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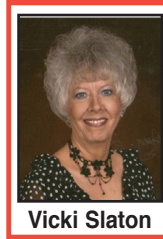
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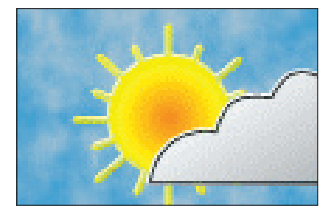


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Sands trustees eye bond

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer
ACKERLY — School trustees here will decide whether to call for a May 14 bond election when they hold their monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday in the district board room.

Trustees will explore two possible bond options during the meeting. The first would ask voters for \$1 million to upgrade the campus' heating and cooling systems, while the second option would be for \$2 million, which would pay for the HVAC upgrades,



Blount

three new buses and a new track surface. Superintendent Wayne Blount said trustees would discuss both options Thursday. Blount said the

boiler, which is 50 years old, and the chiller, which was installed more than 30 years ago, are no longer economically feasible to maintain. "We definitely got our money's worth out of them," he said of the systems. "But they are getting harder and harder

to repair." Under the \$2 million option, school officials also would purchase three school buses to replace ones bought during the 1992-93 school year, and resurface the track at the See SANDS, Page 3A

Invasion suspect arrested

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer
A suspect in the June 5 home invasion in the 600 block of State Street was arrested and charged with aggravated robbery Tuesday, bringing the total number of arrests in the case to more than a half-dozen.

Aaron Joe Guzman, 19, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a Big Spring Police Department warrant for aggravated robbery and a motion to revoke probation for possession of a controlled substance, according to law enforcement officials.

According to police reports, numerous suspects — witnesses stated there were between five and seven suspects involved — stormed the home of a Big Spring family at approximately 11 p.m. June 5, kicking in the side and front doors.

The suspects were armed with handguns, according to police reports.

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HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins

Volunteer search teams from all over West Texas gather to discuss the disappearance of 13-year-old Hailey Dunn in downtown Colorado City. Volunteers have scoured a large area, searching for clues to the young girl's whereabouts.

Family, friends waiting for answers as probe continues

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

COLORADO CITY — Frustration continues to mount among friends and family still hoping for the safe return of 13-year-old Hailey Dunn, who went missing from her home here Dec. 27.

Dunn has been the focus of a region-wide search since her mother, Billie Dunn, reported her missing to the Colorado City

Police Department Dec. 28. Searches of fields and abandoned structures have been conducted in Colorado City, as well as numerous nearby communities, including Dunn, Abilene, Odessa and Big Spring.

The lone suspect in the case, 25-year-old Shawn Adkins, was named a "person of interest" by law enforcement officials several

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Missing teen Hailey Dunn

ISD board filings are under way

Galan files to retain District 1 BSISD post

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

Candidate filings have been few and far between in area school trustee races.

Monday was the first day for prospective candidates to file for the May 14 school board elections and few people have thrown their hats into the ring as of yet.

School districts in Big Spring, Coahoma, Forsan, Stanton and Ackerly will hold trustee elections this May. Candidates have until March 14 to file their paperwork to get their names on the ballot. Filings can be done at the respective districts' business offices during normal operating hours.

District 1 trustee Irene Galan is the only person to date to file for candidacy in the Big Spring Independent School District, Business Manager Debbie Green said. Along with District 1, District 3, currently represented by Alan Partee, will be decided in May. Partee indicated in January that he will not seek re-election.

Other trustee elections scheduled for May include:

- Coahoma ISD — At-large seats currently held by Lori Martinez and Patricia Robinson will be decided. No candidates had filed as of Tuesday morning, said Judy Dobbs, administration secretary.

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In a reversal, more blacks moving back to South

By HOPE YEN
Associated Press

The Great Migration, the 60-year escape from segregation and racism that brought American blacks to the North, has reversed course. Better jobs and quality of life in the South are beckoning, as is the lure of something more intangible — a sense of home.

"It's no coincidence that the shift is happening as we encounter economic turmoil that is being felt disproportionately among blacks, such as mortgage

foreclosures, loss of jobs and economic devastation in major Northern hubs," said Hilary Shelton, director of the NAACP's Washington bureau. "With major changes and less racial devastation in the South, people are finding their way back."

The nation's black population grew by roughly 1.7 million over the last decade. About 75 percent of that growth occurred in the South — primarily metropolitan areas such as Atlanta, Dallas, Houston, Miami and Charlotte, N.C. That's up from 65 percent in the 1990s,

according to the latest census estimates. The gains came primarily at the expense of Northern metro areas such as New York and Chicago, which posted their first declines in black population since at least 1980.

Illinois had its first decline in the black population in the state's history, with the number of African-Americans decreasing by 1.3 percent since 2000, according to official 2010 census figures released Tuesday.

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• Former Big Spring law enforcement officer Mike Eggleston will have a book signing from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. today at the Heritage Museum. Eggleston has written "Distorted Pillars" under the pen name Mike McKee.

• The Department of State Health Services has shingles vaccines for the month of February only. We have a limited number of doses and will no longer have them after this month. Immunization hours are 1-4 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Please call 263-9775 if you have questions.

• The Kiwanis Club of Big Spring will hold its annual pancake supper from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. March 11 at the Howard College cafeteria. Tickets are \$5 per person and can be obtained from any Kiwanis Club member or by contacting Don McGonagill at 267-7601.

• Mobile Meals is in need of volunteers to deliver meals to the homebound elderly in Big Spring. If you can donate at least one hour a week, call Macaria Cantu at 263-4016 and leave a message.

• An account has been set up to help Bob and Jeanine Fishback with Bob's medical and travel expenses: Bob Fishback Medical Account 915967, Big Spring Education Employees Federal Credit Union, 1110 Benton, Big Spring 79720. For more information, call 263-8393.

• Do you have a minute? An hour? How about making a difference in someone's life? Become a hospice volunteer. One hour a month can make a difference. Whether it is visiting a patient, working in the office, or helping with a craft, you can make a difference. We can work around your schedule. If interested, please call Michelle Coutermarsh, at Compass Hospice, 263-5999 or apply in person at 1003 E. FM 700 in Big Spring.

• Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. Thursdays at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Bring this note when you join and receive a box of Weight Watchers snacks through Oct. 31. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.

• The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nurturing and permanent home. We currently have 55 children in foster care without a volunteer. We need your help. If you're interested in volunteering please contact Suzy Milliken at 1-877-316-8346 or visit www.BecomeaCASA.org or www.casawtx.org.

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# Big Spring man dead, another critical in New Mexico crash

**Herald Staff Report**

HOBBS, N.M. — New Mexico law enforcement officials continue to investigate an accident Saturday night that left one Big Spring man dead and another in critical condition.

A New Mexico State Police report states that Cory Puga, 19, of Big Spring, died of injuries sustained in a one-vehicle rollover about 15 miles northwest of Hobbs.

The report states that a 2002 Chevrolet pickup carrying Puga, Chad Puga and Chase Musgrove was westbound on State Road 529 when it overturned near the 22 mile marker. Cory Puga and Musgrove, who were the passen-

gers in the vehicle, were ejected.

Neither man was wearing a seat belt at the time of the accident, the report stated.

All three men were transported to University Medical Center in Lubbock. Cory Puga died Sunday morning and Musgrove remains hospitalized in critical condition, a state police spokesperson said this morning.

Chad Puga, who was driving the pickup, was treated for his injuries and released.

"Driver inattention" is the suspected cause of the crash. Neither weather or alcohol were contributing factors in the accident, the report stated.

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weeks ago. However, according to Colorado City city manager Pete Kampfer, there hasn't been any new information to release to the family or press in the case.

Adkins, who has maintained his innocence in the girl's disappearance since first being questioned by law enforcement officials, has remained out of the public eye since retaining an attorney. However, Adkins recently spoke with television personality Nancy Grace.

Adkins explained conflicting reports about whether he quit his job on the morning of Dec. 27 or was fired, saying that he told investigators the truth — that he quit — but he initially told Hailey's mother Billie Dunn that he was fired to avoid having a fight with her over it.

When asked about cell phone pings suggesting he was in the Colorado City area after leaving work while investigators say he told them he had gone to his mother's house in Big Spring, he insisted that he was never asked specifically when he went so those records do not contradict his story.

According to the affidavits, Adkins deleted information about

his call history from his phone while police were interviewing him. "That never happened," he recently told Abilene news source KTAB.

Adkins also denied making a comment to Hailey's uncle about how hurting a 13-year-old girl would be like killing a deer. He said the uncle told him he had never told that to authorities. "I love animals," he said. "I wouldn't hurt animals either."

He admitted that he has not been cooperating with investigators since hiring a lawyer because his attorney told him not to talk to them. He called the investigation a "witch hunt" and said that he did not trust the police anymore because "they were just trying to pin it on somebody, which was me."

Billie Dunn and Hailey Dunn's father, Clint Dunn, have both expressed frustration with the investigation.

"I really wish we could get somewhere and get some answers," Billie Dunn recently told reporters. "I'll do anything I can to get some answers. I know they're working long hours, but I do want some answers and I want my daughter."

Dunn's father recently said he hasn't been contacted by investigators in several weeks since his daughter went

missing. Clint Dunn has spent several weeks traveling around the region — centering on the U.S.-Mexico border — handing out flyers and looking for answers on his own.

Despite the search for the Colorado City teen moving into its fifth week, Kampfer said investigators are still working hard to bring her home.

"We follow every viable, sensible, credible lead we get," Kampfer said. "We have billboards all over, even in neighboring states, so we get calls from people all over the place."

The search could get a new breath of life in the coming days, however, as officials with the Laura Recovery Center for Missing Children and the Klaas Kids Foundation — both of which assisted briefly in the search in January — will be back in Colorado City beginning Friday.

Anyone with information concerning the girl's whereabouts or circumstances concerning her disappearance are asked to call authorities at 325-728-5294 or 325-728-3161. A reward of \$15,000 is now being offered for information in the case.

Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at [citydesk@bigspringherald.com](mailto:citydesk@bigspringherald.com)

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• Forsan ISD — Incumbents Tim Ballard and Glenn Graves have filed for re-election to their at-large positions. Another at-large seat, currently held by Beckie Wash, also will be decided in May, said Judy

Park, superintendent's secretary.

• Stanton ISD — Voters in District 3 (where Valerie Smith is the incumbent) and District 4 (currently held by Todd Smith) will cast ballots in May. Business Manager Brad Holland said no candidates had announced as of Tuesday.

• Sands CISD — Superintendent Wayne Blount

said no candidates had filed in Ackerly as of noon Tuesday. At-large seats currently held by Robin Barraza and Martin Nichols will be decided.

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football field.

Blount said it made more economic sense for Sands to finance the projects through bonds than out of general revenue coffers.

As a so-called "property-rich" district, tax revenue raised within Sands CISD is subject to state recapture, meaning that the more revenue raised locally, the more that is disbursed to the state. That wouldn't be the case with a bond — debt service money is not subject to state recapture, Blount said.

"On the maintenance and operation

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to police reports, while one suspect was armed with a shotgun. All were wearing bandanas or masks to conceal their identities.

"The suspects demanded money, and holding the family at gunpoint, ransacked the house," Big Spring Police Department Public Information Officer Tony Everett said. "The suspects threatened the adults, and pointed their weapons at the couple's children, who were 2 and 3 years old. One suspect pistol-whipped the male victim in the head while his children were present."

The male victim suffered non life-threatening injuries in the attack and was taken to the emergency room at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, where he was treated and released.

Everett said moments

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In all, about 57 percent of U.S. blacks now live in the South, a jump from the 53 percent share in the 1970s, according to an analysis of census data by William H. Frey, a demographer at the Brookings Institution. It was the surest sign yet of a sustained reverse migration to the South following the exodus of millions of blacks to the Midwest, Northeast and West in the Great Migration from 1910 to 1970.

"The Great Migration

side of the budget, we need to collect \$160,000 just to keep \$80,000," Blount said. "It makes better sense for us to purchase these items through a bond than through (general revenue). If you can do that, you're saving money for your taxpayers."

Blount estimated that the \$2 million bond would add around 12 cents to the district's tax rate for the 10-year life of the bond.

Sands voters approved a \$3 million bond for a new gymnasium four years ago, and the debt on that issue is expected to be paid off within two years, Blount said.

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after the suspects fled the victim's home police officers noticed a vehicle driving without its headlights on. Once the vehicle was pulled over, several suspects exited the car, fleeing on foot.

Felix Jaramillo, 31, and a 16-year-old juvenile suspect were taken into custody shortly after the home invasion was reported to law enforcement officials. Items stolen during the invasion were recovered from the vehicle. Both were charged with aggravated robbery. Jaramillo was indicted on a charge of aggravated robbery — a first-degree felony — in August.

The identity of the 16-year-old suspect has not yet been released because he is still a minor, according to law enforcement officials.

Also indicted on first-degree felony charges of aggravated robbery by a Howard County grand jury were Clifford Leon Anglin, 26, and Phillip

G. Martinez, 21. The aggravated robbery charges against Jaramillo and Anglin have been elevated to enhanced first-degree felonies, as well, according to officials with the 118th District Court District Attorney's office.

Abel Guzman, 28, was also arrested and charged with aggravated robbery in the days following the home invasion, according to police records.

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## OUR VIEWS

# We need your ideas for Profile 2011

The Herald is looking for a few good men ... and women. Make that a lot of good men and women. And make that not just good men and women, but *interesting* men and women.

It's time again for our Profile edition, that four-section special paper in which we introduce our readers to some of the most interesting people in Howard County. Maybe they have an interesting job, a unique family situation or are on a mission to make their corner of the earth a better place. Perhaps they have a fascinating hobby, a collection of rare what-nots or just love helping others — and have been doing it for years.

You know some of these people. They are your neighbor, your mom, your uncle, your best friend. You know they have a great story to tell — and maybe they'd be willing to tell it.

We have several broad categories in Profile 2011. These include faith and courage, learning and leisure, health and fitness, and serving others and business.

Actually, just about everybody fits into one of those categories and that's intentional. If the person you're thinking of is a marathon runner, that's health and fitness, but it could be leisure — or even courage. Or perhaps making it through such a challenging endeavor is an act of faith.

You get the idea. And ideas are just what the Herald needs — your ideas and suggestions concerning people you believe other people would like to read about. It doesn't matter how young or old or what their faith or race is. However, it is important that they be willing to have a story written about them. And yes, you can certainly submit your own name. Who in the world knows better than you what a wonderful person you are!

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

With You, Lord, a mountain becomes a molehill. Amen

# NPR, PBS subsidies should go

The liberal group Moveon.org has been sending out e-mails to warn that Republicans are back in control of the House and to ask recipients to sign a petition that states, "Congress must protect NPR and PBS and guarantee them permanent funding, free from political meddling."

Of course, the best way to guarantee no political meddling would be to eliminate some \$500 million in federal funds allocated annually to these media's parent organization, the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

Also of course, the fact that Moveon.org wants to keep federal tax dollars pouring into the public broadcasting bucket should end any question as to whether NPR and PBS news programs lean left. They do.

Yet for all his deficit-reduction talk in the face of America's \$14 trillion federal debt, President Obama wants to increase CPB's funding by \$6 million in 2014.

Last year, former Clinton White House Chief of Staff Erskine Bowles and GOP Sen. Alan Simpson of Wyoming — co-chairmen of Obama's bipartisan

commission on reducing the national debt — showed more fortitude. They released their own debt-reduction plan to cut domestic spending by \$100 billion. "The current CPB funding is the highest it has ever been," the Bowles-Simpson plan explained. Their plan: Eliminate all of it.

I think public broadcasting stations would be better off if they stopped sucking at the public teat. If viewers and listeners thought that they weren't already contributing by paying taxes, perhaps they would be more inclined to pony up during pledge drives.

And maybe public broadcasters would lose some of their irritating sense of entitlement.

Consider their new website, 170millionAmericans.org — a name that is supposed to represent the NPR and PBS base. If public stations had that kind of support, they wouldn't need to claim they had that kind of support.

Then there's the question of whether taxpayers should be paying for more radio and television. As Rep. Doug Lamborn, R-Colo., wrote in a congressional newspaper, The Hill, "What I oppose is subsidizing an organization that no longer provides, if it ever did, an essential government service. When the federal government is now borrowing

more than 40 cents of every \$1 it spends, no one can justify paying for services that are widely available in the private market."

The bias issue won't go away. In October, NPR fired Senior News Analyst Juan Williams after he said on Fox News that he got "nervous" when he saw people dressed in Muslim garb on a plane.

NPR CEO Vivian Schiller denied that the firing had anything to do with the fact that one of NPR's own appeared regularly on the conservative cable network. In light of snide personal remarks for which Schiller later apologized, few believed her.

The 170 Million Americans site extols public broadcasting, thus: "The free flow of ideas and debate helps us participate in the political process as informed citizens." Problem: A free flow of ideas doesn't run in one direction; it flows both ways. But I don't think NPR swells understand that.

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# Still no explanations for the Lockerbie bomber's release

Abdelbaset Ali Mohamed Al Megrahi, better known as the Lockerbie Bomber, should be dead by now. That was the deal.

Megrahi blew up Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland, on Dec. 21, 1988, murdering 270 people, including 190 Americans.

A former Libyan intelligence agent, Megrahi was arrested and charged, and then used every detail, wrinkle and technicality afforded by Western justice to escape his fate.

Proceedings dragged on for years, and it wasn't until Jan. 31, 2001, that a three-judge Scottish panel finally convicted him. Megrahi was sentenced to life in prison.

Which should have been the end of a long, agonizing process that had caused tremendous suffering to the loved ones of those who died.

Except the agony was just beginning.

Because eight years later, with no real explanation, Megrahi was released from prison and sent home to Libya and adoring crowds.

Why? One guy: Scottish Justice Secretary Kenny MacAskill. MacAskill announced that Megrahi had prostate cancer and had only three months to live and deserved to live them at home in Libya.

MacAskill is not a doctor, and nor did he assemble a blue-ribbon panel to examine Megrahi. Rumors swirled, including the possibility that the British government was trying to help British Petroleum gain access to Libyan oil reserves.

Nonetheless, on Aug. 20, 2009, just 10 days after MacAskill made his shocking announce-

ment, Megrahi was released and flew home to Libya, where he was promptly supposed to die.

That was almost 18 months ago, and Megrahi is still having a good laugh.

When I wrote about this at the time, I asked why, if a mass murderer had only weeks to live, not just let him die in prison?

Kenny MacAskill was horrified by such questions and seemed to view them as another sign of American barbarity.

"In Scotland, we are a people who pride ourselves on our humanity," MacAskill said. "It is viewed as a defining characteristic."

Personally, I think letting a mass murderer go free is the defining characteristic of a doofuss, and some agreed. Both President Barack Obama and Secretary of State Hillary Clinton said Megrahi should be sent back to prison in Scotland.

FBI Director Robert Mueller wrote MacAskill a letter saying, "Your action makes a mockery of the rule of law" and "gives comfort to terrorists around the world" and "makes a mockery of the grief of the families who lost their own on December 21, 1988."

"You could not have visited the small wooden warehouse where the personal items of those who perished were gathered for identification — the single sneaker belonging to a teenager; the Syracuse sweatshirt never again to be worn by a college student returning home for the holidays; the toys in a suitcase of a businessman looking forward to spending Christmas with his wife and children."

"Your action rewards a terrorist," Mueller said.

To which the Scottish government yawned.

But this week, something interesting happened. According to a report released Monday by the British government's top watchdog agency, Britain's former Labor government did

"all it could" to help Libya win Megrahi's release.

That help, given by then-Prime Minister Gordon Brown, included explaining to the Libyan government how to apply for Megrahi's release and telling the Scottish government there were no barriers to letting Megrahi go home.

Was that aid given in order to help British Petroleum get access to Libyan oil fields?

"The report stopped short of confirming (such) allegations," The Washington Post reported Tuesday.

Oh, well. I suppose it doesn't really matter. Megrahi is living outside Tripoli and is showing no signs of keeling over at any minute.

Kenny MacAskill remains the cabinet secretary for justice and a member of the Scottish Parliament. He also remains a figure of controversy.

Annabel Goldie, the Scottish Tory leader, said last year, "The Scottish government seems more interested in diverting attention away from its disastrous handling of the release than in clearing up the deepening suspicion over why they sent Mr. Megrahi back to his hero's welcome."

Anger, charge and counter-charge still swirl.

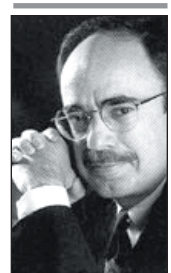
But in a small wooden warehouse where there is still a single sneaker belonging to a teenager; where there is the Syracuse sweatshirt never again to be worn by a college student and where there are toys never to be played with by children, there is only quiet.

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# Why not check this out? at your local library

The library will be closed Saturday through Monday for President's Day. We will reopen on Tuesday, Feb. 22.

If you watch the Today show or any of the morning talk shows, you may have seen Amy Chua. She is the "Tiger Mother." All decent parents want

to do what's best for their children. What "Battle Hymn of the Tiger Mother" (306.874 CHUA) reveals is that the Chinese just have a totally different idea of how to do that. Western parents try to respect their children's individuality, encouraging them to pursue their true passions while providing a nurturing environment. The Chinese believe that the best way to protect children is by preparing them for the future and arming them with skills, strong work habits and inner confidence. Chua's book chronicles her iron-willed decision to raise her daughters, Sophia and Lulu, her way — the Chinese way — and the remarkable results her choice inspires. The Book Club that meets the first Monday

at 7 p.m. at the library is reading this book for March.

If you would like to join us, it will be a lively discussion.

Like many of the Texas state agencies, the Texas State Library and Archives Commission is in a world of hurt due to the budget crisis. TSLAC's budget in FY10/11 will go from \$39.5 million to \$11.65 million in FY12/13.

What does this mean to you and your local library?

It means that HCL will no longer have access to the TexShare databases; direct aid — which assists us in programming and/or material purchases — will be lost; training opportunities (that are required) will no longer be available; and matching funds (approximately \$8 million) from the Institute of Museum and Libraries Services, may potentially be lost due to loss of maintenance of effort.

Additionally, the collaboration between TSLAC and the Texas Education Agency that has been in place to have the K-12 databases in your local schools will be cut. This means that the local schools districts, if they wish to purchase those databases, must find money from their budget to fund them. As an example, the TexShare databases that HCL pays \$450 a year for, in real life would cost more

than \$100,000 to purchase on a local basis. What do those resources do? They enable us to offer a broader range of material and services that HCL cannot provide due to cost.

We have access to 14,290 full-text journals, 2,612 newspapers, 5,224 reference books and 420,519 primary source documents. All of this aids the educational aims of our local schools and colleges. Cost on the statewide basis will go from \$9.5 million to \$600,000. Services to academic and public libraries will be zilch, zero, nothing.

Included in TexShare databases are business, medical and health, books and literature, and several genealogy and historical databases that can be used for both educational and recreational uses.

How can you help? I am providing an URL that will take you to a website where you can express your support for all libraries. It is located on the Texas Library Association's website (which is spearheading the drive to keep libraries viable). The site is <http://capwiz.com/ala/tx/home/>. When you arrive there, press on the link that says "Take Action." That will take you to a pre-written letter that will be sent to Governor Perry, Senator Kel Seliger and Representative Jim Landtroop. If the address I have

provided does not work, you may go to [www.txla.org](http://www.txla.org) and find the link to the "Take Action" site.

Please understand that your local library services will not wither and die. What it means that if we wish to retain these services, it will come out of the local budget. In turn, it may mean fewer materials will be purchased, the summer reading program may not be as much "fun" and training opportunities will be fewer.

Today in Austin, librarians from all over the state are converging on the Capitol to lobby to retain funding for all libraries.

Please express your support by contacting your elected officials. I have prepared a sample letter and have the names and addresses for those who wish to mail letters of support. They are located beside the online catalogs for you to pick up. Thank you for your support.

The library is located at 500 S. Main St. Our phone number is 264-2260. The website is [www.howard-county.lib.tx.us](http://www.howard-county.lib.tx.us)

*Hollis McCright is director of the Howard County Library.*

## Support Groups

### MONDAY

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

• Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, noon-1 p.m., 615 Settles.

• Alcoholics Anonymous open meeting, 8-9 p.m., fourth floor, VA Medical Center.

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

### TUESDAY

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

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

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

### WEDNESDAY

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

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 & 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

### THURSDAY

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

### FRIDAY

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

• Celebrate Recovery, a Christ-centered recovery program, is held at Cornerstone Covenant Church, 706 E 12th St. at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call at 264-0015 or visit [www.cccbigspring.org](http://www.cccbigspring.org)

### SATURDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. Covered dish supper at 7 p.m.

### SUNDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous closed meeting from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 7 p.m. until 8 p.m.



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I woke up this morning sore and bruised all over-but I know he must be sorry;

Because he sent me flowers today

I got flowers today!

And it wasn't Valentines Day or any other special day;

Last night he beat me and threatened to kill me,

Make-up and long sleeve didn't hide the cuts and bruises this time;

I couldn't go to work today because I didn't want anyone to know-but I know he's sorry;

Because he sent me flower today.

I got flowers today.....

Today was a very special day-

It was my funeral;

Last night he finally killed me---I was beaten to death;

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## Claud Eldon Jones



Mr. Claud Eldon Jones, age 86, passed away on Feb. 13, 2011, in Big Spring. Funeral services will be held Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2011, at 10 a.m. in the Kiker-Seale Chapel in Colorado City with the Rev. Joseph Jones officiating. Burial will follow in the Colorado City Cemetery under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mr. Jones was born in Colorado City to William Claude Jones and Clara Mae Nichols/Jones on Sept. 7, 1924. He was the eldest son of five children. Mr. Jones was a veteran of World War II and served in the Navy on the USS Conyngham. After returning home from the war, he married Billie Jean Carey on July 4, 1946. They were married for 64 years.

Mr. Jones was a construction foreman for Southwestern Bell telephone for 38 years prior to his retirement. After retiring, he and wife Billie moved back from Odessa and built their retirement home in Big Spring. After his retirement, Mr. Jones loved to work in the afternoon at his son's shop, rebuilding cars, with his son's specialty being 1957 Chevrolets. After having some heart problems over the years, Mr. Jones exercised each Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the Dora Roberts Rehab Center in Big Spring and had many friends there. Mr. Jones and his wife enjoyed camping and for many years spent time in their favorite camp spot in Cloudcroft, N.M., with friends and family.

He is survived by his wife, Billie Jones of Big Spring; a son, Dickie Jones and his wife Linda of Big Spring; a daughter, Toni Knox of Richardson; a sister, Mary Yvonne "Toots" Robertson and her husband Bill of Conroe; nephews, Joe Jones and his wife Tammy of Waxahachie, William "Skeeter" Jones and his wife Martha of Fairfield; Donald Sellars and his wife Su-zan of Kingwood; and nieces, Connie Chambers and husband Randy of Colorado City, Crystal Sutter and husband Alton of Snyder and Debra Sullivan of Carrollton.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters, Wanda Jones and Janice Cox, and a brother, Keeven Jones.

*Paid obituary*

## Vickie Elaine Daughtery



Vickie Elaine Daughtery, 52, of Odessa died Sunday, Feb. 13, 2011, at Medical Center Hospital. She was born in Big Spring and was a retired licensed vocational nurse.

She is survived by two sons, David Scott and wife Leslie and Justin Scott, all of Odessa; brothers, Ben Daughtery Jr. of Hoama, La., Terry Daughtery of Dahlonga, Ga., and Joben Daughtery of Lower Lake, Calif.; three sisters, Lori Don Scott of Odessa, Kay Kennemur and husband Danny and Tammie Daughtery, all of Big Spring; and one grandchild.

Memorial services will be held at 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 17, 2011, officiated by Bro. Roy Jones. Arrangements are entrusted to Acres West Funeral Chapel and Crematory.

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## Obituaries

### Weldon Clay Rich



Weldon Clay Rich, 77, of Abilene, formerly of Big Spring died Feb. 13, 2011. Visitation for family and friends was held Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2011, at Elmwood Funeral Home. A celebration of his life was held Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2011, at the Elmwood Funeral Home Chapel with interment following at Elmwood Memorial Park.

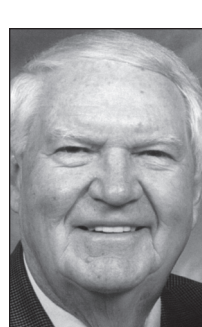
Weldon was born in Alford on March 7, 1933 to J.C. and Vera Perkins Rich. A graduate of Waurika High School, Weldon was married to Shirley Ann Miller Sept. 6, 1952, in Waurika, Okla. He was baptized at the First Baptist Church in Waurika and at the time of his death he was a member of College Baptist Church.

Weldon retired from Halliburton as a field supervisor in 1991 after 34 years. Following retirement, he was employed by NAPA in Big Spring and upon moving to Abilene began working for Power Shack Gym.

Survivors include his wife of 58 years, Shirley Rich of Abilene; daughters and sons-in-law, Sherri and Kenneth Lain of Abilene and Eva and Mike Freeman of San Angelo; sons and daughters-in-law, Steve and Janell Rich of Snyder and Mike and Pam Rich of Benton, La.; 10 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; brother and sister-in-law, Jimmy and Mary Rich of Saginaw; and brother, Charles and Janette Rich of Littleton, Colo.

Online condolences and memories may be shared with the family through the obituary link at [www.elmwoodfuneral.com](http://www.elmwoodfuneral.com)

### James F. Blake



James F. Blake, 78, of Midland died Feb. 12, 2011. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2011, at Fairmont Park Church of Christ with Scott Sheppard officiating. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park. The family will receive friends Tuesday evening at Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home.

James was born Dec. 21, 1932, in Brownwood. He attended Brownwood High School, where he played on the football and basketball teams. He went on to play college basketball at Daniel Baker College. In 1952, he joined the United States Army and served during the Korean War. He received an honorable discharge from the military in 1955 and returned to Howard Payne University to complete his master's degree in education in 1957.

He married Patsy Blake of Blanket on May 9, 1954. They celebrated 56 years of marriage this past year.

He was a member of the Fairmont Park Church of Christ, where he had served as an elder and Bible class teacher. James also served as an elder at churches in New Home and Ackerly, as well as a Deacon with the church in Seminole.

Survivors include his wife, Patsy Blake of Midland; son, Scott Blake and wife Sara of Magnolia; daughter, Mitzi Maynard and husband Mark of Midland; and four grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Arthur Blake; and his parents, Vance and Cora Blake.

The family requests memorials be directed to the building fund at Fairmont Park Church of Christ, 3813 N. Midland Dr., Midland 79707; or Midland Christian School, 2001 Culver Dr., Midland 79705.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland. Online condolences can be made at: [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com)

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## Cory Puga

Cory Puga, 19, of Big Spring died Sunday at University Medical Center. Vigil services will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 17, 2011, at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Friday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

## Police blotter

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

- RUSSELL WAYNE CLAY, 50, of 1205 Lancaster, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of public intoxication.

- GARY LEE SMALE JR., 36, of 2504 Kelly, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of violation of a protective order - family violence.

- RICHARD LEE BEATTY, 26, of 508 Young, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of assault causing bodily injury - family violence.

- STEVEN ANDREW LOPEZ, 33, of 2412 Alabama, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant from another agency.

- VICTORIA M. HANNABASS, 22, of 3405 E. Highway 350, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of public intoxication.

- ANGELA DENISE SIMPSON, 32, of 5705 W. Midway Rd., was arrested Tuesday on warrants for driving without safety belt (two counts), failure to appear (three counts), no inspection certificate and no driver's license when unlicensed.

- BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the 1000 block of Scurry.

## Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 72 inmates at the time of this report.

- GARY LEE SMALE JR., 36, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of violation of a protective order with two previous convictions.

- RUSSELL WAYNE CLAY, 50, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication. Clay was later arrested by the HCSO on a Austin warrant for violation of parole.

- PAUL JOHN HOLGUIN, 45, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on indictments for aggravated sexual assault of a child and indecency with a child - sexual contact.

- RICHARD LEE BEATTY, 26, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of assault causing bodily injury - family violence.

- AARON JOE GUZMAN, 19, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for possession of a controlled substance and a warrant for aggravated robbery.

- LEA TOLISON, 32, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on charges of parent contributing to the non-attendance of a minor and violation of a promise to appear.

- MARISA OLIVAS, 28, was arrested Wednesday by DPS on a charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.

- STEVEN ANDREW LOPEZ, 33, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on an Attorney General warrant for motion to revoke community supervision and suspend license.

- LISA GALE GAMBLE, 46, was arrested Wednesday by the HCSO on a charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.

- VICTORIA HANNABASS, 22, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- ANGELA D. SIMPSON, 32, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on municipal warrants for driving without safety belt (two counts), failure to appear (three counts), no inspection certificate and no driver's license when unlicensed.

## Fire/EMS

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

- MEDICAL was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 3300 block of W. Highway 80. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 100 block of Banks. One person was transported to SMMC.

- TRAUMA was reported in the 500 block of Young. One person was transported to SMMC.

- TRAUMA was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.

# News in brief

## F-35 engine battle breaks out on GOP spending bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Obama administration's campaign against a costly alternative engine for the Pentagon's next-generation fighter jet faces a critical vote in the GOP-controlled House, its fate to be decided by more than 90 freshmen lawmakers who previously haven't had to choose sides between two major defense companies.

The expected vote Wednesday comes as the House enters its second day of debate on a \$1.2 trillion spending bill that would wrap up the unfinished business lawmakers inherited after last year's collapse of the budget process. That includes \$1.03 trillion for agency operating budgets that need annual approval by Congress and \$158 billion for military operations in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The engine battle pits Obama and Defense Secretary Robert Gates — who say the engine would waste almost \$3 billion over the next few years — against GOP leaders like House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, whose state is a chief beneficiary. The spending measure includes \$450 million for the engine, which would be built by the General Electric Co. and Rolls-Royce in Ohio, Indiana and other states.

On the other side are lawmakers from Connecticut, where the main F-35 fighter engine is built by Pratt & Whitney, as well members from Florida, Texas and other states.

The F-35 engine vote presents 87 GOP freshmen — infused with a fervor to cut spending — with a dilemma: Vote with the Obama administration to cut spending now or side with supporters of the alternative engine, who argue that it would save money by injecting competition into the F-35 program, the costliest weapons program in Defense Department history.

## Bahrain protest calls grow from occupied square in Gulf nation's capital

MANAMA, Bahrain (AP) — Protesters demanding sweeping political reforms from Bahrain's rulers held their ground Wednesday in an Egypt-style occupation of the capital's landmark square, staging a third day of demonstrations that have brought unprecedented pressure in one of Washington's most strategic allies in the Gulf.

Security forces have pulled back sharply — apparently on orders to ease tensions — after clashes that left at least two people dead and dozens injured. Police helicopters, however, flew low over a major funeral procession for one of the victims in which mourners called him a "martyr" and pledged more protests in the island nation — home to the U.S. Navy's 5th Fleet.

Thousands of people spent the night in a makeshift tent camp in Manama's Pearl Square, which was swarmed by demonstrators a day earlier. One demonstrator used a bullhorn to call on protesters to remain until their demands are met, as the Arab wave for change takes hold in the Gulf.

The protests began Monday as a cry for the country's Sunni monarchy to loosen its grip, including hand-picking most top government posts, and open more opportunities for the country's majority Shiites, who have long complained of being blocked from decision-making roles.

But the uprising's demands have steadily reached further. Many protesters are calling for the government to provide more jobs and better hous-

ing and free all political detainees. Increasingly, protesters are also chanting slogans to wipe away the entire ruling dynasty that has led Bahrain for more than 200 years.

## Navy base in Bahrain means U.S. has a lot at stake as Mideast unrest spreads to Persian Gulf

WASHINGTON (AP) — Unrest surging through the Arab world has so far taken no toll on the American military. But that could change if revolt washes over the tiny Persian Gulf kingdom of Bahrain — longtime home to the U.S. Navy's mighty 5th Fleet and arguably the Middle East anchor of U.S. defense strategy.

The discontent that has spilled into the streets of Bahrain's capital, Manama, this week features no anti-American sentiment, but the U.S. has a lot at stake in preserving its dominant naval presence in the Gulf.

In announcing that it is "very concerned" about violence linked to the protests, the State Department on Tuesday underscored Bahrain's strategic importance as a U.S. partner.

"The United States welcomes the government of Bahrain's statements that it will investigate these deaths, and that it will take legal action against any unjustified use of force by Bahraini security forces," said department spokesman P.J. Crowley. "We urge that it follow through on these statements as quickly as possible."

The 5th Fleet operates at least one aircraft carrier in the Gulf at all times, along with an "amphibious ready group" of ships with Marines aboard. Their presence is central to a longstanding U.S. commitment to ensuring the free flow of oil through the Gulf, while keeping an eye on a hostile Iran and seeking to deter piracy in the region.

## Dalai Lama nephew killed in Fla. accident is remembered as dedicated activist for Tibetans

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP) — In his youth, Jigme Norbu was an American "bad boy" who thought his relationship to his uncle, the Dalai Lama, gave him a special status. Over time, acquaintances say, Norbu's sense of entitlement turned into an embrace of the work of the exiled Tibetan spiritual leader and his own father, as Norbu walked thousands of miles to promote awareness of Tibet's struggle for independence from China.

The work that made him a hero to thousands of Tibetans around the world ended Monday when Norbu was struck by an SUV about 25 miles south of St. Augustine, Fla., during the first day of a 300-mile walk. The walk was the latest in a journey that had seen the 45-year-old activist log more than 7,800 miles on foot and bicycle in the U.S. and overseas to support freedom for Tibet and highlight the suffering of its people.

News of Norbu's death stunned his supporters and acquaintances, who said he had grown into his role as a leader for Tibetans in recent years after a wild youth in the Indiana college town where his family moved in the 1970s.

"He grew up in America. He was Americanized and Westernized," said David Colman, whose son owns a fine arts gallery near Norbu's Tibet and Indian food restaurant in Bloomington. "But he was the Dalai Lama's nephew, and there was a certain specialness that he assumed as a result of

that. He viewed himself some ways as royalty — which on a religious level, he was.

"He was the nephew of the Dalai Lama, and that tends to shape your ego. And it did."

## Scottish deerhound wins best in show at Westminster

NEW YORK (AP) — Hickory just might like the big-city life.

A Scottish deerhound that loves to chase deer and rabbits on a 50-acre farm in Virginia did more than fine at Madison Square Garden this week, winning best in show at the Westminster Kennel Club on Tuesday night and the title of America's top dog.

"She's not used to lights, camera and noise," handler Angela Lloyd said.

Whatever, Hickory will get a couple of Manhattan treats on Wednesday —

steak at famed Sardi's restaurant and a trip to the top of the Empire State Building.

## Killing of U.S. immigration agent shows risks facing officials who help fight crime in Mexico

MEXICO CITY (AP) — The killing of a U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agent and wounding of another in Mexico highlights the risk for American officials helping fight Mexico's bloody drug war under increasing cooperation between the two countries.

Special Agent Jaime Zapata, on assignment to the ICE Attache in Mexico City from his post in Laredo, Texas, died Tuesday when gunmen attacked the agents' blue Suburban vehicle as they drove through the northern state of San Luis Potosi.


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# News in brief

## Texas leaders consider freeing more prisoners

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas lawmakers are discussing whether releasing nonviolent convicts is a money-saving way to help deal with a projected \$15 billion state budget shortfall.

Senate Criminal Justice Committee Chairman John Whitmire of Houston says the state does not have the resources to continue business as usual in Texas. Whitmire said Tuesday that "everything is on the table for discussion this year."

Police, prosecutors and crime victims groups are urging caution in paroling any more convicts.

House Corrections Committee chairman Jerry Madden of Richardson says whatever lawmakers decide, it should not compromise public safety.

A 2009 legislative study urged that additional medical paroles be considered.

## Day care head charged with capital murder in death

AUSTIN (AP) — The director of an Austin-area day care center has been indicted on a capital murder charge in the death of a 10-week-old child left in her care.

The Hays County grand jury returned the count against 32-year-old Christina Suzanne Lyons. The indictment accuses her of intentionally causing blunt force trauma to the child's head on Nov. 18. The child died on Nov. 25.

Hays County District Attorney Sherri Tibbe tells the Austin American-Statesman that her office won't seek the death penalty, meaning conviction would bring a life sentence without parole.

## Dozens question treatment by Houston-area officers

HOUSTON (AP) — Some audience members in Houston stood in line more than an hour to criticize their treatment by law officers.

Several hundred people attended a town hall

meeting Tuesday night before a panel including City Council members Ed Gonzalez and Jolanda Jones.

A 2010 surveillance video, released this month by a community activist, appears to show Houston police beating and kicking a black 15-year-old suspect. Chad Holley in October was convicted in juvenile court of burglary and received probation.

Four officers were fired over the incident and face trial.

The Houston Chronicle reports that the Rev. D.Z. Cofield urged those in the audience to apply to serve as grand jurors to increase the diversity of the system.

Cofield faulted good officers for not aggressively rooting out those who discredit the force.

## Texas beauty queen rift headed back to court

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The reigning Miss San Antonio is again asking a Texas court to stop pageant officials from stripping her crown over claims that the 17-year-old gained weight and broke other rules required of the winner.

A Bexar (BAYR) County court Wednesday is scheduled to revisit the fallout between Miss San Antonio 2011 Domonique Ramirez and Miss Bexar County Organization Inc. That's the organization that runs the local pageant that is a run-up to the Miss Texas and Miss America contests.

Ramirez says pageant organizers have harassed her over alleged rules violations, including gaining weight and bringing her boyfriend to events.

Pageant rules require the winner to maintain the size they were the day they signed the contract.

Ramirez is suing to stop her title from being taken away.

## 2nd Texas man executed for torture-slaying

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — A North Texas man convicted in the 1998 torture-slaying of a 19-year-old

mentally challenged woman apologized profusely Tuesday just minutes before he was executed, exactly 13 years after the murder.

Michael Wayne Hall, 31, received lethal injection less than an hour after the U.S. Supreme Court refused to stop his punishment for the abduction and murder of Amy Robinson.

Hall was pronounced dead at 6:23 p.m. at the Huntsville Unit of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

The second man convicted in Robinson's death, Robert Neville, was executed five years ago.

"I would like to give my sincere apology to Amy's family," Hall said as he was strapped to the death chamber gurney.

"We caused a lot of heartache, grief, pain and suffering, and I am sorry. I know it won't bring her back."

Speaking just above a whisper, his voice shaking and eyes watery, Hall said he wasn't the same person and repeatedly asked for forgiveness. Relatives of his victim stood a few feet away, looking through a window.

"I am sorry for everything. I wish I could take it back, but I can't."

Nine minutes later, he was pronounced dead.

## Texas ramps up Medicaid fraud collections to \$500M

AUSTIN (AP) — A state official says increased enforcement has helped Texas recover more than \$500 million in Medicaid fraud cases since 2003.

David Morales, who's the deputy first assistant attorney general of Texas, testified before the Senate Subcommittee on Medicaid Tuesday. Lawmakers expanded the Medicaid civil fraud division in Texas four years ago.

State lawmakers are still seeking ways to boost fraud prevention.

Texas faces a budget shortfall of at least \$15 billion, and controlling the state's Medicaid expenses has been identified as a top priority.

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# Playoffs 2011

## Grady girls edge Ropes, 31-28



HERALD Photo/Adam Coleman

Grady's Julia Scheulke brings the ball up the court as Ropes' Paige Thrash guards her in the Lady Cats' 31-28 win over Ropes in the Class A Division II bi-district playoff game Tuesday in Post.

BY ADAM COLEMAN  
Sports Editor

In a game that lacked scoring, it's fitting the biggest play of the night happened on the defensive end.

Ropes' fourth quarter push was stalled after Grady's Sarah Clay blocked Samantha Medrano's 3-pointer, which could have given the Lady Eagles a 31-30 lead with a little under a minute left in the game.

Instead Grady held on for the 31-28 win in Class A Division II bi-district playoff action and a date with No. 14 Paducah in the area round.

Clay, who also had a team-high eight points, came up big at the right time for the Lady Cats.

"I'm always getting trouble in practice by one of the seniors for blocking shots, but it's important in the game," she said. "I thought I had it so I went for it."

Grady was up by 12 heading into the fourth and the third quarter was no indication Ropes would make a comeback. Both teams combined for four points in the third, but Ropes exploded for 17 in the fourth, making Grady sweat a little bit.

"We knew that they were going to have to get after it," Grady head coach Ken Hefner said. "We haven't been in this position, we haven't been in the playoffs for a while. So I think us trying to find a rhythm, we got so carried away with what they were doing, they got after it. I

mean they really put a lot of pressure on us. ... I think the credit goes to how hard they played."

The only scores in the third quarter came from Clay and Ropes' Chelsea Rosales. Grady had a substantial lead at the time, so as long as Ropes wasn't making any shots, the Lady Eagles were in good shape.

But that change quickly.

A 3-pointer from Ropes' Brooke Bryant made it 29-22 Grady in the middle of the fourth. After a Ropes free throw, Shea Means stole the ball and Shelby Hicklen gave the Lady Eagles another two points. Then another steal led to a Ropes free throw and Grady's lead suddenly dwindled down to 29-26 with a little more than a minute left in the game.

Grady's Julia Scheulke was then sent to the line and converted one of two free throws, helping the Lady Eagles to inch even closer after a Bailey Wetsel score on the next possession.

Hanging on to a 30-28 lead, Grady's Charmynee Arnold was sent to the line, but missed both her free throws. Ropes had a chance to take the lead on the next possession and that's exactly what the Lady Eagles went for when Medrano shot up a three. But Clay was there for the block and Ropes couldn't recover.

"Our kids have done what they've done all

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## Cards unfazed by Pujols deadline

The Associated Press

JUPITER, Fla. — Albert Pujols' locker was stocked Wednesday morning with a red jersey, four pairs of white and gray baseball pants, his spring-training parking pass and several other items.

Still missing: A new contract from the St. Louis Cardinals, and the window to get that done is fast closing.

With a noon Eastern deadline for a new deal looming, Pujols was not at camp with the Cardinals on Wednesday. Many of his teammates were, including a handful of position players who were at work ahead of schedule. Pujols is expected to join them Thursday, whether or not the three-time NL MVP has a contract done to his liking.

"It really doesn't matter to us," said Cardinals pitcher and union rep Kyle McClellan. "It's none of our business. It's none of anybody's business. ... The truth is, I've never been on the mound and thinking of Albert Pujols' contract."

St. Louis manager Tony La Russa said Tuesday that he believes Pujols is feeling pressure from the union to "set the bar" with this deal, which some expect could exceed Alex Rodriguez's \$275 million, 10-year pact with the New York Yankees.

On Wednesday, La Russa insisted that he'd said too much already.

"It was kind of omitted. I said if I was running the union or part of the union, I'm not sure I'd handle it any different," La Russa said,

about two hours before the noon deadline. "I checked with some of our veteran coaches. It strains credibility a little bit to think there hasn't been any contact or mention. He's too significant."

Union officials have denied pressuring Pujols or his agent, Danny Lozano. And McClellan said La Russa's comments did not create an awkward situation for him, even though as the union rep in the Cardinals' clubhouse, he had to take a decidedly different stance than his manager.

"It doesn't really have anything to do with me. I just represent the players," McClellan said. "All I can do is get the facts that I know, that the union's job is to make sure that the players and

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## BSHS softball opens season with victory

For Big Spring softball head coach, Tuesday's season opener against Midland Christian was all about finding out what he had.

If that game is any indication, he has a lot.

The Lady Steers beat the Lady Mustangs 12-2 in five innings to open the 2011 season, led by Logan Yarbar in the circle. While Yarbar got the win, Valerie Ross also did some pitching.

The Lady Steers got an all-around solid effort from their hitters. Mackenzie Stone was 2 for 2, Jillian Valle was

2 for 4, Laura Herrera was 2 for 3 and Angelina Castillo was 2 for 3.

Sparks said he was pleased with his team's effort and is still figuring out all the weapons he has. This season, the Steers are trying to return to the playoffs, but it will be in Class 3A, though, as they battle Abilene Wylie, Brownwood and Sweetwater, among other squads.

Next up is a date with Monahans at home at 6 p.m. Friday.

## Armstrong officially off bike — 'Retirement 2.0'

The Associated Press

Lance Armstrong is calling this one "Retirement 2.0."

Almost a month after finishing 65th in his last competitive race in Australia, and nearly six years removed from the last of an unprecedented seven straight Tour de France titles, the 39-year-old cyclist made clear there is no reset button this time.

This time, he's leaving professional racing behind for good.

"Never say never," Armstrong laughed at the start of an exclusive interview Tuesday with The

Associated Press, then quickly added, "Just kidding."

His retirement ends a comeback effort that failed to produce an eighth title or diminish talk that performance-enhancing drugs helped his career. The timing has as much to do with his growing responsibilities and family as it does with the physical limitations time has imposed. He's tired, and tired of being hounded. Armstrong will miss competing — let alone dominating a sport like none before him — but not the 24/7/365 training regimen that made it possible.

"I can't say I have any regrets. It's been an excellent ride. I really thought I was going to win another tour," Armstrong said about his comeback attempt in 2009, four years after his first retirement. "Then I lined up like everybody else and wound up third."

"I have no regrets about last year, either," he added, despite finishing 23rd. "The crashes, the problems with the bike — those were things that were beyond my control."

Armstrong spoke to the AP in a telephone inter-

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view and in a videotaped interview from his office in Austin, Texas.

Armstrong zoomed out of relative obscurity after a life-threatening bout with testicular cancer to win his first tour in 1999, then set about recalibrating both the popularity of his sport and how much influence athletes can wield as advocates for a cause — in his case, on behalf of cancer survivors and researchers worldwide.

International Cycling Union President Pat McQuaid had high praise for Armstrong.

"His contribution to cycling has been enormous, from both the sporting point of view and his personality. All sports need global icons and he has become a global icon for cycling," said McQuaid, speaking to The Associated Press by telephone from the Tour of Oman. "The sport of cycling has a lot to be thankful for because of Lance Armstrong."

Along the way, Armstrong also became one of the most controversial figures in the evolving battle against doping in sports. He claims to be the most-tested athlete on the planet during his career. Armstrong came back clean every time, and vehemently denies ever using performance-enhancing drugs.

Even so, he remains shadowed by a federal investigation into the sport launched last year following accusations by former teammate and disgraced 2006 tour champion Floyd Landis that Armstrong used drugs and taught other riders how to beat testing. Though the probe is continuing, lawyers familiar with the case told the AP recently that any possible indictments are a long way off.

"I can't control what goes on in regards to the investigation. That's why I hire people to help me with that. I try not to let it bother me and just keep rolling right along. I know what I know," Armstrong said. "I know what I do and I know what I did. That's not going to change."

What won't change, either, is his tenacious campaigning to raise funds and awareness in the fight against a disease his doctors once believed would keep Armstrong from competing at anything more strenuous than gin rummy.

That was 1996. A year later, he set up the Livestrong Foundation and raised \$10,000. In the intervening years, Armstrong used his story, his celebrity and hard work to sell

millions of those ubiquitous plastic yellow wrist bracelets and enlist lawmakers in Texas and global policymakers on the scale of Bill Clinton in the cause.

By the end of last year, despite tough economic times, the foundation had raised nearly \$400 million total. But the real heavy lifting may just be beginning.

After lobbying successfully for a Texas state constitutional amendment to provide \$3 billion for cancer research over a 10-year period, Armstrong now has his sights set on California. This summer, he'll work with legislators there to draw up and put on the ballot a measure mandating a cigarette tax with the proceeds to fund further research. Come September, Armstrong will also plead his case before a United Nations General Assembly special session on non-communicable diseases that he provided much of the impetus for.

"We knew we'd be able to have some impact, but we didn't know we'd pick up so much momentum," he said.

That's how Armstrong broke through nearly every barrier the sport had erected over a century and more — by leading with his chin. He spilled blood on the roads, came back from crashes and more than once, crossed the finish line of a stage race draped over his handlebars like a man hanging on for life instead of an unbreakable machine.

One thing that never changed, though, was how Armstrong's withering gaze controlled the pack of riders around him. He doled out favors, like stage wins, or withheld them as the mood struck him. He could command the peloton to speed up to chase a breakaway rider or slow down with an ease the old-time cycling bosses — respectfully called patrons — would have envied.

That was just one reason Armstrong leaves the sport with nearly as many enemies as friends.

"A lot of that has been overanalyzed and inaccurately portrayed, but it's part and parcel of cycling. It's how cycling operates," Armstrong said. "There's too much infighting, jealousy and bitterness within the sport, so everybody tries to pick apart a person or a spectacular performance."

"And some of it," he added, "we bring on ourselves."

Cycling made Armstrong wealthy several times over, and many of the sponsors he brought into the sport continue to use him as a pitchman. A second career in politics someday does not seem out of the question.

"I don't think so. I get asked that question a lot. It's a job. It's probably

## Horcoff leads Oilers past struggling Stars

EDMONTON, Alberta (AP) — After another string of disappointing results, Edmonton general manager Steve Tambellini called out his team for its lackluster play.

The Oilers got the message.

Edmonton captain Shawn Horcoff had a goal and two assists and the Oilers snapped a three-game skid with a 4-1 victory over the struggling Dallas Stars on Tuesday night.

"It was important tonight to respond in front of our fans," Horcoff said. "It was no secret we were challenged and the fans knew we'd been challenged. It's important to show them what it's going to be like here in the future."

Jordan Eberle, Taylor Chorney and Ales Hemsy also scored for the last-place Oilers, who won for the first time in their last eight home games and for just the second time in their last nine overall.

Edmonton goalie Nikolai Khabibulin made 24 saves and snapped a 14-game losing streak.

"Khabibulin was good early and we needed him to be," Oilers coach Tom Renney said. "He made some good saves and we fed off of that. Then our power play scores a goal and then all of a sudden you start to believe in yourself and what you are doing and why you do it."

Loui Eriksson scored for the Stars, who have two wins in their last seven games.

"We're frustrated," said Dallas captain Brenden Morrow. "It hasn't been a good run for us. Every day we say the right things, we talk about the right things, we have meetings on top of meetings, and then we come out in the game and fall behind."

"I can't remember the last time we played with a lead. It's tough to win when you are always fighting back."

Dallas was without leading scorer Brad Richards, out with an undisclosed injury sustained late in Sun-

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agents are informed. They're not going to overstep any boundaries and tell anybody what to do. Everybody's a grown man. They can make a decision for themselves."

La Russa said often Wednesday morning that his focus is on spring training and the NL Central, not what will or won't happen with his slugger.

"We don't want to get our minds cluttered as a team," La Russa said. "There's enough to do. ... The competition in the Central and the National League has got our complete attention. And that's just what we're going to think about. You can choose what you think about. That's what we're going to think about."

General manager John Mozeliak has said it's not necessary that a deal be signed by noon Wednesday, but the sides would need to have agreed

to terms. Mozeliak was planning to speak about the negotiations Wednesday afternoon, team officials said.

Pujols, a nine-time All-Star, is the only player in major league history to hit 30 or more home runs each of his first 10 seasons — all coming with the Cardinals, the franchise he has said in the past he wants to remain with for the rest of his career.

He has a .331 career batting average and averaged 41 homers and 123 RBIs. He's also won six Silver Slugger Awards and two Gold Gloves.

Last year he batted .312 with 42 homers and 118 RBIs and finished second in MVP balloting.

"I don't think there's a better guy for us to have on the team," Cardinals second baseman Skip Schumaker said. "He's the face of the franchise. You respect both sides of it. You respect what the Cardinals are doing, you respect the management and what Albert's agent is doing. It's a tough situation, as everybody knows. He's an iconic player."

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year long," Ropes head coach Mike McCann said. "We're scrappers

and we're fighters. I'm extremely proud of them. We lost our all-region player before the season started and we've just had to find ways to score. ... But coach Hefner does a tremendous job and he's brought that team so far in this last year."

This is the second time Grady's got the best of Ropes this season. The two teams met in non-district action on Nov. 19, a 40-30 win for the Lady Cats.

Grady had to beat Wellman-Union Friday to get into the playoffs, but now the tall task of beating Paducah awaits. Grady and Paducah play at 6:30 p.m. Friday

at Post High School in Post.

Grady 31, Ropes 28  
Grady 8 13 2 8 - 31  
Ropes 5 4 2 17 - 28  
Grady - Sarah Clay 8, Julia Scheulke 6, Kelly Cook 6

Ropes - Cami Hill 8, Brooke Bryant 3, Shelby Hicklen 2, Bailey Wetsel 2

3-point field goals - Grady 0, Ropes 3 (Bryant 1, Hill 2)

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Next game: Grady vs. Paducah at 6:30 p.m. Friday at Post High School

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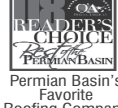
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# No. 20 Missouri outlasts Texas Tech 92-84

COLUMBIA, Mo. (AP) — Sporting the look of a boxer with a row of stitches just beneath his right eye, Marcus Denmon got No. 20 Missouri going early with 18 first-half points.

The Tigers could have used a little more from their leading scorer the rest of the way, and a little more fight from the rest of the roster.

Kim English scored all but two of his 16 points in the second half and reserve Michael Dixon 13 points in a 92-84 victory over Texas Tech on Tuesday night. The Tigers (20-6, 6-5 Big 12) shot 58 percent but were tested in a run-and-gun contest that was light on defense before pulling away late to go to 16-0 at home.

Denmon was 8 for 11 in the first half, and only 1 for 2 in the second half because he wanted to be unselfish.

“I was trying to be a little more passive in the second half just because I felt like I could help get some other guys involved,” Denmon said. “A lot of teams around the country, they have just one key player and if you can key on him, you can stop the team.”

“That’s not how it works with us.”

Coach Mike Anderson said his team was flat, and players weren’t disagreeing. Missouri committed five straight turnovers as the Red Raiders shaved the lead from 10 points to three with 1:14 to go. Anderson singled out starting forwards Laurence Bowers and Ricardo Ratliffe for criticism.

Both had foul trouble and Ratliffe finished with four points and two rebounds in 16 minutes.

English missed three free throws in the final 33 seconds.

“You’re going to have a game like that,” Anderson said. “I didn’t think it was because they didn’t want to. It just wasn’t there.”

Paid attendance of 10,488 was Missouri’s worst in Big 12 play. There were almost 4,000 no-shows, reflecting fan apathy too.

“Coach Anderson says a raggedy ride is better than a smooth walk,” English said. “And it’s so true.”

John Roberson had 21 points for Texas Tech (11-15, 3-8), which shot 49 percent and had the highest scoring total for an opponent at Missouri. David Tairu added 17 points but the Red Raiders lost their fourth straight, all against ranked opponents.

“We’ll bounce back, we always do,” forward Mike Singletary said. “We came in here and battled and that’s what you want to do, you want to be in a position to win the game.”

Missouri entered averaging a 23.7-point victory margin at Mizzou Arena and led by 13 with about 9½ minutes left, but were hanging on after Roberson’s 3-pointer cut it to 87-84.

Denmon, a junior guard, topped 1,000 career points late in the half and English finished the game with 998. Denmon missed the last 18 minutes

of Saturday’s home victory over Oklahoma after taking an accidental elbow from Bowers.

“It’s still hurting a little bit,” Denmon said. “But it’s nothing I can’t play through.”

Singletary, Texas Tech’s second-leading scorer with a 13-point average, did not start for the second straight game and had four points in nine minutes. Singletary has been bothered by a left calf injury and limped off the court for good with about seven minutes to go with a sore left knee.

“I was feeling all right until I kind of bumped knees, and it kind of went downhill from there,” Singletary said.

Ricky Krecklow’s layup for a 59-58 lead with just under 15 minutes to play was the eighth straight lead change. Six players contributed to a 12-2 run that gave Missouri breathing room for the first time at 77-64 with about 9½ minutes to go.

Denmon showed he was fine immediately, scoring seven of Missouri’s first 11 points. All three of his first-half misses were from 3-point range.

The Tigers led 45-44 at the break, with both teams apparently content to run and gun. Missouri shot 56 percent with five 3-pointers with a 12-3 run and Texas Tech shot 50 percent with four 3-pointers and a 16-2 run for a six-point with about 5½ minutes to go.

# Wade’s 41 push Miami Heat past Indiana Pacers

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Dwyane Wade dominated the first half, LeBron James and Chris Bosh took over in the fourth quarter and the Miami Heat’s star power overcame Indiana’s youth and determination.

Wade tied a franchise record for most points in a first half with 31, and he finished with 41 to help the Heat defeat the Pacers 110-103 on Tuesday night.

James scored 27 points and Bosh added 22 points and eight rebounds for Miami. They combined for 19 of Miami’s 28 points in the

final 12 minutes to help the Heat recover after squandering a 24-point lead.

“We’re one of the best fourth-quarter teams in the league,” Wade said. “With the caliber players that we have, especially myself and Chris and LeBron, we’re able to run the full-court offense, get good shots, high percentage shots.”

Wade also finished with 12 rebounds for the Heat.

“It was amazing,” James said. “That’s part of the reason why he’s D-Wade. We saw him get going early and we just kept giving him the

ball. It was an unbelievable first quarter and an unbelievable first half in itself.”

Miami held Indiana to 6-for-23 shooting in the fourth quarter.

“Our fourth-quarter defense is tremendous,” James said. “When it’s winning time, we know how to get stops.”

Roy Hibbert scored 18 points and Tyler Hansbrough added 16 for the Pacers. Indiana has won seven of nine under interim coach Frank Vogel, with both losses coming against the Heat.

Miami led 41-17 late in the first quarter, but

Indiana rallied and led early in the fourth quarter.

“I’m proud of our guys,” Vogel said. “This is what I’m talking about when I talk about smashmouthbasketball, blood and guts, never quitting. All heart, all hustle.”

None of those things were enough.

James threw the ball off the backboard, caught it with one hand and dunked to give Miami a 93-91 lead with 6 minutes to play. James converted a basket in close over the 7-foot-2 Hibbert, then scored on a tip-in to push Miami’s

lead to 99-94, and the Heat led the rest of the way.

Wade dominated Mike Dunleavy for 16 points in the first 5:05 of the game. When Vogel finally switched the matchup and brought in rookie Paul George, Wade splashed a jumper

in George’s face seconds after he entered. Wade finished the period with 22 points, the most he has scored in a quarter this season. One of his baskets was a jumper from behind the backboard.

Miami led 41-19 at the end of the quarter.

## STARS

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day’s game against Columbus. Stars defenseman Niklas Grossman, also injured against the Blue Jackets, missed the game with a groin injury.

The Stars are 1-5-1 since the All-Star break, and the rest of the Western Conference playoff hopefuls have been making up significant ground.

“I don’t think we have been playing at the level we can,” goalie Kari Lehtonen said. “We have some guys hurt, but I think we still have a much better team than we have showed the last couple games. It’s a very important part of the season and we want to get wins.”

Both goalies had big stops early. Khabibulin made a quick kick save on Brenden Morrow as the Stars’ captain finished a two-on-one. Lehtonen quickly followed,

stoning Hemsy on a clear-cut breakaway.

Edmonton opened the scoring with just under 2 minutes left in the first period as Sam Gagner showed some deft puck handling behind the net before putting a backhand pass out front to Eberle, who scored his 12th of the season.

The Oilers outshot Dallas 11-7 in the first period — they had only 12 shots in Sunday’s 4-0 loss to Anaheim.

Edmonton went up 2-0 at 7:40 of the second with a rare power-play goal. Chorney, a recent call-up, scored his first career NHL goal on a bullet of a shot from the edge of the circle.

“To come home like that and score your first NHL goal and have the crowd go nuts like that was something special,” Chorney said.

It was Edmonton’s first power-play goal in 26 attempts and just its fourth in 84 man advantages.

Dallas pulled back to within one on a power

play with 3½ minutes left in the second period. Eriksson split the defense and slid a backhand through Khabibulin’s legs to make it 2-1.

The Oilers made it 3-1 on another power play goal with 1:50 left in the second. Hemsy fed the puck in front for Horcoff, who directed it past Lehtonen. Horcoff was in the lineup after missing the last two games with bronchitis.

Hemsy made up for his breakaway miss early in the game just 28 seconds into the third,

scoring his 10th of the season to put Edmonton ahead 4-1.

NOTES: It was the fourth and final meeting of the season between the teams. Dallas had won five straight against Edmonton and 13 of the last 17 matchups. ... Chorney suited up for Edmonton in place of Jeff Petry, who was sent down when Chorney was called up from Oklahoma City on Monday. ... The Stars are one win shy of 700 since relocating from Minnesota to Dallas.

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## Contract Bridge

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### When to Win a Trick

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East-West vulnerable.

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 ♥ A 2  
 ♦ K Q J 10  
 ♣ Q 7 5 3

**WEST**  
 ♠ J 9 4 3  
 ♥ K J 8  
 ♦ 8 6 4 2  
 ♣ 10 9

**EAST**  
 ♠ 6 5 2  
 ♥ 6 3  
 ♦ 9 7 3  
 ♣ A K J 8 4

**SOUTH**  
 ♠ A K 7  
 ♥ Q 10 9 7 5 4  
 ♦ A 5  
 ♣ 6 2

The bidding:  
 North East South West  
 1♦ Pass 1♥ Pass  
 Opening lead — ten of clubs.

The opportunity to win a trick does not mean one is obliged to do so. There are times when a player — whether declarer or defender — is best advised to refuse a trick he can win.

Consider this deal where West started off on the right foot by leading the ten of clubs. After everyone followed low, West continued with the nine, overtaken by East with the

jack. East then played the king of clubs, and declarer was faced with the problem of which card to ruff with.

Declarer studied the situation while and finally ruffed with the ten. West overruffed with the jack and shifted to a diamond. South won with the ace and led the queen of trumps. It did not matter whether West covered or not; either way, his king was trapped, and South would make the contract.

West foundered badly when he overruffed declarer’s ten of trumps with the jack at trick three. All he had to do to guarantee defeat of the contract was to discard on the trick. Once the ten was gone, West’s K-J-8 of trumps represented two sure trump winners regardless of declarer’s trump holding or what he did next.

There is no magic rule that answers the question of when a player should take or refuse to take a particular trick. It depends on the circumstances. If it is advantageous to win the trick, you do so; if there is something to be gained by refusing to win the trick, you don’t win it. More often than not, you win a trick when you can, but the overriding factor in every case is good judgment.

Tomorrow: A different game.

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# Colts put franchise tag on Manning

The Associated Press  
INDIANAPOLIS — The Indianapolis Colts are keeping Peyton Manning — no matter what it costs.

Manning, the only four-time MVP in league history, has been given the exclusive franchise tag, a move that could cost the Colts \$23 million next season. Team owner Jim Irsay announced the decision Tuesday night on Twitter.

"We have placed the franchise tag on Peyton while we continue to negotiate a long term deal," Irsay wrote.

The move is hardly a surprise.

Last year, Irsay promised to make Manning the NFL's highest-paid player. He has reiterated

that position many times since then with one caveat — if the Colts couldn't reach a new deal with Manning before free agency started they would use the franchise tag.

The Colts did the same thing in 2004 before eventually agreeing to a seven-year, \$98 million deal. The Colts then pulled the tag.

Irsay hasn't backed down on either promise, and Manning, as he usually does, has remained silent about the contract.

Three weeks ago, the Colts put their first formal proposal on the table. It was an offer Irsay and team president Bill Polian wanted to make last October, but Man-

*"It's important. But it's something that you don't totally control, so I think you have to be prepared to work on your roster while you're doing that."*

Jim Irsay,  
Colts' owner

ning informed the team then, through his agent, that he did not want to start negotiating until after the season.

The current offer is believed to be richer than the four-year, \$72 million contract that New England quarterback Tom Brady signed in September. Brady's contract also included \$48.5 million in guaranteed money, and Irsay has called that deal the standard.

"It's not a normal negotiation, his legacy and our relationship, it's very unusual," Irsay

said last month.

On Tuesday, Indy decided not to wait any longer to make its decision.

By "tagging" Manning, no other team can negotiate with the Colts' franchise quarterback.

How critical is Manning to the Colts' success?

In 13 seasons, he has broken all the franchise's career records for quarterbacks and has never missed a start. He's taken Indy to the playoffs 11 times, captured seven AFC South titles in eight years,

won two AFC championships, one Super Bowl title and a Super Bowl MVP Award.

The move does free up the Colts to work on other contracts before the collective bargaining agreement expires March 3.

The list of their potential free agents includes running back Joseph Addai, kicker Adam Vinatieri; Charlie Johnson, Manning's blind side protector; Melvin Bullitt, a key backup at safety who is ready to start; starting line-backer Clint Session

and starting defensive tackle Dan Muir.

Irsay also has promised "significant" announcements in the coming weeks.

"It's important," Irsay said when asked about the importance of reaching a new deal with Manning.

"But it's something that you don't totally control, so I think you have to be prepared to work on your roster while you're doing that. That's a big part of the equation, but I think you have to be able and ready to shape your ros-



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The full moon in Leo will pull passionate feelings right up to the surface. The influence of Leo is magnification. The lion is large and loud and won't be ignored. People will be prone to exaggeration and perhaps even lies. But it's all in the name of good storytelling. Under this sky, if you're boring, you lose.



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**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). You'll be busy making plans, and sometimes it seems like that's the part that is the most fun. But try not to get so involved in the future that you forget to smile during today's

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**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Your connection to certain family members is bittersweet. Take heart in the knowledge that yours is not the only imperfect family. Family dynamics are complicated across the board.

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**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll hear yourself saying words that are different from what you really want to project. Stop yourself from this kind of duplicity. Get your message straight, and align yourself behind it.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Your private opinion of yourself is far more critical than anyone else's could ever be. Lighten up. Be nice to yourself. You've done a

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**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). People may not acknowledge you to the degree they should. But if you look at their actions with keen insight, you will notice that they are acknowledging you through their attention.

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**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Feb. 16). You believe in a better life for all, not just for you. Because you're willing to work for this reality, you create it.

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**ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS:** "How do you think a Scorpio woman could attract the attention of a Sagittarius guy? Actually, we went on one date a year ago, and I guess it didn't go so well, because he didn't call back. I've been thinking of him ever since. I don't know what I did wrong, and it shook my confidence a little. But I feel like I could still win him over if I could only have another chance. He's everything I want in a husband. He's funny, sophisticated, handsome and well-off. I can't let this one slip away. Help me, Holiday!"

Sagittarius men are passionate and worldly, and some of them attract women effortlessly — a Sagittarius can charm women by simply walking by. Your best bet with this man is not to come on too strong. They like the pursuit. Also, this sign is always wanting what someone else has. You need to "accidentally" run into him somewhere, and you

must be looking and feeling fantastic while having a wonderful time with another guy who appears to be really into you. This will automatically capture the interest of your Sagittarius. Once you have his attention, flirt, play it cool and don't push.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** "Sliders" star Jerry O'Connell is a Hollywood veteran, though he's only 36! He did commercials in his first decade of life and starred in the Rob Reiner classic film "Stand By Me" at the age of 11. O'Connell's sun and Jupiter are in the friendly, social-minded sign of Aquarius. Mercury is in intuitive Pisces, indicating a high degree of imagination and suggesting that O'Connell is an old soul.

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| 5:PM  | News ABC            | Alma Notic.        | Lopez              | News                   | Noticias              | News                | King                 | CCM                    | World               | Lyrics!             | Cash Cab               | Movie: Once Upon a Time in Mexico           | UFC Unleashed              | Law & Order         | 106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live         | Phineas             | Nation                         | SportsCenter                   |                                  |
| 6:PM  | Jeopardy!           | Lena de Amor (SS)  | Two Men            | News                   | Caso Cerado           | News                | Seinfeld             | Faye H. Cortes         | PBS News-Hour       | '70s                | MythBusters            |                                             | UFC Unleashed              | Bones               |                                       | Hannah              | College Basketball: Teams TBA. | College Basketball: Teams TBA. |                                  |
| 7:PM  | Middle Better       | Eva Luna (SS)      | American Idol      | Survivor-Island        | Aurora (SS)           | Minute to Win It    | Browns               | Upd House              | Nova scienceNOW     | Nikita              | Gold Rush: Alaska      | Movie: The Shawshank Redemption, Bob Gunton | UFC Unleashed              | Bones               | Movie: American Violet, Alfre Woodard | Good Deck           | Hannah Forever                 | College Basketball             | NBA Basketball: Nuggets at Bucks |
| 8:PM  | Family Sunshine     | Triunfo del Amor   |                    | Criminal Minds         | Herederos-Monte       | Minute to Win It    | Payne                | Light of the Southwest | NOVA (DVS)          | The Vampire Diaries | Sons                   |                                             | Best of PRIDE              | Bones               | Best of PRIDE                         | Game                | Phineas                        |                                |                                  |
| 9:PM  | Off the Map         | Rosa de Guadalupe  | Simpsons How I Met | C.M.: Suspect          | Alguien te Mira (SS)  | Law & Order: SVU    | There                | There                  | NOVA (DVS)          | Married Married     | Desert Car Kings       |                                             | Best of PRIDE              | Bones               |                                       | Phineas             |                                |                                |                                  |
| 10:PM | News Nightline      | Impacto            | How I Met          | News                   | Noticias              | News                | Conan                | Uri Harel Dr. Young    | Charlie Rose        | King                | Gold Rush: Alaska      | Movie: The Shawshank Redemption, Bob Gunton | UFC Unleashed              | Southland           | The Mo'Nique                          | Wizards             | College Basketball             | SportsCenter                   |                                  |
| 11:PM | Jimmy Kimmel Live   | La Verdad Oculta   | Law & Order: SVU   | Late                   | Decisiones (SS)       | Late Night          | Lopez Tonight        | Jim Israel             | World (Off Air)     | South Pk            | Sons                   |                                             | UFC's Ultimate Fight Night | CSI: NY             | Wendy Williams                        | Hannah              |                                |                                |                                  |
| 12:AM | Extra               | Tontas Cielo       | Paid               | Insider                | Decisiones (SS)       | Late Night          | Conan                | Upd                    |                     | Cops                | Desert Car Kings       |                                             |                            | CSI: NY             | Movie: American Violet, Alfre Woodard | Wizards             | Final                          | SportsCenter                   |                                  |
| 1AM   | Paid                | Clasicos           | TMZ                | Pagado                 | News                  | Poker After Dark    | Lopez Tonight        | Light of the Southwest |                     | Focus 4             | Overhaul               | Breaking Bad                                | Amazing Video              | Leverage            |                                       | Wizards             | NBA                            | SportsCenter                   |                                  |
| 1:AM  | Paid                | Cero               | King-Hill          | (:37) Up to the Minute | Pagado                |                     |                      |                        |                     | Gospel Tripp        |                        |                                             |                            |                     | Suite Life                            | SportsNation        | SportsCenter                   |                                |                                  |

### DENNIS THE MENACE

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"A PENNY FOR YOUR THOUGHTS, DENNIS."  
"I WAS THINKIN' MORE LIKE A QUARTER."

### THE FAMILY CIRCUS

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"Mommy said I get to wake up Daddy!"

### HAGAR

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WHAT HAPPENED TO OUR BOAT ???  
BOY! YOU MISS TWO LOUSY PAYMENTS...  
...AND THEY STEP RIGHT IN AND REPOSSESS IT!!!

### BC

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SUBTLE CLUES IN HIS POSTURING SUGGEST HE'S ANGRY THAT I WAS IGNORING HIM EARLIER.  
WOW.  
HOW ABOUT HER?  
SHE SEEMS OKAY.  
MEN...

### BLONDIE

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RUMOR HAS IT THAT YOUR SPARE BRIEFCASE IS LOADED WITH SNACKS, DAG.  
THE RUMOR IS TRUE.  
HAVE YOU EVER GRABBED THE WRONG ONE RACING TO A MEETING?  
SURE, THAT HAPPENS SOMETIMES.  
JUST LAST THURSDAY I SAT THROUGH AN ENTIRE CONFERENCE WITH NOTHING TO CHEW ON EXCEPT MY PENCIL!

### WIZARD OF ID

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WIZ! THE HUNS ARE ATTEMPTING TO SCALE THE NORTH WALL!  
GIVE 'EM A TASTE OF YOUR DARK MAGIC.  
YES, SIRE.  
I DON'T DO WELL UNDER PRESSURE.  
OOOH... PRETTY!

### AGNES

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I'M CHANGING MY IMAGE... DO YOU THINK THIS IS A GOOD LOOK?  
NOPE.  
WHOA! YOU ANSWERED SO FAST THAT I THINK YOU DO THINK IT'S A GOOD LOOK AND YOU'RE HOT GREEN WITH ENVY THAT YOU DIDN'T THINK OF IT YOURSELF!  
UH-OH! YOU'RE SPEECHLESS! I HIT THE NAIL ON THE HEAD, DIDN'T I?  
DID YOU USE YOUR FACE ON THE NAIL?

### HI AND LOIS

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TRIXIE! YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO COLOR INSIDE THE LINES.  
BUT OUTSIDE IS SO MUCH MORE FUN.

### THE OTHER COAST

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A REFUGEE CAMP ATTACKED, A SUICIDE BOMBING IN A MARKET...  
KIDNAPPINGS, CAR-JACKINGS, STABBINGS, THREATS OF WARS, GENOCIDES...  
I CANNOT BELIEVE SOME OF THE THINGS THAT ARE GOING ON IN THE WORLD TODAY.  
MAYBE IT'S HUMANS WHO SHOULD BE DESIGNATED A DANGEROUS BREED.

### SNUFFY SMITH

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TIME T'SAY YORE PRAYERS, JUGHAID !!  
YAWN... OKAY, AUNT LOWEZY !!  
NOW I LAY ME DOWN T'SLEEP...  
RECKON THAT'S CLOSE ENUFF !!

### BEEBLE BAILEY

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$\pi = \frac{C}{d}$ ,  $E=mc^2$ ,  
 $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ ,  
 $F = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2}$   
WHAT ARE YOU DOING, BEEBLE?  
I'M STUDYING THE DEFINITION OF PI, THE THEORY OF ENERGY, THE PYTHAGOREAN THEOREM AND THE LAW OF GRAVITY.  
I'M TRYING TO SEE IF THERE'S SOME EXPLANATION FOR SARGE

### This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, Feb. 16, the 47th day of 2011. There are 318 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:  
On Feb. 16, 1968, the nation's first 911 emergency telephone system was inaugurated, in Haleyville, Ala.

On this date:  
In 1804, Lt. Stephen Decatur led a successful raid into Tripoli Harbor to burn the U.S. Navy frigate Philadelphia, which had fallen into the hands of pirates.  
In 1862, during the Civil War, some 14,000 Confederate soldiers surrendered at Fort Donelson, Tenn. (Union Gen. Ulysses S. Grant's victory earned him the nickname "Unconditional Surrender Grant.")  
In 1868, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks was organized in New York City.  
In 1923, the burial chamber of King Tutankhamen's recently unearthed tomb was unsealed.

### Newsday Crossword

DO TELL by Fred Jackson III  
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**ACROSS**  
1 Popular vacation month  
5 Dust particle  
10 Puts to work  
14 Complimentary  
15 One from Waco  
16 Pea cases  
17 Korean cars  
18 Pop up  
19 Russian's refusal  
20 Tells  
23 Metric weight, briefly  
24 Overly permissive  
25 + and -  
28 Super Bowl org.  
31 Passport endorsement  
35 Fives out  
37 Vegas  
39 Elevator compartment  
40 Tells  
44 Decline gradually  
45 OPEC member  
46 Living thing  
47 Navigation hazards  
50 Cookbook abbr.  
52 Some Verdi vocals  
53 Basketball filler  
55 Mountain climber's need  
57 Tells  
64 "\_\_\_ your point"  
65 Actor's rep  
66 Center of power  
68 Prefix for series  
69 Election selection  
70 Head start

**DOWN**  
1 NYC airport  
2 Exodus author  
3 Leave the ground, in a way  
4 "That's nothing new to me"  
5 Delay on purpose  
6 Individual  
7 Cinema sign  
8 Redeem, with "in"  
9 Prepare to propose, perhaps  
10 On deck  
11 Tofu source  
12 Paradise  
13 Former fast fliers: Abbr.  
21 Santa's mail  
22 Undergraduate degs.  
25 Soldier's sword  
26 "Well, don't that beat all!"  
27 Earth representation  
29 Gets out of town  
30 Statute  
32 Intermission  
33 Mediterranean nation  
34 Victimize, with "on"  
36 Alphabetic trio  
38 That lady  
41 Fedora, for one  
42 Not suitable  
43 Coffeecake  
48 Pretend  
49 Family nickname  
51 "And make it snappy!"  
54 French \_\_\_ (kind of coffee)  
56 Quite a bit  
57 Money, proverbially  
58 Laos locale  
59 Focusing device  
60 Hostile, as a crowd  
61 Afternoon get-togethers  
62 Overhaul  
63 Bothers persistently  
67 Casual shirt

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