Muonelo was asked if he could remember a similar spurt for the Cowboys, he came up with one immediately: OSU outscored Tech 21-2 in one second-half stretch while denying Knight's father, Bob Knight, his 900th win two years ago at Gallagher-Iba Arena.

"The only thing that got us going was we started creating turnovers and got some deflections, and the turnovers led to easy points," Ford said. "And then that gave us great confidence even on the other end. ... Things just kind of snowballed from there."

"We're not obviously 30 points better than Texas Tech, by no means. It was just one of those nights. It can happen to anybody."

Oklahoma State's Marshall Moses returned after a one-game suspension following his arrest on a marijuana possession charge and played only 10 minutes while picking up four fouls.

"Obviously, Marshall didn't play in the last game and I think he was probably feeling a little bit of some stuff here and there," Ford said.

Box Score TEXAS TECH (12-3) Robert 1-1 0-0 2, Cohadarevic 3-8 2-2 8, Singletary 4-6 4-5 13, Roberson 0-5 0-0 0, Okorie 3-7 0-0 6, Reese 2-6 1-2 5, Davis 0-2 0-0 0, Dunn 0-0 0-2 0, Tairu 3-8 3-5 10, Lewandowski 3-3 0-1 6, Jenkins 1-4 0-0 2. Totals 20-50 10-17 52.

OKLAHOMA ST. (13-2) Moses 1-4 0-0 2, Muonelo 3-9 5-8 12, Page 1-4 3-3 6, Penn 5-11 0-0 12, Anderson 9-17 5-5 28, Shaw 0-0 0-0 0, Dowell 1-1 0-0 3, Sidorakis 0-0 0-0 0, Gully 0-1 1-2 1, Pilgrim 4-8 3-4 11, Franklin 3-5 0-0 6. Totals 27-60 17-22 81. Halftime- Oklahoma St. 44-27, 3-Point Goals-Texas Tech 2-14 (Singletary 1-3, Tairu 1-4, Davis 0-1, Reese 0-1, Okorie 0-2, Roberson 0-3), Oklahoma St. 10-23 (Anderson 5-8, Penn 2-6, Dowell 1-1, Muonelo 1-3, Page 1-4, Pilgrim 0-1). Fouled Out-None. Rebounds-Texas Tech 35 (Singletary 6), Oklahoma St. 34 (Muonelo 10). Assists-Texas Tech 13 (Roberson 4), Oklahoma St. 12 (Anderson, Penn 3). Total Fouls-Texas Tech 20, Oklahoma St. 17. A-11,548.

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Contract Bridge Famous Hand article by Steve Becker. Includes bidding sequence, hand analysis, and a 'Famous Hand' diagram showing a North-South hand with a 5-0 trump division. The hand is: North: ♠A 10 9, ♥7 5, ♦A Q 3, ♣A 10 9 8 6 3; South: ♠K 7 2, ♥K J 4, ♦K 7 2, ♣Q 2. The article describes how the hand was played and how it was a famous hand from the 1986 world team championship.

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Here is the grand champion steer from the Howard County Junior Livestock Show exhibited by Brayden Iden of the Coahoma FFA. The steer was purchased by HEB. Pictured with Iden are John Potter, Johnny Paredes, Pete Covarrubias, Eric Lopez and Robert Butchee.



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Here is the grand champion heifer from the Howard County Junior Livestock Show exhibited by Myka Blissard of the Howard County 4-H Club. Also pictured are Mike, Amanda and Aubree Blissard.



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Here is the grand champion barrow from the Howard County Junior Livestock Show shown by Brissa Coates of the Coahoma FFA. Pictured with Coates is Gene Hector of Circle H Oil and Julia Castilaw.



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Here is the grand champion goat from the Howard County Junior Livestock Show exhibited by Reagan Hamlin of the Sands FFA. Pictured with Hamlin are Judson Chevalier, Van Gaskins and Paul Chevalier.



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Here is the grand champion lamb from the Howard County Junior Livestock Show exhibited by Braeson Ramey of the Howard County 4-H Club. The lamb was purchased by Wells Fargo Bank. Pictured with Ramey is Johnny Earp.



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Here is the grand champion rabbit from the Howard County Junior Livestock Show exhibited by Christian Gamble of the Howard County 4-H Club. The rabbit was purchased by Walmart. Pictured with Christian are Tim Walsh and Cassidy Gamble.



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Here is the reserve grand champion rabbit from the Howard County Junior Livestock Show exhibited by Bailey LaRue of the Coahoma FFA. Pictured with LaRue are Sherry Wegner and Nate Avery.



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Here is the reserve grand champion goat from the Howard County Junior Livestock Show exhibited by Ashley Luce of the Coahoma FFA. It was purchased by CAT Constuction. Pictured with Ashley are Amanda Blissard and Myka Blissard.



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Here is the reserve grand champion steer from the Howard County Junior Livestock Show exhibited by Myka Blissard of the Howard County 4-H Club. Pictured with Myka are Mike Blissard, Aubree Blissard, Gene Hector, McKira Hector and Kaitlyn Hector.



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Here is reserve grand champion barrow from the Howard County Junior Livestock Show exhibited by Reagan Hamlin. Also pictured is Logan Gaskins.



Here is the grand champion steer from the Glasscock County Junior Livestock Show exhibited by Samantha Kellermier.

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Here is the reserve grand champion lamb from the Howard County Junior Livestock Show exhibited by Reagan Hamlin of the Sands FFA. The lamb was purchased by the Farm Bureau. Pictured with Hamlin is Richard Atkins.

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Here is the grand champion swine from the Glasscock County Junior Livestock Show that was exhibited by Ian Schaefer. Also pictured are the buyers from HEB in Big Spring.

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Here is the grand champion goat from the Glasscock County Junior Livestock Show exhibited by Kaden Kothman.

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Here is the grand champion lamb from the Glasscock County Junior Livestock Show exhibited by Paige Sturtz.

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Here is the grand champion rabbit from the Glasscock County Junior Livestock Show exhibited by Kami Halfmann.

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