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President's Day prompts tax-aide change

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By THOMAS JENKINS

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Staff Writer

Volunteers with the annual AARP Tax Aide program will shift gears next week and

offer services Tuesday instead of the group's regularly scheduled Monday morning in observance of President's

coordinator for AARP, said the team will be helping residents file their tax returns from 8 a.m. until noon Tuesday at the Big Spring Senior Gloria Hopkins, program Center to make way for the

holiday.

"It seems a bit strange to us because we're all pretty accustomed to working Monday mornings during the tax season," said Hopkins with

a laugh. "However, we'll be switching it over to Tuesday this week. Next week, we'll be back to our normal

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BE MINE, VALENTINE



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

Heather Schafer, left, and Luci Gabehart of Faye's flowers put the finishing touches on a flower bouquet that's set to go out for Valentine's Day. The holiday, the busiest of the year for florists, kept Faye's personnel busy all week.

Professor charged in 3 fatal shootings

KRISTIN M. HALL

Associated Press Writer

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. — A biology professor at the University of Alabama in Huntsville who authorities say opened fire at a faculty meeting is facing a murder charge after the shooting spree that left three dead and three wounded.

Amy Bishop, 42, was charged Friday night with one count of capital murder, which means she could face the death penalty if convicted. Three of Bishop's fellow biology professors were killed and three other university employees were wounded. No students were harmed in the shooting, which happened in a community known for its space and technology industries.

The husband of one of the victims said he was told those at the meeting were discuss-

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Symphony soon to be 'In Motion' Well-known pieces to highlight Feb. 20 concert

By BILL McCLELLAN

News Editor

Big Spring Symphony will be moving on Feb. 20, headed back to the high school auditorium for the aptly named third concert of the 2009-2010 series -"Symphony in Motion."

"I have chosen pieces that I know our Big Spring audience will enjoy," said Dr. Keith Graumann, music director and conductor. "Much of the music will be recognizable to a general audi-

Much of the music follows the "Symphony in Motion" theme, including the opening piece, R. Wagner's "Ride of the Valkyies." Audience members will recognize it from a key scene in the movie "Apocalypse Now." Also to be played during the first portion of the concert will be L.V. Beethoven's

"Symphony No. 5 in C minor."

"Beethoven's 5th Symphony is the most recognizable of any piece in western music, and rightly so. It is a magnificent, yet difficult work to play, and I always feel privileged to perform it," said Graumann.

Featured soloists will be Big Spring Symphony members Michael San-

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Big Spring Symphony.

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U.S., Afghan troops sweep into Taliban stronghold **ALFRED de MONTESQUIOU CHRISTOPHER TORCHIA**

Associated Press Writers MARJAH, Afghanistan — Thou-

sands of U.S. Marines and Afghan soldiers stormed the Taliban stronghold of Marjah by air and ground Saturday, meeting only scattered resistance but facing a daunting thicket of bombs and booby traps that slowed the allied advance through the town.

at establishing Afghan government authority over the biggest southern town under militant control and breaking the Taliban grip over a wide area of their southern heart-Maj. Gen. Nick Carter, NATO

The massive offensive was aimed

land. commander of forces in southern Afghanistan, said Afghan and coali-

tion troops, aided by 60 helicopters,

made a "successful insertion" into

Marjah in southern Helmand prov-

ing "without a hitch." Thousands of British, U.S. and Ca-

ince. He said the operation was go-

nadian troops also swept into Taliban areas to the north of Marjah, seeking to clear a wide swath of villages that had been under Taliban control for several years. No coalition casualties had been re-

ported more than 12 hours after the initial airborne assault, but NATO See TROOPS, Page 3A

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Steers drop first district game at Frenship

Herald Staff Report

WOLFFORTH — Big Spring's quest for an undefeated district season went sour Friday as the Steers fell 55-52 at the Tiger Pit in Frenship.

In a close game the whole way, Steers coach Marcus Morris said, the contest came down to a few key possessions.

"They hit the big shots when it counted, and we kind of stood and watched when it counted," Morris said.

Foul trouble also hurt the Steers. Jerrell Williams, Luke Adams and Matt Ritchey all played with four fouls, and Xavian Parnell fouled out of the contest. Frenship shot 40 free throws on the night though the Tigers made just 17.

"Defensively played well in spots, just not consistent enough," Morris said. "We missed a lot of easy shots. We

had a chance to make a run to take the lead or get close, and we just couldn't make a shot."

The Steers led by two at halftime on the strength of an 18-10 second quarter. But Frenship ground away at the Steer defense and held Big Spring off the scoreboard when it counted.

"We didn't shoot the ball well, and we didn't play any kind of offense as a team," Morris said.

"There was a lot of Big Spring will host standing and watching each other."

Adams finished with 12 to lead Big Spring. Williams scored 11. Kyler Pool led Frenship with 18 points and Zach Kittley scored 14.

The loss ends the Steers' district winning streak at six, but because Big Spring already clinched the district title, the games are essentially a warmup for the playoffs.

Plainview on Tuesday in its regular season finale. Tipoff is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at Steer Gym.

As District 4-4A champions, the Steers will play Canyon High School (14-14), which secured the fourth playoff spot in District 3-4A with a 62-45 win over Dumas on Friday.

Date and times have yet to be announced for that game.

advance past the bidistrict round, they would play a team from District 1 or 2, likely from the El

Paso area. Frenship 55, Big Spring 52 BSHS 6 18 12 16 -- 52 FHS 12 10 16 17 -- 55

5, Williams 11, T. parnell 4, Anderson 2, Plakhotny 7, Adams Ouisenberry 3, Nichols 7, Huey

Free throws- BS 16-27, FHS 17-40; 3-point goals- Big Spring 2 (Clay, Adams) Frenship 4 (Christian, Pool 3); Total fouls-29, FHS 24

Lady Steers headed to playoffs

By JOE ZIGTEMA

Sports Editor

TRENT Notch another win for the Lady Steers in the Big Spring-Lake View rivalry.

The Lady Steers are headed to the playoffs for the second year in a row after a 46-32 win over the Maidens Friday night at Trent High School. Big Spring never trailed in the The Lady Steers move

on to face Canyon High School on Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. at Lubbock Christian School. The Lady Eagles are ranked No. 2 in the latest Texas Association of Basketball Coaches

"They're excited," said head coach Mike Warren, whose players could be heard celebrating in the locker room after the game. "We're not going to worry about (Canyon). We know we're playing a good team, and it's just another game for these girls to get together and gain experience.

Diamond Mayes scored 10 points off the bench to lead the Lady Steers, shooting 6-for-6 from the free throw line. Cerbi Ritchey scored eight points and Bridgette Tuitt had seven.

"When you have someone come off the bench and score and give you a little boost, that's what we needed,"



Diamond Mayes puts a shot up after a rebound Friday at Trent High School. Mayes led the Lady Steers with 10 points. Big Spring is headed to the playoffs for the second year in a row.

Warren said.

The Lady Steers outscored Lake View 16-5 in the final quarter on the heels of a third period in which Big Spring was outscored 12-5. Big Spring was 19-of-26 from the free-throw line.

"Free throws were huge," Warren said. "And we played good defense. We gave them one shot and then got

the rebound, came down and we were patient and got some good shots."

For a Lady Steers team that finished with zero wins two seasons ago, two straight postseason berths is a step in the right direction for a basketball team made up of mostly soph-

omores. "Every chance they get to go to the playoffs is great," Warren said.

Big Spring 46 **Lake View 32** LV 7 8 12 5 -- 32 BS 11 14 5 16 -- 46

Lake View (6-22. Salgado 12, Williams 2, Fisher 3, Smith 1, Frost 2, Moses 8, Eckert 2, Bendanillo 2

Big Spring (9-16, 1-7)- Mayes 10, Ritchey 8, Tuitt 7, Seaton 6, Ross 4, Lo. Yarbar 4, Li. Yarbar

Free throws- Lake View 7-17, Big Spring 19-26; 3-point goals- Lake View 3 (Salgado 2, Moses), Big Spring 1 (Gallier); Total fouls- LV 20, BS 14

Jim Ned too much for Coahoma Bulldogs

Herald Staff Report

TUSCOLA — There wasn't much Coahoma could do against No. 7-ranked Jim Ned.

Bulldog leading scorer Martin Leija was held to just seven points and the team's lone 3-pointer as Coahoma fell to the Indians 70-45 in Tuscola on Friday night.

"They were playing really good man-to-man defense, and I'm sure they saw (Leija) had 24 against Grape Creek," head coach Kim Nichols said. "They put the clamps on him pretty good."

Jim Ned is tied atop the District 7-2A standings with Wall, which suffered its first loss of the season to the Indians last Tuesday.

The Indians took an eight point lead after the opening quarter and widened it from there. A 19-8 third quarter put the game out of reach.

"We played hard, but we were outsized at most positions," Nichols said. "The execution wasn't there, but they made it pretty tough.

Jim Ned's Blake Allen scored 31 points to lead the Indians. He was the only Jim Ned player in double figures.

Eliminated from playoff contention, Coahoma will play its last game on Monday night at Coahoma Elementary Gym. Junior varsity will tipoff at 5 p.m., followed by varsity action at 6:30 p.m. The game was moved from Tuesday's original date.

Jim Ned 70, Coahoma 45 Coahoma 10 10 8 17 -- 45 Jim Ned 18 13 19 20 -- 70

JN (28-4. 8-1)- Noland 2, Cupps 4, C. Odell 5, Keiner 9, Ikels 2, Cargill 2, J. Odell 4, Allen 31, Bryant 9, Wise 2; Totals 26, 14-19 70 CHS (16-13, 3-6)- Paniagua 12

Ruiz 8, Douglass 2, H. Williams 11, Leija 7, Garcia 3, Bridge 2, Hahn 2; 16, 13-21 45

CHS 1 (Leija)

Probe: Course did not cause luger's death

Associated Press

WHISTLER, British Columbia Fast and frightening, yes. Responsible for death of a luger, no.

Olympic officials decided late Friday night against any major changes in the track or any delays in competition and even doubled up on the schedule in the wake of the horrifying accident that claimed the life of a 21-year-old luger from the republic of Georgia.

They said they would raise the wall where the slider flew off the track and make an unspecified "change in the ice profile" — but only as a preventative measure "to avoid that such an extremely exceptional accident could occur again."

Within sight of the line, finish Nodar coming out of the 16th

turn and slammed into an unpadded steel pole while traveling nearly 90 mph. Despite frantic attempts by paramedics to save his life, he died at a trauma center.

Concerns about the lightning-fast course had been raised for months. There were worries that the \$100 million-plus venue was too technically difficult, and a lack of significant practice time by everyone but the host nation's sliders would result in a rash of accidents.

But the International Luge Federation and Vancouver Olympic officials said their investigation showed that the crash was the result of human error and that "there was no indication that the accident was caused by deficiencies in the track." In a joint statement

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Kumaritashvili crashed

Area roundup: Sands falls short of playoffs

Herald Staff Report

ROBERT LEE — The Garden City Bearkats District 10-A, are Division II champions again after a 68-40 win over Robert Lee clinched it for Garden City.

The Bearkats ran away with a 14-2 first quarter en route to the win. Brett Chudej scored 24 points and Hayden Halfmann added 16 for Garden City.

a bye through the bidis-

trict round of the play-

Stanton 45 Paducah 35

PADUCAH — The Stanton Buffs wrapped up a District 7-2A title Friday night with a 45-35 win over Paducah.

Stanton outscored Paducah 26-12 in the second and third quarters as it improves to 23-5. Tyler Fulton led the Buffs with 23 points.

Stanton will also The Bearkats will get receive a bye through the bidistrict round of the playoffs. **GIRLS**

Klondike 49 Sands 42

LAMESA — The Sands Lady Mustangs fell just short of the playoffs with a 49-42 loss to Klondike Friday night at Lamesa Middle School.

The Lady Mustangs fell behind early and 18 fourth quarter points weren't enough to make up the difference. Sands went just 7-for-21 from the free-throw line.

The Lady Mustangs See ROUNDUP, 3B

finish the season 17-13.

Garden City 68 Robert Lee 40

Robert Lee 2 15 14 9 --40 Garden City 14 24 17 13 --68 Robert Lee (5-5): Nesbit 10, Philley 9, Gartman 7, Henderson 7, Dillard 5, Peyton 2. Garden City (12-5, 8-2): Brett

Chudej 24, Hayden Halfmann 16, Brian Hirt 8, Peyton Schaefer 7, Aaron Long 5, Reggie Halfmann Jesse Montes 2, Jonathon Young 2.
Free throws-- Robert Lee

11-18, Garden City 10-17. 3-point goals --Robert Lee 1 (Philley), Garden City 4 (H. Halfmann 2, Hirt 1, Schaefer 1). Total fouls
-- Robert Lee 16, Garden City
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Around the World

Three Meals

VEGGIES WITH INTERNATIONAL FLAIR

FAMILY FEATURES

lthough an exotic international vacation may not be in your family's plans, you don't need a passport to experience some of the best flavors from around the world! A few key ingredients and a bit of experimentation in the kitchen can add intercontinental flair to your next meal. Here are some suggestions for taking your taste buds on a tour of the world in three easy meals. The secret ingredient in all three recipes? Veggie burgers an under-utilized yet better-for-you alternative to meat.

- Bring some south-of-the-border flavor to your table with this Chile Relleno recipe. Made with Black Bean Chipotle veggie burgers, poblano chile peppers, black beans and queso fresco — a staple in many Mexican dishes — the Chile Rellenos are sure to have your family saying, "Olé."
- The Veggie Wontons will allow you and your family to experience the Orient without leaving the house! They combine veggies such as carrots and crimini mushrooms with authentic Asian ingredients like ginger root, rice wine vinegar and soy sauce.
- Although stroganoff is a traditional Russian dish, East meets West on one plate in this Miso Stroganoff recipe. The signature noodles remain, but this dish contains portabella veggie burgers and miso paste for a bit of Asian flair.

To learn more about the delicious variety of veggie products available, visit www.gardenburger.com.



Veggie Wontons

Miso Stroganoff

Created by chef Justin Street of Natural Planet Grille in Austin, Texas

Prep Time: 20 minutes

Time to Table: 20 minutes Yield: 2 cups sauce with burger pieces; 2 servings

- tablespoons golden or tan colored miso (bean paste) 1/4 cup sour cream or reduced-fat sour cream
- Gardenburger Portabella veggie burgers
- cup sliced fresh mushrooms 1/4 cup coarsely chopped onions
- clove garlic, minced
- teaspoon vegetable oil 2 cups hot cooked noodles
- Chopped fresh chives or chopped fresh parsley (optional)
- 1. In small bowl whisk together 2 tablespoons water and miso. Stir in sour cream and remaining 2 tablespoons water. Set aside.
- 2. Cook veggie burgers according to package directions. Cut into 3/4-inch pieces. Set aside.
- 3. In large nonstick skillet cook mushrooms, onions and garlic in hot oil until mushrooms are tender. Stir in burger pieces. Heat through. Remove from heat. Stir in sour cream mixture. Serve over noodles. Sprinkle with chives (if desired).

Chile Relleno

Created by chef Alex Eusebio, executive chef and partner at Restaurant 15 in Los Angeles

Prep Time: 45 minutes

Time to Table: 55 minutes

- Yield: 3 cups; 6 peppers, 6 servings medium poblano chile peppers
 - 4 Gardenburger Black Bean Chipotle veggie burgers
 - 1/2 cup finely chopped onions 1 teaspoon vegetable oil
 - 3/4 cup canned black beans, drained and rinsed
 - 1 tablespoon water
 - 3/4 cup cooked rice 3 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro
 - 3/4 cup crumbled queso fresco or shredded Monterey Jack cheese
- 1. Cut a lengthwise slit in each pepper. Place on foil-lined baking sheet. Bake at 425°F for 25 to 30 minutes or until peppers blacken. Remove from oven. Wrap hot peppers in foil. Let stand for 10 minutes at room temperature. Using spoon, remove seeds from insides of peppers. Gently pull skin off outsides of peppers in strips, leaving peppers in one piece. Set aside.
- 2. Meanwhile, remove veggie burgers from package. Place on microwave-safe plate. Loosely cover and cook on mediumhigh (70 percent power) for 1 1/2 to 2 minutes or until partially thawed, rearranging veggie burgers and turning over after 1 minute.
- 3. In large nonstick skillet cook onions in hot oil over medium heat about 1 minute or until translucent. Crumble veggie burgers into onion mixture. Cook, uncovered, for 3 to 4 minutes more or until heated through. Stir in beans and water. Reduce heat to low. Cook, uncovered, for 1 to 2 minutes more. Stir in rice and cilantro. Remove from heat.
- 4. Stuff peppers with burger mixture. Place in shallow baking pan, slit side up. Top with queso fresco. Bake at 350°F for 10 to 12 minutes or until heated through and cheese melts.



Miso Stroganoff



Chile Relleno

Veggie Wontons Created by chef Ashlie Crouch, owner and chef of Thyme Personal Chef Services in Seattle

Prep Time: 30 minutes Time to Table: 35 minutes

Yield: 1 1/2 cups; 36 wontons; 18 servings

- 1/2 cup reduced-sodium soy sauce
- tablespoons rice wine vinegar
- teaspoon grated ginger root 1/4 teaspoon ground red pepper
- clove garlic, minced Gardenburger Veggie Medley
- veggie burgers 1/2 cup fresh bean sprouts, finely
- chopped 1/2 cup shredded carrot
- 1/2 cup finely chopped red or green
- bell pepper 2 to 3 crimini mushrooms, finely
- chopped
- 3 tablespoons reduced-sodium soy
- sauce
- 1 tablespoon grated ginger root
- 1/8 to 1/4 teaspoon crushed red pepper 36 wonton wrappers
- Peanut oil for deep fat frying
- 1. In small bowl stir together 1/2 cup soy sauce, vinegar, 1 teaspoon ginger root, ground red pepper and garlic. Set aside. 2. Remove veggie burgers from package.
- Place on microwave-safe plate. Loosely cover and cook on medium-high (70 percent power) for 1 to 1 1/4 minutes or until partially thawed, rearranging burgers and turning over after 45 seconds.
- 3. In medium bowl crumble veggie burgers. Stir in sprouts, carrot, bell pepper, mushrooms, 3 tablespoons soy sauce, 1 tablespoon ginger root and crushed red pepper. Cover and refrigerate for 20 minutes.
- 4. Position 1 wonton skin with one point toward you. Spoon about 2 teaspoons of the veggie burger mixture just off center of skin. Fold bottom point of wonton skin over filling, tucking point under filling. Roll over from bottom, covering filling and leaving about 1 inch of skin unrolled at top. Moisten bottom right corner with water. Fold bottom corners together below the filling, pressing to secure. Repeat with remaining filling and wonton wrappers. Place in single layer on wax-paper-lined baking sheet.
- 5. In wok or heavy Dutch oven, heat 2 inches of oil to 375°F. Add wontons to hot oil, a few at a time. Fry for 2 to 4 minutes or until golden brown. Drain on paper towels. Serve with soy sauce mixture

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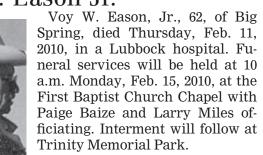


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Obituaries

Voy W. Eason Jr.



The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday at the

He was born Aug. 20, 1947, in Childress and married Jane Smith on June 8, 1966, in Spur. She preceded him in death Feb. 20, 2006.

Voy served in the United States Army. He was a member of the NRA, Western Sportsman's Gun Club and the Working Ranch Horse Association.

Survivors include two sons, Wayne Eason and Thomas "Skeet" Eason, both of Big Spring; two grandsons; one granddaughter; four brothers and three sisters-in-law, Ronnie and Jo Lynn Eason of Corpus Christi, Mike and Barbara Eason of Childress, Danny and Sandy Eason of Cleburne, and James "Jim Bo" Eason of Childress; one sister and brother-in-law, Debra and Danny Soto of Childress; numerous nieces and nephews; and a host of

Voy was also preceded in death by his parents and one son, Timothy Lee Eason.

The family suggests memorial donations be made

to the American Cancer Society c/o Carolyn Brooks, P.O. Box 2121, Big Spring 79721-2121.

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

H.L. Eason



H.L. Eason, 61, of Big Spring died Saturday, Feb. 13, 2010, in a local hospital. Graveside services will be held at 3 p.m. Monday, Feb. 15, 2010, at the Coahoma Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 6-8 p.m. Sunday at the funer-

He was born March 21, 1948, in Big Spring to Hershel Eason Sr. and Claudia (Rowe).

Survivors include his wife Judy Gardner of Big Spring; one son, Shawn Eason and wife Mara of Plano; one daughter, Summer Martin and husband Gary of Big Spring; four sisters, Doris Jean Stephens and husband Lonnie of Houston, Barbara Stone and husband Ricky of Big Spring, Patsy Peterson and husband Kim of Mesquite, Carolyn DuPriest and husband Milton of Tyler; and 11 grandchildren.

Mr. Eason was preceded in death by his parents; mother Estelle Suttles; two nieces; and one great

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Annie Elaine Potter

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Take Note

- The Forsan Independent School District trustee meeting scheduled for 7 p.m. Monday has been moved to the same time Tuesday. For more information, call 263-6571.
- The federal government, through the No Child Left Behind Act, requires each school district across the country that receives Federal Title I funds to report the status of the district and each campus through an NCLB Report Card. The Report Card for Big Spring ISD can be found on the school district Web site: bsisd.esc18.net. A hard copy of the report can be viewed in the BSISD Central Office. Copies of the Campus Report can be found on the school district Web site under the individual campuses. Look for NCLB Report. The report covers the following areas: Part I - Student Achievement; Part II - Student Achievement and Academic Expectations (AYP); Part III - AYP and Schools Identified for Improvement, Corrective Action, and Restructuring and Part IV - Teacher Quality.
- A fund has been established at Myers & Smith Funeral Home and Chapel to help pay expenses in the death of Marcela "Marcy" Rivera, who died Wednesday following a one-vehicle traffic accident. Donations can be delivered to the funeral home at 301 E. 24th or mailed to P.O. Box 2760, Big Spring,
- · A fund has been established at Wood Forest National Bank for Jeffery Cate (Bubba). He is a lifetime resident of Big Spring and is employed at B&E Roustabout. He was in a car accident New Year's Eve and is still in a hospital in Lubbock. He had surgery to remove his spleen and has several broken bones, including one in his neck. He has also suffered some memory loss due to a bruise on one side of his brain. He has three small boys. The medical bills and family travel expenses are adding up. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.
- Bring joy and kindness to others by becoming a Compass Hospice volunteer. Help those at the end of life's journey. Make a difference in someone's life. Call 263-5999 to begin your journey.
- Birdwell Lane Baptist Church is selling cookbooks to raise funds for the church. The cook books can be purchased by calling Pat Steen at (432) 263-
- T&P Federal Credit Union has set up an account for Arthur Hernandez Jr. for medical expenses. Arthur has had numerous medical problems the past couple of years. He has had several surgeries on his stomach, the last one a few weeks ago. After the surgery he developed a staph infection. He is still in the hospital. The out-of-pocket expenses, the travel and expenses for his wife and many other numerous expenses are mounting up. Please help Arthur and his wife Melinda in this difficult time and make a much-needed donation.





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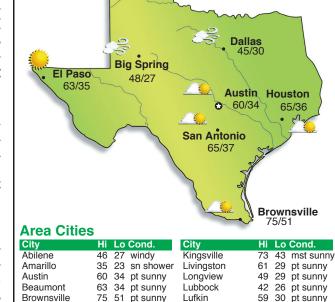
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Lottery

The winning numbers in Friday evening's drawing of the "Mega Millions" game were: 14-16-17-33-47, Mega Ball: 23

The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery: 10-20-21-28-33.

The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Friday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 8-8-6-8. Sum It Up:

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For NBA All-Star game, everything is bigger in Texas

DALLAS(AP) — When it comes to the NBA All-Star game, everything is bigger in Texas.

Take it from one of the hosts of this year's spectacle in Dallas, which will draw the largest crowd ever for a basketball game.

"It's going to be such an amazing, huge event. I mean this will be the biggest All-Star ever," Mavericks owner Mark Cuban said recently. "There's going to be so much going on, it literally could be for North Texas the largest party weekend in the history of the United States. That's how big this thing has gotten."

LeBron James and the rest NBA's best minus Kobe Bryant, who was scratched Thursday with a sore left ankle — will play Sunday at the new Cowboys Stadium, with more than 90,000 fans expected. Cuban and Cowboys owner Jerry Jones had been hoping the league would push for more than 100,000, and the building could accommodate it, but that's unlikely with the way the venue will be reconfigured for basket-

Still, it will easily topple the record for largest crowd to watch a basketball game of 78,129, set for a college game between Kentucky and Michigan State at Detroit's Ford Field on Dec. 13, 2003.

"You guys have been to All-Star weekend in other places," Cuban told a group of reporters. "I mean, we shut down cities. I mean, literally, you go to any city and it basically shuts it down. So imagine having 100,000 people and all the people come for the parties. I mean, literally, it'll be the largest party weekend in the history of this country. I don't think there's going to be any question about it."

Cuban added the attendance and party scene would "make the Super Bowl look like a bar mitzvah."

"That sounds like something Mark Cuban wouldsay,"saidToronto All-Star forward Chris Bosh, a Dallas native. "It's good that the city of Dallas is excited to have it. Everybody's getting excited and it's going to be good."

Cuban once seemed like the last person who would be excited to have All-Star weekend in Dallas. Unwilling to displace his seasonticket holders, he had no interest in hosting the game at American Airlines Center, a stance commissioner David Stern said he understood.

Then Cuban suggested to the league the idea of staging this year's weekend at two venues. The Mavs will host the Friday night rookie challenge and the All-Star Saturday night events at their arena, and the game goes to Cowboys Stadium in

Stern praised the colbetween laboration Cuban and Jones, saying it will produce a "combination of celebration, family reunion and making North Texas the basketball capital of the world for several days."

It means the NBA takes a smaller cut, with some of its normal profits going to Jones, but Stern said it's worth it with all the interest and attention the game is drawing in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

"They never want me to tell me about the specifics of the economics because they're never good," Stern joked. "But we find it just really good for our sport ... a very worthwhile event for us and the opportunity to do good things in the community and really to watch the way our players get involved both in the community outreach, but also in making sure that the fans have a good time."

The players are look-

ing forward to playing in the \$1.2 billion stadium, with its high-definition video boards that stand roughly 60 yards wide and 25 yards high. "It's going to be fun,"

said James, a Cowboys who attended the first regularseason game there in September. "The home of the Cowboys makes it a lot more special to me because of how much I love and watch those guys every year. It's going to be fun."

It may not be pretty, however, with nine first-timers — the most since there were a record-tying 10 in 2002 possibly battling nerves on the biggest All-Star stage ever. And players largely prefer

shooting in smaller venues as opposed to domes, and playing in something as enormous as Cowboys Stadium could mess with their accuracy.

"I think that in those big venues it's tougher on shooters getting their scope, I think your depth perception is just off a little bit just because of the background," said Kevin McHale, an All-Star for the Celtics now working as an NBA TV analyst. "But it's going to be so much fun to be in there with that crowd and that environment."

The festive atmosphere could be dampened Friday after negotiators from the league and the players' association meet to discuss a collective bargaining agreement to replace the one that expires in July 2011. The proposal the NBA sent the union last week calls for dramatic financial changes, so the meeting could be short and the chances of an eventual

lockout seem high. Otherwise, not too much should ruin the party — even the winter storm that hit Dallas on Thursday or the fact that Allen Iverson, like Bryant, was a late scratch.

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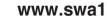
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Lacey & David D'Angelo

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Lacey J. Lyons of Big Spring and David N. D'Angelo of San Antonio were married in a private ceremony Feb. 5, 2010 in San Angelo.

Lacey is the daughter of Cyndi and Rosalio Longoria Jr. of Ozona and the granddaughter of Jane H. Moore, the late Miles E. Moore and the late Bill G. Morris, all of Big Spring, Mr. and Mrs Rosalio D. Longoria of Ozona and the late Ed and Victoria Lyons of Big Spring.

The bride graduated from Big Spring High School in 1999 and attended Howard College and Angelo State University.

The groom is the son of Ted and Mary D'Angelo of San Antonio and grandson of Wallace Wilson and the late Catherine Wilson of Cincinnatti, Ohio, and Delores D'Angelo and the late John D'Angelo of Rockford, Ill.

He graduated from the University of Texas at San Antonio with a bachelor of science degree in computer science. He is currently in technical school to become a geospatial analyst in the U.S. Air Force.

The bride and groom plan to have a reception and honeymoon in the near future. David and Lacey will reside in San Angelo until David's graduation and will move to Virginia with the U.S. Air Force.

► Anniversary



Linda and Burel Wolf

Burel & Linda Wolf 50th anniversary

Burel and Linda Wolf will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary Feb. 18. The family is asking friends and family to honor them with a card shower. Cards may be sent c/o Martha Salas, P.O. Box 161, Lancaster TX 75146.

Burel and Linda were married at the Key Baptist Church near Lamesa. Their parents, John and Esther Wolf and Claude and Hattie Jeter, along with numerous other friends and family, were in attendance.

Eventually the Wolfs made their home in Lancaster with Burel retiring from the post office and Linda retiring from the school district. Their children, Glen and Martha, grandson and wife Richard and Teresa, and great-granddaughter Carissa, all live nearby. Also residing in Lancaster is Linda's mother or as Burel would say, "The best mother in law in the world," Hattie Jeter.

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anyone in need of help filing their tax returns.

"The AARP program provides free federal tax preparation assistance to people who cannot afford professional tax help, such as seniors, people with disabilities, those who don't speak English and people with low-to-moderate income," said Hopkins.

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with them, including a

Participants in the program will be able to e-file their tax returns at no charge, according to Hopkins.

"The e-file procedure is so much easier than having to mail in your tax return," said Hopkins. "And if you're due a tax refund, you can get it a lot faster. We've re-

ally had a lot of success with the e-filing over the past several years." For more information,

contact Hopkins at 267-

Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at citydesk@bigspringherald.com

SYMPHONY

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torelli, trumpetist, and Sarah Wilson, cellist. Santorelli will perform the "Trumpet Concerto in E-flat Major" by Franz Joseph Haydn. Wilson will perform the "Variations on a Rococo Theme" by Peter I. Tchaikovsky. Also to be performed are "Cappricio

Espanol, mvt V" by Rimsky-Korsakov and the "Carnival Overture" by Antonin Dvorak.

"This would be a great concert for a person to attend who had never been to a Big Spring Symphony Concert," Graumann said. Those would include some special

guests at the concert — 20 third- and fourth-grade music students from Hutchinson Elementary School in Colorado City. Music teacher Nannette Mata came up with the idea of making the concert trip as a reward for students excelling in her classes.

Big Spring High School Auditorium is located at 11th Place and Goliad.

The concert series began at the auditorium, then moved to Trinity Baptist Church sanctuary for a Christmas production and will move back to the high school for the Feb. 20 event. The shuffling of venues was prompted by the temporary closing of the Big Spring Municipal Auditorium for violations of the Americans with Disabilities Act. In March, the series will move again,

this time to Dorothy Garrett Coliseum for "Symphony Pops Extravaganza" featuring celebrated entertainer and

Next Saturday's concert will begin at 8 p.m. Tickets are available at KBST Radio, Western Banks, Faye's Flowers, Blum's Jewelers, the Heritage Museum, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, and the Big Spring Herald. Ticket prices are \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors and \$5 for students. The Symphony Guild suggests that children under the age of 5 are not expected to enjoy the concert.

song writer Paul Williams.

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TROOPS

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said three U.S. soldiers were killed Saturday in a bombing elsewhere in southern Afghanistan. At least 20 insurgents

were reported killed in the Helmand operation, said Gen. Sher Mohammad Zazai, the commander of Afghan forces in the region. Troops have recovered Kalashnikov heavy machine guns and grenades from 11 insurgents captured so The few civilians who

ventured out to talk to the Marines said teams of Taliban fighters were falling back deeper into the town, perhaps to try to regroup and mount harassment attacks to prevent the government from rushing in aid and public services — a key step in the operation.

The long-awaited as-

sault on Marjah is the biggest offensive since the 2001 U.S.-led invasion of Afghanistan and is a major test of a new NATO strategy focused on protecting civilians. The attack is also the first major combat operation since President Barack Obama ordered 30,000 U.S. reinforcements here in December to try to turn the tide of the war.

President Hamid Karzai called on Afghan and international troops

least \$20,000.

caution to avoid harming civilians," including avoiding airstrikes in areas where civilians are at risk. In a statement, he also called on insurgent fighters to renounce violence and reintegrate into civilian

"to exercise absolute

A Taliban spokesman insisted the insurgents were still resisting the allied assault and that the town remained under their control. "The Taliban are there

and they are fighting. All of Marjah is still under Taliban control," Qari Yousef Ahmadi told The Associated Press by phone. He declined to say how many Taliban fighters remained in the town but dismissed NATO accounts as "propaganda." Lt. Col. Brian Christ-

mas, commander of the 3rd Battalion, 6th Marines, said U.S. troops faced sustained gunbattles in four areas of the town, including the western suburb of Sistani where India Company faced "some intense fighting." To the east, Kilo Company was inserted by helicopter but was then "significantly engaged" as the Marines fanned out from the landing zone.

came from the extensive network of mines, homemade bombs and booby traps that ground forces encountered as

But the greatest threat

major major canal into the town's northern en-Insurgents appeared

soon as they crossed a

to have withdrawn from their frontline positions but left boobytraps and explosives in their abandoned positions and in the network of canals built by the Americans in the 1950s and 1960s. Marines safely set off numerous bombs, as the sound of strong detonations reverberated through the dusty streets.

"It's just got to be a very slow and deliberate process," said Capt. Joshua Winfrey of Stillwater, Okla., a Marine company commander. The bridge over the

canal into Marjah from the north was so rigged with explosives that Marines erected temporary bridges to cross into the town.

Lance Corp. Ivan Meza, 19, was the first to walk across one of the flimsy bridges.

"I did get an adrenaline rush, and that bridge is wobbly," said Meza, a Marine combat engineer from Pismo Beach, California, who is with the 1st Platoon, Lima Company, 3rd Battalion, 6th Marines. Several civilians hesi-

tantly crept out of their compounds as the Marines slowly worked through a suspected mine field. The Marines entered compounds first to make sure they were clear of bombs, then called in their Afghan counterparts to interview civilians inside.

Abdul Shopkeeper Kader, 44, said seven or eight Taliban fighters, who had been holding the position where the Marines crossed over, had fled in the middle of the night. He said he was angry at the insurgents for having planted bombs and mines all around his neighborhood.

"They left with their motorcycles and their guns. They went deeper into town," he said as Marines and Afghan troops searched a poppy field next to his house. "We can't even walk out of our own houses." Saturday's ground

assault followed many hours after an initial wave of helicopters carrying hundreds of U.S. Marines and Afghan troops swooped into town under the cover of darkness before dawn. Cobra helicopters fired Hellfire missiles at tunnels, bunkers and other defensive positions.

had said they expected between 400 to 1,000 insurgents — including more than 100 foreign fighters — to be holed up in Marjah. The town of 80,000 people, about

Marine commanders

360 miles (610 kilometers) southwest of Kabul, is the linchpin of the militants' logistical and opium-smuggling network. The offensive, code-

"Moshtarak," named or "Together," was described as the biggest joint operation of the Afghan war, with 15,000 troops involved, including some 7,500 troops fighting in Marjah. The government says Afghan soldiers make up at least half of the offensive's force. Once Marjah is se-

cured, NATO hopes to rush in aid and restore public services in a bid to win support among the estimated 125,000 people who live in the town and surrounding villages. The Afghans ability to restore those services is crucial to the success of the operation and to prevent the Taliban from returning.

Carter said coalition forces hope to install an Afghan government presence within the next few days and will work to find and neutralize improvised explosive devices — homemade bombs — left by the militants.

Tribal elders have pleaded for NATO to finish the operation quickly and spare civilians — an appeal that offers some hope the townspeople will cooperate the front doors and keep them bolted," Carter said. "Once people feel more secure and they realize there is government present on the ground, they will come out and tell us where the IEDs are."

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national forces once the

Still, the town's resi-

dents have displayed

few signs of rushing

to welcome the attack

people to stay behind

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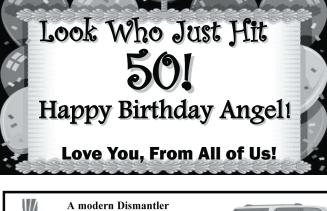
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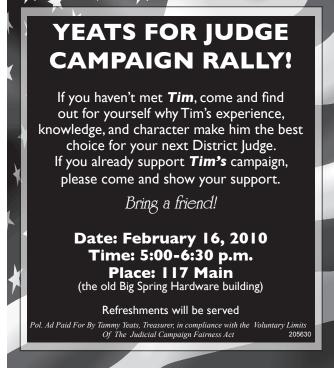
rent location no later than May 31, because it sits on property they'd like to add to a nearby park. Records reviewed by The Detroit News indicate the city about 15 miles southwest of Detroit bought

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Mark Martin looking for elusive victory in Daytona 500

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Mark Martin was driving in the middle of a pack when things got a little dicey during his qualifying race Thursday.

Cars were ducking high and low, sliding left and right, banging, bumping and battling for every inch around Daytona International Speedway. Martin backed off.

The 51-year-old driver — the guy who has endured so many close calls, frustrating finishes, big wrecks and equipment failures at NASCAR's most famous

track — simply had too

much to lose this time

around.

Martin earned his first Daytona 500 pole last week, a strong sign this could be his best shot at getting what would be the most meaningful victory in

his 29-year career. His

No. 5 Chevrolet will

lead the 43-car field

to the green flag in Sunday's race — and would like to do the same when the checkered flag drops about four hours later.

"We've got as good a car as anybody," said Martin, who finished second to teammate Jimmie Johnson in last year's Sprint Cup standings. "Anybody can win this thing. It might as well be us." Few would

plain, not after everything Martin has been through at the $2\frac{1}{2}$ -mile superspeedway. storied track has given him more heartache disappointment than reason for celebration. He once ran out of gas late, crashed some of his fastest cars and even came up a few inches short in 2007.

After returning to the sport on a part-time basis, he was leading with two laps remaining that year and looked like he would

hold off Kyle Busch in a green-white-checkered finish. But Busch wrecked, and Kevin Harvick edged Martin at the line in one of the closest finishes in race

Martin could have been sour, and no one would have blamed him. But he got exactly what he wanted chance at winning the sport's premier race. Nonetheless, Martin

is still winless in 49 Cup starts at Daytona. Sure, he has two victories in the now-defunct IROC series, another in the exhibition Budweiser Shootout and one more in the truck series, but none of those compare to the Great American

He is winless in 25 starts in the 500. A win Sunday would end his drought and make him the oldest to win the 500. Bobby Allison was 50 when he won in

getting records," Martin said. "Can't get the youngest anymore."

Nope. But he could become the oldest series champion, too.

Martin, who's finished second five times in the points race, revived his career with NASCAR powerhouse Hendrick Motorsports 2008when returned to a full-time schedule. Team owner Rick Hendrick paired him with crew chief Alan Gustafson, who grew up near Daytona idolizing Martin, and the two have developed a strong bond.

It nearly capped last year with a title. Martin finished 141 points behind Johnson, who claimed his fourth consecutive champion-

"I'm the luckiest guy around because it looks like I've done so many things right, but really I've just been lucky

and stumbled around," Martin said. "I have just stumbled around, fell in this 5 car, and it's the best thing that has ever happened to me, you know.

"There's no place in the world that I'd rather be. I've said that before. There's no place in the world I'd rather be."

Hendrick insists Martin's arrival has benefited everyone on the four-car team. His workout regimen has prompted everyone to get in better shape. His communication skills concerning the car have become part of the model. And his seemingly eternal optimism has rubbed off on

"I said this, and I'll say it again, he's helped the whole organization," Hendrick said.

Now, the entire shop would love to help Martin get to Daytona's Victory Lane.

favorite is Mark, Johnson said. "He's a bad ass. He's tough."

He's also on the pole. Martin was the only driver to top 191 mph in qualifying last weekend and had looked fast in practice since.

He felt like he could have been a factor in his 150-mile qualifying race, but knowing a wreck would have cost him his starting spot, he backed off. He won't do the same Sunday and could end up with his biggest trophy of

"I'm just lucky to have an outstanding resume with some holes in it,' said Martin, who won five times last season and pushed his career total to 40. "I had the most fun of my life last year, and I'm gonna have a blast this year.

"Not many people my age can say this is the best it's ever been, and for me it is. So, you sentimental know, life's good.'

Union: NBA tears up proposal after heated meeting

Every time he read an inflammatory comment about how the league was going to crush the union in collective bargaining talks, Billy Hunter e-mailed it to every NBA player.

Some of basketball's biggest names definitely received the mes-Fortified by the pres-

ence of All-Stars such as LeBron James, Kevin Garnett and Carmelo Anthony, the players' association on Friday let the league know that its proposal for a new deal was unacceptable, seemingly putting a stop for now on negotiations toward a new agreement.

"The players came in there and said, 'We hope you don't want to go that way. We don't want to fight, but if we're not given any other choice, we're not going to run from a fight,"' Hunter said after a press conference.

The union's executive director said the league tore up its proposal after a "contentious" 90-minute session. But he stressed that doesn't mean the league is closer to its first lockout since 1999 when the current deal expires on July 1, 2011.

ROUNDUP

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Stanton 45, Paducah 35 Stanton 9 12 14 10 -- 45

Stanton (23-5): Tyler Fulton 23, Jorge Reyna 2, Andres Chavez 1,

Nate Koonce 4, Blake Evans 6,

Paducah (21-9): Brisco 6, Hastings 4, McGruder 11, Garcia Parton 2, Junior Garcia 5, Hurd

Free throws -- Stanton 3-14,

Paducah 4-8. 3-point goals --Stanton 0, Paducah 1 (Junior Garcia). Total fouls -- Stanton 7, Paducah 14. Fouled out --

Klondike- Skiles 12, Brock 11,

Stockton 17 Yarbrough 8, J. Gomez 8, Wiginton 4, Robles 3, Me. Yarbrough 2 3-point goals- Klondike 0, Sands

Manuelos 10, Torres 6, Howard 6,

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Total fouls- KHS 20, SHS 24

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everybody has a different sense of things and nobody wants to see this thing that David Stern has worked and built, the NBA, the suc-

"No, I think that

cessful entity that it is, the brand, we're not out to damage it or destroy it," Hunter said. "So we're going to make every effort to get

an agreement done, we just want an agreement that's a lot more equitable and one that doesn't have a structure that's oppressive."

The sides began informal talks last summer and things were going well, so Hunter said the players were caught off guard by the strength of the league's proposal they received on Jan. 29. And he was annoyed by some comments he read from sources on the other side, which he made sure his players saw.

Garnett and fellow Boston teammate Paul Pierce were among the players who then called Hunter and said the players needed to show they were united during All-Star weekend.

"We should involved," Anthony said before the meeting. "It's not only going to affect the players with the lesser contracts, it's going to affect us, too.

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"When you into one of those meetings, one of those CBA meetings, and you see myself, you see the LeBrons and the Kobes and the Kevin Garnetts, it's a stronger presence. So I think we should go in and make our presence felt."

The union will submit its own proposal, but offered no timetable for when that would happen. Though Hunter said the league wants a deal before James and a star-studded group of players become free agents on July 1, he's in no rush, since the players believe the current system is working for both sides, and it doesn't expire another 16 months.

"It's going to incumbent on the owners to try to convince us of the urgency of getting a deal between now and July 1," Hunter said. "And the way they started, they made a false start and so what they did was they kind of set things back a bit. So we kind of righted the ship."

The league's proposal calls for dramatic financial changes, with Hunter saying the league seeks a "hard" salary cap which would eliminate the Bird and midlevel exceptions that teams over the cap can use to sign players if they are willing to pay a luxury tax.

Los Angeles Lakers guard Derek Fisher, the union president, said the players made clear there was "not any way that we were going to be able to use (the proposal) as a starting point for future collective bargaining negotiations."

"I think what we made clear today is that where they are is not relevant to where we are. We're not going to begin where they say begin," Fisher said. "I think that was the purpose of going in today, to make sure they understood that their

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proposal was not the beginning of the conversation."

Deputy commissioner Adam Silver, who heads the league's negotiating team, said in a statement that, "While we do not agree with the players association's characterization today's meeting or the status of the NBA's bargaining proposal, David will address the subject of collective bargaining during his media availability prior to All-Star Saturday night."



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Engagements



Richard Phillip Elder and Kristen Noelle Marshall

Marshall and Elder

Dr. and Mrs. John Marshall of Big Spring are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristen Noelle of Alexandria, Va., to Richard Phillip Elder of Scotland.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Harland Birdwell of Big Spring.

Kristen earned her bachelor's degree in Russian and Russian area studies from Texas Tech University and her master's degree in international relations from the London School of Economics. She is employed by the Department of Defense.

Richard is a Wing Commander in the Royal Air Force and will be posted to the British Embassy in the Washington D.C. area in June. He earned a master's degree while attending Advance War College.

We will be celebrating their marriage on Saturday, May 1, 2010 at St Mary's Episcopal Church in Big Spring.



Crystal Michell Bridges and Derek William Wash

Bridges and Wash

Crystal Michell Bridges and Derek William Wash of Big Spring have announced their intentions to wed in April.

Crystal is the daughter of Larry and Kim Bridges of Big Spring and the granddaughter of Norma Woods of Fritch, Chuck Woods and Jim and Belma Bridges, deceased.

The groom-to-be is the son of David and Lisa Hobbs of Big Spring and the late Billy Wash. He is the grandson of JoAnn Loudamy of Big Spring, Bob Wash of Forsan and Doyle and Caroline Hobbs of Roswell, N.M. The future bride has received an associate's de-

gree in business and is employed by Dwain Fox, PC, in Big Spring. Derek holds a bachelor of business administra-

tion degree and is employed by Farm Bureau Insurance of Big Spring. They plan to be married during a 6 p.m. service

April 17, 2010, at the Courtyard in downtown Big Spring.



Andrew James Maskell and Sarah Suzanne Haney

Haney and Maskell

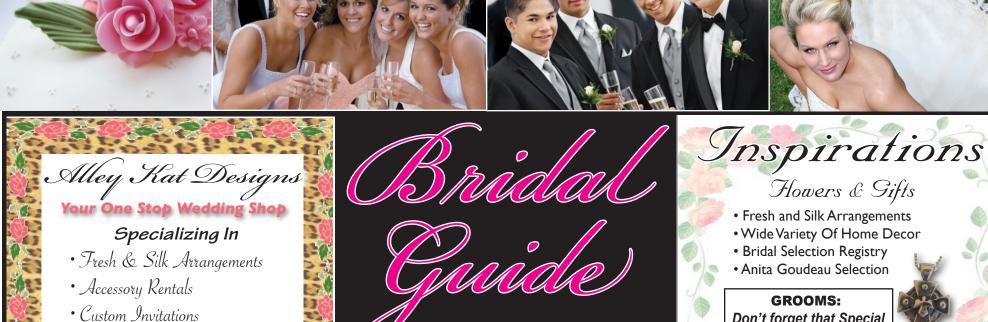
Sarah Suzanne Haney and Andrew James Maskell will be married June 11 in Big Spring.

The bride elect is the daughter of Robert and Suzanne Haney of Big Spring and the granddaughter of the late R.E. and Edith Haney of Big Spring and the late Louis and Zita Bernhardt of Olney.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mark and Kim Maskell of Spearfish, S.D., and the grandson of Lloyd and JaNahn Maskell of Evans, Colo., and Jim and Sally Seward of Spearfish, S.D.

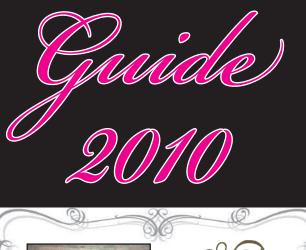
Sarah is a 2006 homeschool graduate and attended Blinn College in Bryan. She is employed by Llano Estacado Winery in Lubbock.

Andrew is a 2006 graduate of Spearfish High School and is pursuing a degree in graphic design.



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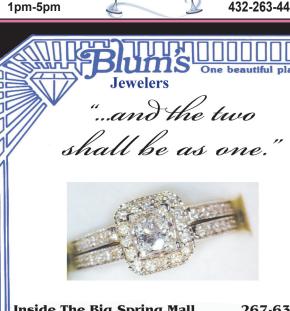
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Our View

This is a very special holiday for loved ones

't's Valentine's Day. Just the mention some very happily, and some not of this holiday devoted to romance conjures up certain images — roses, chocolate, intimate dinners by candlelight, a quiet evening alone letting the one person we love the most know just how special they are

Valentine's Day mean's different things to different people. It becomes as individual as

For some, it's a time to go full bore. To spend freely and literally shower the one we love with one lavish gift after another.

Others adopt a more reserved tone. A whispered sentiment or maybe just a simple card. All those varied methods mean the same thing, however.

The message is simple: I love you.

No three words are more warming to the human soul.

Perhaps nothing is more desperately sought by each of us. And certainly, nothing is more difficult to find.

That's because love isn't something you can purchase, regardless of how much vou

Love can't be summoned on demand. That's because it's something given freely from the

Love is shared and should be nurtured not just today, but every day.

Better yet, it should be cherished and cultured every moment.

So, on this Valentine's Day, we hope each of you takes the time to do just that.

Regardless of the manner you choose, let those you love the most know they fill a special place in your heart and your life.

And one more thing this Sunday, be sure to thank God for putting those you love in your life. That's something we should do every day, but make sure to do it today.

Their lives will be enriched, as will yours.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

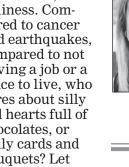
If we keep our path on Your path, Lord, we will finish just fine.

Singing the Valentine's blues

t least it's on a Sunday. Friday and Saturday are the worst. Second only to New Year's Eve. Valentine's Day is a surefire downer for those of us who find ourselves alone on a day when it seems that everyone else is happily

Of course, it's all silliness. Compared to cancer and earthquakes, compared to not having a job or a place to live, who cares about silly red hearts full of chocolates, or frilly cards and bouquets? Let

in love.



Hallmark have its day. Let the florists' registers ring. Why should the rest of us care?

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bemoaning my loneliness — not because everything turned out right, but because it did no good and never does. Cursing the rain does not make it stop. An umbrella is better. At a time when more and more Americans are living alone -

I wish I could have back every

moment of my life that I lost

so much — Valentine's Day is almost an anachronism. Half of all marriages end in divorce. Many that don't are miserable. Couples that seem so perfect — remember when John and Elizabeth Edwards seemed so well-matched, so much in love with each other often are anything but.

I remember sitting at a luncheon with all these fancy ladies, some of them married to Hollywood's leading celebrities and powerhouses, and me the only single woman in the group. I joked that I slept with a dog every night. A real dog, I mean — my Labrador, Judy J. Estrich. "You're so lucky," said one, whose husband was and is a big movie star. I thought she was kidding. The rest of the women nodded in agreement. I didn't know whether to laugh or cry. You don't have to be alone to be lonely.

My son was born on Feb. 12. We went home from the hospital on Feb. 14. It was the happiest Valentine's Day of my life. Sometimes it seems like yesterday, but it wasn't. It was 17 years ago. In one more year, my son, like my daughter, will go off to college, God willing. If I am lonely now, it will only get lonelier. That is the way of life.

So I didn't live happily ever after. So fairy tales don't come true. I know I am lucky and blessed. We are the luckiest people on the face of the globe, we who live in this great country, the home of the free and the brave. The task is to remember that amid all those lacy hearts.

I recently read a wonderful book called "Devotion" by Dani Shapiro. It is about one woman's search for meaning at midlife, a personal story, but also a universal one. She, too, is lucky and blessed — blessed with a husband she loves, a healthy son, a beautiful home and a fulfilling career. But no one gets every-

Her father died when she was in her early 20s. Her mother was beyond difficult, and their relationship was never good. Her son suffered a terrible illness at birth. She couldn't have the second child she wanted. No one gets everything, but unless they write a memoir, who's to know? Early in the book, Shapiro

finds a teacher, a Buddhist, who teaches her a simple mantra: "May I be safe. May I be happy. May I be strong. May I live with Not may I find my true love,

and may he be tall, dark and handsome, and rich and loving. Not may I find myself on the receiving end of endless love. Safe. Happy. Strong. Live with ease. A Valentine you can give to vourself.

May you be safe. May you be happy. May you be strong. May you live with ease.

Happy Valentine's Day.

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Your Views

TO THE EDITOR:

I am writing to voice my support and excitement for the proposed family aquatic center. I have heard some negativity about the new center that is being proposed for the city park to replace the old city pool. I believe Big Spring needs facilities with the amenities the family aquatic center will provide, to take pride in and that can be used by the citizens.

I was raised in Big Spring, moved away for a period and my family and I moved back in September of 2008. I am a homeowner and city taxpayer. My wife and I have three children and use Kid's Zone and other facilities at the city park on a regular basis.

When I first saw the picture of the proposed family aquatic center, I went though many emotions. I was surprised, excited and proud, all at the same time. First, I was surprised at how big, how nice and how modern the new center would be. Next, I was excited to see the city of Big Spring was not only trying to replace the old city pool, but had come up with a family-oriented and modern facility that could serve a wide diversity of people and age groups. Lastly, I felt proud to be a citi-

zen of Big Spring and Howard County and, that as a community, we have this opportunity to build a facility of this size and quality for the citizens of Big Spring.

I am confident the citizens of surrounding communities will also come to use this facility, pay-

ing entrance fees and spending

their dollars in Big Spring busi-

There has been some negativity about the family aquatic center and everyone is entitled to his or her opinion. I just want to voice my support and ask others to do the same if they too support this great family-oriented facility and are concerned about the future of our city.

I believe we need to strive to improve our city and this is one opportunity and step that we can take to vastly improve the facilities Big Spring can offer its families and citizens.

My family plans to stay in Big Spring and I hope the city continues to take on projects similar to this, to improve the facilities, schools and other vital projects that will make our community something we can take pride in and future generations can enjoy.

> ERIC HANSEN BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

I am starting to feel the same way about our city council as I am about our government. We aren't allowed to vote on what amount we think should be spent on a new pool, apparently because the council thinks for us. The same way the government thinks of us, the U.S. citizen too dumb to take care of ourselves and our own. Either that or they just don't care what the working class thinks of what they do.

I agree our kids need a pool. But why not one we can afford? If

the council has that much extra money made from selling us water we can't even drink, then I think it should rethink this \$4 million price tag on the pool, spend an appropriate amount on just another pool and send that excess cash to the Big Spring Independent School District to help build the new school buildings so

desperately needed. I also think we should vote out all those that think they are the power in this town just because they can rub shoulders with the elite here and the rest of us are so dumb we won't notice or care.

I believe it is time for the people to whom the council and mayor are supposed to be answering to, (but don't), to vote out the ones who insist they are the powers that be here, but won't give its citizens a right to vote on issues of importance.

This leaves the normal working person without representation, because we know no one on the council respects our wishes enough to do the "right" thing for our town.

> J.L. Morphis BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

We here at your local community YMCA would first like to thank Mark McMahon for his kind words, but we would also like to add some facts that he was unaware of during the swim meet crisis.

Now, we are going to give you

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was late coming out of the next-to-last turn and failed to compensate. "This resulted in a late entrance into curve 16 and although the athlete worked to correct the problem, he eventually lost control of the sled, resulting in the tragic accident.'

Men lugers, who were scheduled to finish training Friday morning, will get two extra practice runs Saturday. Women will train four hours later than scheduled. Men's competition will be held later in the day as planned.

Kumaritashvili's death cast a pall over the Winter Games before they even started.

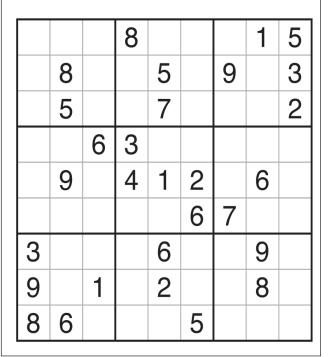
"I have no words to say what we feel," said International Olympic Committee president Jacques Rogge, visibly shaken by the day's events.

"It is a nervous situation," Latvian luge federation president Atis Strenga said. "It's a big tragedy for all (of) luge. I hope, we all hope, it's the first accident and the last accident in this race."

Problems at the track date back to World Cup events and international training weeks held last year, when several of the world's top bobsled driv-

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ers were upended trying to make their way down the track with its tricky labyrinth of curves and unprecedented speed.

American pilot Steven Holcomb christened one of the course's toughest sections — the 13th curve — as "50-50" to reflect the odds of steering a sled through it cleanly.

Kumaritashvili, who had crashed during training on Wednesday, was nearing the bottom of his sixth practice run in a turn nicknamed "Thunderbird." His last recorded speed was 89.4 mph, measured near the last curve. He was on a higher path — line, they call it in luge down the final bends than most sliders prefer, and the combination of speed and gravitational pull was too much for his 176-pound body to control.

Sliding diagonally, Kumaritashvili smashed into a corner entering the final straightaway feetfirst. He was knocked off his sled and sailed in the other direction, apparently hitting his head before coming to

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rest on a metal walkway. His sled stayed on the track and skidded to a stop near the finish line.

The first rescue worker just happened to be nearby and was at his side within three seconds.

At the finish line, there was a loud gasp as onlookers watched in horror as he was catapulted helplessly through the air. Officials quickly switched off a giant TV screen showing the action on the track and did not show a replay of the incident. Soon after, the track was closed as local and Royal Mounted Canadian Police kept media members at a distance as the investigation began.

Kumaritashvili's inexperience may have played a factor in the crash, but he had qualified to compete. This would have been his first Olympics. He competed in five World Cup races this season, finishing 44th in the world standings.

"When you are going that fast it just takes one slip and you can have that big mistake," U.S.

doubles luger Christian Niccum said Thursday, when asked about track safety. "All of us are very calm going down, but if you start jerking at 90 mph or making quick reactions, that sled will steer. That's the difference between luge and bobsled and skeleton, we're riding on a very sharp edge and that sled will go exactly where we tell it to so you better be telling it the right things on the way down."

Earlier in the day, twotime Olympic champion Armin Zoeggeler of Italy crashed, losing control of his sled on Curve 11. Zoeggeler came off his sled and held it with his left arm to keep it from smashing atop his body. He slid on his back down several curves before coming to a stop and walking away.

Training days Whistler have been crash-filled. A Romanian woman was knocked unconscious and least four Americans Chris Mazdzer on Wednesday, Megan Sweeney on Thursday and both Benshoof and Bengt Walden on Friday in the same training session where Zoeggeler wrecked — have had serious trouble just getting down the track.

Rogge said was in contact with Kumaritashvili's family — the slider's father is president of the Georgian luge federation and his cousin is the team's coach, VANOC officials said and the Georgian government. The remaining seven members of the Georgian Olympic delegation decided to stay in the games and dedicated their performances to their fallen teammate.

They marched into BC Place Stadium wearing black armbands and their nation's red-andwhite flag was trimmed with a black ribbon. Later, a full minute of silence was observed in honor of Kumaritashvili, the fourth competitor to die at the Winter Games, all in training, and the first since 1992.

"It's really unfortunate to have something like that happen," U.S. snowboarding star Shaun White said. "We're all in different sports and from different countries but when we get here, we're all part of the same family. It's definitely affected everyone here."

Under giant Olympic rings near the medals plaza in downtown Whistler, mourners placed candles and flowers around a photograph of Kumaritashvili, on his sled and barreling down the track. Around the photo, an inscription read: "In Memory of Nodar Kumaritashvili, May he rest in peace."

Crashes happen often in luge — at least 12 sliders have wrecked just this week on the daunting Whistler surface. Still, some who have been around tracks their entire lives couldn't remember someone actually being thrown over the wall.

"It's a very rare situation," three-time Olympic champion and German coach Georg Hackl said.

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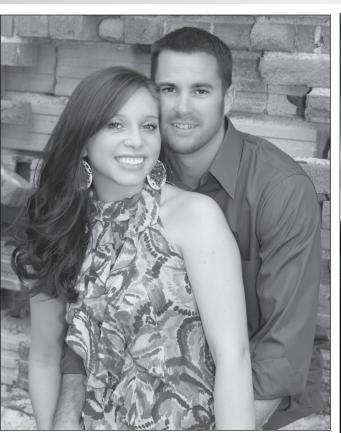
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Engagements



Courtney Jo Rodriguez and Dustin Zane Todd

Rodriguez & Todd

Freddy and Kerry Rodriguez would like to announce the engagement of their daughter, Courtney Jo Rodriguez to Dustin Zane Todd of Coleman.

Courtney is the granddaughter of Deanie Burdette, Mary and the late Freddie Rodriguez, all of Big Spring and Charlie and Vickie Burdette of Mid-

Courtney is a graduate of Big Spring High School and is currently pursuing her degree in business management and is employed by Maurice's

Dustin is the son of Lynn and Trisha Owens and Johnny and Jan Todd, all of Coleman. Dustin is the grandson of Paul and the late Billie Puckett and Helen and the late Jerry Todd, all of Coleman.

Dustin is a graduate of Coleman High School and a graduate of Texas Tech University with a bachelor's degree in exercise and sports science. Dustin and Jean Driver of Tomball. is currently employed by Big Spring Independent School District.

Courtney and Dustin will exchange wedding vows April 17, 2010, in Abilene at Erin Shire gardens.



Brynne Catherine Herring and Caleb Marshall Choate

Herring & Choate

Brynne Catherine Herring and Caleb Marshall Choate of Red Oak have announced their intention to be wed in June.

The prospective bride is the daughter of Glen and Melissa Herring of Palestine and the granddaughter of Charles and Joann Herring of Elkhart and Warren

She is a 2007 graduate of Palestine High School and is pursuing a degree in early childhood education at the University of Texas at Arlington. She is employed as a nanny in Red Oak.

The groom-to-be is the son of Mark and Shelley Choate of Artesia, N.M., and the grandson of James and Nancy Wood and Sonny and Eunice Choate of Big Spring.

He is a 2007 graduate of Artesia High School and is pursuing a degree in construction management at North Lake College in Irving. He is employed by RKM Utility in Carrollton.

at Gardens in Palestine on Saturday, June 6, 2010.



Larry Steen Jr. and Amber Richardson Bailey

Bailey & Steen

Amber Richardson Bailey and Larry Steen Jr. of Big Spring have announced they plan to exchange wedding vows in May.

Amber is the daughter of Kaye and Daryl Richardson of Big Spring. She is the granddaughter of the late Herb and the late Rubye Stoecker of Abilene, Ken and the late Joyce Sherwood of Big Spring and the late Cecil Richardson of Big Spring.

Larry is the son of Larry Steen Sr. and the step son of Tammy Steen of Big Spring. He is the grandson of the late Marjorie and the late Paul Payne of Big Spring and the late Ellard and the late Edith Steen of Rowland, N.C.

Amber is an LVN at the Family Medical Surgery Office in Big Spring. Larry works in maintenance for Big Spring Independent School District.

They plan to be married May 8, 2010.

Support Groups

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

•TOPS No. 21 meets at 5:30 p.m. at the First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 6 p.m. Call 213-1342 or 263-6819.

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happening in the Circle.

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

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OPINION

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a day-by-day account of what happened during the swim meet crisis.

The pool problem started Wednesday at 5:25 p.m. We were notified that there was a smell of gas coming from the pool area. We quickly picked up the phone and called Atmos Gas Company to have them come inspect the reported leak. Atmos arrived around 6 p.m.. They began running tests and they found we had more than one leak somewhere in the building.

Atmos employees searched the building for about four hours trying to find the leaks. At that point, they rendered the decision that they had to leave the gas off because Atmos regulations state that if there is a big enough leak in a residence or business they must turn off service until the leak is found.

Around 10:30 p.m. Wednesday, Atmos informed us we had to call a plumber and have them find the leak. So, we began our search for a plumber and could not get anyone to come in Wednesday night. However, we found a company to start on it first thing Thursday.

The plumbing company worked from 9:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. Thursday searching for leaks and started to repair all the little leaks in this more than 50-year-old building. After much work Thursday, they still could not find the big leak in the building, so Atmos still could not restore gas service to the YMCA.

At 8 a.m. Friday the plumbers returned with great urgency to find the leak, knowing that the Big Spring Swim Meet started at noon. They worked all day Friday and were still unable to locate the massive leak. Meanwhile, we were desperately trying to restore heat to the building and the pool, because we knew we had an obligation to host the district swim meet. We were in constant communication with the swim coach, parents, swimmers, visitors and even our dedicated YMCA members.

Around 8:30 p.m. Friday, the swim coaches informed us it would be best to move the swim meet to Monahans because the gas leak still had not been found and we were still unable to restore heat to the entire building and pool area. Even though the swim meet

had been moved, we had the plumbers continue searching for the gas leak on Saturday morning. Around noon Saturday the plumbers finally found a huge gas leak in the pool mezzanine area.

We thank God and Atmos for turning off the gas when they did on Wednesday, because it it had not been done, we could have had a lot of sick people in the pool area or even worse, a massive explosion.

To Mr. McMahon, the YMCA Board of directors and staff apologize for the inconvenience that we put you and your family through, but if we had to do it all over again, we would not hesitate for a split second. This measure was taken to ensure the safety of the coaches, swimmers, parents, children, visitors, our members and everyone who comes through the doors of the YMCA.

As far as the parking lot is concerned, the facts are that we started the sewer line project at the end of December because of the problems that we've had for the past 10 years. Due to the cold, rainy weather, the plumbers were not able to get to the project until Jan. 21. Due to the weather, they could not finish the much-needed project and when they were almost finished the week of the meet, the plumbers discovered that we had additional problems that nobody could have foreseen.

We at the YMCA do not conspire to sabotage any event brought to the YMCA. To begin with, YMCA stands for Young Men's Christian Association, and our mission is to build the mind, body and spirit through quality programs and services to all brothers and sisters that enter through our doors.

We would like to add that we at the YMCA will continue to support and house the Big Spring swim team which we have supported for more than 20 years.

RON SHAFER,
YMCA BOARD PRESIDENT;
RAUL MARQUEZ,
YMCA BOARD VICE-PRESIDENT;
AND
DATHAN JONES,
YMCA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

TO THE EDITOR:

My wife and I bought a small ranch (less then 2,000 acres) along NCR 57 in eastern Howard County about four years ago. Since then, not one ounce of road material has been applied to the dirt on CR 57 or the dirt on the Old Colorado City Highway.

When the roads are wet they are impassible unless you are driving a four-wheel drive vehicle. Even with a 4x4 it is a dangerous drive because of the steep grades.

We have learned that the state has given Howard County many tons of crushed road material this year. Not one ounce has been applied to the county roads mentioned above.

My wife and I are in our 70s. If we get sickand the roads are too dangerous to drive, what are we to do? Call a helicopter? A road grader has operated on CR 57 only once since Thanksgiving.

If you drive to the adjoining county lines in Mitchell and Borden counties, you immediately hit either rock or pavement, not red dirt like it is in Howard County.

There are three or four families living out here. They say that the county commissioner will do nothing about this ongoing problem. At least road material could be applied to the slippery road grades before someone gets hurt or killed.

The taxes here have more than doubled in two years and tripled in five.

We are only asking the something be done so that we can drive on these roads in bad weather, without fear of ending up in a ditch.

> Forrest West Coahoma

TO THE EDITOR:

On April 25, 1953, the structural complexity of DNA was explained by a team of scientists — Watson and Crick. They initially thought they had discovered the secret of life.

Life form is made to resemble the parent donors. DNA genes are passed on the the next generation. DNA molecules are arranged in a pattern to form the building blocks of a human body.

Evolutionists are advocates of chance hypothesis.

Every time an embryo is formed, a new set of molecules and genes would form by chance to create a specific pattern for DNA. The odds of creating the same DNA through countless generations by chance is astronomical.

A reason for doubting the chance hypothesis as an explanation for the origin of biological information is that it would create a combinatorial

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Hook, Line and Tasty



VOTE

C.E. (MIKE) THOMAS REPUBLICAN 118TH DISTRICT JUDGE



The Docket of the 118th District Court includes some of the most serious cases in Howard, Martin and Glasscock Counties. These include felonies, child custody disputes, and business civil suits to name a few. The facts in each case vary widely. I am firmly committed to the Texas Constitution, the Bill of Rights and the United States Constitution. I will consider each case fairly, without prejudice, and rule according to the law. It would be a great honor, privilege and responsibility to be elected Judge of the 118th District Court.

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C.E. (Mike) Thomas

Please consider what a great privilege it is to vote. It is very important for the people of Howard, Glasscock and Martin Counties to select their office holders.

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Monday — Closed for President's Day.

Tuesday - Beef stew, tossed salad, cornbread, brownie, milk, V8 juice.

Wednesday - Crispy baked chicken, garden rice blend, mixed spinach salad, bread pudding with vanilla sauce, milk.

Thursday — Cheeseburger, lettuce, tomato, pickles, onion, baked beans, tater tots, ambrosia, milk.

Friday — Crab cakes, black-eyed peas, yellow squash, cornbread, apple crisp, milk.

Stanton ISD

Monday: Breakfast - Pancakes. Lunch - Chicken sticks, potato puffs, mixed vegetables, peaches, bread sticks, milk, catsup, tarter sauce.

Tuesday: Breakfast - Oatmeal. Lunch - Spaghetti or Salisbury steak, green beans, garden salad, applesauce gelatin, bread sticks, milk. Wednesday: Breakfast - Biscuit, sausage and gravy.

Lunch - Pizza or Pizza cheese sticks, green beans, garden salad, pears, milk, ranch dressing. Thursday: Breakfast - French toast sticks. Lunch -

Chicken fajita or chicken casserole, pinto beans, lettuce and tomato salad, pineapple, cornbread, milk, salsa.

Friday: Breakfast - Burrito. Lunch - Hamburger or cheeseburger, baked chips, western beans, hamburger salad, orange smiles, milk.

Coahoma ISD

Monday — Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, sausage, juice, milk; Lunch: Spaghetti, corn, bread, pear cups, milk; barbecue beef on a bun, pickle spears.

Tuesday — Breakfast: Waffles, sausage, juice, milk; Lunch: Nacho grande, pinto beans, pineapple, milk.

Wednesday — Breakfast: Donuts, sausage, fruit, milk; Lunch: Chicken fajitas, peppers and onions, cheese, salad, refried beans, milk; burritos.

Thursday — Breakfast: Oatmeal, sausage, juice, milk; Lunch: Hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, chips, peach cup, milk.

Friday - Breakfast: Pancake sausage on a stick, juice, milk; Lunch: Pig in a blanket, baby carrots, peach-

Big Spring ISD

Monday — Breakfast: Cereal, sausage, juice, milk; Lunch: Corndogs, potato rounds, Orange Smiles, broc-

Tuesday — Breakfast: Biscuits, chicken nuggets, juice, milk; Lunch: Steak fingers, mashed potatoes and gravy, peaches, brownies, rolls, milk. Wednesday - Breakfast: Baked cheese sticks, fruit

cup, milk; Lunch: Chicken nuggets, mac and cheese, carrots, pears, milk, rolls.

Thursday — Breakfast: Pancake sausage on a stick, juice, milk; Lunch: Spaghetti, garden salad, corn, straw-

Friday — Breakfast: UBR cookie, juice, milk; Lunch: Turkey/cheese sandwich, Baked Lays, baby carrots, orange-pineapple Jell-o, fruit, milk.

Forsan ISD

Monday - Breakfast: Biscuit, sausage, juice, milk; Lunch: Grilled cheese sandwich, chicken and noodle of Big Spring. Grandparents are Allen and Cara soup, pickle spears, saltine crackers, cinnamon apple- Nichols of Big Spring, Keith and Debi Smith of sauce cup, milk.

Tuesday — Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, toast, juice, milk; Lunch: Hamburger, lettuce, tomato, pickle, Sun Chips, baby carrots, fruit, milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast: Sausage on a stick, juice, milk; Lunch: Pizza, seasoned corn, tossed salad, Orange Smiles, chocolate chip cookie, milk.

Thursday — Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, ruit mix, juice, milk; Lunch: Corn dog, tater tots, pinto beans, fruit mix,

Friday — Breakfast: Cereal, toast, juice, milk; Lunch: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, roll, sliced peaches, milk.

Support Groups continued

• 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.

• 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.

SUNDAY

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Births



Kellan Mae Fishpaw

Kellan Mae Fishpaw, a girl, was born Dec. 12, 2009, at 2:41 p.m., weighing 6 pounds, 12 ounces and was 19.5 inches long.

She is the daughter of Jim and Kim Middleton-Fishpaw of Keller. Grandparents are John and Cindy Middleton of Big Spring and Gloria Fishpaw of Bucyrus, Ohio. Great-grandparents are Harry and Janet Middleton of Big Spring and Eldon Carroll of Lubbock.

She was welcomed home by her sisters, Victoria and Raegan.

Jules Hadley Nichols, a girl, was born Jan. 5, 2010, at 8:05 a.m., weighing 7 pounds, 14 ounces and was 19 inches long.

She is the daughter of Kyle and Kayla Jo Nichols



Jules Hadley Nichols

Greenwood and Teresa Combs of Lubbock. She was welcomed home by a big brother, Jack.

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Queremos su opinión sobre preguntas de la Educación Especial con respecto a: Los comentarios y sugerencias dadas en la junta, serán enviados a la Agencia de Educación de Texas.

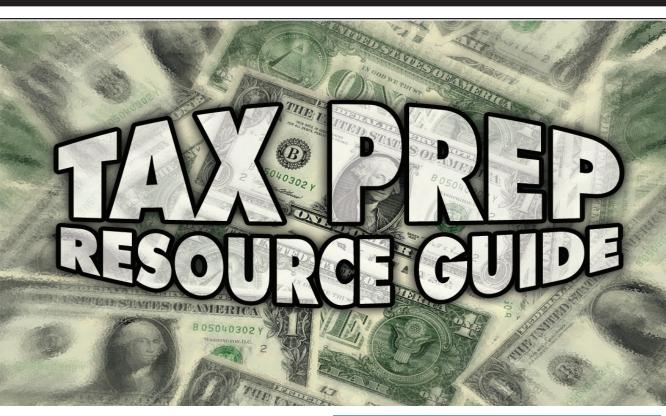
- (1) participación de padres en mejorar los resultados de los estudiantes
- (2) comportamiento estimulante de apoyo para ayudar a mantener los estudiantes en sus clases, y
- (3) mejoramiento de ejecución en matemáticas y lectura

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esis of arranging DNA for a specific design would require a designer. I will leave the processing of thought to you to

determine as to whom that designer would have to

CHARLES ARCHER BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

Texas has a rich heritage and enjoys traditions. We are proud of our history, but we don't celebrate it as widely as we should. The inhabitants of this great state should be re-

minded of Texas Independence Day. Every March 2, wherever two or more are gathered in public, they should celebrate Texas Independence Day. I propose the following: The restauranteur, the

school principal, the store manager, the bank president, even the governor make this announcement at noon, "It's high noon on Texas Independence Day!" Celebrants should raise their glasses, doff their

hats, Red Raiders get their guns up and Bears show their claws. It can be a time when native Texans and transplants, young and old, Spurs and Mavericks, Aggies and Longhorns, even Republicans and Democrats can be united and respond: "Here's to

This should be a Texas tradition celebrated far and wide. Three cheers for Texas!

> STEVE COPENHAVER Lubbock

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SPRING HERALD

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Extension to offer food manager certification course

Special to the Herald

Statistics indicate that foodborne illness continues to be a health issue in the United States. Each year, one in four Americans will become sick, one in 1,000 will become hospitalized and 5,000 will die due to a foodborne illness.

During a past legislative session, a statute was amended that allowed the Texas

Department of State Health Services (DSHS) to require each food establishment to have one certified food man-

Recently, the Texas Board of Health adopted rules to implement this statute. Many of you have already received a letter from the Texas Department of State Health Services regarding this. Under these new rules, each

food establishment permitted Howard County Library. Cost by the Texas Department of State Health Services must have one certified food manager. New food manager certificates will be valid for five years.

Texas AgriLIFE Extension Service, Howard County is offering a food manager certification training course. This program will be offered for \$110 on March 17-18 at the includes training, materials and the state food manager certification examination. The registration deadline is March 2.

This program is designed to not only prepare food service managers to pass the certification examination; it will provide valuable education regarding the safe handling of food. Almost 50 cents of every dollar Americans spend on food is spent on meals prepared away from home. Therefore, careful attention to food safety will help keep customers safe and satisfied.

Foodborne illnesses are estimated to cost thousands of dollars in lost wages, insurance and medical bills. With these statistics, knowledge of

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A Permian Basin Underground Water Conservation District employee is seen taking an observation in the district's depth-to-water level measurements effort.

PBUWCD monitors aquifers with annual measurements

Special to the Herald

Permain Basin Underground Water Conservation District (PBUWCD) personnel have been making annual depth-to-water level measurements since early

The data collected helps the PBUWCD determine the effect of the 2009 pumpage on groundwater levels in the aquifers, the Ogallala aquifer being the within Howard and Martin counties. Water level measurements are made in a network of 117 wells, most privately owned.

"We will be taking these measurements until the project is complete," said PBUWCD Manager Leatrice Adams. "It is important for producers to know that district personnel will be visiting observation well sites from early January until completion of this work effort. The staff of the PBUWCD appreciates the

cooperation of the landowners as we continue to provide this service for the residents of Howard and Martin counties."

The depth-to-water level measurement is made by lowering a steel tape to a pre-determined feet of the tape lowered into each well is coated with carpenters' chalk, which turns a darker shade of blue when it comes into contact with water.

The distance from land surface to the static water level is determined by subtracting the amount of tape with the darker blue chalk from the total feet of tape extended into the well.

After the measurement is made, a blue vinyl sticker with the observation well number, the depth-to- water level measurement and the date of the measurement is affixed to the well equipment or other appropriate surface near the well site.

Water district personnel measure the same wells in the observation well network each year, as long as the individual wells provide satisfactory data. The current depth-to-water measurements in individual wells are compared to that of the previous years to determine the annual change in water levels of the aquifers within the district.

The data collected is then put into a spreadsheet, listing observation wells in each county within the district and this years water levels. The file can be viewed at the PBUWCD Web site at www.pbuwcd.com

Additional information about the observation well program and annual depth-to- water level measurements is available by contacting the Permian Basin Underground

Conservation at 432-756-2136.

PA student chooses Big Spring to complete training



Courtesy photo

Physician assistant student Kristen Fletcher is finishing her rural clinical training under Dr. Ba Han at the Big Spring State Hospital.

Special to the Herald

Kristen Fletcher, a physician assistant student enrolled at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC) in Midland, is in the process of completing a sixweek rotation of 240 hours of clinical training in Big Spring. Under the supervision of

Dr. Ba Han at Big Spring State Hospital, her training began in January. Dr. Han is board certified in psychiatry with a secondary specialty in neurology and has actively practiced medicine for 28 years and has been in Texas for seven years. Presently, the emphasis

for treatment at Big Spring State Hospital is placed on quality treatment to shorten the period of illness, to rehabilitate and to return the patient to the community as quickly as possible. In order to do this, treatment modalities have expanded to include a full range of rehabilitation

vidual and group psychotherapy and family intervention as an adjunct to medication. Patients who come to the hospital are treated not only for their psychiatric problems, but also for any problem needing medical attention. Fletcher currently

resides in Midland and is a third-year physician assistant graduate student at TTUHSC in Midland. She grew up in Merkel and received her degree in biology from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene.

"I have really enjoyed all of my rotations, but specifically I liked the ER, as well as psychiatry rotation the most," she said.

Meeting the health needs of rural communities continues to be a focus of Area Health Education Center

(AHEC) programs 'While each student who completes clinical train-

ing in a rural community

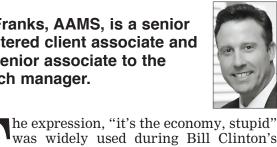
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Energy Watch



Bhupen Agrawal is branch manager and a managing director - investments for the Wachovia Securities Midland office.

Bill Franks, AAMS, is a senior registered client associate and the senior associate to the branch manager.



successful 1992 presidential campaign against George H.W. Bush. Basically, it means that most Americans vote with their wallet. The phrase, coined by James Carville, was meant to indicate that then President Bush hadn't done enough about the economic recession. In politics, the current economic condition is

critical to elections. In the stock market, it is and it isn't critical, depending upon the condition of the stock market at that moment.

Right now, the data show an economy that is recovering. Fourth quarter inflation adjusted gross domestic product increased 5.7 percent annual rate, the largest in six years. The Conference Board reported that its January consumer confidence reading increased to 55.9 from 53.6 in December. Consumers are feeling a bit better about the economy because the labor situation shows early signs of recovery.

However, all is not rosy for the economy. December existing home sales fell 16.7 percent after a previous surge in sales. And the big jump in GDP was heavily influenced by less inventory reduction. Without that, GDP would have increased only 2.2 percent. All in all, the economy is improving, albeit slowly.

Back in early March 2009, when the S&P 500 hit bottom, the economic news was still grim. It was the anticipation of a better economy that sparked the big rally.

Now the economic news is supporting all that bullishness and stock buying from March through early January. So what has the stock market done lately? The past eight days, the S&P 500 dropped 6.8 percent and is down three weeks in a row. January was the worst market month since last

The old expression, "Be careful what you wish for because it might come true" fits the current stock market correction. For 10 months, investors bought stocks in anticipation of better economic news. The news came, and it was "the economy, stupid" at work, but investor's state of mind and

investable cash had changed. Today, it is not the economy that is the problem,

it is the 70 percent bull run by the S&P 500. Basically, the market needs a time out; it needs stock prices to drop some more; it needs bullishness to come down, which has already started; it needs a reason for stock buyers to again become aggressive.

We have previously advised investors not to get too concerned about a possible normal correction, and that remains our advice. Last week President Obama met with Republicans to, in his words, "end the sour climate in Washington." We would love to see it, as bipartisanship can get thing done, but we are not optimistic.

Instead, we will rely on the current market correction to again ignite the stock buyer so "it's the economy, stupid" can again be a positive market stimulant.

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Medina in hot water after Sept. 11 remarks

HOUSTON (AP) — Republican gubernatorial candidate Debra Medina, reeling from her remarks that questioned whether the U.S. government was involved in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, on Friday blamed the ensuing firestorm on a "coordinated attack" that she speculated came from the campaigns of her better-known GOP

Medina also predicted

"more of this" in her race against Gov. Rick Perry and Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison. She said there are no "highprofile kinds of scandals in my life that really are going to get people something to chew on. So they're going to have to make some things

"The political games we saw beginning to be played yesterday serve nothing but a diversion," she said,

In response to a question Thursday from nationally syndicated radio talk show host Glenn Beck, Medina said there were "some very good arguments" that the U.S. was involved in the 2001 attacks that took down the World Trade Center and killed some 3,000 people.

denying that her news conference in Houston — during which some questions were posed by Medina campaign staff seated among reporters - was an effort at damage control. "No. This is continuing doing what we've been doing, campaigning hard for months."

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"I think the American people have not seen all of the evidence there, so I have not taken a position on that," she said.

She danced around the several other attempts from Beck to get an answer, prompting him to finally ask: "Is that a 'yes'''?"

She replied: "I'm not going to take a position where questions have been raised and not answered."

Medina later in the day released a statement saying she didn't believe the government played a role in the

attacks, but the damage had been done. Perry called her remarks "an insult to the thousands of Americans who lost loved ones." Hutchison said to suggest anyone other than al-Qaida terrorists were involved "is an affront to the men and women who are sacrificing their lives to root out the terrorists in Afghanistan and around the globe."

Hutchison campaign spokeswoman Jennifer Baker said Medina's allegation that Beck's question was somehow part of a coordinated effort from her political rivals is "simply not true," a comment echoed by Perry campaign spokesman Mark Miner.

"Itappears she's trying to spread blame," Miner said. "All our campaign did was release a statement. Her comments speak for themselves. We had nothing to do with her unfortunate comments."

Medina said Friday the question from Beck caught her "unaware" and caused her to "over guess."

"I could have done that better and I'll endeavor to be a little more articulate in the future," she

On the Democratic side, gubernatorial candidate Farouk Shami said Friday he also had questions about the involvement of the federal government in the terrorist attacks, saying "maybe there is no smoke without fire."

"We still don't know who killed John F. Kennedy, who's behind it." Shami said during an interview with Dallas television station WFAA. "Will we ever find the truth about

"It's hard to make judgments. I'm not saying yes or no, because I don't know the truth."

The profile of Medina the Libertarianleaning nurse from Wharton, about 50 miles southwest of Houston has risen in recent

weeks after her appearance in two televised debates where she assumed the role of a voice of reason while her two better-known rivals squabbled.

"I'm doing some damage," Medina said. "I'm over the target. They know I'm over the target. And we're heading up pretty quick and this a concerted damage control effort maybe on their part to make sure we get her out of the way."

Gary Halter, a Texas A&M University political science professor who focuses on Texas government. said comments Medina's weren't likely to dent her support from "anti-Washington" people who don't believe the findings of the federal government's investigation of the Sept. 11 attacks. But for more mainstream voters considering whether she's an attractive alternative, "It doesn't look

"That'll hurt her a lot," Halter said. "This is such a strange world right now."

good," he said.

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Four-day oil rally falters as China tightens lending

ended Friday as China announced steps to cool its credit boom, raising worries that demand for crude from one of the world's biggest consumers of energy will weaken.

Oil prices followed the stock market lower, with the Dow Jones Industrial Average off over 100 points in afternoon trading.

Average nationwide retail gasoline prices continued their monthlong slide as well, hitting a new low for the year on Friday.

Benchmark crude for March delivery fell \$1.15 to settle at \$74.13 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

China ordered banks Friday to increase reserves for a second time in a month as leaders worried that a stimulus-driven torrent of lending is fueling a dangerous bubble in stock

(AP) — A four-day and real estate prices. rally in oil prices They also are concerned that the flood of money surging through the economy is adding to

inflation.

Investors are counting on developing countries such as China and India to push demand — and prices — for oil higher, especially given the weak levels of consumption in the U.S., Europe and Japan.

If China, expected to be the main driver for increasing oil consumption, slows its economy, that could further depress global demand and help keep oil and

gasoline prices down. "This is significant when it comes to commodity prices and future demand," said Phil Flynn of PFGBest.

Supplies of all petroleum products continue to be abundant even with the colder-thannormal temperatures across much of the country, officials said.

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Direct a written request for an application to Peggy Laskoski, Sid Richardson Memorial Fund, 309 Main Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76102 or plaskoski@sidrichardson.org. The request may also be faxed to 817-332-2176. Include student name and address, qualifying employee name, Social Security number of employee, qualifying company name, and dates of employment.

NRCS announces environmental organic initiative

Special to the Herald

USDA-Natural Resources The Conservation Service has announced a special initiative of \$50 million, of which Texas will be receiving more than \$4.4 million, to provide financial assistance for conservation practices available for growers transitioning to organic farming or who are already certified for organic agriculture under new provisions of the 2008 Farm Bill.

Applications for Farm Bill conservation programs are accepted on a continuous basis, this special sign-up period began Feb. 8 and will run through March 12 at NRCS offices across Texas.

Organic or transitioning farmers may apply for funds through the Environmental Quality Incentives Program to receive up to \$20,000 annually or \$80,000 during any six-year Last year, Agriculture Deputy

Kathleen announced the \$50 million for the organic initiative to meet the Obama Administration's promise to encourage more organic agriculture production. The program has been extended and is being offered again this year. "Assisting organic producers is a

priority of the 2008 Farm Bill as well as for Secretary Vilsack and the Administration," Merrigan. "The objective of this initiative is to make organic food producers eligible to compete for EQIP financial assistance."

The NRCS offices will be administering the program, which has been reorganized to include a separate fund of EQIP revenue to help the organic farmers and those who are beginning to undertake organic pro-

For producers transitioning to organic production, they need to provide a self-certification to develop an

Merrigan Organic System Plan (OSP) by an accredited consultant during the contract period and implement conservation practices consistent with EQIP statute and the OSP.

Certified organic operations need to include their OSP reviewed by a USDA National Organic Program (NOP) accredited certifier when they apply for financial assistance under the program. "Farmers with an OSP have typi-

cally accomplished much of the work needed to develop an NRCS conservation plan," Don Gohmert, NRCS state conservationist for Texas, said. "Participating in Organic EQIP will result in a complete conservation system.' The 2010 Organic Initiative is a

nationwide special effort to provide financial assistance to NOP certified organic producers as well as producers in the process of transitioning to organic production.

Under the organic initiative, required minimum core conservation practices will be determined by specific resource concerns. The practices are: conservation crop rotation; cover crop; nutrient management; pest management; prescribed grazing; and forage harvest management. Applications received from organic

producers or producers in transition to organic farming will be accepted under this funding initiative through March 12. Applications will be ranked at that time.

To assist with eligibility questions there are two separate National Screening Tools for applicants (one for producers transitioning for the first time and one for certified organic producers transitioning additional land or adding new conservation practices). Ranking criteria has been established based on resource concerns that link to the NOP objectives and the core conservation practices.

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News in brief

Man with hurricane record convicted in Texas

GALVESTON (AP) — A contractor with a history of repair wrongdoing after storms in Florida has been convicted of theft in a Hurricane Ike case.

Prosecutors in Galveston say 43-year-old Matthew Kandl was sentenced to seven years in prison for felony theft. A Galveston couple who paid Kandl \$1,800 to repair the roof of their Ike-damaged home said no work was done.

Prosecutor Lester Blizzard told a judge, who sentenced Kandl on Thursday, that "people who work the storm and kick you when you're down, it's something you ought not do in Galveston County."

Blizzard says Kandl has six convictions of contracting without a license in Brevard County, Fla., after hurricanes Charley, Frances and Jeanne, plus was convicted of grand theft.

Defense attorney Michael Palmer says Kandl is eligible for parole after serving 25 percent of his sentence.

Roof collapses at Fort Worth brewing company

FORT WORTH (AP) — Storm damage is helping keep the beer cold after part of the roof at a Fort Worth brewery collapsed under heavy snow.

The owner of Rahr & Sons Brewing Co. says the frigid weather should keep the beer sufficiently chilled until repairs are made.

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported Saturday that the collapse tore coolant lines that kept 13 storage tanks at the right temperature in the warehouse.

The chilly weather is linked to a storm that dumped more than a foot of snow in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

Owner Fritz Rahr says he's working to get the lines fixed or secure enough refrigerated tanker trucks to move out some 22,000 gallons of craft ales and lagers.

No beer was damaged. A tasting party scheduled for Saturday has been postponed.

Loftin officially new A&M president

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — The lone finalist to become president of the flagship campus of the Texas A&M system has assumed his duties.

A&M System regents on Friday formally named interim president R. Bowen Loftin to lead A&M in College Station.

Loftin in January was named the lone finalist, but could not start the job until after a 21-day waiting period. Loftin takes over for Elsa Murano, the first Hispanic president of Texas A&M, who

resigned in June under pressure.

Loftin previously was a Texas A&M vice president and CEO of its branch campus in Galveston when Hurricane Ike slammed the island in September 2008.

The 60-year-old administrator holds a bachelor's degree in physics from A&M. He has advanced degrees in physics from Rice University in Houston. His wife is an associate biosafety officer at A&M.

Teen convicted in San Antonio body under bridge

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A teenager has been convicted in the 2008 shooting death of a San Antonio woman whose body was found dumped under a bridge.

The penalty phase begins Tuesday in San Antonio for 18-year-old Quinton Quantrell Cox, who faces up to life in prison.

Cox was convicted Friday of murder in the October 2008 killing of 26-year-old April Phillips.

Investigators say Cox apparently wanted the woman's vehicle, after she approached some young men to say she earlier had been robbed and asked for help.

Prosecutor Lorina Rummel says drugs played a role in the slaying.

Cox did not testify.

Thousands still without electricity in DFW

DALLAS (AP) — Foggy conditions added to snow in the Dallas area as tens of thousands of homes and businesses remained without electricity during the long holiday weekend.

Oncor (AHN'-kor) Electric Delivery early Saturday reported about 150,000 homes and businesses in north Texas without power.

The utility says crews were working throughout the weekend to restore electricity. The federal President's Day holiday is Monday.

Oncor says crews by Saturday morning had restored power to about 50,000 customers since a powerful winter storm, which rolled in Thursday, dumped a record 12.5 inches of snow.

The National Weather Service on Saturday morning issued a freezing fog advisory for parts of north Texas. But the forecast showed improvement, with temperatures expected in the 40s by Saturday afternoon.

Sheriff: Commissioner did nothing wrong

EL PASO (AP) — Allegations that an El Paso County commissioner traded votes for favors are unfounded, Sheriff Richard Wiles said Friday.

Wiles said at a news conference that an investi-

gation found no evidence Commissioner Veronica Escobar did anything wrong.

Escobar said she was pleased with the outcome and the speed of the investigation that cleared her name.

El Paso County Judge Anthony Cobos had accused Escobar of conspiring to trade votes for favors, including one allegedly intended to help her campaign treasurer land a job with the county attorney's office.

"I am very surprised the sheriff has rushed to

issue a statement regarding alleged wrongdoing by Commissioner Veronica Escobar, without reviewing all of the evidence," Cobos said in a statement Friday.

Cobos, himself the target of an ongoing federal probe of public corruption, filed a criminal com-

plaint with the sheriff's department Jan. 27, two days after making the vote-for-job allegation during a regular meeting of the county commission.

The complaint alleged deprivation of honest ser-

The complaint alleged deprivation of honest services over a 2007 county commission vote by Escobar.

Shami: Whites unwilling to work in factories

AUSTIN (AP) — Farouk Shami, the Democratic hair-care magnate running for Texas governor, says most of his factory employees are Hispanic because white people are not willing to work.

Shami running against former Houston mayor

Shami, running against former Houston mayor Bill White, made the comments Friday in an interview with Dallas television station WFAA.

Shami said white people who look for work at his factories "either want to be supervisors or they want to be paid more than the average person and unfortunately, they exit."

Shami was being asked to follow up on a comment he made at a televised debate between him and White in which he said, in an effort to advocate the benefits of immigrant labor that "without Mexicans, it would be like a day without sunshine in our state."

3 persons of interest sought in Texas church fires

TYLER (AP) — Arson investigators said Friday they are seeking three men in connection with a series of church fires in east and central Texas.

Sketches of the three "persons of interest" were provided at a news conference by officials with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

Tom Crowley, an ATF spokesman in Dallas, told The Associated Press that "we want to interview" the men as a result of tip line information and work by investigators.



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SHOOTINGS

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ing tenure for Bishop, who had been an assistant professor since 2003. Authorities have not discussed a motive.

UAH student Andrew Cole was in Bishop's anatomy class Friday morning and said she seemed perfectly normal.

"She's understanding, and was concerned about students," he said. "I would have never thought it was her."

Bishop, a neurobiologist who studied at Harvard University, was taken Friday night in handcuffs from a police precinct to the county jail and could be heard saying, "It didn't happen. There's no way. ... They are still alive."

Police said they were also interviewing a man as "a person of interest."

University spokesman Ray Garner said the three killed were Gopi K. Podila, the chairman of the Department of Biological Sciences, and two other faculty members, Maria Ragland Davis and Adriel Johnson.

Three others were wounded, two critically, in the gunfire, which Davis' husband, Sammie Lee Davis, said occurred at a meeting over a tenure issue. The wounded were identified as department members Luis Cruz-Vera, who was listed in fair condition, and Joseph Leahy, in critical condition in intensive care, and staffer Stephanie Monticello, also in critical condition in intensive care.

Sammie Lee Davis said his wife was a researcher who had tenure at the university.

In a brief phone interview, he said he was told his wife was at a meeting to discuss the tenure status of another faculty member who got angry and started shooting. He said his wife had mentioned the suspect before, describing the woman as "not being able to deal with reality" and "not as good as she thought she was."

Bishop and her husband placed third in a statewide university business plan competition in July 2007, presenting a portable cell incubator they had invented. They won \$25,000 to help start a company to market the device.

Biology major Julia Hollis was

among the students who gathered to support each other and try to make sense of the news.

"When someone told me it was a staff person and it was faculty I was in complete denial," said Hollis, 23, who had taken classes with two of the instructors who were killed. "It took me a bit for it to sink in."

Students offered varying assessments of Bishop.

Andrea Bennett, a sophomore majoring in nursing, described Bishop as being "very weird" and "a really big nerd."

"She's well-known on campus, but I wouldn't say she's a good teacher. I've heard a lot of complaints," Bennett said. "She's a genius, but she really just can't explain things."

Bennett, an athlete at UAH, said her coach told her team Bishop had been denied tenure and that may have led to the shooting.

Amanda Tucker, a junior nursing

major from Alabaster, Ala., had Bishop for anatomy class about a year ago. Tucker said a group of students complained to a dean about Bishop's performance in the classroom.

"When it came down to tests, and people asked her what was the best way to study, she'd just tell you, 'Read the book.' When the test came, there were just ridiculous questions. No one even knew what she was asking," said Tucker.

But Nick Lawton, 25, described Bishop as funny and accommodating with students.

"She lectured from the textbook, mostly stuck to the subject matter at hand," Nick Lawton said. "She seemed like a nice enough professor."

Sophomore Erin Johnson told The Huntsville Times a biology faculty meeting was under way when she heard screams coming from a conference room.

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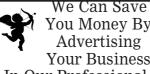
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

We stalk into this day of romance, which falls on the first day of the year of the tiger — sleek, stealthy and powerful. Big gestures are lucky. Consider using the element of surprise as you express your love. And don't be afraid to kick things up a notch to keep them exciting. Friendship becomes romance; affection becomes passion.

ARIES (March 21-April Make

your amorous intentions known. Your fiery energy is a match for equally passionate individuals. For tamer

souls, you'll



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have to temper your intensity so as not to scare them off.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Let yourself get caught up in the rapture of the moment. It is most auspicious for you to choose your activities according to your heart. It's better to fail at something you love than to succeed at something you hate.

GEMINI (May 21-June You can't everything you want to do, but this is very good news. It forces you to prioritize and pick the things that make your heart beat faster. Do this and you will set yourself up for a thrill.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). It's amazing what different people bring out in one another. A third party will illuminate a side of your loved one that you rarely see. Even if you've known this person forever, you'll learn something new.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Your needs and wants for your personal life have changed. Explore your own wishes. By the end of the day, you'll better

understand your position and will know what to do to get where you want to

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You have high demands of your love life. You have had some successes in love that have encouraged you to keep going with your romantic quest. Someone will be impressed with you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). To have relationship with certain person, you have to match his or her sense of pacing. Once you put your mind to it, you'll understand how to make this happen. With a few key adjustments, you sync up beautifully.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You're not one to take the most commercial route in expressing your feelings. A homemade gift or a simple confession of love from the heart will win a smile. And if you do create art for your love, you'll win undying affection.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). People don't just magically like you without reason. They take you in, observe the way you go about your life with great gusto and see that you make the kind of choices that take

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You work well with others, and you play even better. People will gravitate to your humor and warmth. collaboration will benefit everyone involved, and even some people who aren't involved.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You give of yourself in many different ways and will gather up appreciation from a variety of folks today. Your help has made a difference in the lives of others, and for you that makes it all worthwhile.

sought out. Someone who shares a special interest with you will enjoy talking to you about that and myriad other topics. There might be a love connection in the making here.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Feb. 14). You think you're doing the same thing that thousands, if not millions, of others are doing. And yet what you don't realize is that your contribution is absolutely unique. This year helps you understand your contribution and take pride in it. You will be loved in the way you want to be loved this spring. May brings a windfall. Aries and Leo people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 15, 43, 20 and 18. FORECAST FOR THE

WEEK AHEAD: Happy Valentine's Day, and happy Chinese New Year, too! This is the year of the metal tiger. If you have ever been in the presence of an actual tiger, even from behind the tall glass of a zoo cage, you have probably known the spellbinding power of this creature. As unfortunate news headlines have sometimes reminded us,

tigers have their own wild spirit to contend with, and no matter how domesticated they may be, they are not always keen on following the rules of man. In the blink of an eye, a tiger can go from a yawning beast to a fearsome force of nature.

And because we realize on a very basic level that we never quite know what to expect from this creature, only a fool would get too comfortable staring into the face of a tiger. So hopefully, we realize will circumstances and into the new year of the tiger fully awake.

Stay alert awesome power we each **PISCES** (Feb. 19-March have to affect our own 20). Your opinion will be destiny. And do not take for granted that power or foolishly taunt the fates. On Thursday, the sun begins a pilgrimage through the final station of the zodiac, Pisces, presenting opportunity for spiritual exploration alignment.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: This Valentine's Day baby has a deep and abiding romance going with one of the world's greatest cities. Aquarian Michael Bloomberg is the 108th mayor of New York City, and having been elected for three consecutive terms, the city loves him back. Bloomberg upholds Aquarian the philanthropic tradition and is among the top philanthropists in the United States.

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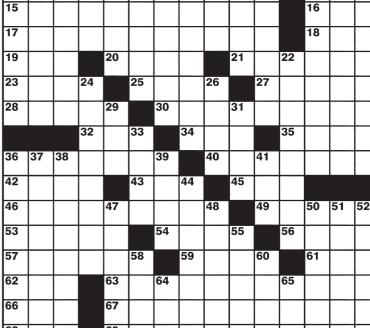
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News in brief

Concerns about adviser for Americans jailed in Haiti could delay their release

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic (AP) — Preparations for the provisional release of 10 Americans detained in Haiti on child kidnapping charges may be on hold after questions arose about a Dominican man who served as their legal adviser.

Officials in the Dominican Republic said Jorge Puello did not have a license to practice law in his native country, and The New York Times reported the Haitian judge might delay the group's release because of questions about the adviser's possible links to a human-trafficking case.

Puello has been a high-profile advocate for the jailed Baptists as they navigate the Haitian justice system. He also now is in apparent violation of Dominican law for failing to register with the local bar association or obtain a license, said Jose Parra, vice president of the Dominican Lawyers Association.

Parra said his organization was investigating the situation and might file a complaint with the Justice Department, which could pursue criminal charges.

Puello declined to comment in a brief telephone interview, saying he would be busy in court representing a U.S. firm seeking to establish a business in the Dominican Republic. He could not be located in court and did not return later phone calls.

Family: No reason for torture, death of trusting, childlike Pa. woman

GREENSBURG, Pa. (AP) — Jennifer Daugherty's mom and stepdad didn't press for details when she mentioned she had made some new friends. The 30-year-old had the mental abilities of an adolescent but wasn't the kind to get in trouble, and she was even thinking about getting her own place soon

Police found her body Thursday stuffed into a garbage can in a school parking lot; they say she had been forced to consume detergent and urine — and to write a fake suicide note — before she was fatally stabbed by attackers who also shaved her head and painted her face with nail polish. Six suspects have been charged, including her new "friends"

"She was exploited, and her kindness and her handicap made her very vulnerable," Daugherty's sister, Joy Burkholder, said. "She trusted everybody; she believed everyone was good, and no one would hurt her."

Daugherty's stepfather said she often traveled on

her own by bus from her home in Mount Pleasant to Greensburg, about 10 miles away, for dental or counseling appointments. After she hopped onto a bus Monday, she called her folks later in the day seeking permission to spend the night at "Peggy's" house.

Republican response mixed on invitation to President Obama's health care summit

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congressional Republicans sent mixed signals after President Barack Obama challenged them to participate in a one-of-a-kind televised summit with Democrats to come up with legislation on overhauling the nation's health care.

House Republicans derided the Feb. 25 event, casting doubt on whether it would yield any bipartisan agreement to extend coverage to millions of Americans and rein in medical costs. "Are they willing to start over with a blank sheet of paper?" said Kevin Smith, a spokesman for GOP leader John Boehner of Ohio. "We need answers before we know if the White House is more interested in partisan theater than in facilitating a productive dialogue about solutions."

Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., was more receptive, saying he would work with the White House "to maximize the effectiveness of the meeting."

The summit is considered a last, best attempt to revive Obama's yearlong health overhaul quest, now stalled after Democrats lost their filibuster-proof Senate majority. Yet, since Obama proposed the summit last weekend, Republicans and Democrats have voiced skepticism. Some in the GOP wondered if it would be nothing but a spectacle that could benefit the president at their expense. Democrats viewed Republicans' insistence that Obama trash existing bills and start over as evidence they weren't sincere about bipartisanship.

By presiding over a meeting with three dozen lawmakers trying to get a word in edgewise, Obama may be able to dominate the conversation and the visual images. That's what many Democrats say he did at a Jan. 29 session when he faced a roomful of GOP House members in Baltimore.

Obama to announce loan guarantee for nuclear power plant

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Obama administration's planned loan guarantee to build the first nuclear power plant in the United States in almost

three decades is part of a broad shift in energy strategy to lessen dependence on foreign oil and reduce the use of other fossil fuels blamed for global warming.

President Barack Obama called for "a new generation of safe, clean nuclear power plants" in his Jan. 27 State of the Union speech and followed that by proposing to triple loan guarantees for new nuclear plants. He wants to use nuclear power and other alternative sources of energy in his effort to shift energy policy.

Obama next week will announce the loan guarantee to build the nuclear power plant, an administration official said Friday. The two new Southern Co. reactors to be built in Burke, Ga., are part of a White House energy plan that administration officials hope will draw Republican support.

Loan guarantees for other sites are expected to be announced in the coming months, the official said, who would speak only on condition of anonymity ahead of Obama's announcement. The federal guarantees are seen as essential for construction of any new reactor because of the expense involved. Critics call the guarantees a form of subsidy and say taxpayers will assume a huge risk, given the industry's record of cost overruns and loan defaults.

Even with next week's announcement, actual construction of the first reactor is still years away. The Southern Co. has applied to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for a construction and operating license for the plant, one of 13 such applications the agency is considering. NRC spokesman Eliott Brenner said the earliest any of those could be approved would be late 2011 or early 2012.

3-legged, baseball-catching dog wins 1st place in NYC shelter's 'Best In Show' talent contest

NEW YORK (AP) — A three-legged pitbull mix that played in a game of doggie baseball has won "Best in Show" at a talent competition held by one of New York City's largest animal shelters.

Nine dogs competed in Friday's contest at the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. But it was Prince who impressed the judging panel the most with his feat of catching three baseballs.

The nearly 2-year-old dog lost one of his legs and had a pin inserted in another after being struck by

The ASPCA's senior vice president of the adoption center says Prince's disability doesn't hold him back

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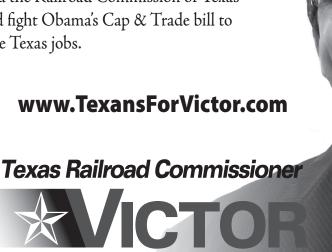
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CAUSE NO. T-5784 HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. LOUISA BAUER, ET AL IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS 118TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT NOTICE OF SUIT TO FORECLOSE TAX LIEN **PURSUANT TO PROPERTY** TAX CODE SECTION 33.57

Pursuant to Order of the 118th District Court of Howard County, Texas, notice is hereby given to the individuals named herein, and all other persons claiming an interest in the property the subject of this suit, that suit has been filed for foreclosure of the tax lien against such properties. A copy of the Petition filed on behalf of the various taxing entities is attached hereto, and such petition describes the properties against which foreclosure is sought, as well as the owners of record of any interest in such parcels.

Notice to all owners of an interest in such properties is hereby given as follows:

1. A petition to foreclose the tax lien against each parcel shown on the Petition was filed on the 4th day of February, 2010 commencing foreclosure proceedings;

2. The legal description, tax account number, and, if known, the street address for each parcel, is shown in the Exhibits to the Petition attached hereto;

3. This notice is addressed to each owner of an interest in each parcel as shown in the Exhibits to the Petition attached hereto:

4. Final hearing on the Petition is scheduled for the 30th day of March, 2010 at 9:00 o'clock a.m.;

5. Each and every owner of any interest in each parcel the subject of this suit may lose whatever property interest they own in such par-cel as a result of the hearing and any subsequent tax sale;

6. A person's interest in any parcel may be preserved by paying all delinquent taxes, penalties, interest, attorney's fees and court costs before the date of the scheduled hearing on the petition, or, you may contest the Petition by filing with the clerk of the court a written response to the petition not later than the seventh (7) day before the date scheduled for hearing on the petition and specifying in the response any affirmative defense. A copy of such response must be served on the taxing units' attorney of record in the manner required by Rule 21a, Texas Rules of Civil Procedure;

7. The name, address and telephone number of the taxing units are as follows: Howard College 1001 Birdwell Lane Big Spring, TX 79720

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8. Coahoma ISD may also impose taxes on one or more of the parcels the subject of this suit and may intervene in this case without further notice and set up its claims for delinquent taxes.

Respectfully Submitted, MOUTON & MOUTON A Professional Corporation Attorneys at Law P. O. Box 1030 Big Spring, TX 79721 Telephone No.: (432) 264-7465 Telecopier No.: (432) 263-8686 Bv: Drew Mouton State Bar No. 14606400 ATTORNEY FOR ALL PLAINTIFF TAXING UNITS CAUSE NO. T-5784 HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL

LOUISA BAUER, ET AL IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS 118TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

PLAINTIFFS' ORIGINAL **PETITION** TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF

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Now comes THE COUNTY OF HOWARD, which brings this action for itself and as agent for HOW-ARD COUNTY JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT, CITY OF BIG SPRING, BIG SPRING INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, CITY OF COAHOMA, CITY OF FORSAN, FORSAN

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, HOWARD COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #1, and PERMIAN BASIN UNDER-GROUND WATER CONSERVA-TION DISTRICT, hereinafter called Plaintiffs, whether one or more, and for cause of action would show

Defendants are those persons and legal entities named and described in the attached Exhibits

the Court the following:

"1-58" if living, and if any or all of the named Defendant(s) be deceased, the unknown heirs of each of such deceased Defendant(s); the unknown owner or owners of any of the property the subject of this suit; the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees, devisees of the any Defendant; and any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, owning or having any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon any of the property the subject of this suit, on which property there are delinquent taxes, penalties and interest, assessed and justly due, owing, and unpaid to Plaintiffs in the amounts and for the years shown on the Tax Statement(s) made a part of each Exhibit attached hereto, and incorporated herein by reference as if repeated verbatim, on each property separately assessed for all delinquent years up to and including 2008.

All of the property is located in Howard County, Texas, and all volume and page references, unless otherwise indicated, are to the Deed Records, Howard County, to which instruments reference is made for a more complete description of each tract.

The total amount of delinquent taxes, penalties, interest, and attorney's fees owed exceeds the appraised value of each parcel, or, in the alternative, there are ten (10) or more years for which delinquent taxes are owed on each such par-

All taxes were authorized by law, and each political subdivision in whose behalf this suit is brought was legally constituted and authorized to levy, assess, and collect ad valorem taxes on property, and all of the taxes were legally levied and assessed against the property and the owners thereof; that Plaintiffs now have and assert a lien on each separately described property to secure the payment of all taxes, penalties, interest; and recover costs and expenses in accordance with the provisions of Property Tax Code § 33.48; and all things required by law to be done have been legally performed by the proper officials.

All of the above described property was, at the time the taxes were assessed, located within the boundaries of the Plaintiffs and of each political subdivision in whose behalf this suit is brought, and the tax was imposed in the county in which this suit is brought.

The attorney whose name is signed hereto is legally authorized to prosecute this action on behalf of Plaintiffs.

Plaintiffs have incurred certain expenses for procuring data and information as to the name, identity, and location of necessary parties and in procuring necessary legal descriptions of the property, which expenses are reasonable abstractor's costs.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs pray for judgment against all Defendants for foreclosure of the tax lien against the above described property securing the amount due against each tract which is the total amount of delinquent taxes due and owing on each such parcel at the time of the filing of this petition, as well as all taxes becoming delinquent thereafter up to the date of judgment, all interest, penalties, costs and expenses in accordance with the provisions of Property Tax Code § 33.48 accruing up to and including the day of judgment, plus attorney's fees of 20% of all tax, penalty and interest as provided by law, an order of sale, post judgment interest at the maximum rate allowed by law; and for such other relief to which the Plaintiffs may be entitled; provided, however, that personal judgment for such taxes, penalties, interest and attorney fees is not sought against any Defendant named herein.

Respectfully Submitted, MOUTON & MOUTON A Professional Corporation Attorneys at Law P. O. Box 1030 Big Spring, TX 79721 Telephone No.: (432)263-7676

Telecopier No.: (432)263-8686 By: Drew Mouton State Bar No. 14606400 ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFFS

EXHIBIT 1 Property and Amounts Owed Lt 3, Bk 7 Bauer Addn, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:....\$1,586.57 Years owed: 1989-2008

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Louisa Bauer The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

Louisa Bauer 509 NW 11th St. Big Spring, TX 79720 Louisa Bauer 704 NW 5th St. Big Spring, TX 79720 **EXHIBIT 2**

Property and Amounts Owed
Lt 11, Bk 60, Original Town of Big
Spring, Howard County, Texas
TOTAL DUE:.....\$2,272.10

Years owed: 1989-2008

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Martha E. Birdwell The following are lienholders and may be notified at: City of Big Spring Attn: City Attorney Linda Sjogren 310 Nolan

Big Spring, TX 79720 EXHIBIT 3 Property and Amounts Owed
W/2 of Lt 12, Bk 99, Original Town
of Big Spring, Howard County,

Texas TOTAL DUE:.\$1,601.30 Years owed: 2000-2008

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The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

Earnest Byrd and Addie Byrd P. O. Box 145 Big Spring, TX 79720

The following are lienholders and may be notified at: City of Big Spring Attn: City Attorney Linda Sjogren 310 Nolan

Big Spring, TX 79720 **EXHIBIT 4**

Property and Amounts Owed W/20' of Lt 2, all Lt 3, Bk 24, Boydstun Second Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:....\$2,560.86 Years owed: 1989-2008

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The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

Lee Canales, Jr. 1206 Dixie Ave. Big Spring, TX 79720

EXHIBIT 5 Property and Amounts Owed S/50' of NE/4 of Bk 30, Bauer Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

TOTAL DUE:. \$707.48 Years owed: 1989-2008 The following defendants are owners of a property interest in, or lien against, the property described

in this exhibit and may be notified by Citation by Publication and Citation by Posting. No address is shown for any one or more of those listed below, and no address was disclosed in the taxing units' tax records, the appraisal district records, the title search, telephone directories in Howard County or the area of any last known address for each such Defendant, the voter registration records for Howard County, Texas, nor, where appropriate, the assumed name records of the Howard County Clerk or the records of the Secretary of State.

The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

Jessie Cervantes and wife, Jessie Cervantes 1403 Stanford

Big Spring, TX 79720 The following are lienholders and may be notified at: City of Big Spring

310 Nolan Big Spring, TX 79720 **EXHIBIT 6**

Attn: City Attorney Linda Sjogren

Property and Amounts Owed Lt 6, Bk 17, Monticello Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County,

Texas TOTAL DUE:. \$495.61 Years owed: 1991-2008

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The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

Dorothy Cope P. O. Box 1775 Fort Stockton, TX 79735 Bob Bowland P. O. Box 1775 Fort Stockton, TX 79735 Tara Bowman P. O. Box 1775 Fort Stockton, TX 79735 Julie Ann Cope P. O. Box 1775 Fort Stockton, TX 79735 Bill Jay Cope P. O. Box 1775 Fort Stockton, TX 79735 EXHIBIT 7

Property and Amounts Owed
Lts 2, 3 and E/2 of Lt 4, Bk D Moore's Heights Addn., City of Big Years owed: 1989-2008

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records of the Secretary of State. The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified at

John A. Currie 903 Dallas Big Spring, TX 79720 John A. Currie P. O. Box 1271 Big Spring, TX 79720 The following are lienholders and

may be notified at: City of Big Spring Attn: City Attorney Linda Sjogren 310 Nolan

Big Spring, TX 79720 **EXHIBIT 8** Property and Amounts Owed N/2 of Lt 9, and all of Lt 10, Bk 1, Porter Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

TOTAL DUE:. ..\$3,408.52 Years owed: 1989-2008

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records of the Secretary of State. Billie May DeBarra The following are lienholders and may be notified at: City of Big Spring

Attn: City Attorney Linda Sjogren 310 Nolan Big Spring, TX 79720 **EXHIBIT 9**

Property and Amounts Owed Lt 12, Bk 4, Lakeview Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE: \$444.06 Years owed:

1989-2008

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records of the Secretary of State. C. A. Gore **EXHIBIT 10**

Property and Amounts Owed
N/10' of Lt 10, Bk 14, McDowell
Heights Addn., City of Big Spring,
Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:. Years owed: 1989-2008

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The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

N. Graham

1508 Scurry St. Big Spring, TX 79720 Josie Graham 1508 Scurry St. Big Spring, TX 79720 The following are lienholders and may be notified at:

City of Big Spring Attn: City Attorney Linda Sjogren 310 Nolan Big Spring, TX 79720

EXHIBIT 11

Property and Amounts Owed A tract of land being a part of NE/4 Sec. 44, Bk 32, T-1-N, Howard County, Texas; described by metes and bounds on the attached exhibit TOTAL DUE:\$5,707.59 Years owed:

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Grace Grandstaff **EXHIBIT 12**

Property and Amounts Owed 1.25 acres out of the E/2 of Sc 18, Bk 31, T2N, T&P Ry Co Survey, Howard County, Texas; described by metes and bounds on the attached exhibit TOTAL DUE:.\$178.49 Years owed: 1989-2008

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Clara Greak, Individually and as Ind. Exec. of the Estate of Annie Pachal, Deceased, John Greak, Henry Pachal, Lola Pachal, Olga Lamkin, Alva Lamkin, ThuSchweke, Fenton G. Schweke, Hattie Lamkin and Louis Lamkin

EXHIBIT 13

Property and Amounts Owed Lt 9, Bk 21, Jones Valley Addn, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:\$66.82

Years owed: 1991-2008 The following defendants are owners of a property interest in, or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified by Citation by Publication and Citation by Posting. No address is shown for any one or more of those listed below, and no address was disclosed in the taxing units' tax records, the appraisal district records, the title search, telephone directories in Howard County or the area of any last known address for

each such Defendant, the voter

registration records for Howard

County, Texas, nor, where appro-

priate, the assumed name records

of the Howard County Clerk or the records of the Secretary of State. C. R. McHenry

EXHIBIT 14 Property and Amounts Owed Lt 3, Bk 21, Jones Valley Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, TOTAL DUE:.

Years owed: 1989-2008

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Ralph Pierce **EXHIBIT 15**

Years owed:

1989-2008

records of the Secretary of State.

Property and Amounts Owed Lts 1 & 2, Bk 8, Brown Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:.\$727.86

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The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

Ruth Marie Pierce 2102 S. Church St.

Georgetown, TX 78626 **EXHIBIT 16** Property and Amounts Owed Lt 5, Bk 25, Bauer Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

TOTAL DUE:\$1,593.93 Years owed: 1989-2008 The following defendants are

owners of a property interest in, or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified by Citation by Publication and Citation by Posting. No address is shown for any one or more of those listed below, and no address was disclosed in the taxing units' tax records, the appraisal district records, the title search, telephone directories in Howard County or the area of any last known address for each such Defendant, the voter registration records for Howard County, Texas, nor, where appropriate, the assumed name records of the Howard County Clerk or the records of the Secretary of State.

Gayland Pitman **EXHIBIT 17**

Property and Amounts Owed Lts 1, 2, 3 & 4, Bk 2, Douglas Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:.\$11,374.86 Years owed:

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The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

Defendant Plainsmen Corporation, a Domestic For-Profit Corporation has forfeited its authority to do business in the state of Texas. Service is proper to W. Goodrich Hejl , 108 E. Louisiana, Midland, TX, 79702, under Art. 8.10 Business Corporation Act because W. Goodrich Hejl is listed as Registered Agent on the most recent records of the Texas Secretary of State and may be served with citation by certified mail, restricted delivery, return receipt requested to:

Plainsmen Corporation by and through Registered Agent for Service W. Goodrich Hejl 108 E. Louisiana Midland, TX, 79702

EXHIBIT 18 Property and Amounts Owed W/2 of Lt 6, Bk 99, Original Town

of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:. \$366.50 Years owed:

1989-2008

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Isabel Ramirez **EXHIBIT 19**

Property and Amounts Owed
Lt 2, Bk F, Moore's Heights Addn.,
City of Big Spring, Howard County TOTAL DUE: \$248.51 Years owed: 1989-2008 The following defendants are

owners of a property interest in, or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified by Citation by Publication and Citation by Posting. No address is shown for any one or more of those listed below, and no address was disclosed in the taxing units' tax records, the appraisal district records, the title search, telephone directories in Howard County or the area of any last known address for each such Defendant, the voter registration records for Howard County, Texas, nor, where appropriate, the assumed name records of the Howard County Clerk or the records of the Secretary of State.

Trannie Randle The following are lienholders and may be notified at:

City of Big Spring Attn: City Attorney Linda Sjogren 310 Nolan Big Spring, TX 79720

EXHIBIT 20 Property and Amounts Owed

Lt 7, Bk 31, Bauer Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:.\$1,489.87 Years owed:

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New uncertainty surrounds 9/11 trials

WASHINGTON (AP)
— The Obama administration appears increasingly unsure what to do with professed Sept. 11 mastermind Khalid Sheikh Mohammed after officials indicated they are reconsidering not just where he should go on trial, but whether he should face civilian or military justice.

Both Attorney General Eric Holder and White House spokesman Robert Gibbs did not rule out a military trial when asked Friday about the Obama administration's options.

Trying Mohammed in military court would mark a further political retreat from Holder's announcement last year that Mohammed and the four other Sept. 11 suspects now held at the U.S. military prison at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, would be tried in federal court in New York.

The Obama administration is trying to head off a possible vote in the Senate that could stop any terror suspects currently held at Guantanamo from being brought to the United States to face a civilian trial. Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., is offering such legislation, after losing a vote last year on the issue.

"These al-Qaida terrorists are not common criminals," Graham said Saturday in the Republicans' weekly radio and Internet address. "A civilian trial of hard-core terrorists is unnecessarily dangerous and creates more problems than it solves."

At stake is the public perception of the administration's handling of national security, already shaken last year by strong congressional opposition to transferring any Guantanamo detainees to American soil. A Hill defeat over the trial issue could embolden the GOP minority to raise national security

concerns in the midterm elections later this year.

"Military tribunals are the best way to render justice, win this war and protect our nation from a vicious enemy," said Graham.

The prospect of such a vote could test of how many moderate Democrats have abandoned Obama on the issue.

White House officials said Friday that Obama and his top advisers will play a direct role in ultimately deciding how to prosecute Mohammed. The administration initially decided to try the five terror defendants in New York but have since appeared to backtrack.

"Obviously there are efforts on Capitol Hill through legislation to restrict either the type of or the venue of a trial for Khalid Sheikh Mohammed and his coconspirators," Gibbs said. "That, by definition, involves the White House and ultimately the president."

"So, since this effort has moved from strictly a Justice Department decision to something that's in the legislative arena, the White House — and by definition the president — are involved."

As a result of Holder's decision to seek a civilian prosecution, Bushera military charges that had been pending against the five suspects were dismissed last month. Those military charges could now be revived.

The administration is reconsidering Holder's plan to put the five men on trial in a federal court in Manhattan, after local officials there balked at security and logistics complications.

The White House insisted it is sensitive to their concerns.

"We're going to take into account security and logistical concerns that those individu-

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"These al-Qaida terrorists are not common criminals. A civilian trial of hard-core terrorists is unnecessarily dangerous and creates more problems than it solves."

> Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-South Carolina

als now have," Gibbs said. "The cost of the trial, obviously, is one thing."

Rep. Peter King, R-N.Y., who has repeatedly criticized Holder's decision to try Mohammed in New House has bungled the issue from the start.
"What it shows is

York, said the White

"What it shows is there was no preparation, no advance work done by the administration. It's one of the most irresponsible decisions anyone has ever made," said King.

For his part, Holder said he still expects Mohammed to be tried in a federal civilian court, but he conceded it's possible that won't happen.

"At the end of the day, wherever this case is tried, in whatever forum, what we have to ensure is that it's done as transparently as possible and with adherence to all the rules," Holder told The Washington Post. "If we do that, I'm not sure the location or even the forum is as important as what the world sees

in that proceeding."

The administration

has been on the defensive about its record on terrorism since a Nigerian man allegedly tried to blow up an airliner landing in Detroit on Christmas. The suspect faces charges in federal court, but Republicans say the Democratic administration should treat such suspects not as criminals but war criminals.

Administration officials counter that the Christmas case was handled no differently than the Bush administration had handled similar earlier cases.

Advertorial

THIS IS THE OTHER SIDE

By Manuel R. Carrasco, M.D.



Several months ago, the Big Spring Herald published the news of a reprimand of the Texas Medical Board (TMB) against us. At that time, we were on a family vacation and we saw the news afterwards. We contacted our lawyer who advised not to say anything that the issue would pass. With regret for our patients, fellow physician and the general public we have felt the pain of not telling our side of the story. We believe it is time for you to be better informed and know exactly what happened.

Some time ago, we were involved in a case of a patient who lived out of town. He underwent orthopedic surgery and did very well until the third day when he got complications and sustained a heart attack. The patient was stabilized and transferred to Lubbock and did not survive. He had been seen by myself, his surgeon, and anesthesiologist and we all concurred that this gentleman was ready for his knee surgery and so was the patient.

The widow filed a complaint to the Board against me, although there were other physicians involved. I was the only one in review with the board. I have always sustained all along that we did the right thing. I presented the data to a University of Texas, Austin Professor of Medicine, Dr. James Wright, who concurred with me, however the Board still insisted in penalizing me. After much debate we realized that no matter what the Board would never dismiss our case and we opted for a mediation and complied with a small fine and continue education.

We reviewed a lot of medical literature and we still feel strongly that we did the right thing. Interestingly, this case has been reviewed by other entities: One of the insurance companies medical group, the Medical Board of Florida and lately by the Board of New York, and they have found nothing wrong with our performance in the case.

The people, the physicians of Big Spring and our hospital are aware of our quality of work for over 15 years. We never had quality issues and we are committed to our community.

This is our pledge. This is the other side of the story that you did not know. You decide for yourselves and not somebody from outside our community.

Manuel R. CARRASCO, MD 1501 W. 11TH PL. 432-714-4500 IN BIG SPRING SINCE 1993

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Legals

records of the Secretary of State.

The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

Johnny Rangel P. O. Box 3295 Big Spring, TX 79720 Clara Rangel P. O. Box 3295 Big Spring, TX 79720 EXHIBIT 21

Property and Amounts Owed E/60' of Lts 19 & 20, Bk 2, Wright's Airport Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:\$965.19 Years owed: 1989-2008

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The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

Melton Rangel aka Melton Montelongo Rangel 201 Davis Rd. Big Spring, TX 79720 Dominga Rangel aka Dominga Correa Rangel 201 Davis Rd. Big Spring, TX 79720 EXHIBIT 22

Property and Amounts Owed
Lt 2, Bk 7, Lakeview Addn., City of
Big Spring, Howard County, Texas
TOTAL DUE:\$758.45 Years owed: 1989-2008

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EXHIBIT 23

Property and Amounts Owed
A tract of land being part of Tract 42, William B. Currie Subdivision out of SE/4 Sc 42, Bk 32, T1N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas; described by metes and bounds on the attached exhibit TOTAL DUE:.\$585.86 Years owed: 1989-2008

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J. D. Roberts and Josephine Roberts

The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified Joey D. Roberts

2807 Apache Big Spring, TX 79720 The following are lienholders and may be notified at: City of Big Spring Attn: City Attorney Linda Sjogren

310 Nolan Big Spring, TX 79720

EXHIBIT 24

Property and Amounts Owed Lts 1 & 2, Bk 2, Sunset Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:.\$1,982.24 Years owed:

1991-2008

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Willie Robinson **EXHIBIT 25**

Years owed:

Property and Amounts Owed A tract of land being part of Tract 24, William B. Currie Subdivision out of SE/4 of Sc 42, Bk 32, T1N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas; described by metes and bounds on the attached exhibit TOTAL DUE:.\$1,084.17

1989-2008 The following defendants are owners of a property interest in, or

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and Rosa Rodriguez The following are lienholders and may be notified at: City of Big Spring Attn: City Attorney Linda Sjogren

310 Nolan Big Spring, TX 79720

EXHIBIT 26 Property and Amounts Owed
Lts 3 & 4, Bk 25, Original Town of
Coahoma, Howard County, Texas
TOTAL DUE:\$374.03 Years owed:

1989-2008

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records of the Secretary of State.
The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

Robert Rodriguez 4753 Duncanville Rd., Apt 170 Dallas, TX 75234 Robert Rodriguez 1205 Graffa

Big Spring, TX 79720 EXHIBIT 27 Property and Amounts Owed Lt 1, Bk 7, Lakeview Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:.\$2,025.58 Years owed:

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The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

Juana Rodriquez 1902 N. Monticello Big Spring, TX 79720 EXHIBIT 28

Property and Amounts Owed

Lt 7, Bk 24, Government Heights to Bauer Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:. Years owed: 1989-2008

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records of the Secretary of State. The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

Luisa Rodriquez aka Maria Luisa Rodriguez 1507 E. 11th Place Big Spring, Texas 79720 Gertrude Rodriquez 1507 E. 11th Place Big Spring, TX 79720 The following are lienholders and may be notified at:

Attn: City Attorney Linda Sjogren 310 Nolan Big Spring, TX 79720 **EXHIBIT 29**

City of Big Spring

Property and Amounts Owed Lt 12, Bk 14, Jones Valley Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE: \$378.82

Years owed:

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of the Howard County Clerk or the records of the Secretary of State.

The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified Joe Rogers

2802 Cactus Big Spring, TX 79720 Joe E. Rogers 2802 Cactus Big Spring, TX 79720 Mary Rogers 2802 Cactus

The following are lienholders and may be notified at: City of Big Spring Attn: City Attorney Linda Sjogren 310 Nolan

Big Spring, TX 79720 **EXHIBIT 30**

Big Spring, TX 79720

Property and Amounts Owed Lt 7, Bk 116, Original Town of Big Spring, an addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:\$291.16 Years owed:

1992-2008 The following defendants are owners of a property interest in, or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified by Citation by Publication and Citation by Posting. No address is shown for any one or more of those listed below, and no address was disclosed in the taxing units' tax records, the appraisal district records, the title search, telephone directories in Howard County or the area of any last known address for each such Defendant, the voter registration records for Howard County, Texas, nor, where appropriate, the assumed name records of the Howard County Clerk or the records of the Secretary of State.

The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

George M. Rojo 1316 Utah Big Spring, TX 79720 Carolina Rojo 1316 Utah Big Spring, TX 79720 EXHIBIT 31

Property and Amounts Owed A tract of land being part of Tract No. 22, William B. Currie Subdivision out of SE/4 Sc 42, Bk 32, T1N, T&P Ry Co Survey, Howard County, Texas; described by metes and bounds on the attached exhibit TOTAL DUE:.\$409.83 Years owed:

1989-2008 The following defendants are owners of a property interest in, or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified by Citation by Publication and Citation by Posting. No address is shown for any one or more of those listed below, and no address was disclosed in the taxing units' tax records, the appraisal district records, the title search, telephone directories in Howard County or the area of any last known address for each such Defendant, the voter registration records for Howard County, Texas, nor, where appropriate, the assumed name records of the Howard County Clerk or the records of the Secretary of State.

The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

Eddie Ross

1727 E. Oak Ave.

Midland, TX 79705 Willie Albert Elkins Ross 1727 E. Oak Ave. Midland, TX 79705 Rickey Lee Ross 1727 E. Oak Ave. Midland, TX 79705 Jacqueline M. Ross 1727 E. Oak Ave. Midland, TX 79705 Theresa Ann Ross 1727 E. Oak Ave. Midland, TX 79705 Barbara Denise Ross 1727 E. Oak Ave. Midland, TX 79705 The following are lienholders and may be notified at: City of Big Spring Attn: City Attorney Linda Sjogren

310 Nolan Big Spring, TX 79720 EXHIBIT 32

Property and Amounts Owed East Fifty-Five feet (E/55') of Lt 9, and East Fifty-Five feet (E/55') of the South One-Half (S/2) of Lt 10, Bk 5, Tennyson's Addn., Clty of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:\$239.89 Years owed:

1992-2008 The following defendants are owners of a property interest in, or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified by Citation by Publication and Citation by Posting. No address is shown for any one or more of those listed below, and no address was disclosed in the taxing units' tax records, the appraisal district records, the title search, telephone directories in Howard County or the area of any last known address for each such Defendant, the voter registration records for Howard County, Texas, nor, where appropriate, the assumed name records of the Howard County Clerk or the

records of the Secretary of State. The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

Isabell Runyan 309 NE 2nd St. Big Spring, TX 79720 EXHIBIT 33

Property and Amounts Owed Lt 12, Bk 8, Jones Valley Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County,

Texas TOTAL DUE:. \$83.03 Years owed: 1989-2008

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lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified by Citation by Publication and Citation by Posting. No address is shown for any one or more of those listed below, and no address was disclosed in the taxing units' tax records, the appraisal district records, the title search, telephone directories in Howard County or the area of any last known address for each such Defendant, the voter registration records for Howard County, Texas, nor, where appropriate, the assumed name records of the Howard County Clerk or the records of the Secretary of State.

Cleto Salinos and wife **EXHIBIT 34** Property and Amounts Owed

Lt 8, Bk 2, Sunset Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:. .. .\$909.13 Years owed:

1989-2008

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Robert Shannon **EXHIBIT 35**

Property and Amounts Owed Lt 22, Bk 7, Wright's Airport Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

TOTAL DUE:.\$565.24 Years owed: 1993-2008

The following defendants are owners of a property interest in, or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified by Citation by Publication and Citation by Posting. No address is shown for any one or more of those listed below, and no address was disclosed in the taxing units' tax records, the appraisal district records, the title search, telephone directories in Howard County or the area of any last known address for each such Defendant, the voter registration records for Howard County, Texas, nor, where appropriate, the assumed name records of the Howard County Clerk or the

records of the Secretary of State. The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

Jose J. Silva 5121 38th St.

Lubbock, TX 79414 **EXHIBIT 36**

Property and Amounts Owed Lts 5 & 6, Bk 102, Original Town of Big Spring, an addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

TOTAL DUE: \$640.94 Years owed: 1992-2008

The following defendants are owners of a property interest in, or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified by Citation by Publication and Citation by Posting. No address is shown for any one or more of those listed below, and no address was disclosed in the taxing units' tax records, the appraisal district records, the title search, telephone directories in Howard County or the area of any last known address for each such Defendant, the voter registration records for Howard County, Texas, nor, where appropriate, the assumed name records of the Howard County Clerk or the

Edith W. Simmons The following are lienholders and may be notified at:

records of the Secretary of State.

City of Big Spring
Attn: City Attorney Linda Sjogren 310 Nolan

Big Spring, TX 79720 EXHIBIT 37

Property and Amounts Owed Lt 9, Bk 2, Lakeview Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:\$224.95 TŎTAL DŬE:. Years owed:

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C. W. Smith **EXHIBIT 38**

Property and Amounts Owed Lt 4, Bk 3, Mountain View Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:.\$940.18

Years owed: 1989-2008

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priate, the assumed name records of the Howard County Clerk or the records of the Secretary of State.

W. L. Smith and Rosa Allene Smith

EXHIBIT 39

Property and Amounts Owed Lt 11, Bk 4, Bowser Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:.\$71.51 Years owed:

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The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

Jerry Stevens aka Jerry Stephens 2610 Carleton Dr. Big Spring, TX 79720 EXHIBIT 40

Property and Amounts Owed W/25' of Lt 8, Bk A, Moore's Heights Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:.\$2,790.69 Years owed:

1989-2008 The following defendants are owners of a property interest in, or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified by Citation by Publication and Citation by Posting. No address is shown for any one or more of those listed below, and no address was disclosed in the taxing units' tax records, the appraisal district records, the title search, telephone directories in Howard County or the area of any last known address for each such Defendant, the voter registration records for Howard County, Texas, nor, where appropriate, the assumed name records of the Howard County Clerk or the records of the Secretary of State.

Dewey Stewart and Rosa Lee Stewart The following are lienholders and may be notified at: City of Big Spring Attn: City Attorney Linda Sjogren

310 Nolan Big Spring, TX 79720 EXHIBIT 41

Property and Amounts Owed
N/2 of Lt 1, Bk 8, Banks Addn, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

TOTAL DUE:.\$182.91 Years owed: 1989-2008

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records of the Secretary of State. Earnest Sturgeon **EXHIBIT 42**

Property and Amounts Owed Lt 6, Bk 25, Governments Heights to Bauer Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:. Years owed: 1991-2008

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The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

M. S. Thetford 1418 Cherry St. Gainsville, TX 76240 **Emmie Thetford** 1418 Cherry St. Gainsville, TX 76240 The following are lienholders and may be notified at: City of Big Spring Attn: City Attorney Linda Sjogren 310 Nolan

Big Spring, TX 79720 EXHIBIT 43 Property and Amounts Owed

Lt 19, Bk 9, South Haven Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, TOTAL DUE:.\$1,010.18 Years owed:

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The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

J. W. Trantham 215 Oregan Ave Big Lake, MN 55309 The following are lienholders and may be notified at:

City of Big Spring Attn: City Attorney Linda Sjogren 310 Nolan

Big Spring, TX 79720

EXHIBIT 44

Property and Amounts Owed
Lt 26, Bk 6, South Haven Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:.\$1,010.18 Years owed:

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records of the Secretary of State. Edgar Ray Van Kirk The following are lienholders and may be notified at: City of Big Spring Attn: City Attorney Linda Sjogren

310 Nolan Big Spring, TX 79720 **EXHIBIT 45**

Property and Amounts Owed W/2 of Lt 10, Bk 99, Original Town of Big Spring, an addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

TOTAL DUE:\$459.52 Years owed: The following defendants are

owners of a property interest in, or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified by Citation by Publication and Citation by Posting. No address is shown for any one or more of those listed below, and no address was disclosed in the taxing units' tax records, the appraisal district records, the title search, telephone directories in Howard County or the area of any last known address for each such Defendant, the voter registration records for Howard County, Texas, nor, where appropriate, the assumed name records of the Howard County Clerk or the records of the Secretary of State.

Tomasa Vela **EXHIBIT 46**

Property and Amounts Owed Lt 4, Bk 7, Brown Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:. Years owed:

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The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

Jose Esteben Velasquez

17 Channing Big Spring, TX 79720 EXHIBIT 47 Property and Amounts Owed

N/part of Lts 11 & 12, Bk 9, Jones Valley Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas; descrobed by metes and bounds on the attached exhibit TOTAL DUE:.\$274.02

Years owed: 1989-2008 The following defendants are owners of a property interest in, or

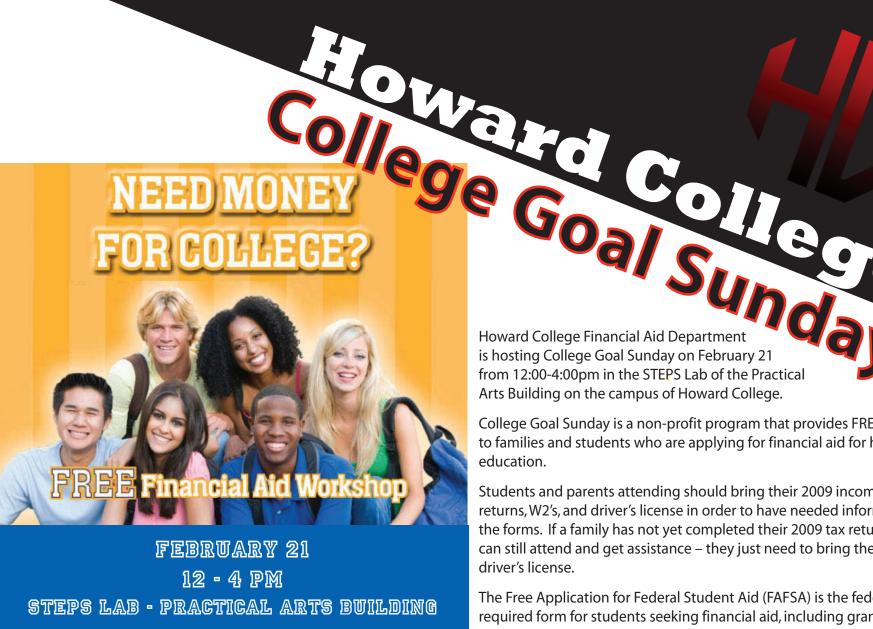
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Marcello Vera 509 Galveston St. Big Spring, TX 79720 Marcello I. Vera 804 Lorilla Big Spring, TX 79720

EXHIBIT 48

Property and Amounts Owed
Lt 5, Bk 60, Original Town of Big
Spring, an addition to the City of
Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:\$2,096.55



is hosting College Goal Sunday on February 21 from 12:00-4:00pm in the STEPS Lab of the Practical Arts Building on the campus of Howard College.

College Goal Sunday is a non-profit program that provides FREE assistance to families and students who are applying for financial aid for higher education.

Students and parents attending should bring their 2009 income tax returns, W2's, and driver's license in order to have needed information for the forms. If a family has not yet completed their 2009 tax returns, they can still attend and get assistance - they just need to bring their W2's and driver's license.

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is the federally required form for students seeking financial aid, including grants, loans and work-study throughout the nation.

Howard College is one of the few colleges in the area where College Goal Sunday is hosted and College Goal Sunday is open to anyone in the surrounding area, not just Howard County residents. For more information about College Goal Sunday, visit www.howardcollege.edu or collegegoalsundayusa.org or contact Rebecca Villanueva at 264-5085.



Come to Children's Dental Fair

Presented by: Howard College Dental Hygiene Dept.

Dental Hygiene Clinic - Horace Garrett Building Saturday-February 20 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Kids bring your old toothbrush and receive a new one

Lots of Fun - games, popcorn, treats, stickers, door prizes and more!

Howard College and Sue Bagwell invite you to view the process of creativity that pushes all artists to new and undiscovered territories.

> Solo Art Exhibition of Sue Bagwell, watercolor February 15, 2010 - April 1, 2010

Same but Different-An Artist **Approach** by Sue Bagwell

Opening Reception Monday, February 15 5:30 - 6:30pm

Gallery Hallway Hall Center for the Arts **Howard College** 1001 Birdwell Lane

HAWK BASKETBALL

Home games

Monday February 15

Hawk Women vs. Midland College 5:45 pm Hawk Men vs. Midland College 7:45 pm **Monday February 22**

Hawk Women vs. Odessa College 5:45 pm Hawk Men vs. Odessa College 7:45 pm

HAWK BASEBALL

Home games

Sat & Sun February 27 & 28 Texarkana College 12:00 pm Sat March 6 Odessa College 12:00 pm

HAWK SOFTBALL

Home games

Wed February 17 Ranger College 1:00 pm Fri March 5 Odessa College 1:00 pm

Be a part of Howard College's Department of Community Education's non-credit programs and classes. For more information - Call 264-5131

Texas Alcohol Education Program for Minors

This class is designed to help participants increase their knowledge about alcohol and drugs among young people. The curriculum contains information on the following topics: Societal values related to alcohol consumption by minors, the influence of alcohol advertising on young people, the relationship between motor vehicle and other accidents and alcohol use; relevant laws relating to the purchase possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages by minors, drinking patterns, and problems of young people including abuse, addiction and decision making skills. TCADA approved.

Instructor: Fabian Serrano Location: Annex A8 6pm-9pm Tuesday through Thursday

March 2-4, 2010 Cost: \$50.00

Anger Management

Anger Management is presented in two sessions 3.5 hours in duration. The course discusses the definition of Anger and investigates when it becomes a problem. It also reviews the potential payoffs, consequences, and triggers of anger. Physical, emotional, and behavioral cues are also discussed. Finally, anger styles and positive anger management strategies are reviewed. Instructor: Gary Tidwell

March 9 and 11, 2010 April 13 and 15, 2010

6pm - 9:30 pm Tuesday - Thursday Location: Annex Building

Cost: \$50.00

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264-5000 1001 Birdwell Lane www.howardcollege.edu

8:00am-5:30pm **Mon-Thur** 8:00am-3:00pm **Friday**

Domestic Violence

Domestic Violence is designed for persons determined to be batterers with the aim of breaking the chain and cycle of violence. The course is presented in one six hour session. The course identifies general information about domestic violence, the cycle of violence and the effects of abuse, on the individual, family, community and society as a whole. The characteristics of an abuser are reviewed thoroughly. Finally, techniques for breaking the cycle of violence including positive anger management strategies and appropriate conflict resolution are also discussed.

Instructor: Gary Tidwell Location: Annex Building 9am-3pm - Saturday February 27, 2010 March 27, 2010 Cost: \$50.00

CPR for Healthcare Providers

Course covers the American Heart Association ECC guidelines and is designed for health care providers and professional rescuers. Lifesaving skills of respiratory (choking and near-drowning) and cardiac emergencies involving adults, children, and infants. Topics

- Adult One-Rescuer and Two-Rescuer CPR and Foreign Body
- Airway Obstruction (FBAO) Pediatric One-Rescuer CPR and FBAO
- Infant One-Rescuer CPR and FBAO

• Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Instructor: Lynn Toman Location: College at the Mall

8am-5pm - Saturday March 6 April 10

May 22 Cost: \$30.00

Legals

Years owed: 1993-2008

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Florinda Viera **EXHIBIT 49**

Property and Amounts Owed Lt 7, Bk 2, Denton Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:\$1,092.03 Years owed:

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George A. Weatherall The following are lienholders and may be notified at:

City of Big Spring Attn: City Attorney Linda Sjogren

310 Nolan Big Spring, TX 79720

EXHIBIT 50

Property and Amounts Owed Lt 8, Bk 2, Denton Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:.\$1,024.18 Years owed: 1989-2008

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The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

Peggy Brown Weatherall 17523 Northfalk Dr. Houston, TX 77084-1637 The following are lienholders and may be notified at:

City of Big Spring Attn: City Attorney Linda Sjogren 310 Nolan Big Spring, TX 79720

EXHIBIT 51

Property and Amounts Owed N/100' of NE/4 of Bk 13, Bauer Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:.\$1,770.12 Years owed:

1989-2008 The following defendants are owners of a property interest in, or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified by Citation by Publication and Citation by Posting. No address is shown for any one or more of those listed below, and no address was disclosed in the taxing units' tax records, the appraisal district records, the title search, telephone directories in Howard County or the area of any last known address for each such Defendant, the voter registration records for Howard County, Texas, nor, where appropriate, the assumed name records of the Howard County Clerk or the

records of the Secretary of State. E. R. Weatherman The following are lienholders and may be notified at:

City of Big Spring Attn: City Attorney Linda Sjogren 310 Nolan

Big Spring, TX 79720 EXHIBIT 52 Property and Amounts Owed Lt 4, Bk 1, North Park Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County,

Years owed:

Texas

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Frank Weaver, Jr. **EXHIBIT 53**

Property and Amounts Owed S/2 of Lts 7 & 8, Bk 12, Jones Valley Addn., City of ig Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:. . Years owed:

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The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

Ramona Lee Lawson White 1606 S. Main St. Big Spring, TX 79720 Rory Jay Lawson 1606 S. Main St. Big Spring, TX 79720 **EXHIBIT 54**

Property and Amounts Owed A tract of land being part of the N/2 of Tract No. 25, of the Wm B. Currie Subdivision SE/4, Sc 42, Bk 32, T1N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas; described by metes and bounds on the arrached exhibit TOTAL DUE:. Years owed:

1989-2008 The following defendants are owners of a property interest in, or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified by Citation by Publication and Citation by Posting. No address is shown for any one or more of those listed below, and no address was disclosed in the taxing units' tax records, the appraisal district records, the title search, telephone directories in Howard County or the area of any last known address for each such Defendant, the voter registration records for Howard County, Texas, nor, where appropriate, the assumed name records of the Howard County Clerk or the records of the Secretary of State.

Dee Scaggs The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

Bobbie L. Williams fka Bobbie Scaggs 816 S. 11th St. Frederick, OK 73542 The following are lienholders and may be notified at: City of Big Spring Attn: City Attorney Linda Sjogren 310 Nolan

EXHIBIT 55

Big Spring, TX 79720

Property and Amounts Owed Lt 9, Bk 2, Sunset Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:.\$1,115.81 Years owed: 1989-2008

The following defendants are owners of a property interest in, or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified by Citation by Publication and Citation by Posting. No address is shown for any one or more of those listed below, and no address was disclosed in the taxing units' tax records, the appraisal district records, the title search, telephone directories in Howard County or the area of any last known address for each such Defendant, the voter registration records for Howard County, Texas, nor, where appropriate, the assumed name records of the Howard County Clerk or the records of the Secretary of State. V. P. Wilson

EXHIBIT 56

Property and Amounts Owed Lt 1, Bk I, Moore's Heights Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County,

TOTAL DUE:\$248.51 Years owed: 1989-2008

The following defendants are owners of a property interest in, or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified by Citation by Publication and Citation by Posting. No address is shown for any one or more of those listed below, and no address was disclosed in the taxing units' tax records, the appraisal district records, the title search, telephone directories in Howard County or the area of any last known address for each such Defendant, the voter registration records for Howard County, Texas, nor, where appropriate, the assumed name records of the Howard County Clerk or the records of the Secretary of State.

Joe Willie Wrightsil aka Willie Wrightsil **EXHIBIT 57**

1989-2008

Property and Amounts Owed Lts 1 & 2, Bk 7, Bauer Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas DUE:..... TOTAL ...\$1,464.90 Years owed:

The following defendants are owners of a property interest in, or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified by Citation by Publication and Citation by Posting. No address is shown for any one or more of those listed below, and no address was disclosed in the taxing units' tax records, the appraisal district records, the title search, telephone directories in Howard County or the area of any last known address for each such Defendant, the voter registration records for Howard County, Texas, nor, where appropriate, the assumed name records of the Howard County Clerk or the records of the Secretary of State.

The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

Prospero Yanez P. O. Box 2276 Big Spring, TX Prospero Yanez 1506 Sycamore

Big Spring, TX 79720 **EXHIBIT 58**

Property and Amounts Owed Lt 6, Bk 7, Bauer Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas TOTAL DUE:\$732.45 Years owed: 1989-2008

The following defendants are owners of a property interest in, or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified by Citation by Publication and Citation by Posting. No address is shown for any one or more of those listed below, and no address was disclosed in the taxing units' tax records, the appraisal district records, the title search, telephone directories in Howard County or the area of any last known address for each such Defendant, the voter registration records for Howard County, Texas, nor, where appropriate, the assumed name records of the Howard County Clerk or the

records of the Secretary of State. The following Defendant(s) are owners of a property interest in or lien against, the property described in this exhibit and may be notified

Juan Zubia aka Juan Subia 602 NW 7th Big Spring, TX 79720 #6430 February 14 & 21, 2010

Legals

PUBLIC NOTICE Pursuant to the provisions of the State Property Tax Code, Section

33.06 styled: **DEFERRED COLLECTIONS** OF CERTAIN TAXES (a) An individual is entitled to defer

or abate a suit to collect a delin-

quent tax if he is 65 or older; or dis-

able Person and he owns and oc-

cupies as a residence homestead the property on which the tax subject to the suit is delinquent. (b) To obtain a deferral, an individual must file with the Chief Appraiser for the Appraisal District in which the property is located an affidavit stating the facts required to be established by Subsection (a) of this section. The Chief Appraiser shall notify each taxing unit partici-

pating in the District of the filing. Af-

ter an affidavit is files under this subsection, a taxing unit may not file suit to collect delinquent taxes on the property until the individual no longer owns and occupies the property as a residence homestead.

(c) To obtain abatement, the individual must file in the court in which suit is pending an affidavit stating the facts required to be established by Subsection (a) of this section. If no controverting affidavit is filed by the taxing unit filing suit or if, after a hearing the court finds the individual is entitled to the deferral, the court shall abate the suit until the individual no longer owns and occupies the property as a residence homestead.

(d) A tax lien remains on the property and interest continue to accrue at a rate of 8% per year during the period collections of taxes is de-

(e) NEW LAW ENACTED BY 1997 LÉGISLATURE SENATE BILL 841 33.065: DEFER PAYING TAXES ON THAT PART OF THE APPRAISED VALUE OF THEIR HOMES THAT IS MORE THAN 5% ABOVE THE PRECEDING APPRAISED VALUE, EXCLUDES THE VALUE OF ANY IMPROVEMENTS MADE.

Application forms are available at: Howard County Appraisal District Courthouse Annex, 315 Main Street

Big Spring, TX 79721-1151 Authorized by 1989 Texas Law Section 33.06

P.O. Drawer 1151

#6406 February 7 & 14, 2010



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Legals

ATTENTION PROPERTY OWNERS

Property owners have certain rights that may reduce their property tax

HOMEOWNERS

Persons who own their residence on January 1, 2010, may claim their home as a residential homestead. The filing of this document is only necessary if the homeowner has changed homesteads since January 1, 2009, or has become eligible for additional exemptions since last year. Homeowners may also defer the portion of the tax on their residence homestead if the value of the home was raised more than 5% above the previous year. Although the tax collection is deferred, interest continues to run on the unpaid portion of tax at a rate of 8% per annum and the deferred tax remains a lien on the property. To apply for the deferral, the owner should contact the appraisal district which appraised the property in question and complete an application.

DISABLED PERSONS Persons who are disabled under Social Security law are entitled to additional exemptions on their residential homestead. Disabled applicants must apply with the appraisal district and furnish a determination letter from Social Security. Disabled persons now received all benefits on their home that are available to over 65 persons (see

PERSONS WHO ARE OVER 65 YEARS OF AGE

Persons who are over 65 years of age or disabled persons may file additional exemptions and a ceiling on school taxes for their residential homestead if they become 65 during 2010. Over -65 persons should apply for this exemption at the appraisal district office in their area. Over -65 persons are also eligible to defer paying the tax on their residential homestead if they wish. The taxes continue to accrue during the deferral along with an interest rate of 8% annually, but no attempt will be made to force payment during the deferral. Details and an application may be obtained from any appraisal district or the State Comptroller.

DISABLE VETERANS

Persons who have been declared disabled by the Veteran's Administration are eligible for additional exemptions on property they own. The declaration letter from VA is mailed annually, but the appraisal district only needs a copy in the first year of eligibility or if the percentage of disability changes

FARM AND RANCH OWNERS

Farmers and ranchers may be entitled to receive an alternate method of appraisal determined by the farm income to the property. This method is available to farms and ranches commercially raising crops, livestock, or is used as a wildlife habitat under State guidelines. An application for agricultural use value and additional information is available from your appraisal district. Re-filing is only necessary if requested to do so by the Chief Appraiser or if ownership has changed.

EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS Exemption applications for all prop erty tax exemptions including total exemptions for charitable, religious. and other total exemptions may be obtained from an appraisal district nearest you or through the State Comptroller's Office

1/800-252-9121 ATENCION CONTRIBUYENTE **DE IMPUESTOS SOBRE LA** PROPIEDAD

Duenos de propiedades tienen

ciertos derechos que pueden reducir sus impuestos **DUENO DE HOGAR** Usted califica para una excencion

general, si es dueno de su hogar el dia primero de enero, 2010. La solicitud para la excencion es necesaria si el dueno de la residencia cambio de hogar efectivo el primero de enero, 2009, o califica excenciones adicionales para desde el ano pasado. Un dueno de hogar mayor de 65 anos puede aplazar el pago de una porcion de sus impuestos si el valoracion de su hogar de residencia aumento mas de 5% que el valor del ano anterior. Un aplazamiento de impuestos sin embargo, solo pospone su deuda impositiva. Se aplica un interes de 8 por ciento al ano y se mantiene una garantia sobre la propiedad. Para applicar por el aplazo, contacte al districto de valoracion de su condado y complete la aplicacion.

PERSONAS INCAPACITADOS

Personas incapacitadas bajo la Administracion del Seguro Social califican para las exenciones de dueno de hogar. Personas incapacitados deben applicar con su districto de valoracion con su preuba de incapacitado del Administracion del Seguro Social. Personas incapacitadas reciben todos los benificios en su hogar igual que personas mayor de 65 anos.

PERSONAS MAYORES DE **65 ANOS**

Personas mayors de 65 anos o deshabilitados pueden aplicar para mas exencions. Usted tambien obtiene un tope de impuestos para el total de sus impuestos escolares si usted cumple 65 anos de edad durante 2010. Personas de 65 anos o mas tienen que registrar una solicitud por la exencion en su districto de valoracion en su area. Usted puede aplazar algunos de sus impuestos sobre su hogar de residencia si lo desea. Los impuestos continuan a pesar del aplazo con interes de 8% anual, pero no se hace esfuerzo de abrir un juicio hiptecario durante el aplazo. La Contraloria de Cuentas Publicas de Texas le podra dar mas imforma-

VETERANOS INCAPACITADOS Usted puede calificar para una exencion del los impuestos sobre su propiedad. Debe tener documentos del Administracion de Veteranos que muestran el porcentaje de su incapacidad relacionada a su servicio militario. El distrito de valoracion solamente necesita documentacion el primer ano de calificacion o si su porcentje de su inca-

pacidad cambia. **TERRENOS AGRICOLAS** O GANADEROS

La valoracion/tasacion come terreno agricola diminuye el valor imponible del terreno. Se valora el terreno basandose en su capacidad para producir cultivos, ganado, o vida silvestre en lugar de su valor en el mercado de bienes y raices. Obtenga un formulario de solicitud en la oficina local de su distrito de valoracion. El tasador principal puede requerir que usted someta una nueva applicacion. Tambien si el dueno del terreno cambia, el tasador principal puede requerir una aplicacion nueva.

SOLICITACIONES PARA **EXENCIONES**

Copias de solicitaciones se pueden consegir en el districto de valoracion mas cerca de usted o del La Contraloria de Cuentas Publicas de Texas. en el 1/800-252-9121 Tambien se incluye solicitaciones para excenciones totales para organizaciones religiosas.

#6404 February 7 & 14, 2010

Legals

CITATION BY PUBLICATION IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, NOTICE IS HEREBY **GIVEN AS FOLLOWS:** TO: Floyd Clifford Coates

and Eddie Marion

if living, and if any or all of the above named Defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of the unknown heirs of said above named persons, and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described land, and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees and devisees of the above named persons, and any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause, to-wit:

All of Lots 5 & 6, Bk 9, Brown's Addition, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$4,485.58, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and cost thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, CLIFFORD FLOYD COATES and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on January 28, 2010, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. FLOYD CLIFFORD COATES, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 5782 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment

and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and Intervenors, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 15th day of March. 2010 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 28th day of January, A.D. 2010.

Colleen Barton. Clerk of the District Court Howard County, Texas, 118th Judicial District. #6433 February 14 & 21, 2010

Legals

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, NOTICE IS HEREBY

GIVEN AS FOLLOWS: TO: Evelyn Gray and all natural

children of Evelyn Gray if living, and if any or all of the above named Defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of the unknown heirs of said above named persons, and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described land, and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees and devisees of the above named persons, and any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause, to-wit:

Lts 1, 2 & 3, Blk 21-A, Amended Fairview Heights Addition, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas: Assessed Value-\$29,088.00 Amt. owed-\$6,827.63

Lts 4, 5 & 6, and 10' of alley adjacent to Lt 6, Subdivision "A", Fairview Heights Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas: Assessed Value-\$9,763.00 Amt. owed-\$1,315.14

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$8,142.77, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and cost thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against IRENE C. FLORES, ALDREDO FLORES, JR. AND EVELYN GRAY and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on none, in a certain suit styled HOW-ARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. IRENE C. FLORES, ALDREDO FLORES, JR. AND EVELYN GRAY, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 5149 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and Intervenors, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said

property. You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 15th day of March, 2010 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 28th day of January, A.D. 2009.

Colleen Barton. Clerk of the District Court Howard County, Texas, 118th Judicial District. #6431 February 14 & 21, 2009

Legals

No. P-13,810 MYRTLE RUBY **ESTATE** WALKER, DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS **NOTICE**

nal Letters of Independent Administration for the Estate of Myrtle Ruby Walker, Deceased were issued on the 14th day of December, 2009. under Docket No. P-13.810. pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, to Ryan

Notice is hereby given that origi-

Walker. Claims may be presented in care of Myrtle Ruby Walker to the estate addressed as follows:

Estate of Myrtle Ruby Walker c/o Ryan Walker 2700 Crestline Road Big Spring, TX 79720

All persons having claims against this estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED this 14th day of December, 2009. RYAN WALKER, Independent Executor of the Estate of Myrtle Ruby

Walker, Deceased #6440 February 14, 2010

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Legals

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN AS FOLLOWS:

TO: Tony Carl and Christina Carl if living, and if any or all of the above named Defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of the unknown heirs of said above named persons, and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described land, and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees and devisees of the above named persons, and any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause. to-wit:

All of Lt 8, Bk 8, McDowell Heights Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$4,548.82, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and cost thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against TONY CARL AND CHRIS-TINA CARL and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on August 31, 2008, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. TONY CARL AND CHRISTINA CARL, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 5719 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and Intervenors, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 15th day of March 2010 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 28th day of January, A.D.

Colleen Barton, Clerk of the District Court Howard County, Texas, 118th Judicial District. #6432 February 14 & 21, 2010

Legals

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR **FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT** ConocoPhillips Company, N.A. Street, Building 6, Midland, TX 79705, is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation that is productive of oil and gas. The Applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Glorieta formation, Chalk, G.O. -B- Well No. 11W. This well is a vertical oil producing well. The well is located 8 miles E from Forsan, Texas, in the Howard-Glasscock (Glorieta) Field in Howard County, Texas. Fluid will be injected into the subsurface depth interval of

2745'-2940'. **LEGAL AUTHORITY:**

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

Request for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application, should be submitted, in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Division. Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, TX 78711. (Telephone (512)463-6792) #6436 February 14, 2010

Legals

THE STATE OF TEXAS NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation and petition a default judgment may be taken against

TO Unknown Heirs of Vada Doyle Defendant, Greeting:
You are hereby commanded to

appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock A.M. of the Monday next after the expiration of 42 days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday 8th day of March, 2010, before the Honorable 118th District Court of Howard County, Texas at the Court House of said County in Big Spring Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 16th day of October, A.D. 2009, in this case, numbered 46817 on the docket of said court, and styled, CitiMortage, Inc

David Laymon Doyle, Shannon J. Creswell, Kelly Doyle Reitzer, Bradley Browning, Randall Mark Browning and The Unknown Heirs at law of Vada Doyle

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: Accounts, Contracts and Notes as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates thereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Big Spring, Texas this the 19th day of January A.D. 2010. COLLEEN BARTON.

District Clerk 118th District Court, Howard County, Texas By Brandie Martinez, Deputy #6428 February 14, 21, 28 and

Legals

March 7, 2010

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS To: Jenny Marie Lyon, Respondent **GREETINGS:**

YOU ARE HEREBY COM-MANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable 118th District Court, Howard County, Texas, at the Courthouse of said County in Big Spring, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days from the date of service of this citation, then and there to answer the petition of The Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Service, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 13th day of January 2010, against Jenny Marie Lyon, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 46959 on the docket of said Court and entitled "In the Interest of Franklin Noel Hamilton, a Child", the nature of which suit is a request for protection of a child, for conservatorship, and for termination in suit affecting the parent-child relationship.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the child's interest which will be binding upon you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this citation shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this the 9th day of February, 2010.

COLLEÉN BARTON, District Clerk 118th District Court, Howard County, Texas By Brandie Martinez, Deputy #6438 February 14, 2010

Legals

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

ConocoPhillips Company, 3300 N.A. Street, Building 6, Midland, TX 79705, is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation that is productive of oil and gas. The Applicant proposes to inject fluid into Glorieta formation, Hyman-Chalk, Well No. 6W. This well is a vertical oil producing well. The well is located 21 miles SE from Big Spring, Texas, in the Howard-Glasscock (Glorieta) Field in Howard County, Texas. Fluid will be injected into the subsurface depth interval of 2750'-2972'.

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

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

#6437 February 14, 2010

BUY-SELL-TRADE In the Big Spring Herald Classifieds

Legals

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT)

CONTRACTS proposals for contracts Sealed listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read

CONSTRUCTION/ MAINTENANCE/ BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)

Dist/Div: Abilene

Contract 6054-69-001 for MISCEL-LANEOUS BRIDGE REPAIR in HOWARD County will be opened on March 09, 2010 at 1:00 pm at the State Office for an estimate of \$354,740.00.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the contract(s) are available above TxDOT's website from www.txdot.gov and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

State Office

Constr./Maint. Division 200 E. Riverside Dr. Austin, Texas 78704 Phone: 512-416-2540 Dist/Div Office(s)

Abilene District District Engineer 4250 N. Clack Abilene, Texas 79604-0150 Phone: 325-676-6800

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TXDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race. color, sex, or national ori-

#6429 February 14 & 21, 2010

Legals

BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNERS

State law now requires the filing of a rendition declaring what types of business personal property that a person or company owns. Failure to file the rendition will result in a 10% penalty. If a fraudulent rendition is filed, a 50% penalty is mandated. A rendition can be obtained from the appraisal district office where the property is located. A 30 day filing extension is available by written request.

This is a public service announcement by the following appraisal district:

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DUENOS DE PROPIEDAD PERSONAL

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Dear Margo: He Wouldn't Be the First

think a wife deserves to know that her husband, who portrays himself as an upstanding, faithful churchgoing, family man, is spending inordinate amounts of time trolling the Internet for women?

She has suspected him of being unfaithful in the past, and he's convinced

otherwise. This, alas, was not true. He false uses names at times and stays up late night "chatting"

Margo with these HOWARD women.

He spends time in chat rooms and various social networking sites to meet women. Should his wife know about this? Knows the Truth

Dear Knows: I can't tell exactly who you are in this drama, but I suspect you are one of the he's babes been "chatting" with, and that you know who he is ... and you know the wife.

You also seem to know some of their marital history. I would advise saying nothing.

My guess is that his Mrs. may know, and if not, she is bound to find out. (I get too much mail from women who do eventually figure things out.)

It is such a shame that the amazing Internet has this dark, destructive potential.

I am of the school that believes "he'll get his." At some point, the wife will find out, and then she'll decide what she wants to do about it. -Margo, fatefully

You are in no way alone

Dear Margo: I'm a 30year-old male recently back in the U.S. after working and studying abroad for two years.

When I was forced to move back because of lack of work, I was hoping to find a job with the government or a nongovernmental

organization in the field international development.

Now, nine months later, I am living with my parents, single and still unemployed. The whole situation is having increasingly negative effects.

I have spent the last 12 accomplishing years some of my goals: putting myself through school, obtaining four degrees, living in three different countries and becoming fluent in a foreign language.

I always felt that of the many things I wanted to achieve, near the top ranked being a husband and father and having a job where I felt I was helping others making a difference.

These goals now seem stifled by the current economic situation that plagues so many of us. I frustrated and depressed about my lack of control over my employment, and about the realization that the chances of attracting a desirable woman fairly slim for an unemployed 30-year-old living with his parents.

I often find myself curt with family members and

Dear Margo: Do you apathetic about the few are available in my very small town. What can I do? - Rotting in the Rockies

> Dear Rot: What you can do is improvise —and have hope. Yes, you have dreams that have been put on hold, but as my mom always said, life is what happens when making you're other plans.

The good news is that you are not a homeless soul wondering where your next meal is coming from.

I would suggest taking that sharp mind of yours and moving to Plan B, which I invite you to formulate. Regarding being married, that does not have a direct line to your career. Life moves; things change.

Try volunteering for an NGO. Network — see who can use your talents, even in a bum economy. Forgive the cliche, but where there's a will there's a way, and I'll bet you find it. - Margo, hopefully

One needs a 17-year-old dictator

Dear Margo: I am in my 50s, have been divorced for 10 years and have a 17-year-old daughter.

Her dad is remarried. I've been seeing someone for 13 months, and my daughter can't stand him. He is a nice guy, and there are no behaviors to dislike.

In fact, he's rarely been around her. She has no reason; she says she just doesn't like him and doesn't want him around. How to handle this?

I've told her it's my choice and my house, and I can have company. (He has never with overnight around, only for a dinner here and there.)

I mostly see him when she is at her dad's house. The vehemence of her dislike really hurts. She's rarely been around anyone I've dated, partly because I've hardly dated in the past 10 years.

Must I choose one or the other? — Torn

Dear Torn: No choice necessary. daughter daughter, and your boyfriend boyfriend.

My position has always been that kids don't get a unless vote "interloper" is obviously disreputable, snippy to the kid or a felon.

She will be out of the house and at college, one presumes, in a year. I how she interacts with the barn, as it were. her stepmother.

It is possible that she resents any time taken away from her, though it sounds as though you've been very conservative in time spent threesome.

I think the approach you've been taking is just fine, and I would urge you to push her to articulate her dislike, and — in this case, your man. — Margo, affirmatively

> Well-meaning, perhaps, but a lunkhead lad just the jame

Dear Margo: My dad is getting married soon. There's nothing wrong BY CREATORS.COM with the woman.

social opportunities that started after he and my mom separated, and he seems

Unfortunately, remarriage is sometimes difficult for family and friends to accept, and the way my dad has handled it isn't helping.

The latest in a series of missteps is that he and his fiancee have decided to get married a few days after the divorce becomes final ... and more importantly, a few days after my brother's bar mitzvah.

Because the events are so close together, many friends and relatives from out of state will have to choose which one to attend.

My dad claims the wedding date is necessary because it's the only time my aunt, a minister, is available to officiate.

Furthermore, he says he works hard to be a good provider and father (which is true) and is allowed to do some things for himself even if others don't like it.

Mom thinks the choice wedding date is disrespectful and shows how little he cares about the bar mitzvah, and my brother feels like Dad is stealing his thunder. Even though I think my dad is a bonehead, rather than malicious, their feelings understandable.

Unfortunately, many friends object to the marriage. How do I know this?

Well, some of them are comfortable sharing their disapproval with me and, even worse, my little brother.

The kid is upset and confused as it is, and he doesn't understand that he can be angry about the wedding and still love our father.

How do I tell people that their opinions are unwanted, inappropriate and hurtful?

And how do I help my brother understand that he doesn't have to choose sides? — Malcolm and His Sister in the Middle

Dear Mal: "Unfortunate" is exactly the right word. And because you say your aunt is a minister, I am pretty sure she's not your mother's sister, ergo your father is not Jewish which may mean he doesn't quite get the significance of a bar mitzvah.

In any case, people have unloaded on about their displeasure with your father, it's kind of hard to tell them you're not interested in their opinions, since those would be interested in verbal horses have left

Regarding brother, try to help him understand that timing may be regrettable but in no way does it speak to his father's love for him.

This may prove a little difficult because the kid is, after all, only 13. — Margo, comfortingly

Dear Margo is written also to stick to your guns by Margo Howard, Ann Landers' daughter. All letters must be sent via emaildearmargo@creators.com. Due to a high volume of e-

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KATHY MITCHELL Marcy Sugar

Dear Annie: "Still the Mom" was jealous that her daughter has found her birth parents. Adoptive parents get the short end of things when we see TV shows and read articles about this. The public gets teary over the joyful reunion, and the adoptive parents are rarely mentioned.

Searching for birth parents is about the adopted child knowing their biological roots, which helps them form a more complete image of themselves. But on an emotional basis, it is difficult for adoptive parents, even though studies show overwhelmingly that adoptees feel closer to their adoptive parents after meeting their birth par-

I'd advise this mother to let go a little. Her daughter will, in time, appreciate the woman who rocked her as a baby, dried her tears and shared in her accomplishments. This is a bond the birth parents don't have. -Adoption Counselor in California

Dear California:

Thank you for your comforting words. We received hundreds of letters in response to "Still the Mom." Read

From Richmond, Va.: Your answer was correct. The majority of adoptees searching for their birth parents are not trying to replace their adoptive parents. They want to fill the gaps in their histories. My adoptive mother said it best: "The reunion is not about me as a mother or my relationship with my daughter. It is about her finding what she needs to become whole." I can offer two more good resources: The Evan B. Donaldson Adoption Institute in New York (adoptionin-

stitute.org) and the

American Adoption

Congress (americanadoptioncongress.org). **Boston:** Forty years ago, my teenage daughter relinquished her newborn baby girl. The remarkable, fearless adoptive mother told the child often that her birth mother thought of her daily. She kept a duplicate treasure album of the girl's photos, report cards, awards and poems to someday present to her birth mother, and at 18, the child was encouraged to do a search. The relationship with our family has evolved nicely and allowed us

gratitude is forever. New York: I am a therapist who works with adoptive families. It is normal to feel her daughter shares something with her birth family that she doesn't. The birth family feels the same way because

she shares something

the pleasure of seeing

her become a wife and

mother. The adoptive

mother IS her mother,

ing friend, and our

my daughter is her lov-

Annie's Mailbox ®

with her daughter that they never will. Here's another resource for adoptive families: the North American Council on Adoptable Children (nacac.org). California: Ten years

ago, my daughter was contacted by a daytime talk show, saying someone from her past wanted to meet her. She was reunited with her birth family on national TV. I was totally stunned, but when called up on stage, I said, "I want to give the birth mother a hug and thank her for giving me the opportunity to become a mother." Neither my daughter nor I has much contact with the birth mother now, and my daughter told me she is thankful we chose her.

Louisiana: I am the birth mother of a 45-year-old man. His adoptive parents loved and nurtured him. When he was an adult, he found me. For the first year or so, it was like a honeymoon. When I met his mom, we were polar opposites except in one area: We both wanted the best for her son. At 45, my birth son still calls his real mother first, and I am privileged to hear from him from time to

Chicago: My son was not interested in contacting his birth mother until he married and wanted his medical history. She was so happy to have the contact. I told my son, "You can never have too many people who love you."

Texas: As a birth mother, I can tell you that birth parents feel just as uncomfortable. When "Still" complains that she has to share her daughter with strangers, she is being shortsighted. The birth mother shared her daughter with strangers and didn't get to know her. Instead of being jealous, she might be thankful someone gave her the opportunity to be a mother.

Dear Annie: I've been married for 29 years to a man I adore. We have had our ups and downs, but have weathered the storms because we both believe we are meant to be together. But we have a problem I don't know how to solve.

"Joe" plays an online role-playing game that I have never been comfortable with. And he always gets involved with someone online, and it is always a woman. They can't advance in their game unless they work

together. Several years ago, Joe became emotionally attached to another woman and left me for a while. When he came back, I thought those things were behind us, but I keep discovering lies. I know he meets up with this woman online every day while I am at work. My kids can hear the sound of her voice. My son was so upset, he wanted to

move out of the house. This torments me so much that I can barely function at work. I love my job, but I cry in the bathroom, and people are starting to ask questions. I have finally realized that Joe is going to do this type of thing forever, and it breaks my heart. Joe treats me beautifully when we are together, but I don't want to share him with other

women.

I have asked his famihe is causing, things ly for help, but they say Joe has a right to his relaxation and it shouldn't bother me. I am planning to start band and I have five counseling before I have a nervous breakdown. I don't want to

have to save myself. Don't you think these women should consider the time they are spending online with someone who is married? Is there any hope for me? Crying Every Day

lose this man, but I

Dear Crying: Don't blame "these women" for Joe's behavior. The world of online gaming has plenty of men he could team up with, but he obviously makes the effort to find females. Joe's history indicates he becomes attached to his online friends, which is unhealthy for your marriage. If he cannot see (or doesn't care about) the damage

don't look good. We are glad you will be getting counseling. It will help.

Dear Annie: My huschildren together, and he has an older child from a previous relationship.

My question is about the firstborn of our five children. Our son passed away at the age of 9 months, but we still consider him part of our lives in so many ways. When asked how many children we have, what is the proper response? We don't want to leave out our firstborn, but we also don't want to give the wrong impression. — Elkhart, Ind.

Dear Elkhart: The answer is up to you and depends on how much personal information you wish to divulge. If you prefer, it is OK to

say you have six children. You are not obligated to give anyone the details. However, if you are willing to talk about your firstborn to those who ask this question, it might be comforting for you to say you have six children, but one died as an infant.

Dear Annie: I'd like to respond to "At a Loss," the 16-year-old who wets the bed.

I wet the bed until I

was 17. So did my sister, my grandson and my nephew. Somewhere down the line, we inherited this from a relative. For me,

it was my father. The good news? We all outgrew it by the time we were in our 20s. I recommend she get some adult diapers from a medical supply store and just put them

in the trash in the

morning. They worked

wonderfully for my grandson. I wish her luck and hope it's almost over with. — Mem

Dear Mem: A certain percentage of bed-wetters outgrow it eventually. We're glad that worked for you.

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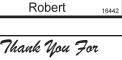
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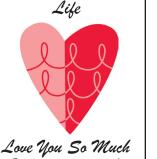
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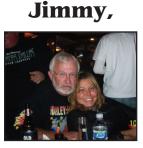
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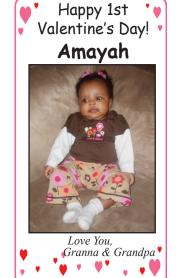






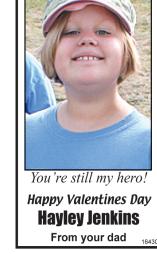


Love, Mrs. Valadez





Love, Ron



huas E kisses

To The Two

Special

Valentine!

Wera Nachaiz

Love

Happy Valentine's

Day

to my husband

Jesse Soliz

"for taking care

of me & showing

unconditional

love"

Always Your Wife,

Kris Soliz.

Gilbert 210959



my daughter, my best friend you complete me!!

To My Little Cutie

Happy Valentine's

Day!

Love,

Papa

ILY Mojo



the joy and fun you bring to my life!! **ILY Mojo**

HAPPY

