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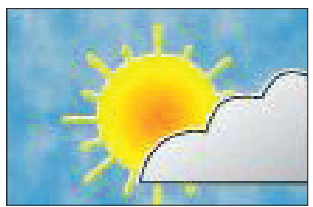
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Time running out for question submissions

By THOMAS JENKINS
 Staff Writer
 Time is running out for area residents hoping to have their questions considered for Thursday night's mayoral debate, as event organizers hope to educate voters in preparation for the Big Spring race. All four candidates — incumbent Russ McEwen and challengers

Tommy Duncan, Shannon Thomason and Oscar Velasco — have committed to participate in the debate, which is slated for 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. at the Howard College Cactus Room. According to debate coordinator Dana Baker, area residents that have a question they would like to see posed to the panel of candidates can do so by mail or e-mail.

“We’re asking the people of Big Spring to send their questions to us so we can address what’s really on the mind of the Big Spring voters,” Baker said. “Questions can be submitted in writing to Big Spring Debate, P.O. Box 2733, Big Spring 79721, or by e-mail at bigspringdebate@gmail.com. We have officials with the Republican and Democratic parties

that will be helping us sort through the submissions and form them into questions for the candidates.” The debate is being coordinated by volunteers within the community, according to Baker, to help voters make an informed decision during the May election.
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KEEPING THE BEAT



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan
Drummers signal the start of the Sixth Annual Big Spring Powwow in Dorothy Garrett Coliseum Saturday morning. The powwow, which is expected to attract up to 100 participants, runs through Sunday afternoon. Admission is \$5 for adults (children under 12 are admitted free of charge).

Forsan ISD considering new lights

By STEVE REAGAN
 Staff Writer
 The lights are about to get brighter in Forsan. For years, the lights at Forsan High School's football field have been, if not substandard, at least not as bright as folks would want.



That's about to change. When Forsan school trustees meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the administration wing board room, they will likely approve a bid for \$160,000 to give the football field lighting a significant upgrade.

Johnson (University Interscholastic League) puts out recommendations for athletic field lighting and on it, they recommend that football lighting be at least 50 foot-candles,” said Randy Johnson, superintendent of Forsan Independent School District. “Ours is only 30 foot-candles ... and we’ve been looking for ways to improve that.”

The solution, Johnson believes, is a bid from the international lighting firm of Musco Lighting that will ramp up the illumination at the Forsan field, a bid that comes with a 25-year guarantee.

If trustees approve the bid, Musco workers will install the lighting prior to the 2010 football season, although no firm timetable has been set, Johnson said.

Also Monday, trustees will decide whether to continue paying 100 percent of district employees' insurance.

Johnson said that the Texas Retirement System, provider of

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Boys and Girls Club needs donations

By THOMAS JENKINS
 Staff Writer
 Area residents looking to clean out their garages and attics while spring cleaning can turn a chore into help for a charity, as officials with the Salvation Army's Boys and Girls Club get ready to hold a community yard sale May 1.

“Anything you feel can bring a good price at the sale would be appreciated. You’d really be surprised how many things people have cluttering up their garage that other people in the community could really use,” said Hildebrand. “However, most people just don’t have the time to hold a garage sale these days, so those things just sit there and continue to gather dust.”

Unfortunately, however, the donations for the yard sale haven't exactly been pouring in, according to Hildebrand. “I’m a little bit surprised — and a bit alarmed — at how slow things are going,” she said. “However, I imagine the recent bad weather hasn’t really made it the best time to get out and about, so we’re hoping things will pick up in the next week or so.”

According to Sonnet Hildebrand, director of the local Boys and Girls Club, the Salvation Army will be accepting donated items to sell during the yard sale.

Hildebrand said the yard sale is slated for 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Salvation Army office, located at

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Steers 2nd, Lady Steers 3rd at district track

Herald Staff Report

SAN ANGELO — The Steers gave Abilene Cooper a run for its money Friday but fell just shy of its second straight district title.

The Lady Steers earned third for the second straight season behind strong relay performances and individual performances.

The top three finishers in each event return to LeGrand Sports Complex in San Angelo May 3-4 for the Region I-4A meet.

Mike Menefield swept the jumping events, clearing 45

feet in the triple jump and jumping 22-6 1/2 in the long jump.

Daniel Segundo won the 800-meter with a 2:00.64 time and the Steers won the 800 relay with a 1:31.32. Bobby Bayes took third in the 800 with a 2:05.76.

Segundo finished runner-up in the 400, coming in less than a second behind Cooper's Kendrick Powdrill. Robert Barraza finished third in that race with a 52.28.

Seth Pearson took second in both the 100- and 300-meter hurdles.

On the girls side, Desiree

Anderson and Bridgette Tuitt led the Lady Steers as they finished 1-2 in both the 200 and the triple jump. Anderson also won the long jump with Tuitt finishing third.

The Lady Steer relay teams took home gold in both the 400- and 800-meter relays. Anderson, Tuitt, April Turner and Chanel CuvIELLO made up the team.

Cerbi Ritchey fell just short of making the region meet as she finished four inches out of third with a 107-11 throw.

Boys
3,200 -- 1. James Christensen,

Lake View, 10:39.82; 2. Shawn Spicer, Frenship, 10:51.28; 3. Patrick Sanchez, Frenship, 10:54.26; 5. Marcos Hernandez, Cooper, 11:00.16.

400 relay -- 1. Cooper, 42.62; 2. Plainview, 43.17; 3. Big Spring, 43.23.
800 -- 1. Daniel Segundo, Big Spring, 2:00.64; 2. Robert Sanchez, Lake View, 2:01.96; 3. Bobby Bayes, Big Spring, 2:05.75; 6. Aaron Cantu, Cooper, 2:08.34.

110 hurdles -- 1. Derek Footer, Cooper, 15.31; 2. Seth Pearson, Big Spring, 15.79; 3. Britton Hale, Cooper, 16.50.

100 -- 1. Lawrance Brownfield, Cooper, 11.05; 2. Chance Aven, Plainview, 11.18; 3. Da'mor Barnes, Cooper, 11.35; 4. Sammy Beall, Cooper, 11.53.

800 relay -- 1. Big Spring, 1:31.32; 2. Plainview, 1:32.16; 3. Frenship, 1:33.92.
400 -- 1. Kendrick Powdrill, Cooper, 50.64; 2. Daniel Segundo, Big Spring, 51.53; 3. Robert Barraza, Big Spring,

52.28; 5. DeVonte Lloyd, Big Spring, 52.73; 6. Chevante Bell, Footer, 52.93.
300 hurdles -- 1. Derek Footer, Cooper, 41.24; 2. Seth Pearson, Big Spring, 41.70; 3. Britton Hale, Cooper, 41.79; 5. Kaleb Quesada, Cooper, 44.59.

200 -- 1. Lawrance Brownfield, Cooper, 22.46; 2. Davon Riddick, Cooper, 22.83; 3. T.C. Robinson, Cooper, 23.20; 4. Mike Menefield, Big Spring, 23.32.

1,600 -- 1. James Christensen, Lake View, 4:49.57; 2. Patrick Sanchez, Frenship, 4:54.89; 3. Shawn Spicer, Frenship, 4:56.53.

1,600 relay -- 1. Cooper, 3:27.66; 2. Plainview, 3:28.28; 3. Big Spring, 3:28.57; 4. Frenship, 3:37.50.

Triple jump -- 1. Mike Menefield, Big Spring, 45-3; 2. Derrick Randle, Cooper, 44-9 1/2; 3. Zack Kitley, Frenship, 44-6.

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WILD RIDE



HERALD PHOTO/ Joe Zigtema

A.J. St. Goddard holds on during a bareback ride Friday at the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl. The rodeo was a bit drier in its second day as the three-day rodeo continued. Saturday's short round wrapped up the event, which featured 10 schools from around Texas. Check Monday's Herald for results.

Forsan, Stanton run well at area track

Herald Staff Report

WINK — The Forsan girls took home second at their area track meet Thursday and several Buffs qualified for the regional meet in Levelland.

Six Lady Buffs are headed to regionals along with five Stanton Lady Buffs. On the boys side, five Forsan Buffs finished in the top four along with seven Stanton athletes.

Amanda Longorio led Forsan in the field events portion of the meet, winning the discus with a 106-10 throw and taking runner up in shotput with a throw of 35-8 1/2. Bresha Randle jumped 4-8 to win high jump and Ambra Hill took second in the long jump with a mark of 15-11.

Shelby Jones tied Irion County's Allison Water for the top pole vault spot, with each clearing 8-6.

Hill dominated the hurdles portion of the event, clocking 15.67 in the 100-hurdle and 48.13 in the 300-hurdle for first place. Stanton's Selah Ramsey took third with a 50.61.

Stanton's 1,600-meter

relay team of Ashton Snellgrove, Selah Ramsey, Tiffany Saucedo and Adrian Carrasco is headed to regionals as it finished with a 4:35.92 time, good for second place.

Forsan's sprint relay team of Hill, Morgan Forshee, Morgan Harbour and Randle finished third with a time of 54.36.

Stanton's Carrasco earned third in the 400 with a time of 1:03.75.

Stanton boys took home first in the discus and long jump as Ryan Brantley threw a 131-4 disc and Matthew Stone cleared 19 feet for the Buffs.

Ty Johnson won the 100- and 200-meter sprints, taking them with times of 10.92 and 22.55, respectively. Michael Mims finished fourth in the 200 with a 23.91.

Stanton's Adam Montez finished second in the 400 with a 52.08.

The Stanton mile relay team will move on as it finished second. Runners included Thomas Ramos, Timothy Rodriguez, Caleb Tomlinson and Montez, clocking a time of 3:35.45.

Mavs look to Ex-Wizards in playoffs

Associated Press

DALLAS — Mavericks center Brendan Haywood is thrilled to be opening the playoffs against the San Antonio Spurs.

Truth is, he's thrilled simply to be in the playoffs.

"My house would've been packed by now," he said, smiling.

Haywood, Caron Butler and DeShawn Stevenson were enduring a season gone horribly wrong in Washington — a second straight miserable season, actually — until being rescued by Dallas during the All-Star break.

The trio showed their appreciation by sparking the Mavericks on a 13-game winning streak. The Mavs ended up winning 23 of the 30 games, a 77 percent success rate compared to 62 percent before the blockbuster deal. It was enough for Dallas to land the No. 2 seed in the Western Conference.

"It's just been unbelievable, a great ride so far," Butler said.

Now that the playoffs are here, the newcomers are eager to give the squad another boost.

"Obviously we've been blessed

and put in a great situation," Stevenson said. "We've just got to keep going."

The trio of ex-Wizards have all found a niche as complementary players to Dirk Nowitzki and Jason Kidd.

Butler starts at shooting guard and Haywood splits time with Erick Dampier. Stevenson has become a defensive stopper and could turn into a key reserve if the starters have any trouble slowing Manu Ginobili or Tony Parker.

"We're suited for the playoffs: more physical, bigger in the paint with two shot-blockers, Caron is one of the biggest (shooting guards) there is in the league and he's physical," Nowitzki said. "So I think we should be ready for a slower, grind-it-out game, even though we want to speed it up. I think we're ready for it. We've got enough weapons."

Butler, Haywood and Stevenson are giddy about being in the playoffs, but they also understand how the level of play is about to ratchet up. Each has been in at least four playoff series, just none since 2008.

"Coming to a team that has a lot of wins, that knows how to win, that just puts us back in that winning mode," Stevenson said.

The Spurs haven't seen the new-look Mavs in action. Although they played in the regular-season finale Wednesday, San Antonio held out Tim Duncan and Ginobili and neither team exactly dug deep into its playbook.

Still, Spurs coach Gregg Popovich has seen enough film to know "they're a better basketball team" since the trade.

"It's worked out very well for them," Popovich said. "They're just better both ends of the court."

Perhaps San Antonio's best scouting report can come from guard Roger Mason Jr., who played with the trio in Washington in 2006-07 and '07-08.

"They fit in with that team," Mason said. "In my opinion (Haywood) was just as important in that trade as Caron as far as being a guy who can defend at a high level at the center posi-

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Lady Steers fall in close matchup with Alpine in Monahans

Herald Staff Report

MONAHANS — The Big Spring Lady Steers got bit from behind Friday as they couldn't hold on to a one-run lead, eventually falling 2-1 to Alpine in nondistrict action.

Logan Yarbar was in the circle for Big Spring; she allowed six hits and two runs over seven innings.

Alpine scored its runs in the fifth and seventh innings to pull ahead. Big Spring got a run in the first as Linzee

Yarbar doubled and scored, but the Lady Steer bats were quiet from then on.

Linzee Yarbar went 2-for-3 in the game as she was the lone Lady Steer to cross the plate.

The Lady Steers played at Lake View on Tuesday looking to wrap up the district's No. 3 seed. First pitch is 6:30 p.m.

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Sports in brief

Howard opens series in New Mexico

The Howard Hawks opened a weather-postponed, four-game set in Hobbs, N.M., Saturday afternoon in a key WJCAC series.

The Thunderbirds (18-14, 13-7) are ranked No. 3 in the conference. They face a Howard squad that hasn't lost a regular season conference game since 2008. Two games were played Saturday with two more scheduled Sunday.

Hawks softball series canceled at Frank Phillips

The Howard College Hawks softball series at Frank Phillips has been postponed to a later date due to soggy weather around the state.

The Hawks' two-game slate with Clarendon set for Saturday was also postponed.

The Hawks will travel to Borger on Wednesday and to Clarendon April 26 to make up the games. They will host the two May 1-2.

Coahoma softball, baseball postponed

The Coahoma Bulldogs and Bulldogettes' baseball and softball matchups at Colorado City on Saturday were postponed.

The baseball team will take the field Wednesday at Colorado City.

The softball team will play Monday at a time to be determined.

Check Monday's *Herald* for more information.



Wheat Berry Tuna Salad

MARVELOUS Mother's Day Brunch

FAMILY FEATURES

Pamper mom on her special day with a wonderful brunch that all the kids can help make.

- Spiced Granola Pancakes include applesauce as a healthy substitution for fat in this recipe.
- Burrito Bites make a simple appetizer that is easy for kids to assemble. No cooking is required!
- Using a store-bought angel food cake makes preparation of this luscious Angel Sherbet Cake simple. It's low in calories and fat and is as pretty as it is delicious.
- Wheat Berry Tuna Salad is a tasty way to enjoy wheat berries. Wheat berries provide the nutritional benefits of the whole grain and are an excellent source of dietary fiber.
- Round out the brunch with favorite salads, side dishes and some fresh fruit. Follow that with lots of love, hugs and kisses!

These recipes are from the Wheat Foods Council's 35th anniversary cookbook, an ideal gift for Mom at \$3.50.

Please visit the Wheat Foods Council's Web site at www.wheatfoods.org to order this cookbook or to find additional recipes.

Angel Sherbet Cake

Prep time: 30 minutes
Freeze time: at least 1 hour or until hard
Yields: 10 servings

- 1 pint raspberry sherbet
- 1 pint lime sherbet
- 1 Angel Food Cake loaf (store bought, approximately 7 x 3 inches)

Topping:

- 2 cups heavy whipping cream or 12-ounce container frozen whipped topping, thawed
- 3 teaspoons sugar
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice

Line two bread pans, approximately the same size as the angel food cake, with plastic wrap. Soften sherbet. Scoop lime sherbet into one pan and raspberry sherbet in the other. Spread sherbet with a metal spatula dipped in hot water. Sherbet should be approximately 1/2 inch deep. Refreeze sherbet in pans for at least 1 hour or until hard.

Trim edges of angel food cake with a serrated knife to even them; cut cake into three lengthwise slices.

Remove frozen lime and raspberry sherbet from freezer. Alternate layers, cake, sherbet, cake, sherbet and cake. Cut off any oversized sherbet or cake to ensure that cake and sherbet are even on all sides of the cake. Refreeze until solid; can be frozen up to 3 days if wrapped well in plastic wrap.

Before serving, prepare cake topping by whipping the cream until very thick. Add sugar and lemon juice and whip mixture until soft peaks form. Spread whipped cream on cake. Refreeze cake until ready to serve.

Remove cake from freezer and let soften 5 to 10 minutes. Slice with an electric knife. If desired, place cake slices on pools of strawberry or raspberry sauce and top with a lemon twist and mint leaves.

Wheat Berry Tuna Salad

Prep time: 15 minutes
Cook time: 60 to 90 minutes
Yields: 4 to 6 servings
Serving size: 1 1/2 cups

- 1 cup wheat berries
- 4 cups water
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup cherry tomatoes, diced
- 1/2 cup celery, diced
- 1/2 cup cucumber, diced
- 2 cans Albacore tuna packed in water, drained
- 2 eggs, hard boiled, chopped (optional)
- 2 tablespoons flat leaf parsley, coarsely chopped
- 1/2 cup Italian dressing
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon fresh ground pepper

Place wheat berries, water and salt in a sauce pan and simmer for 60 to 90 minutes until tender when you bite down on them. Drain well and allow to cool.

In a large bowl, toss together with the remaining ingredients. Serve chilled.



Angel Sherbet Cake



Burrito Bites

Burrito Bites

Prep time: 10 minutes
Chill time: 30 minutes
Yields: 4 servings
Serving size: 1 tortilla roll-up

- 4 (9-inch) whole wheat tortillas
- 6 tablespoons smooth peanut butter or reduced-fat cream cheese
- 1 cup fresh spinach or torn romaine leaves
- 1 large stalk celery, cut into thin 3- to 4-inch sticks (12 sticks total)
- 1/2 cup carrots, shredded or matchstick
- 1/2 cup fat-free plain yogurt or low-fat ranch dressing (optional)

Spread 1 1/2 tablespoons peanut butter or reduced-fat cream cheese on each tortilla, leaving 1 inch of clean space at the top edge of each tortilla. Layer spinach leaves on top of peanut butter. Place three celery sticks across the middle on top of the spinach; sprinkle with shredded carrot.

Keeping the clean edge at the top, roll tortillas up tightly from the bottom, folding in the sides after the first roll. Wrap each burrito tightly in plastic wrap and refrigerate for at least 30 minutes. Remove plastic wrap. Cut each roll into 1/2-inch slices, inserting a toothpick into the burrito before each cut is made. Serve with yogurt or ranch dressing.

Spiced Granola Pancakes

Prep time: 10 minutes
Cook time: 15 minutes
Yields: 12 servings
Serving size: 1 pancake

- 1 cup fat-free milk
- 1/2 cup applesauce
- 1 tablespoon fat-free vanilla yogurt
- 2 eggs
- 2 teaspoons grated orange peel
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 cup low-fat granola
- 1/2 cup whole wheat flour
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon salt

In large bowl, combine milk, applesauce, yogurt, eggs and orange peel. In medium bowl, combine remaining ingredients. Stir the dry ingredients into the wet ingredients and mix just until dry ingredients are moistened. Do not over mix.

Heat nonstick griddle to 350°F. For each pancake, pour 1/4 cup of pancake batter onto hot griddle. Cook each side until puffed and dry around edges. Turn and cook 1 to 2 minutes longer or just until golden brown.

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Obituaries

Ronnie G. Palmer

Ronnie G. Palmer, 66, of Big Spring passed away on Friday, April 16, 2010, at his residence with his loving wife and daughter by his side. Celebration of his life memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, April 19, 2010, at Myers & Smith Funeral Chapel.



Ronnie was born Oct. 6, 1943, in San Angelo. He married Margarita Onken on Aug. 9, 1964, in Mexico. They moved to Big Spring in 1970, where he went to work as service manager for Barney Toland Volkswagen. Later, he also worked for Toyota and Bob Brock Ford. In 1980 he became an insurance agent for Farm Bureau Insurance where he continued working until his death.

Ronnie served six years in the National Guard. He also was a member of the Jaycees and National Life Underwriters Association. He and Margarita were very active with the foreign students at Webb Air Force Base. He traveled with his wife and family and visited many cities and countries. Ronnie loved woodcarving, the outdoors, restoring antique cars and playing the guitar.

Ronnie was a man of honor, ethics, character and wisdom. He freely gave of himself to others. We lost a great husband, father, teacher and dear friend to many. His kindness, humor and determination will be missed by all who knew him.

Ronnie is survived by his wife, Margarita of Big Spring; daughter, Marga and husband, Eric Senzig, of Kissimmee, Fla.; cousins, Judy and husband, James Mathews, of San Angelo, Clydale Hampton of Early and James Royce and wife, Norma Jeffries, of Missouri; brothers-in-law, Dieter and wife, Pat Onken, of San Antonio and Kurt and wife, Ingrid Onken, of Bremen, Germany.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Katie Palmer Smith, stepfather, Joe S. Smith, and sister, Brenda Steen.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to be made to the Big Spring Humane Society, P.O. Box 823, Big Spring 79721, in honor of his love for all animals.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral

Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersand-smith.com

Paid obituary

Nolan O. Parker

Nolan O. Parker, 83, of Stanton died on Wednesday, April 14, 2010, in a Midland hospital. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, April 19, 2010, at First Baptist Church with the Rev. David Harp, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at Evergreen Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 18, 2010, at the funeral home.

He was born Dec. 1, 1926, in Vera and married Martha Christine Rankin on Dec. 25, 1960, in Amherst. She preceded him in death Dec. 22, 2002.

Nolan was raised in Benjamin. He served in the United States Army and later in the United States Air Force. He attended and graduated from Texas A&M University. Nolan

taught vocational agricultural classes in Dell City before moving to Stanton in 1961, where he taught until retiring in 1985. He then served as justice of the peace for Martin County for eight years. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Stanton.

Survivors include his loving companion, Willa Jo Yater of Stanton; two sons and daughters-in-law, Louis and June Parker of Reno, Nev., and John and Lona Parker of Huntsville, Ala.; five grandchildren, Caleb Parker, Josh Parker and Nathan Parker, all of Reno, Nev., Zoe Parker of Huntsville, Ala., and Kevin Parker of Stephenville; and two sisters, Dorothy West of Dallas and Bonnie Garrett of Lafayette, La.

He was also preceded in death by a son, Richard Parker, in 1995; two brothers; and one sister.

The family suggests memorials be made to Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, P.O. Box 1890, Amarillo 79174 or to the First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 1168, Stanton 79782.

Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

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Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast

Sun 4/18	Mon 4/19	Tue 4/20	Wed 4/21	Thu 4/22
68/48 Intervals of clouds and sunshine. High 68F. Winds N at 10 to 20 mph.	63/47 Mostly Cloudy. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the upper 40s.	66/48 Isolated thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the upper 40s.	77/57 Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the upper 50s.	72/57 Partly cloudy, chance of a thunderstorm.
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Texas At A Glance



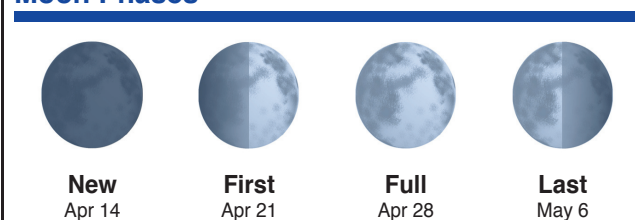
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City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	63	49	rain	Kingsville	79	63	t-storm
Amarillo	62	43	pt sunny	Livingston	71	54	rain
Austin	71	54	rain	Longview	63	51	rain
Beaumont	74	58	t-storm	Lubbock	66	46	pt sunny
Brownsville	79	64	t-storm	Lufkin	70	56	rain
Brownwood	67	51	rain	Midland	72	51	mst sunny
Corpus Christi	77	64	t-storm	Raymondville	82	62	t-storm
Corsicana	62	52	rain	Rosenberg	76	59	t-storm
Dallas	62	52	rain	San Antonio	76	58	rain
Del Rio	78	57	pt sunny	San Marcos	73	55	rain
El Paso	79	59	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	60	51	rain
Fort Stockton	75	52	mst sunny	Sweetwater	65	48	cloudy
Gainesville	57	47	rain	Tyler	63	52	rain
Greenville	60	49	rain	Weatherford	59	48	rain
Houston	74	59	t-storm	Wichita Falls	57	46	rain

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	74	45	sunny	Minneapolis	70	44	sunny
Boston	51	40	rain	New York	59	46	pt sunny
Chicago	56	37	sunny	Phoenix	89	63	pt sunny
Dallas	62	52	rain	San Francisco	71	50	sunny
Denver	70	45	mst sunny	Seattle	68	53	cloudy
Houston	74	59	t-storm	St. Louis	70	47	sunny
Los Angeles	72	55	pt sunny	Washington, DC	61	43	mst sunny
Miami	75	69	rain				

Moon Phases



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Leach: Tech 'secretly agreed' to fire him before bonus

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Attorneys for Mike Leach claim in new court filings Friday that a day after signing a new contract last year a top Texas Tech administrator and two members of its board of regents "secretly agreed" to fire him before the school had to pay him an \$800,000 bonus.

Information in the documents was drawn from depositions and electronic communications between university officials that Leach's attorneys have gathered in his lawsuit against the university.

Leach was fired Dec. 30, two days after he was suspended following a claim from the family of receiver Adam James that the coach mistreated the player after he got a concussion.

Leach has denied he mistreated James and said he suspects the \$800,000 bonus he was to have received Dec. 31. was the reason he was fired.

Tech attorney Dicky Grigg said Friday's filing shows despair.

"Today's action by Mike Leach and his attorneys is another absurd act of despera-

tion," he said in a statement. "This is the legal strategy one deploys when the facts and the law are irrefutably against him."

According to the court filings, on Feb. 20, 2009, it was discussed "that TTU would obtain the benefits of Leach's performance but chisel him out of his compensation."

"Infuriated" by Leach's conduct during contract talks, Tech Chancellor Kent Hance and regents Larry Anders and Jerry Turner "secretly agreed" they would terminate Leach "at the

appropriate time," the filing states.

It also adds Craig James, Adam James' father who is an ESPN analyst and former NFL player, and several university officials and regents as defendants in the lawsuit.

Leach's attorneys also claim that Hance twice told the attorney investigating the mistreatment complaint to change her report because it was "too mild" and "too milk toast," court documents show.

Also, the filing accuses the university of not following guide-

lines of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools in that it allowed Hance and two regents to be involved in Leach's contract negotiations last year and in the investigation of Adam James' treatment by Leach.

Only Tech President Guy Bailey and athletic director Gerald Myers are authorized to negotiate, court documents say.

The filing accuses Turner of improperly interfering when he contacted the attorney investigating Adam James' alleged mistreatment Dec. 21 —

after she allegedly had interviewed only Adam and Craig James — and told her "the investigation should be used to terminate" Leach.

Leach's attorney, Ted Liggett, said Friday he wants the case to go to trial and that the damages Leach would be seeking aren't yet determined.

"It would be reckless of me to hazard a guess at that now other than to say that figure is getting bigger every day," he said. "Every day that Mike is out of work ... raises the damages model."

Gerhart legacy continues at Stanford — on softball diamond

STANFORD, Calif. (AP) — Teagan Gerhart still gets regular references to being the younger sister of Heisman Trophy runner-up and former Stanford star Toby Gerhart.

Those who know her well and have watched the pitcher's sensational freshman season for the Cardinal are beginning to turn that around: "Toby is Teagan's big brother."

"I'm still always going to be his little sister, nothing can change that," she said. "He's definitely set the bar really high here. To be able to follow in his footsteps and keep our name going, it's an awesome thing."

She is doing just that on campus as Stanford's

new softball ace.

There's no avoiding the attention after an improbable weekend last month that featured a perfect game on a Friday night against Santa Clara, followed by a pair of no-hitters the next day versus Princeton and Saint Mary's in the Louisville Slugger Classic.

And Gerhart overcame plenty in her childhood to get here. One of triplet girls born a month premature, she had 17 facial surgeries from ages 2 weeks to 12 years for a cleft palate, 80 percent hearing loss and to remove a large birthmark on the left side of her face. She now has two titanium bones in her ears and only 20 percent hearing

loss, and scars are the only evidence of where the birthmark used to be.

It wasn't easy facing the constant teasing she remembers from a young age, when she either wore an eye patch or showed her birthmark.

The mark, as Gerhart puts it, looked like a handprint. The girls were born 5 minutes apart via C-section and the running joke is oldest Whitley "hit me to get out first." While Whitley plays softball at Cal Poly, the third triplet — Kelsey — is also on Stanford's team as a backup catcher.

Teagan keeps a picture in her dorm room of herself as a little one with the birthmark to

remember how her face once looked, and how much she's grown from the challenging experiences in her life. She even plans to meet up with a female professor on campus who had a similar mark on her face.

Toby Gerhart, a powerful running back who lost the Heisman to Alabama's Mark Ingram in the closest vote in the award's 75-year history, is projected as a second- or third-round pick in next week's NFL draft. It was he — the oldest of six kids — who taught the girls to braid their hair and even did it for them before school.

"Obviously, she comes from a talented family," 14th-year Stanford softball coach John Rittman said. "In our program, she's been nothing but open-minded and open-armed about learning and developing, whether it's pitching, hitting, baserunning, whatever. The great ones usually are like that."

Heading into a three-game weekend series at Arizona starting Friday, Gerhart was 22-5 with a 1.58 ERA in 185 2-3 innings. She had 169 strikeouts to just 42 walks and was holding opponents to a .177 batting average. Stanford ranks eighth and 10th, respectively, in softball's two polls.

With each strong out-

ing, the painfully shy Gerhart comes more out of her shell and gains a confidence that everybody around her has noticed.

"That's pretty remarkable any time you can throw a perfect game and two no-hitters back to back to back," Rittman said. "It's an amazing feat no matter what level of softball you're at."

Stanford has produced its share of Olympians and All-Americans, yet Gerhart is already well on her way to setting a handful of single-season school records.

"I guess that just shows what's to come," Kelsey said. "She's dedicated and doesn't just strive for one weekend like that."

Gerhart remembers pitching all of about five no-hitters in high school. She is producing plenty on offense for Stanford, too.

In a 17-0 rout of UC Davis earlier this month, she hit a grand slam and an RBI double in a 15-run first inning.

Gerhart is intensely focused even during her side work. She repeatedly tosses the neon yellow ball in the air and catches it before she steps up to start throwing. Then, it's all business.

As she warmed up the other day, firing pitch after pitch to her sis-

ter, she shook her head in disgust after one bad offering.

The next was right on target.

"Nice," Kelsey said. Pitching coach Trisha Ford was there with a watchful eye, and agreed. In Gerhart's unique delivery, she keeps both hands in her glove, brings them down to her right knee and in one quick arm rotation the ball is gone.

"She doesn't let any success go to her head. She's a very humble kid," Rttman said. "She's just gotten better every weekend."

What's equally impressive? She's studying biology and premed.

Gerhart's mother, Lori, who ran her own day care and had the kids help out, initially was told she was having three boys. She was thrilled because she'd always dreamed of having nine boys. Not until a late-term ultrasound did she find out the triplets would be girls.

"She wasn't too happy about it, but now she is," Gerhart said.

Her teammates now call her "Ice T" or "Vanilla Ice." And those nicknames sure beat "Toby's little sister." And she doesn't mind not being recognized as a Stanford celebrity the way her big brother.

"And I don't ever want to be," she said.



The March winds are blowing and so is the trash. To help solve the problem of trash blowing out of dumpsters, the City of Big Spring requires that all wet garbage, such as trash bags, be placed in disposable containers. City ordinance states:

Containers Required for Wet Garbage

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Another way you can help keep our trash cans from overflowing is to allow ease of access to the container. If vehicles are blocking trash containers they cannot be emptied by City sanitation trucks. When the container is blocked and left full, it is not always possible for the sanitation truck to come back the same day. When cans become overfilled, the trash is more likely to be blown out by the wind. City ordinance states:

Blocking Access to Garbage Containers

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to block access to solid waste containers placed by the authority of the Supervisor of Sanitation so as to hinder the collection of solid waste. In the event a solid waste container is located in a street there is a rebuttable presumption that the container was placed by the authority of the Supervisor of Sanitation if it located within ten (10) feet of the driveway of the residence to which it is assigned. Violations of this section shall be punished by a fine in accordance with Section 11-17 of this chapter. (Ord. of 1-27-04)

With the start of spring comes yard work. The City of Big Spring offers a composting facility free to the public to remove any yard waste. The City of Big Spring has an ordinance against disposing of yard waste as well as many other items in the dumpster. City ordinance states:

Disposal of Manure, Offal, Remodeling Material and Other Waste Not Collected by City

Manure from private stables, offal and refuse from animals and fowl, night soil, dead animals and fowl, refuse from the remodeling of buildings, and all other waste not mentioned in Section 11-1, hereinafter called "refuse", shall be kept in a suitable receptacle separate from the containers required by this chapter for garbage and shall not be dumped in the alleys or retained on the premises so as to become a nuisance, and the same shall be disposed of by the owner thereof. It shall be the duty of the supervisor of the sanitation department to see that such refuse is properly disposed of by the owner when so ordered. Said refuse shall be hauled away from the premises by the owner at his own expense and by his own means and said refuse shall not be considered "garbage" and shall not be picked up by the garbage trucks of the city. (Ord. of 4-24-84, §11-5)

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► Military

Pvt. Turquoise L. White

Army Pvt. Turquoise L. White has graduated from One Station Unit Training (OSUT) at Fort Leonard Wood in Waynesville, Mo., which included basic military training and advanced individual training (AIT).

During basic military training, White received instruction in drill and ceremony, weapons qualification, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid and Army doctrine, history, principles and traditions.

During AIT, she completed the military police specialist course to acquire skills to provide combat area support, conduct battlefield circulation control, area security, prisoner of war operations, civilian internee operations and law and order operations. She performed as a team member in support of battlefield operations, installation law and order operations and security of Army resources and installations. Additional training included providing peacetime support to the military community through security of resources, crime prevention programs and preservation of law and order.

She is the daughter of Douglas L. and Marilyn M. White of Big Spring and a 2009 graduate of Big Spring High School.

Sgt. Patricia Sarabia

Army Sgt. Patricia Sarabia has arrived for duty at Kirtland Air Force Base in Albuquerque, N.M.

She is an information technology specialist assigned to the Defense Threat Reduction Agency. She has served in the military for 12 years.

She is a 1996 graduate of Big Spring High School.

► Weddings



Crystal Leanne and Michael Daniel Hutchison

Mr. and Mrs. Hutchison

Crystal Leanne Wingert and Michael Daniel Hutchison were united in marriage April 10, 2010, at the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Bryan.

The bride is the daughter of Chris and Karen Wingert of Big Spring and the granddaughter of Charles and Linda Towne of Houston and Cad and Anne Wingert of Big Spring.

The groom is the son of Bob and Kathy Hutchison of Spring and the grandson of Jimmy and Nancy

of Jackson, Miss., and Dan and Mary Hutchison of Meridian, Miss.

The couple exchanged vows before the Rev. Allen Duty, pastor of the New Life Baptist Church in College Station.

Kelly Wingert, the bride's sister, served as maid of honor, while Colleen Lee was the matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Heather Hendrick, Katy Starnes, Chelsea Groves and Amy Hutchison, the groom's sister.

Kaleb Deese was the groom's best man, while groomsmen were Brandon Cook, Jason Pittman, Josh Hall, Josh Cowling and Brian Wingert, the bride's brother.

Flower girls were Isabella Aguirre and Rylee Kinnard and music was provided by Aaron Hendrick and Celeste Cox.

The bride is a 2004 graduate of Big Spring High School and graduated from Texas A&M University with a degree in kinesiology in 2008. She currently teaches physical education at Oakwood Intermediate School in College Station.

The groom is a 2002 graduate of Northlake Christian School in Covington, La., and a 2006 graduate of Mississippi College. He received his master's degree from Texas A&M University in 2007 and is expected to receive his doctorate in sports marketing from Texas A&M in August of 2010.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the Brazos Cotton Exchange in Bryan.

The couple will reside in College Station until the summer of 2010 when they will move to Conway, S.C., where Michael will be a professor of sports management at Coastal Carolina University.

► Menus

Stanton ISD

Monday: Breakfast - Waffles. Lunch - Hot dogs or burrito with chili, corn, vegetable sticks, apple, milk, ranch dressing.

Tuesday: Breakfast - Oatmeal. Lunch - Chicken nuggets or steak fingers, mashed potatoes, carrots, fruit cocktail, bread sticks, cake, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast - Biscuit, sausage and gravy. Lunch - Beef tips or bake chicken, steamed rice, green beans, peaches, hot roll, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast - French toast sticks. Lunch - Nacho grande, baked potato, refried beans, lettuce and tomato salad, pineapple, cornbread, milk.

Friday: Breakfast - Burrito. Lunch - Hamburger or cheeseburger, baked chips, vegetarian beans, hamburger salad, fruit cup, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast - Pancake, sausage, juice, milk; Lunch - Deli turkey, potato salad, oranges, bread, milk; Hot Pockets.

Thursday: Breakfast - Oatmeal, sausage, juice, milk; Lunch - Chicken fajita, onions, peppers, refried beans, salad, grapes; Corn dogs.

Friday: Breakfast - Pancakes sausage on a stick, juice, milk; Lunch - Hamburgers, chips, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, apples, milk.

Forsan ISD

Monday: Breakfast - Donuts, yogurt, juice, milk; Lunch - Hot dog, tater tots, ranch style beans, baby carrots, fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast - Oatmeal, toast, juice, milk; Lunch - Pizza, seasoned corn, tossed salad, Orange Smiles, brownie, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast - Pancakes, sausage, juice, milk; Lunch - Ravioli, green beans, garlic toast, sliced peaches, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast - Breakfast Pocket, juice, milk; Lunch - Carne guisada, refried beans, flour tortillas, tossed salad, rosie applesauce, milk.

Friday: Breakfast - Cereal, toast, juice, milk; Lunch - Chicken spaghetti, green beans, roll, fruit mix, milk.

Big Spring ISD

Monday: Breakfast - Cereal, sausage patty, juice, milk; Lunch - Corn dogs, border beans, Orange Smiles, broccoli, milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast - Biscuits, chicken patty, juice, milk; Lunch - Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, peaches, brownies, roll, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast - Baked cheese sticks, fruit cup, milk; Lunch - Chicken nuggets, mac and cheese, carrots, pears, milk, roll.

Thursday: Breakfast - Pancake sausage on a stick, juice, milk; Lunch - Spaghetti, garden salad, corn, strawberries, roll, milk, Earth Day ice cream cup.

Friday: Breakfast - Cherry frudel, juice, milk; Lunch - Turkey/cheese sandwich, french fries, baby carrots, orange-pineapple Jello, fruit, milk.

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Dorothy Graves recently received her doctorate degree from the University of Edinburgh in Edinburgh, Scotland. Graves, daughter of Big Spring residents Arthur and Delia Graves, received her doctorate in archeology from the university during commencement exercises Nov. 25, 2009.

Graves is currently employed as an associate professor at the university.

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DONATIONS

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811 W. Fifth St., and will help give children within the Boys and Girls Club program a chance to attend a five-day camp.

"The camp is really an amazing time for the kids," said Hildebrand.

"They get to take part in activities like horseback riding, fishing, paintball and swimming. They also get a chance to play a lot of different sports, such as football, basketball and baseball, as well as take part in a ropes course.

"Morning activities include songs, praise and devotion. There are

nighttime activities, as well, like movies and scavenger hunts, to help the kids with their social development."

However, before the children can head for the camp — which is located in Midlothian, near Dallas — the mundane task of paying for the activities has to be accomplished, according to

Hildebrand.

"That's what this yard sale is all about," she said. "This fund-raiser will assist the children attending camp with the costs and fees involved. What we need from the community — beside plenty of bargain shoppers on the day of the sale — is donations of items to be sold."

Hildebrand said

anyone with questions regarding what would or wouldn't be a good item for the yard sale can call her at 264-0455.

"If someone is wondering if their item would work for this sale, the best thing they can do is call and ask," she said. "Also, if someone would like to make a monetary donation and sponsor a

child to go to camp, that would be fantastic. We need as much help from the community on this project as we can get."

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

DEBATE

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"I just felt like we need to give the candidates a chance to speak out on what they feel is important to the community, as well as give the people that will be casting the ballots a voice in the matter," Baker said. "The candidates will be given time to answer

the submitted questions, as well as discuss each others' responses. They won't be allowed to see the questions ahead of time, either, so it should be an excellent chance to see how much they know about the issues that are weighing on the minds of Big Spring voters."

Baker said the moderator for the debate will be Michael Quinn Sullivan, president and CEO of Empower Texans

and Texans for Fiscal Responsibility.

"We are really excited to have Mr. Sullivan come in and help us with this debate," said Baker. "We contacted him to get some information on how best to hold this debate. We were very pleased when he agreed to moderate it. We feel like he'll be an asset to the event."

Sullivan is a former newspaper reporter, Capitol

Hill staffer and think-tank vice president that recently garnered praise from the Fort Worth Star Telegram for his work slaying "taxpayer dragons in Austin" during the most recent legislative session.

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FORSAN

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the district's insurance program, informed the district that its rates for single-employee coverage were increasing from \$278 to

\$297 in the near future.

In the past, the district has paid all of the single-employee premium and trustees will decide Monday whether to continue that tradition.

Johnson said absorbing the rate increase would cost the

school district roughly \$22,000 a year.

Also Monday, trustees will consider:

- Swimming pool prices and operations for this summer.
- Purchasing a school bus for approximately \$84,000.
- Purchasing vacant

property that abuts the school high school.

• Budget amendments and an agreement for the assessment and collection of taxes.

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- ANTONIO PENA JR., 26, 2300 E. FM 700, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- MARIO SALAZAR, 20, 1604 E. 11th, was arrested on charges of public intoxication, resisting arrest, search or transport and disorderly conduct/ language.
- CHRISTI DAWN SIEGEL, 30, 800 W. FM 700, was arrested on warrants charging failure to maintain financial responsibility and failure to appear.
- THEFT was reported in the 400 block of Fourth, the 2100 block of Monticello, the 700 block of Johnson and the 400 block of Fourth.
- BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported in the 3600 block of Hamilton.
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- *Institute a program responsible for eliminating all dirt streets in Big Spring. (18.5 Miles)
- *Work with local youth league leadership to design and build a youth sports complex.
- *Develop plans to revitalize downtown Big Spring including street replacement, waterline replacement, hardscaping and landscaping along with ADA compliance.
- *Negotiate with Settles Development, LLC to effect the current renovation of the Settles Hotel.
- *Redesign Comanche Trail Golf Course and club house.
- *Accept management of Senior Center, replacing dance floor and outdated equipment.



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NEW YORK (AP) — Notable offensive players in the NFL draft, grouped by projected NFL positions:

QUARTERBACK
 Position Outlook: There's no easy choice here for teams looking for the franchise QB. Injuries and coaching systems in college all cause plenty of drawbacks.

—Sam Bradford, 6-foot-4, 236 pounds, Oklahoma, junior: His well-known shoulder injury may not keep him from being the first QB taken. Or first player selected overall. Very accurate on the kinds of short and medium throws currently in fashion. Quick release, but not totally over the top. Occasionally will hold ball too long.

—Jimmy Clausen, 6-3, 222, Notre Dame, junior: Three-year starter in a pro-style system with a quick delivery, but less than ideal deep ball arm strength.

—Colt McCoy, 6-1, 216, Texas: Good decision maker with a less than elite arm. Excellent short-pass accuracy, but deep balls need work. Nimble on his feet. A leader and a winner.

—Tim Tebow, 6-3, 236, Florida: A central question of the 2010 NFL draft: which team is willing to take Florida's linebacker-sized, pow-

er-running quarterback with the slow release and lack of experience in a pro-style system? No questions about his leadership.

—Tony Pike, 6-6, 223, Cincinnati: Prototypical size, lit it up in college, what's not to like? Well, one reason he's so good on short passing is that was the system at Cincinnati. Plenty of injury history, too.

RUNNING BACK
 Position Outlook: There's not a flawless prospect in the bunch, but many have much to recommend them. Spiller and Best were highlight-reel staples, McKnight and Mathews reliable bell-cows, and Tate had a strong combine.

—C.J. Spiller, 5-11, 196, Clemson: Spiller is more of a game-breaker than a workhorse type of back. Lack of size means he won't be grinding out 30-carry games in December, but rare speed and acceleration should make him a threat to score any time he gets the ball.

—Ryan Mathews, 6-0, 218, Fresno State, junior: Productive, hard runner with a good burst through the hole. Not experienced in passing game and durability is a bit of a concern. A possible future workhorse. Led

nation in rushing per game, 150.7 yards.

—Jahvid Best, 5-10, 199, California, junior: Near-weekly highlight producer, unfortunately including a concussion in November. A major threat due to absurd acceleration and speed; not a grinder. Concussion history is always a concern, of course.

—Joe McKnight, 5-11, 198, Southern Cal, junior: Elusive, but shows some good power for his size. Good vision and patience. Injuries and bulk are concerns.

—Ben Tate, 5-11, 220, Auburn: Tough, one-cut bowling ball type willing to lower the shoulder into helpless defenders. Not an outside runner.

WIDE RECEIVER
 Position outlook: A thin group this year means second-round talent might start coming off the board early for teams who have taken care of defensive needs.

—Dez Bryant, 6-2, 225, Oklahoma State, junior: Physically gifted, with all the size and speed position requires. Maturity issues will give teams pause. Missed 10 games in 2009 for lying to NCAA.

—Demaryius Thomas, 6-3, 244, Georgia Tech, junior: Good size, speed and athletic ability,

but routes are a bit of a mess. Nice hands and ability to make plays on the ball. Scored well on Wonderlic.

—Golden Tate, 5-10, 199, Notre Dame, junior: Excellent route runner and playmaker who lacks elite size or speed. Good hands.

—Arrelious Benn, 6-1, 219, Illinois, junior: Big and fast, he needs some coaching on routes. Good hands, excellent after-catch skills.

—Dezmon Briscoe, 6-2, 207, Kansas: Inconsistent, but the hands and size are there. Good after the catch, despite lack of serious speed.

TIGHT END
 Position outlook: The lack of options for elite pass catchers will push tight ends into the arms of hard-up teams earlier than otherwise might have happened.

—Jermaine Gresham, 6-5, 261, Oklahoma, junior: October surgery to repair torn cartilage in his right knee is the biggest concern for Gresham, an elite prospect with the speed to stretch defenses. Blocking is a work in progress.

—Aaron Hernandez, 6-2, 245, Florida: Good hands and body control in passing game, along with nice speed. A touch undersized, and blocking seems more

sued for H-back. —Dennis Pitta, 6-4, 245, BYU: A receiving tight end with nice athleticism and good route running. Not experienced as a down blocker at all. Also is 25 years old.

—Rob Gronkowski, 6-6, 264, Arizona, junior: Big, tons of athleticism, good hands — and he's an able blocker. Health concerns could cause teams to take a pass after he missed 2009 and three games in 2008.

OFFENSIVE LINE
 Position Outlook: One of the few deep positions on the offensive side of the ball, there may not be an easy early pick such as a Joe Thomas or Jason Smith, but there are plenty of strong prospects.

—Russell Okung, 6-5, 307, Oklahoma State, junior: Big and long-armed, he's nimble on his feet and shows the always appreciated "mean streak" in running game.

—Anthony Davis, 6-5, 323, Rutgers, junior: Mammoth but nimble. Yep, he looks like a left tackle, though Davis may be a notch below some of the elite LT prospects in years past, it's not a very big notch. Weight issues.

—Bryan Bulaga, 6-5, 314, Iowa, junior: Comes from a program that always seems to

have OLs ready to play in NFL. Lack of truly elite physical qualities means speed rushers can be troublesome at times.

—Trent Williams, 6-5, 315, Oklahoma: Projects as an RT, especially in the run game, where he can be a bulldozer. Might have to add some size.

—Mike Iupati, 6-5, 331, Idaho, junior: Huge interior line prospect with strength and some agility. Not all that fast, and English is not native language. Key to college program's improvement.

—Maurkice Pouncey, Florida, 6-4, 304, junior: Quick out of his center's crouch despite his size; can also play guard. Sharp feel for the game. Had labrum surgery before last season.

—Bruce Campbell, 6-6, 314, Maryland, junior: Physical specimen of an LT prospect whose biggest drawback is a demonstrated lack of durability. Tools and technique will tempt some team into making a move, and had excellent workouts.

—Rodger Saffold, 6-4, 316, Indiana: Three-year starter at left tackle, but may need to move inside. Smooth in pass protection, needs to work on pulling and other run techniques.

MAVS

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 tion and can rebound and block shots. That's hard to get in the NBA. It's not like those guys are hanging around. ... That's what you need in the playoffs. You need tough defenders,

guys who are mentally strong and aren't afraid and won't back down. Brendan's that, so that's definitely going to help them."

Haywood said he, Butler and Stevenson talk "all the time" about how lucky they are to have gotten a late-season upgrade.

They've gone from giving depositions and seeing a teammate plead guilty to bringing a gun into the locker room to a club whose fans hardly blinked at a 10th straight 50-win season and a division title.

"We're amazed at the things these guys think of as old hat," Haywood

said. "Those are things we never experienced."

Haywood was with Washington when it won a first-round series in 2005. Butler arrived the next season, when the Wizards lost in the first round. Stevenson arrived the next year and they were bounced in the first round again.

After it happened a third straight year, Washington fell apart, winning only 19 games last season and 26 this season.

"When you don't make the playoffs for two years in a row, you realize how long the summer is when you're not in it," Haywood

said. "So we don't take this for granted. I think it makes us hungry."

"You never get tired of playing good basketball," he added. "You can't play forever so you have to maximize your wins."

TRACK

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4. Khaeer Sonnier, Cooper, 42-10; 6. Dennis Merworth, Big Spring, 40-6.

Long jump -- 1. Mike Menefield, Big Spring, 22-6¼; 2-t. Zack Kittley, Frenship, 22-1¼; 2-t. Derrick Randle, Cooper, 22-1¼; 4. Khaeer Sonnier, Cooper, 21-4; 5. Dennis Merworth, Big Spring, 20-6¼.

Discus -- 1. Keaton Hatch, Plainview, 134-8; 2. Matt Freeman, Cooper, 124-6; 3. Garrison Railsback, Cooper, 124-5; 6. Julian Ramirez, Big Spring, 112-6.

Shot put -- 1. Mictch Brewer, Frenship, 53-7; 2. Joseph Garcia, Plainview, 46-7½; 3. Josh Robinson, Cooper, 46-2¾; 5. Matt Ritchey, Big Spring, 44-0.

High jump -- 1. Tommy Bowman, Cooper, 6-2; 2. Derek Footer, Cooper, 6-0; 3. Zack Kittley, Frenship, 6-0; 4-t. John Brown, Lake View, 5-10; 4-t. Alfred Cooper, Cooper, 5-10; 6. Matt Ritchey, Big Spring, 5-6.

Pole vault -- 1. Derek Karl, Cooper, 12-0; 2. Anthony Hust, Cooper, 10-6; 3. Tevian Parnell,

Big Spring, 10-0.

Girls
 3,200 -- 1. Emileigh Willems, Frenship, 12:28.70; 2. Daisy Guerrero, Plainview, 12:32.44; 3. Rebecca Swenson, Cooper, 12:49.15; 5. Opal Gonzales, Big Spring, 13:07.61.

400 relay -- 1. Big Spring, 49.14; 2. Cooper, 50.06; 3. Frenship, 51.75.

800 -- 1. Briana Falcon, Cooper, 2:26.98; 2. Kailey Moorhead, Frenship, 2:27.53; 3. Briana Portillo, Lake View, 2:28.88; 4. J.C. Williams, Big Spring, 2:31.59.

100 hurdles -- 1. Danielle Blanco, Cooper, 15.46; 2. Kenzie Tutt, Cooper, 16.46; 3. Kelsey Barnes, Cooper, 16.53.
 100 -- 1. Bria Brazier, Plainview, 12.74; 2. Ariel Walker, Cooper, 13.10; 3. Dominique Edmondson, Cooper, 13.22; 5. Keniesha Nieto, Big Spring, 13.59.

800 relay -- 1. Big Spring, 1:42.95; 2. Cooper, 1:48.82; 3. Frenship, 1:49.39.

400 -- 1. Abria Thomas, W Frenship, 59.54; 2. Briana Portillo, Lake View, 1:00.70; 3. Priscilla Guzman, Lake View, 1:05.10; 4. Kaylee Arrick, Cooper, 1:05.32;

6. Page Knowlton, Big Spring, 1:05.75.

300 hurdles -- 1. Danielle Blanco, Cooper, 44.18; 2. Kelsey Barnes, Cooper, 47.64; 3. Kenzie Tutt, Cooper, 48.05; 5. Carson Reibe, Big Spring, 48.57.

200 -- 1. Bridge Tuitt, Big Spring, 25.99; 2. Desiree Anderson, Big Spring, 26.55; 3. Bria Brazier, Plainview, 26.61; 4. April Turner, Big Spring, 26.94; 6. Schreel Colen, Cooper, 27.35.

1,600 -- 1. Mallory Maddox, Frenship, 5:43.71; 2. Emileigh Willems, Frenship, 5:46.32; 3. Daisy Guerrero, Plainview, 5:47.41; 4. Rebecca Swenson, Cooper, 5:56.50; 5. J.C. Williams, Big Spring, 5:58.53; 6. Ashley Hickman, Cooper, 5:58.56.
 1,600 relay -- 1. Cooper, 4:11.89; 2. Frenship, 4:14.96; 3. Big Spring, 4:18.99.

Triple jump -- 1. Desiree Anderson, Big Spring, 35-2¼; 2. Bridge Tuitt, Big Spring, 34-7½; 3. LaKendria Mathews, Cooper, 34-7¼.

Long jump -- 1. Desiree Anderson, Big Spring, 17-9¼; 2. LaKendria Mathews, Cooper, 16-10¼; 3. Bridget Tuitt, Big Spring, 16-9¼; 6. Ashley Valerio, Cooper, 15-8½.

Discus -- 1. Elizabeth Railsback, Cooper, 110-5; 2. Sydney Hearn, Plainview, 110-0; 3. Brittany Smith, Frenship, 108-3; 4. Cerbi Ritchey, Big Spring, 107-11; 6. Deprise Cravin, Cooper, 96-0.

Shot put -- 1. Elizabeth Railsback, Cooper, 34-0¼; 2. Kenzie Roberts, Frenship, 32-8½; 3. Sydney Hearn, Plainview, 31-6¼; 4. Alicia Ayers, Cooper, 31-5¼. 5. Shabreyia Walker, Cooper, 30-11¼.

High jump -- 1. Danielle Blanco, Cooper, 4-10; 2. Callie Teegardin, Frenship, 4-9; 3. Darbie Walker, Frenship, 4-6.

Pole vault -- 1. Lauren Hill, Plainview, 7-6; 2. Julieann Pender, Frenship, 7-0; 3. Taylor White, Frenship, 6-6; 5. Angela Snow, Cooper, 6-0.

MINUTES OF COUNTY FINANCES TREASURER'S REPORT

IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY FINANCES IN THE HANDS OF TERESA THOMAS TREASURER OF HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS.

COMMISSIONER'S COURT HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS IN REGULAR SESSION APRIL TERM 2010
 IN ACCORDANCE with Section 114.026, Local Government Code, we, the undersigned, constituting the entire Commissioners Court of said County, certify that on the 12th day of April, 2010 at the Regular term of Court, we compared and examined the monthly report of TERESA THOMAS, Treasurer of Howard County, Texas, for March 31, 2010, and finding the same correct, entered an order in the Minutes approving said Report, which states total cash and other assets on hand as \$13,542,101.99.

Mark Barr, County Judge
 Jerry Kilgore, Commissioner Pct. 2
 Gary Simer, Commissioner Pct. 4

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, by Mark Barr, County Judge, and County Commissioners of said Howard County, each respectively, on this the 12th day of April, 2010.

Attest: Donna Wright, County Clerk

FILED FOR RECORD THIS 12TH DAY OF April, 2010, and recorded on the 12th day of April, A.D. 2010.

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► Births

Arely Sophia Martinez

Arely Sophia Martinez, a girl, was born at 11:48 a.m. March 31, 2010, weighing 6 pounds, 3 ounces and was 19 inches long. She is the daughter of Andreana Elena Martinez of Big Spring.



Grandparents are Luz M. Juaréz of Midland and Frank Juaréz of Big Spring.

He was welcomed home by siblings Mireya Velasquez, Jediah Velasquez and Abrianna Velasquez.

► Anniversary



Preston and Marva Daniels

**Daniels
50th Anniversary**

Preston and Marva Daniels of Big Spring celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a party and dance at Kokopelli's. The event was hosted by the couple's children and their spouses, Kim and J.R. Savell of Bertram, Preston Jr. and Kathy Daniels of Marble Falls and Rick and Raylene Daniels of Princeton, W.Va.

Preston, a native of Big Spring, and Marva Murphy, who was born in Midland and raised in Big Spring, were next door neighbors when they became engaged and were married on Feb. 12, 1960, at home of Marva's grandmother, Nettie Britton.

Mr. Daniels was a firefighter with the Big Spring Fire Department for 27 years before becoming an emergency medical technician and working as an EMT for the BSFD.

He obtained a master plumbing license and owned Daniel Plumbing for many years.

The Danielses are Baptists. His hobbies include gardening, camping and woodworking.

Her hobbies include canning vegetables from the garden, jewelry making and sewing. They enjoy traveling.

"We married and started a family very young," the Danielses noted. "God has richly blessed our lives with three wonderful children, 10



great-grandchildren and one more on the way.

"Through hard times and good times our love and marriage has grown together," they added. "We are now enjoying retirement and looking forward to many more years together."

Mrs. Daniels was employed at Malone and Hogan Clinic for 20 years as a receptionist and medical records clerk until deciding to

obtain her medical records certification in 1987.

She was supervisor of medical records for many years.

She was then employed at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for nine years as a discharge planner and case manager.

The Danielses have lived in Big Spring throughout their marriage.

► Can you help?

• On May 22, the Howard County Road Kill Running Club (HCRK) will host the first Bob Fishback 5K fun run/walk in Comanche Trail Park. The event will start at the Alice Hayes Pavilion which is located by the Kids' Zone play area. All proceeds will be donated to the Fishback family to help pay for medical expenses. Entry fee is \$20 and there will be awards for first through third place female and male participants. You can either pre-register, or register the morning of the event. Registration will open at 6:30 a.m. You can download the flyer at <http://pages.suddenlink.net/hcrk/docs/Annual%20Bob%20Fishback.pdf>

• Tyler Keeton/Hightower has been diagnosed with osteosarcoma (bone cancer). He is undergoing chemotherapy at Cook Children's Hospital in Fort Worth. He has a surgery scheduled April 20 to remove a tumor and replace part of his femur and knee. An account has been established at Citizens Federal Credit Union under the name Tyler Keeton for those who would like to help with medical expenses.

• 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.

APRIL SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH

Governor Rick Perry designated April 2010 as Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month (SAAPM) in Texas. Victim Services joins rape crisis centers across the state in commemorating Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month to promote awareness and encourage support of this issue.

According to a 2003 study conducted by the Texas Association Against Sexual Assault and the University of Texas at Austin School of Social Work, approximately 1.9 million Texans have been sexually victimized.

- 1 in 5 women and 1 in 20 men are victims of Sexual Assault.
- Most victims are sexual assaulted by someone they know.
- Less than 20% of sexual assaults are ever reported to the police.
- Sexual assault is never the victims fault.

Last year our agency served a total of 68 Victims of Sexual Assault:
50 were child victims 39 Primary and 11 Secondary
18 were adult victims 14 Primary and 4 Secondary

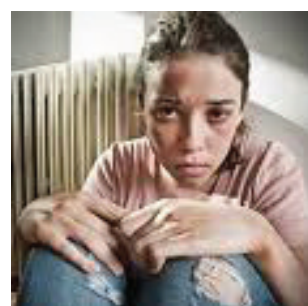
Sexual violence is a persistent and pervasive problem in our society, one that requires attention year-round. In order to foster healthy communities, all citizens of Big Spring, must support the effort to end sexual violence every month of the year.

LAST YEAR VICTIMS SERVICES SERVED:

Child Victim Of Physical Abuse	4
Child Victim Of Sexual Abuse	50
Victim of DUI/DWI	0
Victim of Domestic Violence	203
Adult Victim of Sexual Assault	18
Elder Abuse	0
Adult Molested as a Child	4
Survivors of Homicide Victim	11
Robbery	9
Aggravated Assault	16
TOTAL	388

"The U.S. Department of Justice Office for Victim of Crime states in their Crime Clock:"

- 2 People are murder every hour.
- An average of 24 people are raped each hour.
- 510 people are assaulted each hour.
- 1,622 thefts are committed each hour
- 67 women are victimized by an intimate partner every hour
- 391 homes are burglarized every hour
- 103 children are abused every hour
- There are 2 alcohol-related deaths every hour
- 1062 people are victims of identity fraud every hour.
- 157 people are stalked every hour



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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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OUR VIEW

Tuesday forum chance to know the candidates

Just what are the people who represent us on city councils and school boards thinking? What do they believe in? What do the people running against them think and what do they believe in? Well, Howard County residents will get the chance to get some answers Tuesday night, as the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce holds a candidate forum.

Set for 6 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Community Center, the forum is an excellent chance to get to know the candidates heading into the May 8 election.

Chamber officials have invited Big Spring and Coahoma candidates running for city council, school board and mayoral races to take part.

Debbie ValVerde, executive director of the local Chamber of Commerce, says the format for the event will be informal.

The forum will begin with Dr. Michael Stevens, a special assistant with the Big Spring Independent School District, giving a 15-minute presentation on the district's \$60 million construction bond. Then candidates will be given five minutes to introduce themselves and make a few comments about their campaign platform and their plans for their term in office. The rest of the evening will be spent visiting and talking personally to the attendees.

"Candidates will be allowed to bring campaign material and handouts, so this is really an excellent chance to find out where they stand on the issues that are important to each of us," ValVerde said.

There's a lot on the line in these elections, and most of us are unlikely to get a better chance to get to know the candidates and what they stand for. So take a couple of hours this evening and become better informed about the people who'll be representing you.

We'll see you there.

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

We would just like to congratulate Jim Little on his being named 2010 General Aviation Airport Manager of the Year by the Texas Department of Transportation and the FAA.

This is the highest honor that can be bestowed on an airport manager and Jim Little deserves this honor.

NELDA AND DARREL REAGAN
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

We just wanted to let you know a little about Tommy Duncan. We're not going to take up an entire page telling you what he has accomplished. To our knowledge, he has never held a political office.

At this point in our history, we're not sure previously holding a political office is a plus. However, his accomplishments are far more personal than that. He's not a radical, nor is he a rebel. He is a

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LETTER POLICIES

The Herald welcomes letters to the editor.

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- We reserve the right to limit publication to one letter per 30-day period per author.
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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

When we let You assume the role of leader, Lord, our life goes better.

Amen

News is not always serious

All this one, in deference to Blackie Sherrod, scattershooting while wondering what ever happened to Ralph Dice.

Ralph, you see, was the news editor of The Paris News when I got my first newspaper job back in the 1970s. And he had a, maybe not strange, but definitely quirky kind of humor.

And I can't help but wonder how he'd have played with the headline on the Associated Press story out of Tracy City, Tenn., about a dead man winning the mayor's race there.

Seems Carl Robin Geary died suddenly a few weeks ago. But he received 268 votes anyway in Tuesday's nonpartisan election, beating out incumbent Barbara Brock with 85 votes in the two-candidate race.

Election administrator Donna Basham said Wednesday she wouldn't speculate on why Geary won posthumously but noted his death had been widely reported at the time.

The city council will now have to appoint a mayor to the four-year term.

Brock had been appointed mayor 16 months ago when the previous mayor died. She says she thought she had done a good

job but added voters wanted a return to the past.

And I thought our current mayor's race in Big Spring was somewhat strange!

As a matter of fact, the AP wire has been full of interesting news tidbits lately.

Like the family feud in Plano over video games that led to a teen accused of assaulting his younger brother and their mom mad at police who arrested one of the boys.

Trey and Hunter Robinson got into a scuffle March 15. Heather Waddell-Robinson says she separated her sons, ages 17 and 16, after they argued over the volume of their video games.

That wasn't enough for Hunter, however. He apparently called police, who arrested Trey, and now the high school junior is charged with assault with bodily injury and is free on \$2,000 bail.

Waddell-Robinson, who I think correctly says "all siblings fight," has filed a complaint against the arresting officers. She says Hunter was not hurt.

The Department of Family and Protective Services is investigating, but an agency spokeswoman declined comment. So did the Plano PD.

Quite often I find a lot from around the country for these types of columns, but we Texans have our share of strange ones too.

A story out of Dallas this week

was not, I repeat, was not a "fish story."

A Garland man must serve 15 days in jail after admitting to stuffing a lead weight into a bass he caught during a fishing tournament.

A Texas Parks and Wildlife Department spokesman says Robby Rose must also surrender his fishing license. That's after the 45-year-old pleaded guilty to felony attempted theft after admitting to rigging his fish.

The felony charge relates to the bass boat Rose hoped to win with the rigged fish at a bass-fishing tournament on Lake Ray Hubbard last October.

Rockwall County District Attorney Kenda Culpepper considers the issue one of a \$55,000 bass boat, not a 10-pound fish.

Apparently fishing contest officials became suspicious after feeling a lump inside the fish and confronted Rose.

But to get from the ridiculous to the sublime, we have to get out of state.

There's the Indiana woman who accidentally set her hair on fire, the Missouri man asking that mustached Americans be given stimulus money, and last — but definitely not least — the cow that spent days trapped beneath a street in Utah.

In Story, Ind., Dani Hamm earned the honorary title of "Village Idiot" at the restaurant and

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Politicians and their promises

Having reported on the political side of Big Spring for more than a decade now, I have to admit, I'm impressed. Despite facing very real, pressing decisions that sometimes have the community split in two, the men and women who make up the political voice of Big Spring and Howard County continue to prove their desire is to serve, not grandstand or sling mud.

And while there are a few things about this fair city that I'm not all that proud of, this certainly isn't one of those things.

The recent runoff election between longtime County Commissioner Jerry Kilgore and fellow Republican Donnie Baker was a prime example. Both men understood there could be only one winner in the contest, and both showed great poise under the pressure of their respective win and loss.

However, there's one thing that absolutely annoys me to no end in an election — especially a heated one — and that's candidates making campaign promises they simply cannot keep.

Driving to see my parents in Kentwood a few days ago, I caught a glimpse of a political advertisement on a billboard.

Under normal circumstances, I tend to just ignore these signs. They almost always say the same thing, gushing on about why this particular candidate is a great guy or a friend of the "little man." For the most part, if you've seen one political sign, you've seen them all.

This one was a little different. Out of the corner of my eye I caught the word "speedo" in it, which was enough to get me to slow down. Let's be honest, Big Spring, there are few things in this world that will gain intrigue or disgust like those little swimming shorts.

Even Michael Phelps can't make those things look, well, tolerable.

So, like drivers before me and, I'm sure, drivers after me, I had to slow down and read the sign. Kudos go to whoever came up with the idea, at least from a marketing standpoint.

That, however, is where my kind words end.

The sign was basically directing Big Spring residents to hold off on buying their speedos — I can't even type the word without feeling sort of awkward — if they planned to use them at the new aquatics center the city is currently planning to build. Why? Because when political hopeful Craig Olson wins the District 5 race for the city council, the aquatic center, or "water park," as the sign touts, is history.

As far as campaign promises go, it's a pretty gutsy move. It

instantly makes Olson a friend among the local residents opposed to building a new water attraction for Big Spring, which, judging by the clamor of things, is certainly a fair number of people.

You really can't put yourself out there any more than that, with those big, black letters staring into the West Texas sun day after day, waiting for the May election to roll around. History, indeed!

The unfortunate thing about those signs, however, is they don't have small print. Well, I suppose we could try to make room for a tiny disclaimer, but something tells me it would cause too many traffic accidents — not to mention get political supporters' poor lawns trampled to death — to warrant their use.

If Olson's sign did have a disclaimer, I imagine it would read something like this:

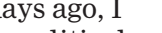
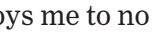
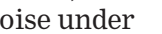
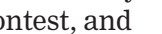
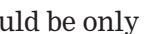
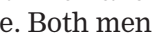
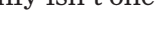
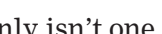
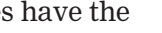
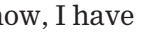
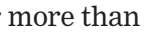
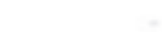
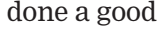
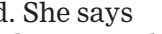
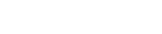
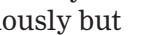
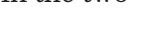
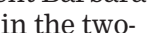
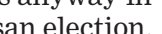
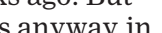
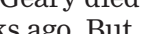
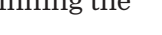
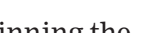
Claims made by this political candidate that he or she can somehow stop the city from approving and constructing a city water park if elected are, and always will be false.

The limitation in power of politicians has always been a nasty debate, not because it's difficult to discern what they can or cannot accomplish, but because most politicians would rather hurl insults or cause an all-around ruckus than let the voters know what they can and

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SPORTS IN BRIEF

Trooper subject to conduct code

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A state trooper with Ben Roethlisberger the night he was accused of sexually assaulting a 20-year-old college student in a Georgia nightclub is subject to the agency's code of conduct regardless of whether he was working for the Steelers quarterback.

An ongoing internal investigation will determine whether Trooper Ed Joyner did anything "that could reasonably be expected to destroy public respect for the Pennsylvania State Police or confidence in the state police," said Lt. Myra Taylor, a state police spokeswoman.

49ers acquire Ginn from Miami

MIAMI (AP) — The Miami Dolphins traded receiver-returned Ted Ginn Jr. to the 49ers for a lower-round draft pick. The Dolphins had him on the block even before they acquired Pro Bowl receiver Brandon Marshall two days earlier from the Denver Broncos.

Spartans to skip senior seasons

DETROIT (AP) — Durrell Summers and Kalin Lucas will return to Michigan State for their senior seasons and one last shot at a national championship. Spartans coach Tom Izzo told The Associated Press that both are forgoing the NBA draft and will continue their educations.

Summers averaged nearly 19 points a game during the NCAA tournament to help lead the Spartans to their sixth Final Four in 12 years. Lucas ruptured his left Achilles' tendon last month and had surgery that probably will keep him off the court until the fall. He averaged 14.8 points and four assists last season to earn All-Big Ten honors for the second straight year.

App. State coach to moving on

WILMINGTON, N.C. (AP) — Buzz Peterson is on the move again, this time taking over at UNC Wilmington and ending a second stint at Appalachian State that

lasted just one season. Peterson was introduced as the Seahawks' ninth coach, ending the school's lengthy search to replace Benny Moss, who was reassigned within the athletic department in January.

NBA salary cap to increase

NEW YORK (AP) — NBA teams could find more money to spend during shopping season. Commissioner David Stern said the league is projecting the salary cap to be higher than it expected, good news for teams looking to sign top stars during this summer's expected free agency bonanza.

The league is projecting the cap to come in at about \$56.1 million, though the actual number won't be determined until early July, before teams can begin officially signing players. While that figure would still be lower than this season's \$57.7 million cap and only the third time it's ever fallen, it's far better than estimates from last summer.

Roy has surgery; out 1-2 weeks

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Trail Blazers guard Brandon Roy had arthroscopic surgery on his right knee and will miss one or two weeks.

Roy has already been ruled out of Portland's first-round series against the Phoenix Suns, which starts Sunday. But with the recovery timeline, the Blazers left open the possibility of his return should Portland advance.

The three-time All-Star leads the Blazers with 21.5 points per game. He injured his knee last weekend in the first half of a game against the Los Angeles Lakers.

Choi falls at Hilton Head

HILTON HEAD ISLAND, S.C. (AP) — A grueling Masters finally caught up to K.J. Choi at the Verizon Heritage, and Jim Furyk, Charles Howell III and Greg Owen took advantage to top the second-round leaderboard at Harbour Town.

Furyk (68), Howell (67) and Owen (69) were

tied at 7-under 135, a stroke ahead of a group that included two-time Verizon champ Boo Weekley (68) and Stuart Appleby (67).

Choi, who tied for fourth with Tiger Woods at Augusta National after playing alongside Woods all four rounds, opened with a 64 on Thursday. However, he couldn't maintain that pace and fell three shots off the lead after a 74.

O'Meara leads in Champions tour

LUTZ, Fla. (AP) — Mark O'Meara shot a 6-under 65 to take a one-stroke lead over Mike Reid and defending champion Nick Price in the Outback Steakhouse Pro-Am, while Fred Couples opened with a 71 in his bid for a fourth straight Champions Tour title.

Mickelson to join Woods at Quail Hollow

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Phil Mickelson will be right there when Tiger Woods tees it up again. This time, the two will square off

at the Quail Hollow Championship.

A day after Woods announced that the Charlotte event will be his second tournament since his return from a sex scandal, Masters champion Mickelson committed to play in the tournament that begins April 29 at Quail Hollow Club.

Mickelson edged Woods and the rest of the field on Sunday to win his third major at Augusta National.

Michigan wins gymnastics title

WEST POINT, N.Y. (AP) — Aided by the all-around victory by junior Chris Cameron, Michigan won its first NCAA men's gymnastics team title in 11 years with a narrow victory over Stanford.

Michigan posted a final score of 360.500, beating Stanford by 0.7 of a point. Oklahoma was third, followed by Illinois, California and Ohio State.

Stanford beat Michigan by 1.3 points to claim the 2009 NCAA title in Minneapolis.

WEEKEND TV SCHEDULE

FOX — NASCAR, Sprint Cup, Samsung Mobile 500, at Fort Worth, Texas, 2 p.m.
VERSUS — IRL, Grand Prix of Long Beach, at Long Beach, Calif., 3 p.m.

ESPN2 — NHRA, SummitRacing.com Nationals, final eliminations, at Las Vegas (same-day tape)
ESPN — Texas at Oklahoma softball, 3 p.m.

NBC — Champions Tour, Outback Steakhouse Pro-Am, final round, at Lutz, Fla.
CBS — PGA Tour, Heritage, final round, at Hilton Head Island,

S.C., 3 p.m.
MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
1:30 p.m. — Tampa Bay at Boston, TBS
WGN — Houston at Chicago Cubs, 2:10 p.m.
ESPN — N.Y. Mets at

St. Louis, 3 p.m.
NBA BASKETBALL
ABC — Playoffs, first round, game 1, Oklahoma City at L.A. Lakers, 3 p.m.
TNT — Playoffs, first round, game 1, Charlotte

at Orlando, 5:30 p.m.
TNT — Playoffs, first round, game 1, San Antonio at Dallas, 8 pm
TNT — Playoffs, first round, game 1, Portland at Phoenix, 10:30 p.m.

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Stewardship Week to be celebrated April 25-May 2

Special to the Herald

Texas' 216 soil and water conservation districts will be joining with the National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD) to celebrate an annual historical national 55-year observance April 25-May 2 which focuses on the care and conservation of the state and nation's renewable natural resources. The theme for this year's Stewardship Week observance is "Conservation Habits = Healthy

Habitats."

"The stewardship concept involves personal and social responsibility, including a duty to learn about and improve natural resources as we use them wisely to leave a rich legacy for future generations," said Scott Buckles, president of the Association of Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts.

"When we begin to think that each of us has a role in conserving and protecting

our natural resources, we can effect personal actions that will have a positive impact for creating healthy habitats of ecosystems found in and around our communities," Buckles added.

In America, the stewardship observance traces its origin to the Rogation Days celebrated more than 1,500 years ago in the neighborhood of Vienne, France. The custom began when bad weather and earthquakes brought crop failures

and widespread hunger. The people of that community responded by imploring for divine help to alleviate their suffering and privation.

"The stewardship observance relies on locally led soil and water conservation districts nationwide sharing and promoting stewardship and conservation activities. From a national perspective, NACD represents the nation's 3,000 soil and water conservation districts which were

established to encourage resource conservation across the country," said Buckles.

"Districts throughout Texas provide an array of activities to promote the observance such as conservation and stewardship field days, programs, workshops and other outreach efforts throughout their communities to educate citizens about the need to care for soil, water and related renewable natural resources," Buckles added.

Garden City awareness



Courtesy photo

Rodeo trick rider Brice Chapman performs for students in the Glasscock County Independent School District, as part of the school's program centering on community awareness. Students also got a hands-on alcohol awareness simulation from Midland's Stop DWI organization and they also had a pig kissing contest that raised \$469 for the Glasscock 4-H Cancer Warriors Relay for Life team.

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.



In life, the old bromide "what you don't know won't hurt you" is certainly true. The opposing theory would be that "what you do know can hurt you." In the stock market, however, it is what you don't know that can hurt you, which is difficult for many to adjust to.

What is known today is already priced into the stock market, the current news is already discounted, so it shouldn't have any additional effect. It is what you don't know that influences the stock market.

Based on the mood of investors, the unknowable future can be looked at with positive or negative eyes.

We remain in a bull market, and thus the future is being seen as holding positive developments. But because what you don't know can hurt you, unexpected negatives can knock the market down.

The question is, how does one handle future unknowable's? The best guide, in our opinion, is to respect trends that are in place.

The latest employment data provided a trend we can respect. Last Friday, it was reported that 162,000 jobs were created in March, the biggest increase in employment in three years.

Yes, 48,000 jobs came from temporary hiring for the 2010 Census takers, which will continue for a couple of months. Also, there was a rebound from weather-related work stoppages in February. However, the trend is your friend, and the trend in the job market appears to be up.

Meanwhile, the Institute for Supply Management March manufacturing index increased to 59.6 from 56.5 in February, showing expansion across the nations.

A Bloomberg News survey showed that economists believe gross domestic product (GDP) grew 2.8 percent in the first quarter of this year. This is another trend that causes us to be positive about the economic outlook.

There are tons of things we know today that are very negative and are the topic of conversation whenever folks get together.

Everyone knows the problems: the extreme divisiveness in Washington and among the American people, the belief by many that the economy is not improving, a lack of confidence in all our political leaders, an international scene that seems to deteriorate daily, a skyrocketing federal deficit.

Yes, the list can go on, but the point is everybody is aware of these problems, and thus they are already discounted by the stock market.

The negative mood among most Americans is understandable but is also a positive for the stock market.

An under-believed stock market is a healthy stock market. Most people "know" that many things today are bad — that's already in the market.

Trouble for the market comes when most "know" things today are great because that's how market bubbles are created.

We remain bullish.

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North Texas blacksmith keeps an old craft going

DAVID CASSTEVENS

Fort Worth Star-Telegram

GRAPEVINE — Bill Stoddard was pouring his morning coffee from an old graniteware pot when a familiar figure dressed in overalls appeared in the doorway of the city's blacksmith shop.

"I don't hear no hammering going on!"

Stoddard, the resident blacksmith, smiled at the greeting.

A stray dog he took in and named Ranger rose from the dirt floor and barked.

The visitor, Waid Benson, is one of more than 40 area metal artisans who will fire up their coal forges one Saturday last month to mark Blacksmith Day at Stoddard's rustic shop. The metal-roofed structure in the historic district is a replica of Charlie Millican's blacksmith shop, where Benson learned to shoe horses as a youth in the 1950s.

Benson, 66, is a certified farrier and member of the North Texas Blacksmiths Association.

His stout frame and white handlebar mustache call to mind the town smithy portrayed in old Western movies and TV shows. In a typical scene, the blacksmith pounds on a glowing horseshoe, dips the tong-held object into a barrel of water — hisssssssss — returns it to the fire and repeats the process.

"That makes no sense at all," Benson said.

"You don't cool that thing off till you're ready to nail it on. The way they do it in the movies, he never would get nothing done."

The volume of Benson's voice is that of a man who has spent most of his life trying to be heard above the rhythmic clang of a hammer striking molten metal on an anvil.

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow described the music in an 1841 poem:

"You can hear him swing his heavy sledge

"With measured beat and slow,

"Like a sexton ringing the vil-

lage bell,

"When the evening sun is low."

Blacksmiths have been around almost since the dawn of civilization. Chuck Stone, a blacksmith and ordained minister, said Tubal-Cain is mentioned in Genesis 4:22 as the original blacksmith.

Stone taught himself how to work with coal, iron and fire by reading blacksmithing books. He operates the Master's Forge blacksmith school (a one-day beginner's class costs \$150) in Newark and illustrates his sermons by heating railroad spikes to a hellish temperature and hammering them into a cross.

Stoddard learned the basics of the craft while growing up on a cattle ranch in western Colorado. As an artist, he said, he satisfies his "inner soul" by creating large sculptures and architectural pieces from metal, using simple tools and his callused hands.

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States woo California dairymen with less regulation

MICHAEL J. CRUMB

Associated Press Writer

DES MOINES, Iowa — The number of dairies in California has plummeted by more than 500 in the past decade, with many moving to other states enticed them with promises of lower costs and simpler regulations.

Eight states, ranging from Idaho to Iowa, have been courting dairies from California, the nation's largest milk producer. The reason is clear: Cows mean cash for local economies.

Mike Meissen, vice president for value added agriculture for the Iowa Area Development Group, estimated each dairy cow has an economic impact of \$15,000 a year.

"So if a thousand cows go into a county, that's \$15 million," said Meissen, whose group is made up of rural electric cooperatives that work to bring new business to Iowa.

While officials in other states offer California farmers a number of reasons to consider moving, one of the biggest incentives

seems to be the promise of fewer regulations.

It's a message that Michael Marsh, chief executive of the Modesto, Calif.-based Western Union Dairymen, said resonates in a state he calls a "regulatory nightmare for farmers." From air and water quality rules to reporting odometer readings on farm vehicles, regulations make it difficult for farmers to do business in California, he said.

"There are regulations you

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MOSELEY

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bar where she's a bartender after getting the most votes from regulars after her hairspray-coated hair ignited while she was trying to light a cigarette. The title, awarded every April at the Story

Inn, comes with a \$100 bar tab. In St. Louis, tax policy professor John Yeutter and the St. Louis-based American Mustache Institute are pushing for a \$250 annual tax incentive for people with mustaches. The funds would be used for mustache grooming supplies. The AMI says the cur-

rent system "provides a disincentive for the clean-shaven to enjoy the mustached American lifestyle." The AMI says the stimulus money could be used not only for trimming instruments but for wax, combs and mirrors. Somebody's tongue definitely had to be planted in cheek on that

one. And finally, a couple of weeks ago, rescuers freed a cow that spent several days trapped beneath a city street in Utah. The cow was hoisted out of a storm drain in Kaysville, Utah, after it was fitted in a harness connected to a tractor. Animal control officers believe the cow

squeezed into the culvert several days earlier and became trapped as it moved farther into the narrow storm drain system. Crews had to dig up part of a road before the cow was lifted out. The cow, we're told, appeared exhausted but alive. And we thought our streets were bad here,

didn't we? Contact Managing Editor John A. Moseley at 263-7331, ext. 230, or by e-mail at editor@bigspringherald.com

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LETTERS

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man with good common sense. Tommy is someone who sees things the way they are and doesn't skirt around the issues. He is a great husband to his wife, Pam. She has been a friend for more than 40 years. She has always been and will remain a true friend.

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Although we live outside the city limits and will be unable to vote in the mayoral election, we encourage anyone to visit with Tommy Duncan and listen to his ideas. Better yet, give him your ideas. We think you'll be surprised at how much you have in common.
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JENKINS

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cannot do. Craig Olson, if elected to the council, cannot single-handedly stop the city from building a water park. A seat on the council entitles its holder to one voice and one vote, that's all. And, in case you've never been to a city council meeting, there have been plenty of projects passed on a 6-1 vote. Remember the smoking ordinance everyone was so up in arms about? It passed on a 5-2 vote, with former council member Greg Biddison and current Councilman Manuel Ramirez Jr. both against it. Remember the controversy over an ordinance banning the chaining of dogs? It passed on a 6-1 vote, with Councilwoman Stephanie Horton

voting against its first reading. So, why is Olson making claims he can't deliver on? Simply put, there's nothing in the law that says candidates have to tell the truth. Some candidates — and the people who support them — at the state and federal level make a living off this fact. Am I the only one that remembers Proposition 12 from a few years ago, the amendment that was going to reform legal torts and make our healthcare and insurance affordable again? To say you'll stand against something is one thing. To say you'll fight tooth and nail against a measure, sure. But to falsely proclaim something is "history" if you're elected, well, that's just dishonest. Plenty of council members have found

themselves on the losing end of votes, and if Olson is elected, I'm sure he will, as well. However, I hope it doesn't take him and his campaign team that long to figure out what a council member can and can't do. Contact Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331, ext 232, or by e-mail at citydesk@bigspringherald.com

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 Judgment and Sentence:
 Corey Harris, possession of marijuana - two ounces or less, \$500 fine, \$328 court costs, 90 days in jail.
 Judgment and Sentence:
 Corey Harris, theft of property - more than \$50 less than \$500, \$500 fine, \$278 court costs, 90

days in jail.
 Judgment and Sentence:
 Louis Antonio Silva, driving while intoxicated, \$500 fine, \$443 court costs, 60 days in jail.
 Probated Judgment: Nathan Carl Garrard, possession of marijuana - two ounces or less, \$1,500 fine, \$342 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).
 Judgment and Student: Stanley Lynn Fraley, resisting arrest, search or transportation, \$97.75 fine, \$282 court costs, five days in jail.
 Judgment and Sentence: Billy Wayne Strickland Jr., bail jumping - failure to appear, \$200 fine, \$332 court costs, 90 days in jail.
 Judgment and Sentence:
 Oscar Saul Padilla, criminal mischief - more than \$500 less than \$1,500, \$500 fine, \$282 court costs, 30 days in jail.
 Probated Judgment: Tiodoro Diaz, driving while intoxicated, \$750 fine, \$457 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).
 Judgment and Sentence:
 Michael Moudy, terroristic threat of a family/household, \$500 fine, \$332 court costs, 20 days in jail.
District Court Filings:
 Sherri Lynn Perry vs. Fred Allen Perry, divorce.
 Rory Don Gammons vs. Elaine Michelle Gammons, divorce.
 Anthony Ramirez vs. Ana Marie Ramirez, divorce.
 Discover Bank vs. Eddie R. Moreno, accounts, notes and contracts.
 Gregorio Arenivaz Jr. vs. Nancy Ann Rios, divorce.
 Cherrie Burcham vs. Toro Operating Co., injury or damages with a motor vehicle.
 Tammy Westbrook vs. Cooper Tire and Rubber Co., injury or damages with a motor vehicle.
 The Computer Store Inc. vs. Arff Professionals Inc., accounts, notes and contracts.
 Roxanne Evans vs. De Andre Walton, protective order.
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SMITH

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Each item — including a hummingbird Stoddard fashioned from a truck's universal joint — has its own unique identity.
 The banging inside the Diamond W shop in Haslet is the sound of Benson shaping horseshoes. He also produces branding irons, hay hooks, knives and assorted trinkets.
 "When I started out, coal cost a dollar a hundred (pounds)," Benson said. "Now I pay \$20, and the coal ain't any good."
 Despite inflation, he carries on the craft, fueled by his imagination.
 "Can I take a rod and tie a knot in it?" he asks. "It's a challenge."
 And, Benson will attest, a lifelong education.

"Back when I was 15, man, I thought I knew it all," he declared. "I didn't know squat. You learn something every time you pick up a piece of iron. I'm still learning."
 "The day you stop learning is the day they done throwed dirt on top of you."

DAIRYMEN

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have here that you don't have in any other state or around the world," said Marsh, whose organization represents 60 percent of California's dairy producers.
 Darin Dykstra left California in 2002 to start a dairy in northwest Iowa. Several factors drew him and his wife to Iowa, he said, including ties to Dordt College,

the Sioux Center school they graduated from, and Wells Dairy, which buys milk from the Dykstras' 3,000 cows and is known for its Blue Bunny ice cream.
 Dykstra also likes the slower pace, access to Christian schools for his children and distance from urban sprawl.
 "Living in Southern California, there used to be grape vineyards next to our dairy. Now there are houses there," he said. "It's not ideal to have your farm in

the middle of all that and slowly we were getting pushed out — all the dairies were getting pushed out — so you have to move to the Central Valley or move out of state, and I chose to move out of state."
 Because land is cheaper in Iowa, he also could afford to grow feed corn on about 1,750 acres, rather than buying it as he did in California.
 Dykstra still owns part of his family's farm in California. But he said he was glad to be away

from the state's regulations, such as the required installation of expensive methane digesters over manure lagoons accompanied by a ban on emissions from the engines the digesters power.
 "Dairymen are trying to do the right thing, but the state is putting up road blocks," he said.
 Marsh said stories like Dykstra's are all too familiar. At least eight other states are trying to attract California dairies — Colorado, Idaho,

Iowa, Kansas, Montana, Nevada, Texas and Wyoming.
 "Other states come to farm shows and say 'Come to our state where this is little regulation, low taxes, jobs, state grants.' So for a lot of farmers, they look at that and the grass may be greener," Marsh said.
 Iowa has been able to attract enough dairies from California and elsewhere to become the nation's 12th largest dairy producer.

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News in brief

Volcanic ash cloud

sparks more flight disruptions

LONDON (AP) — A lingering volcanic ash plume forced extended no-fly restrictions over much of Europe Saturday, as Icelandic scientists warned that volcanic activity had increased and showed no sign of abating — a portent of more travel chaos to come.

Aviation experts say the volcanic plume has caused the worst travel disruption Europe — and the world — has ever seen.

Although the ash plume has grown, a northerly wind was expected to allow enough visibility for scientists to fly over the volcano Saturday. Scientists want to see how much ice has melted to determine how much longer the eruption could spew ash. Because the volcano is situated below a glacial ice cap, the magma is being cooled quickly, causing explosions and plumes of grit that can be catastrophic to plane engines if prevailing winds are right.

“The activity has been quite vigorous overnight, causing the eruption column to grow,” Icelandic geologist Magnus Tumi Gudmundsson told The Associated Press on Saturday. “It’s the magma mixing with the water that creates the explosivity. Unfortunately, there doesn’t seem to be an end in sight.”

An expansive cloud of grit hovered over parts of western Europe on Saturday, triggering extended flight bans that seemed likely to disrupt world leaders’ plans to attend Sunday’s state funeral for Polish President Lech Kaczynski and his wife Maria in the southern city of Krakow.

South Korean Prime Minister Chung Un-chan was the first to announce he was canceling his trip to Poland, while President Barack Obama, Russian President Dmitry Medvedev and German Chancellor Angela Merkel still planned to attend. Kaczynski’s family has said they want the funeral to go ahead as planned.

National memorial for

Polish plane crash victims

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Church bells pealed and emergency sirens blared across Poland at 8:56 a.m. Saturday to mark the minute a week earlier that a plane crashed as it attempted to land in Russia, claiming the life of Polish President Lech Kaczynski, his wife and 94 others.

Thousands of Poles massed in Warsaw’s Pilsudski Square for a public memorial service for the victims. But some world leaders canceled their atten-

dance at a state funeral Sunday, citing the volcanic ash cloud hanging over Europe, leaving numerous airports closed.

So far delegations from India, Japan, South Korea, Mexico, New Zealand and Pakistan have canceled plans to attend Sunday’s state funeral, Polish Foreign Ministry spokesman Piotr Paszkowski said.

The crash plunged Poland into a deep grief not seen since the death of Pope John Paul II five years ago.

The bells tolling were a precursor to the giant outdoor memorial later Saturday in Pilsudski Square that is expected to draw hundreds of thousands of mourners.

The ceremony is the first of two days of somber ceremonies and will be followed by a funeral Mass for the first couple at St. John’s Cathedral at 6 p.m. in Warsaw.

Obama argues for tougher financial regulation

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama on Saturday challenged opponents of tougher financial regulations, saying the U.S. is doomed to repeat the economic crisis without new rules and that taxpayers would again be stuck with the bill.

The overhaul is the next major piece of legislation that Obama wants to sign into law this year.

“Every day we don’t act, the same system that led to bailouts remains in place, with the exact same loopholes and the exact same liabilities,” Obama said in his weekly radio and Internet address. “And if we don’t change what led to the crisis, we’ll doom ourselves to repeat it.”

“Opposing reform will leave taxpayers on the hook if a crisis like this ever happens again,” the president said.

A proposal that Senate Democrats are readying for debate creates a mechanism for liquidating large firms to avoid a meltdown. The bill also would regulate the derivatives market for the first time, create a council to detect threats to the system and establish a new consumer protection agency to police people’s dealings with financial institutions.

Republicans contend that a provision creating a \$50 billion fund for dismantling banks considered “too big to fail” would continue government bailouts of Wall Street. Obama administration officials say such a fund is unnecessary and they want Senate Democrats to remove it.

Tibetans cremate quake victims; death toll rises to 1,339

JIEGU, China (AP) — Monks wearing face masks set ablaze piles of the blanket-wrapped bodies of China’s earthquake victims on a mountaintop Saturday, as necessity forced local Tibetans to break with the tradition of leaving their dead out for vultures.

Hundreds of villagers sat on the hillside, watching as the flames leapt skyward, while monks chanted and prayed for the dead.

The mass cremation marked the start of the community’s recovery even as rescue workers continued to pick through rubble — and found at least one survivor — in a remote corner of western China.

The death toll from Wednesday’s quake rose to 1,339, officials told reporters at a briefing Saturday afternoon, with 332 still missing. Officials said 11,849 were injured, including 1,297 seriously.

Moved by the disaster in the overwhelmingly Tibetan area, the Dalai Lama said Saturday he would like to visit the site. The Tibetan spiritual leader fled Tibet after a failed 1959 uprising against Chinese rule and has never returned.

Caught on camera: Police work changing as phone, dashboard camera videos increasingly go viral

CHICAGO (AP) — Minutes after a suburban Chicago police officer was charged with striking a motorist with his baton, prosecutors handed out copies of a video showing the beating — taken by a dashboard camera on the officer’s own squad car.

In California, after a transit cop and an unruly train passenger slammed against a wall during a struggle and shattered a station window last fall, video from a bystander’s cell phone was all over the

Internet before the window was fixed.

The same cell phones, surveillance cameras and other video equipment often used to assist police are also catching officers on tape, changing the nature of police work — for better and worse.

Some say cameras are exposing behavior that police have gotten away with for years. But others contend the videos, which often show a snippet of an incident, turn officers into villains simply for doing their jobs, making them targets of lawsuits and discipline from bosses buckling to public pressure.

“We tell our officers all the time you’ve got to assume that everything you do is going to be videotaped,” said Chicago Police Superintendent Jody Weis. “Everyone has a cell phone and almost every cell phone has a camera.”

Democratic woes, tough economic times create political challenge for Calif. incumbent Boxer

WESTLAKE VILLAGE, Calif. (AP) — A Democrat and a woman, Helen Sargent is the kind of voter that Sen. Barbara Boxer needs this year in her drive for a fourth term in Washington.

So, what does Sargent think of taxes and the U.S. debt? Too high.

President Barack Obama, Boxer’s fellow Democrat? Very disappointing.

The Democratic Party? Needs new faces.

Boxer “has been there too long,” says Sargent, a 65-year-old travel agent from this leafy Los Angeles suburb that Boxer carried by a mere 56 votes in 2004. “All politicians have a shelf life.”

Those are troubling words for Boxer, who won in a 20-point landslide six years ago, but now faces the fight of her political career. The nation’s economic woes — particularly intense in hard-hit California — and a difficult electoral year for Democrats have created a rough challenge for the 69-year-old liberal lawmaker.

In a clear sign of her difficulties, President Barack Obama heads to Los Angeles on Monday to help raise money for Boxer, who is running about even with several potential Republican challengers, an alarming sign in the Democratic-leaning state.

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Parents of murdered Calif. teen OK plea deal to give peace to another grieving family

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The parents of Chelsea King faced a torturous decision.

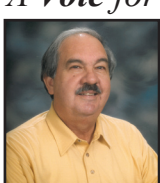
Should they insist that prosecutors seek the death penalty against a man charged with raping and murdering their 17-year-old daughter? Or do they settle for life in prison in exchange for his plea of guilty to the murders of their child and a 14-year-old girl whose killing would have otherwise gone unresolved?

John Albert Gardner III pleaded guilty Friday to raping and murdering both Chelsea and Amber Dubois in a plea agreement that called for life in prison and he would reveal details about how they vanished and died.

Chelsea’s parents said they agreed to the deal because they wanted to spare their son the strife of continuing litigation and give the family a measure of peace.

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Houston doctor sentenced again in fake Botox case

HOUSTON (AP) — A Houston doctor who acknowledged injecting at least 170 patients with a fake Botox product not approved for human use has been sentenced to prison.

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Rothenberg pleaded guilty to mislabeling the product and making false statements to law enforcement. She told a federal court in March that she stopped ordering Botox after a price increase and switched to an unapproved drug that cost half as much. She testified that she knew the drug was not for human use.

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Dead child found near Texas lake was fed by tube

WYLIE (AP) — Police say the young boy whose body was found near a Texas lake had "significant medical needs" and likely was fed by feeding tube.

The boy, who is believed to be 6, has not been identified. He was found Thursday near Lavon Lake in Wylie, about 20 miles northeast of Dallas.

Police say there are no missing children reports that match information about the boy. There were no apparent signs of trauma.

But the boy, who was 39 inches tall, weighed just 28 pounds. Normal weight for a boy of that age and height is about 60 pounds. Authorities believe he was probably a special needs child.

Police say a worker mowing around a pond discovered the body. Autopsy results were pending.

Seventh person arrested in El Paso murder plot

EL PASO (AP) — Police say the last man wanted in an El Paso murder-for-hire plot is now in jail.

Daniel Dalli, 21, was arrested Friday when he turned himself into police, accompanied by his attorney.

Dalli, who faces charges of conspiracy to commit capital murder, is accused of being one of seven people involved in a plot to kill an El Paso woman and her mother. Neither woman was injured.

Paul Escobar, Dalli's lawyer, did not immediately return an after-hours telephone message seeking comment.

Calderon: Most Mexico drug war dead are criminals

MEXICO CITY (AP) — President Felipe Calderon insists that few innocent civilians have fallen vic-

tim to Mexico's bloody drug war.

Speaking during a tourism conference on Friday, the Mexican president said that nearly all those killed are people tied to cartels wrestling for power.

Calderon says criminals constitute more than 90 percent of drug war's death toll, which stands at nearly 23,000 in just over three years. He says police officers and soldiers make up less than 5 percent of deaths and bystanders or other innocents even less.

Calderon's comments came two days after a gunbattle in broad daylight killed six people and wounded five on the main boulevard of Acapulco's tourist zone. Among the dead were a mother and her 8-year-old child.

Executive's Enron-related case may be near end

HOUSTON (AP) — The May retrial of a former Merrill Lynch executive whose 2004 Enron-related fraud and conspiracy convictions were overturned was delayed by a month Friday by a federal judge, with prosecutors and defense attorneys saying they are close to reaching a plea agreement.

But plea negotiations to resolve the charges against another ex-Merrill Lynch executive have not been as productive and the case was set for an August trial.

Attorneys for Robert S. Furst told U.S. District

Judge Ewing Werlein Jr. during a court hearing that they and prosecutors are close to a deal to resolve the case.

Paul Coggins, Furst's attorney, and prosecutor Patrick Stokes declined to comment.

But at a court hearing later Friday, attorneys for James A. Brown told Werlein that talks to settle their client's case have grown contentious.

"I'm not going to succumb to their attempts to intimidate either (Brown) or I," said Sidney Powell, one of Brown's attorneys.

Murder charge dropped in student's slaying

FORT WORTH (AP) — Police are dropping the murder charge against a man they initially suspected in the fatal shooting of a Fort Worth high school honors student.

A police statement issued Friday says they have insufficient evidence to sustain the charge against 24-year-old Bruce Terrell Rogers. He remains in custody as a suspect in an unrelated robbery.

Rogers had been suspected of shooting 17-year-old Eric Forrester in the head Monday afternoon after Forrester left Southwest High School in Fort Worth for lunch at home with his 21-year-old sister. Police say Forrester and his sister walked in on a burglary. The sister says that when she fled for help, she heard a gunshot coming from inside the house.



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Lessons learned shape Obama's high court pick

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Associated Press Writer
WASHINGTON — Expect a fight. Enlist supporters but keep them in line. Protect secrecy. Reach out to opponents even though you can't woo them.

Inside the White House, those are some of the lessons learned from the selection and confirmation of President Barack Obama's first Supreme Court nominee last year. With a vacancy coming this summer on the nine-member court, those lessons amount to a road map for how Obama will choose the next justice — and what his team will do to get that person confirmed by the Senate.

The choice of a Supreme Court justice, with lifetime tenure, can affect American life for a generation or more, giving a president a reach that lasts far beyond his time in the Oval Office. Justice John Paul Stevens' decision to retire after more than 34 years has given Obama a second chance within a year to shape the court.

Washington is speculating about who will get the job, but that probably won't be known publicly for weeks. Before then, there are other questions — how

Obama will decide, why he will make the choice he does, what his team will do to protect his interests — that will shed light about the thinking of this president.

Obama's approach in finding a successor to Stevens, the leader of the court's liberals, is expected to mirror the one he used last year in choosing federal appeals court judge Sonia Sotomayor.

A look at the main lessons the White House is applying:

- Obama will pick whomever he wants.

The White House expects loud, organized opposition from conservative groups no matter the nominee and assumes that most Republican senators will start and end at "no" when it comes to a confirmation vote, especially in an election year.

- Obama has told everyone what he wants.

He wants someone who meets the expected standards — strong credentials, a record of excellence, a sharp mind, dedication to the rule of the law — plus he puts a premium on understanding how court opinions affect people.

This time, the White House is playing up another factor: someone who has proved able to win people over.



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Gerald Harris, a senior at Big Spring High School, is constructing a 450-foot pipe fence along U.S. Highway 87 and the municipal golf course as an Eagle Scout project. He's got enough manpower — help from other Scouts — but is in need of about \$2,000 to pay for expenses related to the task, which is well on its way to being completed. Anyone who would like to make a donation can reach him at (432) 466-4122. "Anything will help," said the 17-year-old, who is the son of Lee and Laurie Harris of Big Spring. Above, Harris and fellow Scouts work on the pipe fence.

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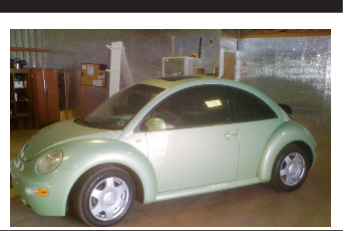
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TO: Millissa Joy Massingill a/k/a/ Millissa Joy Green Defendant, Greeting:

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 3rd day of May, 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 18th day of March, A.D., 2010, in this case, numbered 44866 on the docket of said court, and styled,

In Re Michael William Massingill A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: (Family)

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 18th day of March A.D. 2010 COLLEEN BARTON, District Clerk 118th District Court, Howard County, Texas

By Brandie Martinez, Deputy #6466 March 28 and April 4, 11 & 18, 2010

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

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NORTH
♦A J 5
♥10 9 3
♦A J 9 5 3
♠Q 6
WEST
♦4 3 2
♥Q 6 4 2
♦7 2
♠10 8 5 4
EAST
♠Q 10 9 8 7
♥J 8 5
♦K 8
♣A 9 2
SOUTH
♠K 6
♥A K 7
♦Q 10 6 4
♠K J 7 3

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

Sometimes a defender, through inspiration or intuition, hits on an offbeat opening lead that proves to be a real thorn in declarer's side.

Such was the case in today's deal where West, holding no long suit and a paucity of honor cards, decided that his best chance to defeat three notrump was to find his partner's strong suit. He then hit the nail on the head by leading the four of spades.

Declarer played the jack from dummy, took East's queen with the king and then tried a diamond

finesse, losing to the king. East's spade return was ducked all around, and another spade was taken by the ace.

South had eight tricks at this point. When he eventually led a club, East won with the ace and cashed two spades to defeat the contract.

Although West found the only opening lead that could give declarer any trouble, South must be charged with bringing about his own demise. Even after the spade lead, the contract was absolutely certain to succeed regardless of how the opposing cards were divided. All declarer had to do was to play a low spade from dummy rather than the jack at trick one.

South fell victim to the delusion that he was getting a "free finesse" by putting up the jack. Instead, he should have allowed the opening lead to run to his king and retained the A-J in dummy in case the diamond finesse lost. Then, East would not have been able to continue the attack on spades without conceding a trick to the jack.

South should reason that if the diamond finesse loses, he will have only eight winners and will need to look elsewhere for a ninth. But with East on lead and the A-J of spades still in dummy, no return can stop him from making the contract.

Tomorrow: Famous Hand.
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Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9 with no repeats. That means no number is repeated in any row, column or box. Solution, tips and computer program at www.sudoku.com

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5		9		7				
	5		9					
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(A los votantes registrados del DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE BIG SPRING, Texas)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. on May 10, 2010, for voting in a general election to elect Electing one (1) School Board Trustee from District 5, one (1) School Board Trustee from District 6 and one (1) School Board Trustee from District 7 each to serve a regular three-year term.

(Notifíquese, por la presente, que los centros electorales sitados abajo se abriran desde las 7 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 8 de Mayo de 2010 para votar en la Elección General para elegir Elegir un (1) patronato escolar del distrito 5, un (1) patronato escolar del distrito 6 Y un (1) patronato escolar del distrito 7 cada uno para servir un termino regular de tres años.

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Voting on Election Day will be conducted at
(La votacion del Dia de Eleccion sera en)

Big Spring High School Library,
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Big Spring, Texas.

Hours: 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.
April 26, 2010 (Monday)

April 27, 2010 (Tuesday)
April 28, 2010 (Wednesday)
April 30, 2010 (Friday)
May 3, 2010 (Monday)
7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.
April 29, 2010 (Thursday)
May 4, 2010 (Tuesday)
Horas: a las 8:00 hasta las 5:00
el 26 de abril 2010 (lunes)
el 27 de abril 2010 (martes)
el 28 de abril 2010 (miercoles)
el 30 de abril 2010 (viernes)
a las 7:00 hasta las 7:00
el 29 de abril 2010 (jueves)
el 4 de mayo 2010 (martes)

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April 30, 2010
(el 30 de abril de 2010).
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Location (Sitio)
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Big Spring, TX 79720
Date (Fecha)
Monday, May 3, 2010
Hours (Horas)
7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Issued this the 13th day of April 2010
(Emitada este dia 13 de Abril de, 2010)

Mike Dawson
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Big Spring Independent School District
(Distrito Escolar Independiente de Big Spring)
#6504 April 18, 2010

If you were to take a snapshot of the planetary positions and then wait for the alignments to repeat, you would have to wait 24,000 years. And even then, it wouldn't be the same — not really. This is the last day of the sun's journey through Aries in the year 2010. It's a good time to recognize the unique and special qualities of the moment.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You'll hit it off with someone.

When two people click as well as this, there's a temptation to divulge every aspect of your life and get close quickly. Resist this urge. It's more dignified (and ultimately more fun) to go slowly and reveal little.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). It may seem as though your loved one is deliberately trying to annoy you, but the behavior is not intentional. You'll have to dig down deep to come up with more love and compassion — that's the magic healing balm.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). If you stick to the agenda with the focus of a perfectionist, you will only be dissatisfied. Plus, you'll miss out on some humor and creativity. So stay flexible. Be accepting of the others on your team.



HOLIDAY MATHIS

Tomorrow's Horoscope

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Study the habits of a person you admire. Establish a predictable ritual that represents the person you want to be. Whatever you do to better yourself will take hold.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Maybe you've suffered from some wrong thinking lately. But your mind is also a powerful genius, controlling your temperature, blood pressure, immune system and a million other things. Give credit where it's due.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Neatness and organization will be key to your happiness. If you live with others, they will benefit from your considerable talent for creating peaceful environments.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The agendas of those around you may clash with your plans. If you have a quiet, private space of your own, you'll be very happily working out new solutions there. If you don't have your own space, try a library or bookstore.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Boldness sometimes happens without much fanfare. In fact, it can be as silent as a raised eyebrow. With quiet confidence, you will assert yourself. Others respond quickly to your tacit requests.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). On a molecular level, most things are more empty space than solid matter. That's why you shouldn't worry if your wishes haven't yet materialized. Fill the empty space with imaginings. Believe in the potential of things.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). When people feel comfortable around you, they want to be around you more. Making someone feel good about

him or herself may be the best thing you could do to attract this person's affection.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). What one person sees as exasperating, another person finds quirky and charming. You'll find yourself in the second category today, accepting someone's eccentricities as interesting and endearing.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). A loved one rubs you the wrong way. Things can't go on as they are for much longer without you becoming disgruntled. Speak gently but honestly about the kinds of changes you would like to have happen in a relationship.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 18). You will experience the paradox of true love this year. No matter how much you give of yourself — and indeed you will give your all — your heart will be full. You have fans, and one of them will employ you in May. You'll deliver on a promise in June, and this begins a cycle of excellent financial luck. Aquarius and Virgo people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 50, 25, 41, 28 and 19.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: We interrupt this astrological report to bring you an important message from your favorite star, the sun. "Greetings, Earthlings! It's time to celebrate the life and beauty of your home planet." The 2010 solar tour through Aries is wrapping up, and this week the royal fireball proceeds to new adventures in the next region of the sky. Originally, Earth Day was set for the spring equinox, or in other words, the passage of the sun into Aries. But for

political, logistical and astrological, the April 22 date works beautifully. The sun will have just entered Taurus, which is the very first earth sign. The energy of the bull will awaken our senses and turn up our appreciation of all we can experience on Earth. The moon will be in Leo, placing a bigger spotlight on environmental issues and giving associated events an entertaining spin. A square of Venus and Neptune will be exact on Friday, April 23. However, its effects will be felt all week long as they stir our conscience and help us measure the long-term consequences of our daily actions. What is best and highest for the group will also benefit the individual.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Casting directors can sense the warrior spirit of Aries actress America Ferrera. Whether she's playing "Ugly Betty" or the voice of Astrid, the teenage Viking in the 3D fantasy film "How to Train Your Dragon," Ferrera's feisty fire-sign nature is at the heart of her characterizations. Her natal moon in worldly Sagittarius lends sophistication and savvy, while Mercury in Taurus indicates a grounded individual.

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Legals

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Legals

Invitation for Bids
Garrett & Associates General Contractors, Ltd. is accepting bid proposals for concrete flatwork, rock excavation, solar electrical, and masonry subcontracts for work located at Big Spring State Park. Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m., on April 29, 2010 - via fax at 903-839-9265 or delivered to 21405 CR 2182, Whitehouse, TX 75791. Prospective bidders may obtain additional information and bid instructions by calling 903-839-7909. GAGC reserves the right to recommend to the Owner the bid proposal that provides the best value for the Project. #6502 April 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26 and 27, 2010

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ACROSS

1 Saw
8 Idle
15 One in front of the class, maybe
16 Bunk
17 Way back
18 Columnist, e.g.
19 ___ land
20 FDR cabinet member
22 Supermarket department
23 1969 Peace Prize grp.
24 Informal wear
26 Waterloo, in the UK
27 Stallone, in Capone
29 Backwoods folks
30 Glenn Miller's real first name
32 Gull
34 DuPont brand
35 Fast
37 Aria + recitative
39 Picasso portraitist
43 Physicist Ohm
44 Head, slangily
45 "Ride more than thou ___": *King Lear*
46 Brightness measures
47 Ring bearers
50 Man: Lat.
51 Joke target
53 FDR biographer
54 Lightsaber user
55 *Exit the King* playwright
57 Drip-dry, in Devon

59 Some bank clients
60 Symbol of detachment
61 Certain storage areas
62 They may be sharp

DOWN

1 Nutty sweet
2 Trappings
3 Painted leopards
4 Type of endorsement
5 ___ Carinae (massive star system)
6 Name meaning "kingly"
7 Source of information

8 Chocolate substitutes
9 Dost speak
10 Wing shape, perhaps
11 Put down
12 *Don Pasquale* character
13 '60s CBS mainstay
14 Certain Middle Easterner
21 Raccoon relatives
24 Auto adjustments
25 Kilt kin
28 President with 15 children
31 Dismissed
33 ___ *Cassius Clay* ('70 documentary)

34 Government agcy. since 1934
36 Not so fast?
37 National Park in the Sierra Nevadas
38 Two Oscar-winner for a '90 film
40 Bows to
41 Saint of Seville
42 Limitations
43 Vet benefit
44 "Don't worry about that!"
48 Obviously nervous one
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Dear Margo: Slapping Strangers? I don't think so.

Dear Margo: I recently moved here from Scotland. I thought you might have some insight into an experience I had involving an American woman's image of her body.



MARGO HOWARD

I met a really attractive and intelligent woman at a party a few weeks ago. It was a public event at an art gallery. She was a high-school teacher in her early 30s.

We had been talking for a good half-hour and really seemed to be hitting it off. We'd even made plans to meet for coffee sometime.

Then, things suddenly went downhill.

I commented that she had a "really nice hourglass figure." I thought she would be complimented, but instead she became deeply offended.

I went into damage control mode and tried to clarify my comments, but I think I only exacerbated things when I used the term "healthy."

With a look of complete disgust — WHAP! — she slapped my face and departed.

I will never forget those agonizing moments in the immediate aftermath, as I was standing there rubbing my cheek, drawing some judgmental stares from onlookers.

Needless to say, it was not my proudest moment, LOL.

She had a classic hourglass figure — large bust, narrow waist, shapely hips and legs.

I guess she had interpreted "hourglass" as meaning overweight or full-figured. I just thought it meant shapely.

I have her e-mail address. Do you think I should send her an apology? — Kevin

Dear Kev: An apology for what — paying her a compliment she wasn't smart enough to understand?

A slap was quite an overreaction. I think in order to slap a stranger in an art gallery, or anywhere, the "offender" would have had to unleash a string of unprintable words, make lewd suggestions and start pulling your hair.

You have missed nothing with the dim bulb, who at the very least sounds like a prima donna in training.

In sum, I am not in

favor of ever slapping a stranger — or, for that matter, a friend. — Margo, corporally

To Close 'Em Down or Tune Out

Dear Margo: I live in the South, where, unfortunately, many people still judge others based solely on their race.

I'm currently putting myself through college by working a customer service position at a store, and I am amazed at how many of the customers make racist statements about other customers or about the people in line ahead of them.

I really don't know how to respond to these rants, so I usually end up just silently looking at them until they finish talking about how the country

would be a better place if "they" would learn English, get a job, learn to be more polite and so on.

These situations make me very uncomfortable. I don't want to be rude to the person talking to me, but I also don't want to imply that I condone this way of thinking by not saying anything.

Is there a tactful way to let these people know that I'd rather not listen to their tacky, judgmental statements about people who are of a different race than theirs? — Tired of the Racism

Dear Tired: When you say "customer service," are you manning the complaint desk?

If you are and people come up to you to complain about minorities, you can certainly tell them that

has nothing to do with either your store or retail in general. I suspect this is not the case, because it would be very strange ... sort of like calling 411 and asking how to unclog a drain.

If people come to your desk with another problem and, en passant, share their bigotry with you, simply stop them and remind them of the nature of your job.

And if you're feeling brave, you might add that if more people could figure out how to live comfortably with all kinds of differences, we would all be in better shape. — Margo, deliberately

Dear Margo is written by Margo Howard, Ann Landers' daughter.

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Legals

NOTICE OF ELECTION STATE OF TEXAS § COUNTY OF HOWARD § TO THE REGISTERED VOTERS OF THE BIG SPRING INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT an election will be held within Big Spring Independent School District, on Saturday, May 8, 2010, as provided in the Order Calling Bond Election passed by the Board of Trustees of Big Spring Independent School District, a substantial copy of which Order is printed below.

ORDER OF BIG SPRING INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT CALLING A SPECIAL BOND ELECTION AND PROVIDING FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION AND OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT THERETO

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF HOWARD §
BIG SPRING INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT §
WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Big Spring Independent School District (the "District") held a special meeting on February 25, 2010, and that said meeting was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551; and,

WHEREAS, the District deems it advisable to call the special bond election hereinafter ordered; and,

WHEREAS, it is hereby officially found and determined at said meeting that (1) it is in the public interest that the special bond election hereinafter ordered should be conducted jointly with the City of Big Spring, Texas (the "City"); (2) the hereinafter called election meets the requirements for a joint election under section 271.001, et seq., of the Texas Election Code; (3) pursuant to the Election Service Contract with Howard County, Texas (the "County"), the hereinafter called election shall be conducted by the Howard County Elections Administrator; and, (4) it is in the public's interest for the District to hold the hereinafter called election on May 8, 2010, a uniform election date established by section 41.001(a) of the Texas Election Code; and,

WHEREAS, the Election Service Contract with the County provides for the administration of such election by the County through the Howard County Clerk, Sandra Bloom, who shall serve as the Elections Administrator, pursuant to Texas Election Code, Chapter 31; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE DISTRICT:

1. The statements contained in the preamble of this Order are true and correct and adopted as findings of fact and operative provisions hereof. An Election shall be held in the District between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on May 8, 2010. Such Election is to be conducted with the City, as provided by Chapter 271, et seq., of the Texas Election Code, and the Election Service Contract between the County and the District (the "Election Contract"). For the Election, the entire District shall constitute a single election precinct which Election shall occur at the following designated polling place(s), and with the following election officers, who have been appointed to hold said Election:

Big Spring High School Library
707 E. 11th Place
Big Spring, Texas 79720
Presiding Judge:
Jane Hammond
Alternate Judge:
Larenda Larson

2. The Presiding Judge shall appoint not less than two (2) but no more than five (5) qualified election clerks to serve and assist in conducting the Election; provided that if any Presiding Judge actually serves as expected, the Alternate Presiding Judge shall be one of such clerks.

3. Early voting shall be conducted according to the Joint Election Agreement, and at the Early Voting Locations specified in Exhibit "A," attached hereto and made a part hereof for all intents and purposes, during the period early

voting is required or permitted by law, being April 26, 2010 through May 4, 2010. The hours designated for early voting by personal appearance are as specified on Exhibit "A," and the Early Voting Locations shall at all times remain open during such hours for early voting by personal appearance.

4. In accordance with the Election Services Contract, the Early Voting Clerk for the Election shall be Sandra Bloom, Howard County Elections Administrator. The Elections Administrator's permanent employees shall also serve as Deputy Early Voting clerks during the Election Administrator's regular office hours, and the Election Administrator may appoint other early voting clerks as necessary to assist with early voting.

5. Applications for early voting by mail shall be sent to Sandra Bloom, Early Voting Clerk, PO Box 1069, Big Spring, Texas 79721. Application for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 30, 2010. Any applications for ballots by mail received by the District shall immediately be forwarded to Sandra Bloom for processing.

6. An Early Voting Ballot Board shall be created to process early voting results of the Election. The Howard County Clerk, Sandra Bloom, shall appoint the Presiding Judge of the early voting ballot board, and the Presiding Judge, in turn, shall appoint at least two (2) other members to serve on the Early Voting Ballot Board.

7. All qualified electors of and residing in the District shall be entitled to vote at the Election.

8. At the Election, the following PROPOSITION shall be submitted in accordance with law:

PROPOSITION
Shall the Board of Trustees of Big Spring Independent School District be authorized to issue bonds of the District, in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount of \$60,000,000 for the construction, renovation and equipment of elementary school buildings in the District, and for the renovation, equipment and additions to the existing Junior High School and Senior High School buildings in the District, with the bonds to mature, bear interest, and be issued and sold in accordance with the law at the time of issuance; and shall the Board of Trustees be authorized to levy and pledge, and cause to be assessed and collected, annual ad valorem taxes, on all taxable property in the District, sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds?

9. The official ballots for the Election shall be prepared in accordance with the Texas Election Code so as to permit the electors to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the aforesaid PROPOSITION with the ballots to contain such provisions, markings and language as required by law, and with such PROPOSITION to be expressed substantially as follows:

PROPOSITION
FOR
AGAINST
)))))) THE ISSUANCE OF \$60,000,000 OF BONDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION AND EQUIPMENT OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDINGS, AND FOR THE RENOVATION, EQUIPMENT AND ADDITIONS TO THE EXISTING JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL BUILDINGS IN AND FOR THE BIG SPRING INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE LEVYING OF THE TAX FOR PAYMENT THEREOF))))))

10. A substantial copy of this Order, in both English and Spanish, shall serve as proper Notice of the Election (the "Notice"), and the President of the Board of Trustees shall cause the Notice to be published at least one time, not earlier than the 30th day or later than the 10th day prior to the date set for the Election, in a newspaper published in the District or, if none is published in the District, in a newspaper of general circulation in the District. In addition, not later than the 21st day prior to the date set for the Election, or not later than the next business day if the 21st day falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal state holiday, the President of

the Board of Trustees shall cause the Notice, in both English and Spanish, to be posted on the bulletin board used for posting notices of meetings of the Board of Trustees, and at any other location(s) and by any other method as the District deems fit or may be required by law.

11. A substantial copy of this order delivered to the Election Judge(s) and Alternate Election Judge(s) within the time required by law shall be proper notice as required under Texas Election Code, and the President of the Board of Trustees shall cause this order and all other necessary notices to be posted and delivered to the Election Judges and any Alternates stated herein, as may be required by law.

12. In all respects the Election shall be conducted in accordance with the Texas Election Code and any other applicable state or federal law. At least one (1) electronic voting machine, which has been certified by the Texas Secretary of State for use in Texas elections as an accessible voting system, shall be used at each election day polling place and at each early voting polling place.

13. The Agreement with the County Clerk of Howard County, Texas to perform Election Services in connection with the Election, and the Joint Election Agreement with the City of Big Spring, Texas, in the form and substance presented at the District's January Board of Trustees meeting is hereby further approved for the conduct of the District's Special Election.

EXHIBIT A BIG SPRING INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL BOND ELECTION MAY 8, 2010

EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS
Early Voting by personal appearance for the Big Spring Independent School District May 8, 2010 Special Bond Election will be conducted during the early voting dates between April 26, 2010 and May 4, 2010 at the EARLY POLLING LOCATIONS ON THE DATES AND TIMES LISTED BELOW:

MAIN EARLY VOTING POLLING PLACE

Location(s):
Howard County Courthouse
3rd Floor
300 Main Street
Big Spring, TX 79720
Dates:
Monday, April 26, 2010
Tuesday, April 27, 2010
Wednesday, April 28, 2010
Thursday, April 29, 2010
Friday, April 30, 2010
Monday, May 3, 2010
Tuesday, May 4, 2010
Times:
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

TEMPORARY EARLY VOTING POLLING PLACES
Location(s):
Big Spring High School Library
707 E 11th Place
Big Spring, Texas 79720
Dates:
Monday, May 3, 2010
Times:
7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

AVISO DE ELECCIONES
ESTADO DE TEXAS §
CONDADO DE HOWARD §
A LOS ELECTORES REGISTRADOS DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE BIG SPRING:

MEDIANTE ESTE DOCUMENTO SE COMUNICA QUE SE CELEBRARÁN ELECCIONES EN EL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE REAGAN, EL SÁBADO 8 DE MAYO DE 2010, SEGÚN ESTÁ PREVISTO EN LA ORDEN DE CONVOCATORIA DE ELECCIONES PARA LA EMISIÓN DE BONOS APROBADA POR EL CONSEJO DE ADMINISTRACIÓN DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE BIG SPRING, CUYA COPIA FIEL SE INCLUYE A CONTINUACIÓN:

ORDEN DE CONVOCATORIA DE ELECCIONES ESPECIALES EN EL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE BIG SPRING PARA LA EMISIÓN DE BONOS Y QUE ESTABLECE

LAS NORMAS PARA PROCEDER EN LAS ELECCIONES Y DEMÁS ASUNTOS INHERENTES A LAS MISMAS

ESTADO DE TEXAS §
CONDADO DE HOWARD §
DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE BIG SPRING §

POR CUANTO, el Consejo de administración del Distrito escolar independiente de Big Spring (el "Distrito") se reunió el día 25 de febrero de 2010, estando dicha reunión abierta al público, y habiéndose dado aviso público de la hora, lugar y propósito de dicha reunión, según lo exige el Capítulo 551 del Código gubernamental de Texas; y

POR CUANTO, el Distrito considerara aconsejable convocar las elecciones especiales para la emisión de bonos que más adelante se ordenan; y

POR CUANTO, en dicha reunión se declaró y determinó oficialmente que: (1) es en interés público que la celebración de las elecciones, de aquí en adelante ordenadas, debería llevarse a cabo conjuntamente con la ciudad de Big Spring, Texas (la "Ciudad"); (2) la celebración de las elecciones de aquí en adelante convocadas cumple los requisitos de elecciones conjuntas a tenor de la sección 271.001 y siguientes del Código electoral de Texas; (3) de conformidad con el Contrato de servicio de elecciones con el condado de Howard, Texas (el "Condado"), las elecciones de aquí en adelante convocadas las llevará a cabo el Administrador electoral del Condado de Howard; y (4) es en interés público que el Distrito celebre las elecciones de aquí en adelante convocadas el día 8 de mayo de 2010, fecha uniforme para la celebración de elecciones según se establece en la sección 41.001(a) del Código electoral de Texas; y

POR CUANTO, el Contrato de servicio de elecciones con el Condado dispone que el Condado administre dichas elecciones a través del Actuario del Condado de Howard, Sandra Bloom, que actuará como Administrador electoral, de conformidad con el Capítulo 31 del Código electoral de Texas; y

AHOR, POR LO TANTO, EL CONSEJO DE ADMINISTRACIÓN DEL DISTRITO ORDENA:

1. Las declaraciones contenidas en el preámbulo de esta Orden son ciertas y correctas y han sido adoptadas como conclusiones de hecho y disposiciones operativas del presente documento. Se celebrarán elecciones especiales para la emisión de bonos en el Distrito entre las 7:00 de la mañana y las 7:00 de la tarde, el día 8 de mayo de 2010. Dichas Elecciones se celebrarán con la Ciudad, según el capítulo 271 y siguientes del Código electoral de Texas y el Contrato de servicio de elecciones entre el Condado y el Distrito ("Contrato electoral"). Para las Elecciones, el Distrito en su totalidad será la única circunscripción electoral y dichas Elecciones tendrán lugar en el centro o centros electorales designado(s), y con los oficiales electorales nombrados para celebrar dichas Elecciones:

Big Spring High School Library
707 E. 11th Place
Big Spring, Texas 79720
Juez presidente:
Jane Hammond
Juez suplente:
Larenda Larson

2. El Juez presidente nombrará no menos de dos (2) ni más de cinco (5) secretarios electorales cualificados para servir y ayudar en la celebración de las Elecciones. Cuando el Juez presidente ejerza sus funciones como tal, el Juez suplente será uno de dichos secretarios.

3. La votación adelantada se llevará a cabo de conformidad con el Acuerdo de elecciones conjuntas, y en los centros electorales para la votación adelantada mencionados en el Anexo A, adjunto a este documento y que forma parte del mismo para todos los fines y propósitos, durante el periodo de votación adelantada permitido o dispuesto por la ley, siendo desde el 26 de abril de 2010 hasta el 4 de mayo de 2010. Los horarios esta-

blecidos para la votación adelantada en persona se indican en el Anexo A y los centros electorales para la votación adelantada permanecerán abiertos durante dicho horario para la celebración adelantada en persona.

4. De conformidad con el Contrato de servicio de elecciones, la Secretaria de la votación adelantada para dichas Elecciones será el Administrador electoral del Condado de Howard, Sandra Bloom. Los empleados permanentes del Administrador también servirán como secretarios delegados de la votación adelantada durante las horas regulares de oficina del Administrador electoral, y el Administrador electoral puede nombrar a otros secretarios para la votación adelantada según lo considere necesario para ayudar con dicha votación adelantada.

5. Las solicitudes para la votación adelantada por correo se enviarán a Sandra Bloom, Early Voting Clerk, PO Box 1468, Big Spring, Texas 79721. Las solicitudes de boleta para votar por correo deberán recibirse en fecha no posterior al cierre del horario comercial del día 30 de abril de 2010. Toda solicitud de boletas para votar por correo que se reciba en el Distrito se enviará a Sandra Bloom de inmediato para procesarla.

6. Se creará un consejo de boleta para procesar los resultados de la votación adelantada en las Elecciones conjuntas. El Actuario del condado de Howard, Sandra Bloom, nombrará al Juez presidente del consejo de boleta para la votación adelantada quien, a su vez, nombrará al menos dos (2) miembros más para servir en el consejo de boleta para la votación adelantada.

7. Todos los electores cualificados del Distrito y que residan en el mismo, tendrán derecho a votar en las elecciones.

8. En las Elecciones, se presentará la siguiente PROPOSICIÓN de acuerdo con la ley:

PROPOSICIÓN
¿El Consejo de administración del Distrito escolar independiente de Big Spring queda autorizado para emitir bonos del Distrito, que tendrán fecha de vencimiento, devengarán intereses, y serán emitidos y vendidos de acuerdo con la ley en el momento de su emisión, en una o más series, por un importe total de capital de \$60,000,000, para la construcción, reformas y equipamiento de los edificios de la escuela primaria en el Distrito y para la reforma, equipamiento e incorporación a los edificios escolares de la escuela secundaria (Junior High y Senior High) en el Distrito? ¿El Consejo de administración queda autorizado para gravar y avalar, y hacer que se calculen y recauden impuestos anuales ad valorem, sobre todas las propiedades sujetas a impuestos en el Distrito, suficientes para pagar el capital e intereses de los bonos, sin límite en cuanto a la tasa o cantidad?

9. (b) Las boletas oficiales para las Elecciones se prepararán de acuerdo con el Código electoral de Texas, a fin de permitir a los electores votar "A FAVOR" o "EN CONTRA" de la PROPOSICIÓN anterior, y dichas boletas incluirán las disposiciones, anotaciones y lenguaje que la ley exige, y cuya PROPOSICIÓN quedará expresada sustancialmente de la manera siguiente:

PROPOSICIÓN
A FAVOR
EN CONTRA
)))))) LA EMISIÓN DE BONOS POR VALOR DE \$60,000,000 PARA LA CONSTRUCCIÓN, REFORMA Y EQUIPAMIENTO DE LOS EDIFICIOS DE LA ESCUELA PRIMARIA Y LA REFORMA, EQUIPAMIENTO E INCORPORACIÓN DE EDIFICIOS PARA LA ESCUELA SECUNDARIA (JUNIOR Y SENIOR) EN Y PARA EL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE BIG SPRING Y EL GRAVAMEN DE IMPUESTOS PARA EL PAGO CORRESPONDIENTE))))))

10. Una copia fiel de esta Orden, en inglés y en español, servirá como Aviso apropiado de las elecciones (el "Aviso") y el Presidente del Consejo de administración hará que dicho Aviso se publique en un

periódico del Distrito o, si no se publicara periódico alguno en el Distrito, en un periódico de circulación general en el Distrito, al menos una vez, en fecha no anterior a 30 días ni posterior a 10 días antes del día fijado para las Elecciones. Además, en fecha no posterior a 21 días antes del día fijado para las Elecciones, ni posterior al día laboral siguiente al día 21 si éste fuera sábado o domingo, el Presidente del Consejo de administración hará que se coloque el Aviso, en inglés y en español, en el tablero de anuncios utilizado para la colocación de avisos de las reuniones del Consejo de administración y en cualquier otro lugar y de la manera que el Distrito considere apropiado o según lo exija la ley.

11. Se entregará una copia fiel de esta Orden a los jueces electorales y a los jueces electorales suplentes en el plazo establecido por la ley, y dicha copia servirá de aviso apropiado según lo exige el Código electoral de Texas, y el Presidente del Consejo de administración hará que esta orden y todos los demás avisos necesarios se anuncien y entreguen a los Jueces electorales y suplentes mencionados en este documento, según lo exija la ley.

12. En todos los respectos, las Elecciones se celebrarán de conformidad con el Código electoral de Texas y cualquier ley estatal o federal aplicable. En cada uno de los centros electorales el día de las elecciones se utilizará al menos una (1) máquina electrónica, que haya sido certificada por el Secretario de estado de Texas para su uso en las elecciones como sistema electoral accesible.

13. Mediante este documento se aprueban el Acuerdo con el Actuario del Condado de Howard, Texas, para realizar los Servicios electorales en relación con las Elecciones y el Acuerdo de Elecciones conjuntas con la Ciudad de Big Spring, Texas, en la forma y fondo presentados en la reunión del Consejo de administración del Distrito, en enero, y en lo referente a las normas para proceder en las Elecciones especiales para la Emisión de bonos del Distrito.

ANEXO A DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE BIG SPRING ELECCIONES ESPECIALES PARA LA EMISIÓN DE BONOS 8 DE MAYO DE 2010 CENTROS PARA LA VOTACIÓN ADELANTADA

La votación adelantada en persona para las Elecciones especiales para la emisión de bonos del Distrito escolar independiente de Big Spring el día 8 de mayo de 2010, se llevará a cabo desde el 26 de abril de 2010 al 4 de mayo de 2010 en los

CENTROS ELECTORALES Y EN LAS FECHAS Y HORARIOS A CONTINUACIÓN: CENTRO ELECTORAL PRINCIPAL PARA LA VOTACIÓN ADELANTADA

Lugar
Howard County Courthouse
(Juzgado del Condado de Howard, 3er piso)
300 Main Street
Big Spring, TX 79720
Fecha
Lunes, 26 de abril de 2010
Martes, 27 de abril de 2010
Miércoles, 28 de abril de 2010
Jueves, 29 de abril de 2010
Viernes, 30 de abril de 2010
Lunes, 3 de mayo de 2010
Martes, 4 de mayo de 2010
Horario
De 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m.
De 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m.
De 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m.
De 7:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m.
De 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m.
De 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m.
De 7:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m.

CENTRO ELECTORAL TEMPORAL PARA LA VOTACIÓN ADELANTADA

Lugar
Big Spring High School Library
(Biblioteca de la escuela secundaria de Big Spring)
707 E 11th Place
Big Spring, Texas 79720
Fecha
Lunes, 3 de mayo de 2010
Horario
De 7:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m.
#6505 April 18, 2010



Courtesy photo
Air Evac Lifeteam pilot Don Daisley, instructs Coahoma second grader Erik Sanderson on the instruments of his aircraft during the students' recent field trip to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. The field trip was the students' reward for meeting their reading goals this spring.

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