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County OKs appraisal district budget

By THOMAS JENKINS
 Staff Writer

County commissioners approved the proposed 2011-2012 budget for the Howard County Appraisal District on a 3-1 vote during Thursday's special meeting, one of several taxing entities that will have to decide the fate of the fiscal plan.

Precinct 2 Commissioner Donnie Baker abstained from the vote because he currently sits on the Appraisal District's board of directors, while Pre-

cinct 4 Commissioner John Cline voted against the budget.

Precinct 1 Commissioner Emma Brown, Precinct 3 Commissioner Jimmie Long and County Judge Mark Barr all voted to approved the proposed budget, which garnered heavy disapproval from the Big Spring City Council during its most recent meeting.



Baker

The vote came after Baker described his and the district board of director's decision to approve the proposed budget, which includes a salary increase of approximately \$12,000 for Chief Appraiser Brett McKibben.

"I assure you, every member of the board was concerned with this," Baker told the court. "This increase gets Brett's salary up with what other counties are paying. I've been on the board for more than 20 years, and it was

in pretty bad shape when I came on. However, when you look at what was required (of the chief appraiser) then and what's required by state law now, there's no comparison."

Baker said the board is very pleased with the job McKibben has done for Howard County and the rest of the taxing entities in the Crossroads area, adding the directors approved the proposed budget — including the salary increase — one a 5-0 vote.

"I voted for it (as a member

of the appraisal board) because it was the right thing to do," Baker said. "The appraisal district is in the best shape it's ever been in."

Barr echoed Baker's approval of McKibben's work, citing recent litigation between the district and the Big Spring Refinery's owner, Alon USA, as a prime example.

"Brett has done a good job for us," Barr said. "The Alon deal was just treacherous."

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Museum adding spice to 'Legends'

By AMANDA MORENO
 Staff Writer

The Heritage Museum will help kick off rodeo week with Legends and Legacies Cajun Casino Night starting at 7 p.m. June 14.

"This year we wanted to change it up a bit," Nancy Raney, museum director, said.

The seventh annual Legends and Legacies will include black jack, craps, roulette and more. A local resident will be cooking up the food — cajun style.

"We normally have a fish



Raney

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Health on wheels



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

West Texas VA Healthcare System officials unveiled the Mobile Health Clinic, which will provide medical services to veterans living in outlying areas of the medical center's service area.

VA's mobile clinic set to hit the road

By STEVE REAGAN
 Staff Writer

Consider it a clinic away from the clinic.

Officials with the West Texas VA Healthcare System unveiled their new Mobile Health Clinic during a brief ceremony Thursday. The \$200,000 vehicle will allow medical center personnel to travel to outlying regions of the WTVAHS service area and provide services to veterans who are unable to make the trek to Big Spring.

In short, if the vets can't come to the clinic, the clinic will come to the vets.

"With this, we can go to rural areas where our veterans don't have access to a clinic," said Dr. Brian Phemester, acting chief of staff. "Our goal has always

"This is a great way for us to take our services to our veterans, instead of them having to come to us."

Daniel Marsh
 West Texas VA Healthcare System Director

been to give access to our services to all our veterans, and this is probably the best way to do it."

WTVAHS Director Daniel Marsh said the mobile clinic is the latest step in improving medical services to veterans in this region of Texas.

"This is a great way for us to take our services to our veterans, instead of them having to come to us," Marsh said.

The WTVAHS serves approximately 60,000 vetrans residing in a 33-county area of West Texas and New Mexico. With the mobile clinic, Phemester envisions teams of doctors and nurses hitting the road five or six days a week to reach out to veterans in the more far-flung areas of the medical center's service area.

Almost every normal clinic service can be provided through the mobile clinic, including examinations and inoculations, Phemester said.

"It's like a little doctor's office," he said. "Basically, it's a medical clinic on wheels."

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Obituaries

Chad Martin



Chad Aaron Martin, 25, of Snyder died Tuesday, May 31, 2011, in Snyder.
Family visitation will be from 7 p.m. until 8 p.m. Friday, June 3, 2011, at Wright Colonial Funeral Home.
Funeral services are scheduled for 3 p.m. Saturday, June 4, 2011, in the Wright Colonial Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow at Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Wright Colonial Funeral Home.

Chad was born Nov. 20, 1985, in Ruidoso, N.M. He graduated from Snyder High School in 2004. He was employed at Texas Department of Criminal Justice Wallace Unit, where he had been for the last 2-1/2 years. He was previously employed at the Price Daniel Unit for two years.

Survivors include his parents, Jay and Mary Jimm Martin Jr. of San Antonio and Charlesta Dickens of Big Spring; one son, C.J. Martin of Snyder; one daughter, Scarlett Martin of San Antonio; a brother, Tyson Hallmark of Whitney; three sisters, Tiffany Martin and Lorin Martin, both of Big Spring and Michaelin Tovar of Abilene; grandparents, Elmer Dickens of Big Spring, Tip and Jan Baker of Fluvanna and W.J. Martin of Abilene; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

He was preceded in death by his grandmother, Dichens Loubel; and his great-grandfather, John Sneek

Freddie Ray Leonard



Freddie Ray Leonard, 48, of Big Spring died Tuesday, May 31, 2011, at his residence. The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m. Friday, June 3, 2011, at their home at 205 Driver Rd.

Freddie was born Oct. 23, 1962, in Big Spring. He graduated from Big Spring High School and attended Sul Ross University. He worked in the oilfield as a pumper with his father.

Survivors include his father, A. D. "Dulane" Leonard of Big Spring; one sister, Terri Corbell of Picacho, N.M.; and one brother, Jerry Leonard of Odessa.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Bobbie Leonard.

The family suggests memorials be made to Home Hospice, 111 E. Seventh St., Suite A, Big Spring 79720; or to a favorite charity.

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

Christina E. Garza

Christina E. Garza, 25, of Coahoma died Thursday, June 2, 2011 in a local hospital. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Support Groups

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.

Police blotter

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

- MELISSA URANGA VELASQUEZ, 46, of 4400 Beachnutt, was arrested Thursday on a charge of no driver's license - when unlicensed.
- MICHAEL NUNEZ PADRON, 45, of 506 E. 15th St., was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.
- CHANCE HAYS HANSON, 23, of 303 Spring Creek, was arrested Thursday on warrants for duty on striking landscape fixture, expired motor vehicle inspection certificate and failure to maintain financial responsibility.
- BILLY MICHAEL BURNS, 51, of 1304 Stanford, was arrested Thursday on warrants for dog or cat running at large (two counts).
- MICHAEL JAMES FLORES, 34, of 3007 Cactus, was arrested Thursday on a warrant for speeding.
- TERIA DEDMON, 37, of 207 W. Hoover in Coahoma, was arrested Thursday on a charge of theft - shoplifting.
- ASSAULT was reported in the 600 block of S. Lancaster.
- THEFT was reported in the 200 block of W. FM 700.
- BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported in the 400 block of E. Fourth Street.

Sheriff

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

- Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 65 inmates at the time of this report.
- MICHAEL NUNEZ PADRON, 45, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- TERIA LYNN DEDMON, 37, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on charges of theft (two counts).
- BILLY MICHAEL BURNS, 51, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on charges of animal at large (two counts).
- CHANCE HAYS HANSON, 23, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on charges of duty on striking fixture or landscape, expired motor vehicle inspection and failure to maintain financial responsibility.
- MICHAEL JAMES FLORES, 34, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of speeding.
- DEREK TARVER MOFFETT, 31, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.

Fire/EMS

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

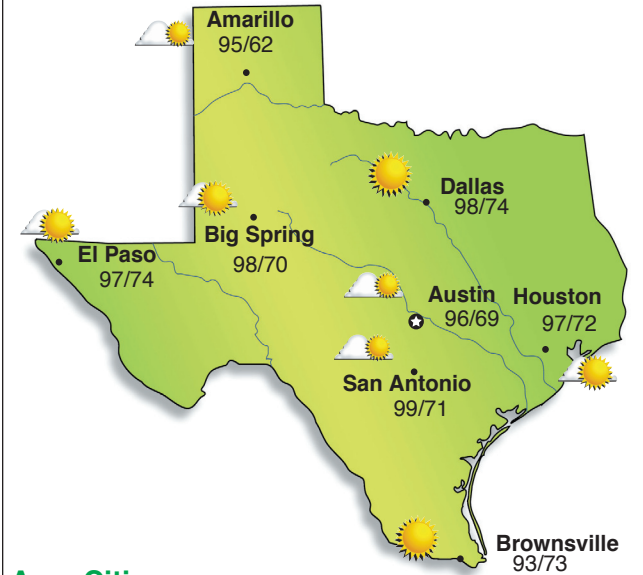
- MEDICAL was reported in the 200 block of N. Fourth Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 7000 block of Interstate Highway 20. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 700 block of Goliad. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1400 block of Mesquite. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 200 block of S. Moss Lake Road. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1900 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.

Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast

Sat 6/4	Sun 6/5	Mon 6/6	Tue 6/7	Wed 6/8
98/70 Sunshine and some clouds. Hot. High 98F. Winds SSE at 10 to 20 mph.	99/70 Abundant sunshine. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the low 70s.	98/71 Mainly sunny. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the low 70s.	100/72 Plenty of sun. Highs 98 to 102F and lows in the low 70s.	102/72 A few clouds. Highs 100 to 104F and lows in the low 70s.
Sunrise: 6:40 AM Sunset: 8:49 PM	Sunrise: 6:39 AM Sunset: 8:50 PM	Sunrise: 6:39 AM Sunset: 8:50 PM	Sunrise: 6:39 AM Sunset: 8:51 PM	Sunrise: 6:39 AM Sunset: 8:51 PM

Texas At A Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	98	70	sunny	Kingsville	94	70	sunny
Amarillo	95	62	pt sunny	Livingston	99	69	mst sunny
Austin	96	69	pt sunny	Longview	98	73	sunny
Beaumont	97	73	mst sunny	Lubbock	95	65	pt sunny
Brownsville	93	73	sunny	Lufkin	98	72	mst sunny
Brownwood	100	70	sunny	Midland	95	72	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	92	72	sunny	Raymondville	95	71	sunny
Corsicana	97	72	sunny	Rosenberg	97	72	mst sunny
Dallas	98	74	sunny	San Antonio	99	71	pt sunny
Del Rio	96	71	pt sunny	San Marcos	97	69	pt sunny
El Paso	97	74	mst sunny	Sulphur Springs	96	74	sunny
Fort Stockton	93	67	windy	Sweetwater	98	69	sunny
Gainesville	95	70	sunny	Tyler	98	72	sunny
Greenville	96	71	sunny	Weatherford	97	70	sunny
Houston	97	72	mst sunny	Wichita Falls	101	70	mst sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	94	69	pt sunny	Minneapolis	80	61	pt sunny
Boston	71	52	sunny	New York	79	64	sunny
Chicago	83	60	t-storm	Phoenix	100	74	sunny
Dallas	98	74	sunny	San Francisco	56	52	rain
Denver	80	56	mst sunny	Seattle	78	53	sunny
Houston	97	72	mst sunny	St. Louis	99	74	sunny
Los Angeles	72	55	pt sunny	Washington, DC	83	65	pt sunny
Miami	88	77	mst sunny				



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For more info contact **432-264-2366**

June 7-10
Hangar 25 Kid's Klub
Hangar 25 Museum Kid's Summer Program
For more info contact **432-264-1999**

June 11
6th Annual Prairie Dog Breakfast and Fly In
McMahon-Wrinkle Airport 8am-10am
For more info contact Kelly Grant at **432-264-2362**

June 11-12
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For more info contact **Robert Walker @ canflylow@suddenlink.net**

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News in brief

Mladic tells war crimes judges was defending 'my people and my country' during Bosnian war

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) — Former Bosnian Serb military chief Gen. Ratko Mladic has told a United Nations war crimes court he is "a gravely ill man" and refused to enter pleas to "obnoxious charges" alleging he orchestrated the worst atrocities of a war that claimed 100,000 lives.

Closing his arraignment, he told Presiding Judge Alphons Orié Friday he "defended my people and my country" during the Bosnian war.

Mladic said he wants to "live to see that I am a free man."

Obama, in Ohio, will praise government's role in auto industry resurgence at Chrysler plant

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama is drawing attention to the auto industry's rebound, visiting a Chrysler plant in politically important Ohio as he seeks to highlight a rare bright spot in the sluggish economic recovery.

Obama was to travel to Toledo on Friday, making the latest in a string of domestic trips to promote his economic agenda and defend the much maligned government bailouts to Chrysler and General Motors. The president planned to speak to plant workers and local business owners about the significance of the industry's turnaround.

The trip comes as the government prepares to announce May unemployment figures amid signs that hiring may be slowing. As the Republican presidential field begins to take shape, the White House is keenly aware that Obama's handling of the economy generates some of his highest public disapproval ratings.

"We have said from the beginning that the road out of the dark place we were in when this president took office in terms of the economic recession, the depths of the recession we were in, was not going to be smooth every step of the way," White

House spokesman Jay Carney said.

The Bush and Obama administrations spent \$80 billion to bail out General Motors and Chrysler and help guide them through bankruptcy. The Obama administration says it will recoup more than 80 percent of that and Obama intends to defend the bailouts as money well spent.

Silence, vagueness from Democrats as Weiner struggles to put Twitter photo scandal behind him

NEW YORK (AP) — Even as Democratic lawmakers vowed to move beyond the controversy surrounding a lewd photo sent from Rep. Anthony Weiner's Twitter account, residents of his New York district expressed mixed feelings over the incident and the media furor surrounding it.

Weiner stayed out of the limelight Thursday after spending Wednesday doing a round of interviews trying to explain how a waist down photo of a man's bulging underpants had been transmitted from his Twitter account. The media blitz raised more questions than it answered, as Weiner insisted the photo had been set by a prankster but couldn't rule out the possibility that it was a photo of him.

Outside Weiner's district in the Kew Gardens section of Queens, constituent Evelyn Carson said she had voted for Weiner but regretted doing so now. "That's an embarrassment for children to see something like that, especially from a big-time figure."

Another constituent, Ronald Tirino, said the incident had been blown out of proportion by the press.

"I thought it was a joke," Tirino said. "The way media has been going it's hardly news anymore."

One man's success revives hope of curing AIDS, 30 years after first cases appeared in the U.S.

(AP) — Sunday marks 30 years since the first AIDS cases were reported in the United States. And

this anniversary brings fresh hope for something many had come to think was impossible: finding a cure.

The example is Timothy Ray Brown of San Francisco, the first person in the world apparently cured of AIDS. His treatment isn't practical for wide use, but there are encouraging signs that other approaches might someday lead to a cure, or at least allow some people to control HIV without needing medication every day.

"I want to pull out all the stops to go for it," though cure is still a very difficult goal, said Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.

For now, the focus remains on preventing new infections. With recent progress on novel ways to do that and a partially effective vaccine, "we're starting to get the feel that we can really get our arms around this pandemic," Fauci said.

More than 25 million people have died of AIDS since the first five cases were recognized in Los Angeles in 1981.

Federal government's latest job report expected to show sluggish hiring as economy gets weaker

WASHINGTON (AP) — A weakening economy may not have produced many jobs last month, threatening future economic growth.

Economists are bracing for a disappointing jobs report Friday. Higher oil prices, stagnant wages and a depressed housing market are holding back the economy. Analysts expect that companies likely hired far fewer people in May than the previous three months.

Some economists now forecast that employers added fewer than 100,000 jobs last month, which would be sharp downturn from the average gain of 230,000 in February, March and April.

Other analysts aren't as dramatic — Goldman Sachs reduced its estimate to 100,000 from 150,000 — but if accurate, they would still suggest a much weaker job market.

LEGENDS

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ry, but this year we wanted to try something a little different," Raney said. "Cajun is something most people like, but you don't really get it around here."

Tickets for the evening will be \$30 per person or \$55 per couple,

which covers the cost of the Cajun cuisine and beverages. Reservations are recommended by June 10, but according to Raney tickets can be purchased the night of the event at the door.

"This is really our only fundraiser of the year and it's what helps us raise the funds to support the special programming we have here

at the museum," Raney said. "It's through the generous donors it's all made possible."

Two of the major underwriters this year are Alon and Partee Drilling. Sponsors are always appreciated and go towards supporting the museum.

In addition to the prizes that can be won at the tables there will be

an opportunity to walk away with some cash. During Casino Night participants will have the opportunity to turn \$10 into \$1,000, \$500 or \$250.

"We have done paintings in the past and other things, but this year we are sticking with appealing to everyone and doing something different," Raney said. "Ev-

eryone loves cash, so we figured why not have the opportunity to walk away with some cash."

For more information on Legends and Legacies Cajun Casino Night or to purchase tickets contact the museum at 267-8255.

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COUNTY

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This increase only brings his salary up to where other counties are paying their chief appraisers."

The county's approval of the budget comes following the city council's decision to disapprove the fiscal plan on a 4-1 vote.

District 2 Councilman Manuel Ramirez Jr. was absent for the vote, District 5 Councilman Craig Olson abstained due to personal dealings

with McKibben and District 6 Councilman Terry Hansen voted against the disapproval. District 1 Councilman Marcus Fernandez, District 2 Councilman Glen Carigan, Duncan and District 4 Councilwoman Gloria McDonald voted to disapprove the proposed budget.

Duncan and other council members cited tough economical times as the reason for disap-

proving the budget.

The proposed budget must still be considered by several local taxing entities, including Big Spring Independent School District, city of Forsan, Forsan ISD, city of Coahoma, Coahoma ISD and others.

To be approved, the budget must receive approval from a majority of the taxing entities.

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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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We salute:

Each week, the Herald salutes individuals and groups from our community and area who have been recognized for special achievements or accomplishments.

We recognize these special people for working to help make our region a better place to live, work and play

This week we salute:

- Marine Staff Sgt. Ysa Rubio for serving three combat tours overseas and fighting for his country. The sacrifice by him and his family is greatly appreciated by all.

- Salvation Army for making the effort to gather fans for those in need this summer. With the exceptionally hot temperatures this year anything and everything helps when it comes to staying cool.

- To all veterans, especially those who gave their lives for the freedoms we as Americans are able to enjoy.

- Kristi Couch, Forsan ISD teacher, for being recognized as top teacher at Forsan for the 2010-2011 school year.

- Jean Kelso, Elbow Elementary teacher, for being recognized as top teacher at Elbow for the 2010-2011 school year.

- Salvation Army shelter staff for preparing a Memorial Day cookout meal for residents of the shelter and community, not only to recognize those veterans who fought and lost their lives for our freedom, but also for the community members of Big Spring.

Is there an individual or organization in our community that you feel should be saluted? If so, please send us their name and why you think they should be recognized. We must have your name and telephone number and you must provide it in writing.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Thank You, Lord, for being with us even when we overlook You.

Amen

Supreme Court getting scary

For many years, when they were telling us what they had in mind, the rest of us refused to believe them. It was just too cruel — too inhumane for the American people to allow it.

When immigration hawks said they wanted to make living conditions so unbearable for undocumented immigrants that they would voluntarily self-deport, we thought it was impossible for us to create so much suffering without feeling guilty about it.

"We are a compassionate nation of immigrants," we told ourselves. "We cannot trample on the tired, poor huddled masses yearning to breathe free."

But that is exactly what we are doing, now with a seal of approval from our highly politicized Supreme Court.

The high court's decision last week to uphold a tough Arizona law against businesses that hire undocumented immigrants may unleash a new wave of measures designed to strangle immigrants until they are forced to go back to where they came from.

Mind you, this is not the most infamous Arizona law — the one that would institutionalize racial profiling against all immigrants by allowing police to question anyone's immigration status. This one empowers local authorities to shut down any business that knowingly hires an undocumented immigrant.

This one, the Legal Arizona Workers Act, now is likely to be copied by many other states and likely to eventually displace millions of undocumented workers across the country. It gives employers no other choice but to fire workers whose status cannot be verified through the federal E-Verify program.

And it says a lot about the inclinations of the Supreme Court, which soon could be tackling the other Arizona law, SB 1070, parts of which have been found unconstitutional by a federal

court but are awaiting an appeal to the high court.

Let's face it: On the issue of immigration, the Supreme Court is getting scary.

In dissent, Justice Stephen Breyer wrote that "either directly or through the uncertainty that it creates, the Arizona statute will impose additional burdens upon lawful employers." In fact, it will create a mountain of red tape for our struggling small businesses. Breyer also hinted that it could lead to discrimination, even against legal job applicants, because now employers will be likelier to "erect ever stronger safeguards against the hiring of unauthorized aliens, without counterbalancing protections against unlawful discrimination."

Other opponents, including the Obama administration, had argued that immigration policy is reserved by the Constitution to the federal government and that states cannot authorize themselves to set immigration policy.

Yet by a 5-3 vote, the Supreme Court held that federal immigration law does not obstruct Arizona from suspending or revoking the licenses of businesses that violate state immigration law. It said Arizona merely is reinforcing federal laws that already exist.

"Arizona hopes that its law will result in more effective enforcement of the prohibition on employing unauthorized aliens," Chief Justice John Roberts wrote for the majority. He noted that "the Arizona regulation does not otherwise conflict with federal law."

Of course it does! The court is dangerously blurring the line between federal and local jurisdiction because it, too, has been swept up by the current anti-immigrant tsunami that has been devastating our proud heritage as a nation of immigrants.

It's pure politics, or "a tortured product of judicial activism responding to perceived political views of the moment," according to Thomas A. Saenz, president of the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund.

He is absolutely correct. But if the court's conservative majority feels the same way about SB

1070, get ready for widespread and legal racial profiling and discrimination against all immigrants in this country.

"Upholding Arizona's law that requires mandatory implementation of E-Verify or (the threat of losing your business license) is opening a path forward for local governments to legislate discriminatory laws against E-undocumented immigrants, who will suffer further persecution family separation, unlawful incarceration and deportation, without due process or a chance to legalize their present status," said the Rev. Miguel Rivera, president of the National Coalition of Latino Clergy and Christian Leaders, one of the organizations that filed a lawsuit against Arizona's SB 1070. He said the court's decision illustrates the urgent need for Congress to pass comprehensive immigration reform.

Mind you, many immigrant rights activists agree that some strict measures to prevent future illegal immigration are necessary, but only after we have found a way to legalize the 11 million undocumented immigrants who are already here. To do it now, without first putting those 11 million people on a path to legalization, would be criminal and inhumane.

We would be tearing families apart like never before, denying ourselves much-needed workers and hurting the economy to quench the immigrant-bashing thirst of xenophobes, white supremacists and race-baiting politicians.

We didn't really believe they could make 11 million people so miserable that they would go back to their homelands voluntarily; we didn't think our national conscience would allow them to be so mean-spirited. But now, unfortunately, they have the backing of the Supreme Court to go on with their shameful behavior.

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'The Rules' seem to transfer to politics and work just as well

"The Rules" urged women trying to hook a man to play "hard to get." As insulting, dehumanizing and childish as the rules might have been (for instance, say no if he doesn't call by Wednesday for the weekend), there's plenty of anecdotal evidence (not to mention the sales figures for the book) suggesting they work.

But who knew how well it would work in politics?

Mitt Romney is running for president. Most polls show him to be the front-runner on the Republican side. But is the media standing in line to interview him? Was he all over television, newspapers and the Internet on Memorial Day weekend? He was certainly out there attacking Barack Obama full force. He was available for interviews. He got a story here and there.

But the Republican who dominated this Memorial Day weekend, the Republican who had the press clamoring for more access and complaining about who got it, was not Romney or Newt Gingrich or Tim Pawlenty or any of the guys who have made clear that they aim to run for president. It was the woman who's not running, the one who is still on the Fox payroll, the one the media dislike so much that they can't pull themselves away.

Sarah Palin is on her bus. She is making waves and commanding attention. Everybody is mad at Greta van Susteren because she was the only network correspondent to get the biggest "get" of the weekend. Greta's answer made me laugh: Palin talked to Greta because she works for Fox. (Full disclosure: So do I.) Greta can't interview Dr. Sanjay Gupta or Donna Brazile, so why should any other network get to interview Palin?

The only difference is that Palin might be a candidate for president, whereas Gupta and Brazile aren't.

There are other doctors and other strategists, but there's only one Sarah Palin. Is she a candidate? A Fox employee? A rock star?

This is based on absolutely no inside information. Palin certainly doesn't check in with me about her plans. But I'd put money on this one: Sarah Palin is not running for president. But boy is she having some fun at the expense of those who are.

It's no secret that Fox is, rightly, ending contributor agreements with prospective candidates. That's why Mike Huckabee had to decide between the race and his show, and why Gingrich no longer receives a paycheck from Fox. This means, to me at least, that either Palin is lying to our friends at Fox, or she really isn't running. Since it would be beyond stupid to lie to the folks at the network that both supporters and detractors would agree is the most watched

source for Republican primary coverage, conversation and debate, I don't think she's lying to Fox. I don't think she's lying to anyone.

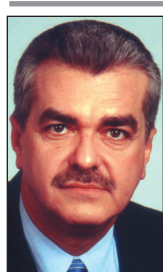
The media want Palin. It's as simple as that. They don't want her because they would vote for her; they don't want her because they think she has something to say that no one else is saying. You want substance? Ask Newt or Mitt. Palin has something else: sizzle.

During the 2004 Democratic primaries, all attention to the actual candidates would evaporate the minute Bill or Hillary Clinton so much as tiptoed into the room. That's what is happening here. Palin is sucking all the oxygen out of the Republican tent.

That's good for her, and it should be great for Greta and for Fox's ratings. It's even good news for Obama, who could not find a better counterpoint to his talents than Palin. The only people suffering are the other Republican candidates, one of whom is likely to face Obama in the fall after facing both real and shadow candidates to get there.

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Church News

First United Methodist Church

Thursday, we were the scene of 2011 Relay For Life Community Wrap-up. Congratulations to a group of dedicated volunteers who have made the Howard-Glasscock event nationally recognized for its part in fighting cancer.

Friday at 6 p.m., the Boy Scouts take over Garrett Hall and 10 a.m. Saturday our youth will begin an "All-Night-Lock-In." This is just one of the exciting things to look for from our youth and their new summer director, Katie Crawford. Watch for things like "Fast Food Fridays," "Monday Madness," "Afterglow" and more. Next weekend, a short mission trip to the Abilene area, called "El Fuego" (the fire) based on Acts 2:46-47. Sunday night youth groups will meet at 7 p.m. for the summer. Call Katie for a complete schedule of exciting activities.

Sunday's worship services will be at 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m., with Sunday school classes at 9:45 a.m. Sunday night our Senior Adult Ministry invites everyone to a snack supper at 5:30 p.m. in Garrett Hall. The meal will be followed by gospel music presented by "Simple Heart Ministry," a group from Midland who will be our special guests.

Monday morning the Children's Day Out program will launch its summer series, "All American Fun." This is a program for toddlers through pre-school age children which meets Mondays and Wednesdays.

As most of you know by now, our beloved pastor, Rev. Sharon Wiese is retiring following Annual Conference in June. We are planning a great send-off as she and her husband Bill prepare to return to the ranch for their retirement. Sunday morning, June 19, Fathers Day, we will have a brunch in their honor in Garrett Hall during Sunday school hours, at 9:30 a.m. This will be Pastor Sharon's last Sunday as our minister and we pray for their blessed retirement years. We also pray for this time of transition as we say goodbye to these friends, and open our arms and hearts for our new pastor, the Rev. Bill Ivins.

We are located at the corner of Fourth and Scurry.

Spring Creek Fellowship

We will have an ordination service for our leadership team Sunday, June 12 at 6 p.m. followed by a church-wide fellowship meal.

The "Holy Grounds Cafe" opens at 10 a.m. Sunday mornings for snacks and fellowship before worship at 10:30 a.m.

"Boz and Friends" for preschoolers and "Kid-Connect" for school age children meet Sundays at 10:30 a.m. "Kid-Connect" (K-5th grade) will begin a new adventure this week called "Follow You." Nursery care is available.

All ladies are welcome to "Pink" prayer night the second and fourth Tuesday each month at 7 p.m. to lift up needs and concerns in prayer.

Youth "Connection Groups" meet twice a week Sunday and Wednesday evenings for junior high and senior high students. Adult "Connections Groups" meet at various times and locations during the week. Contact the church office for more information.

Fellowship is Wednesday evenings with a meal at 5:30 p.m. Children's activities, youth worship and adult Bible study start at 6:15 p.m. The choir rehearses at 7 p.m. and the Praise Team rehearses at 7:45 p.m.

Vicki Slaton continues to gather items for our local firefighters to have in a "Day Pack" which includes aspirin, eye drops, wet wipes, trash bags, bottled water, chap stick, bug spray and sun screen. Supplies can be taken to Vicki's office at 205 W. 15th Street. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Spring Creek Fellowship meets at the College Park Shopping Center at 501 Birdwell. Our phone number is 432-714-4584. Visit our website at <http://springcreekfellowship.org>.

College Baptist Church

Vacation Bible School begins at College Baptist Church Sunday night at 6 p.m. and continues each evening from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. through June 9. The theme this year is, "The Big Apple Adventure, Where Faith and Life Connect." Snack meals will be served each evening. Classes available for children from four years old through sixth grade.

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

First Christian Church is located at 911 Goliad St. Sundays start with fellowship at 9:30 a.m. before Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. The worship service is at 10:50 a.m.

Sunday the pastor, the Rev. Dr. Kenneth McIntosh will deliver the message "What are we Waiting For?" from Acts 1:6-14.

Breakfast with the Guys is Saturday at 8 a.m. at Crispy's Cafe. The guest speaker will be Brandon Johnson of the Big Spring Film Society.

Wednesday the worship committee meets at 7 p.m.

Volunteers are needed at Isaiah 58 food pantry Mondays and Tuesdays. Choir practice is at 6 p.m. Wednesdays.

For questions or further information, call the

church at 432-517-4821. You can also email at fcbs125@yahoo.com or view the website at www.fcbs125@yahoo.com.

First Presbyterian Church, Coahoma

We meet at 11 a.m. Sundays to share the scriptures, sing, pray and worship, led by Commissioned Lay Pastor Tom Koger.

Tom and the Rev. Craig Holdstedt continue to lead a lectionary Bible study Wednesdays at 5:17 p.m. at First Presbyterian in Big Spring.

The Session met at 5:57 p.m. in the church social hall Thursday. Sunday, we will collect a special offering for Fort Davis relief after the recent fires there.

The lectionary is Acts 1:6-14; Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35; I Peter 4:12-14; John 17:1-11.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Holy Eucharist at 10:30 a.m. in the church. The Daily Grind with God Coffee Hour meets 10 a.m. Wednesdays in the parish hall.

For more information about St. Mary's Episcopal Church, call 267-8201. St. Mary's is located at 1001 South Goliad.

Signal Mountain Emmaus Community

Signal Mountain Emmaus Community meets at Spring Creek Fellowship, located at 501 Birdwell Lane, the second Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. Babe Chick Meeting is at 6:30 p.m. Next meeting is June 9. Our June meeting will be at First United Methodist Church, located at 400 Scurry. Potluck fellowship in Garrett Hall at 6 p.m. For more information see our website at www.signal-emmaus.org.

North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church

North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church meets for worship Sundays at 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Pastor Bill Bates leads both services.

Sunday school for all ages begins at 9:30 a.m. The adult class discussion will be on "God's Promises Fulfilled" taken from Joshua 1:1-6 and 11-12. The discussion leader will be Jacque Mauch.

Beginning Sunday the previous Wednesday night Bible study will meet following the evening meditation at 5 p.m. We will continue our study on second and third John. Madeline Boadle will be the leader.

The United Methodist Women will continue to meet the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 3 p.m. We are continuing our review of the book "Heaven is for Real."

North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church is located at 2702 N. Birdwell. For more information, call 267-2203, if no answer leave a message.

First Presbyterian Church, Big Spring

The Lectionary Bible study, led by Craig Holstedt and Tom Koger, met Wednesday. Choir practice was at 6 p.m.

July 17-20 is joint Vacation Bible School with Presbyterian, Episcopalian and Christian churches.

Janie Conley will provide refreshments for "Take Ten" this week.

The lectionary is Acts 1:6-14; Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35; I Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11; John 17:1-11. The Rev. Holstedt will deliver the sermon. The "Noisy Offering" will be collected during the service.

If you cannot attend worship, listen on KBST 1490 AM, at 11 a.m. If you wish to have a printed bulletin for Sunday services, call the church office at 263-4211. Visit our website: www.fpcbs.org, where you can find a link that will enable you to listen to several recent sermons by the Rev. Holstedt.

Chapel of Faith

Sunday worship at Chapel of Faith, located at E. 14th and Goliad at 10:30 a.m. Sunday we will welcome the Rev. Joel Miller back as pastor.

Pastor Miller will bring a message based on John 6:35 titled "The Bread of Life". We will also be celebrating Holy Communion.

Alive in Christ Lutheran Church LCMS

We are located at 2805 Lynn Drive. Our church phone number is 432-264-7818. Our website is www.lutheransonline.com/aliveinchristbstx.

Church is Sundays at 9 a.m. with Sunday school following around 10:15 a.m.

Pastor Carroll Kohl will be preaching Sunday. The sermon will be titled: "The Work's Not Done" from Acts 1:1-11. Richard Knocke will be reading the liturgy. The readings are Acts 1:1-11, Psalm 47, Ephesians 1:15-23, and Luke 24:44-53. Anyone interested in reading, contact Doline Budke.

Angela Newton is our organist. Acolyte will be Hannah Alsbrooks. Our elders are Bobby Roever and Richard Knocke. We need door greeters for this Sunday and next.

The flowers this week are donated by Charlie and Ruby Pate. If you are interested in donating flowers, sign up on the flower chart. Flowers are \$50 for both vases. The general consensus is to use the flowers two or three weeks. Schedule accordingly when donating.

The Board of Trustees has scheduled a work day for Saturday. The main emphasis will be digging the water line going to the sign and to the trees, protecting the lighting for the sign and cleaning out the storage building. Plans are to begin at 8 a.m. and be finished before noon.

The Board of Education is in the process of scheduling VBS one Saturday soon. The adult Sunday school will again study "The Bible According to Andy Griffin" this summer while the youth will use the audio series "Adventures in Odyssey."

The Board of Elders has scheduled the Mariachi Band from El Paso to be here July 15 — July 17. The group will perform a community wide concert Saturday, July 16. They will also be in charge of the worship service Sunday, July 17. We will need seven or eight families to provide places for the members of the band to stay Friday and Saturday nights.

The Board of Evangelism has scheduled "Wall Builders" for September 24 at 6 p.m. at the amphitheater. Other churches and civic organizations may be contacted for assistance with this community-wide event.

The Board of Stewardship announced in September and October we will start the "First Fruits of Giving - Back to Basics" program. This program will cover several Sundays, a few minutes each week.

Light meals will continue to be served when there is anything planned Wednesday evenings; meals will be at 6:15 p.m. Contact Dana Byrd if you are interested in preparing a meal.

This is the last week to study the movie "Soul Surfer." This is a four-week study for the family. A light meal will begin at 6:15 p.m. with the Bible study beginning at 7. Our last night to study "Soul Surfer" will be Wednesday.

If you have a preference for the time and weekday that the next adult information class begins, please fill in the little survey form and return it promptly. This class titled "Cross Talk" which is a DVD study will be lead by Pastor Kohl. Please plan on joining us for this 10-session Catechism refresher course which is a very informative yet casual video series of Dr. Karl Barth and the Rev. Jim Likens, as they discuss God and go through the Small Catechism. This series was voted the #1 program on the LCMS Satellite Network and is excellent for new members or just as a review for present members. Tentative dates will be about June 15th to the middle of August. There will probably be a one- or two- week break sometime during this study. Again, a light meal will be served at 6:15 pm.

Scheduled 7 p.m. meetings at the church for June include: The LWML will not meet until September. June 13 the LWML will serve coffee/juice/refreshments at the VA. The Board of Education will meet June 14. The Elders meet June 16. The Board of Assimilation meets June 28.

Midway Baptist Church

June 12 is our 50th Anniversary. The celebration will be at 11 a.m. with services conducted by Dr. Darrell Robinson, the first pastor of Midway Baptist Church. Following the morning service we will adjourn to the fellowship hall for lunch and sharing of memories. We will not have an evening service June 12.

Sunday, the Crystal River Singers will be at our 11 a.m. worship service. Midway Baptist Church is located at 6200 S. Service Road on Interstate 20. For more information call 263-6274.

• HATS (Hope After The Sadness), an American Cancer Society Resource Room is available at First Methodist Church. This center provides information and valuable resources for those affected by cancer. This HATS ministry, established in memory of the late Rev. Dr. Shane Brue, maintains a room with free hats, wigs and head coverings available for check-out by those dealing with hair loss due to cancer treatment. Other services and resources are also available. Contact the "Hat Lady," Marci Lykken at 267-2915 or the local ACS office at 432-683-6375.

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Reflections

Post Apocalypse

We are now living in a post apocalyptic world. That is, if you gave any credence to Harold Camping's predictions last week. I expect even Camping was surprised with the media attention his doomsday forecast generated. Main line news programs reported it. It was on the front pages of the newspapers. According to his meticulous interpretations of Biblical prophecy, the world was scheduled to end at 6 p.m. Saturday, May 21. It didn't. And now Camping has come out with another prediction. Apparently the apocalypse has been postponed to Oct. 21. Kind of like a make-up date for a rain out.

The whole thing might say a lot more about how we read and understand the Bible than anything about the end of the world. Most Christians immediately recognized Jesus' very clear statement about predicting the date for the end of the age. While the Bible is clear the earth will wear out, Jesus will return, God will judge the "quick and the dead" and God will create a new heaven and a new earth. It is also clear no one knows when this will

happen. Jesus said, "But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father alone." No one can predict the date.



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The fact so many recognized the contradiction between Campy's fancy mathematical footwork to pinpoint the date for the end times and Jesus' simple statement illustrates one of the essential principles in understanding the Bible. Always interpret obscure passages in light of clear ones.

It also says something about who we choose to follow. There are a lot of religious voices out there. We recently dropped our cable subscription and went back to TV programs on the local airwaves. I was surprised to discover we could receive more than 30 stations with an antenna. Then I realized many of them were "religious" stations, with some of the wildest preacher-performers I have ever seen. Flipping the channels was, to be quite honest, scary.

I thought Jim and Tammy Bakker had faded. Tammy, of course, has passed on. I felt sympathy for her in her last days. After serving his prison sentence, Jim has gone back on the air and online with his own apocalyptic predic-

tions. His website offers all you need for survival when the tribulation hits. Jim used to believe he would be raptured prior to the tribulation, but he changed his mind and decided he could sell survival items including everything from four-man tents, a solution to protect yourself from epidemics and "Time of Trouble" food buckets that will get you through seven years of famine (for the bargain price of \$3,000.) Of course you can also buy jewelry and a set of his DVDs to watch in your idle time.

We have so many religious caricatures on the airwaves and in print we have difficulty sorting through them to discover the authentic voices. Jesus knew this would be the case. That is why he gave us a simple rule to follow. Check out their fruit. Jesus said, "Beware of the false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravenous wolves. You will know them by their fruits." (Mt 7:15-16).

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Giving a helpful word

A few days ago, my husband and I walked into an IHOP restaurant mid-afternoon for a late lunch. Even though there were only a couple of occupied tables in the dining room, we had to wait several minutes to be seated. Since I'm never in my best mood when I'm hungry, I was a bit frustrated by the wait.

Just as we were being seated, a waitress came into the room followed by a kindergarten-sized boy. As the woman straightened her apron and pulled out a pad to take orders, the little guy took off his backpack, tossed it on a table, and slid into a chair. Then he took out some papers and a pencil and started his homework. Within minutes everyone in the restaurant knew the child had been dropped off after school at his mother's work place because his older brother had detention that day and the younger brother wasn't old enough to go home alone. We also learned his homework assignment called for a list of words that started with the sound of the letter "Q."

When the working mother brought food to a table near ours, she explained her son's homework assignment to a young couple who offered the words "quill" and "quiche." The waitress promptly delivered the suggestions to her son and helped him spell the words, explaining a quill was

a feather that could be dipped in ink and used as a pen.

From my table-to-table position, I felt involved in the discussion, even though I had not been asked to participate. I was tempted to tell the homework committee that "quiche" doesn't start with a phonetic "Q" sound, but I decided to leave that task to the kindergarten teacher who was to receive the homework. Instead, I suggested the student put "queen" on his list, and on the way home, still caught up in the homework challenge, I wished I had suggested "quarter."

There is something about helping a child that tugs at all of our hearts. However, the scripture tells us our willingness to contribute to the welfare of others needs to go a little further: "Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, so that it will give grace to those who hear" (Ephesians 4:29 NASB).

We all need to hear a helpful word from time to time.

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Bonnie Wheat

Church Briefs

• New Life Ministries Church of God In Christ is holding a soup kitchen every second and fourth Tuesday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at 204 N.W. 10th. The meal is free. Call 264-0771 for more information.

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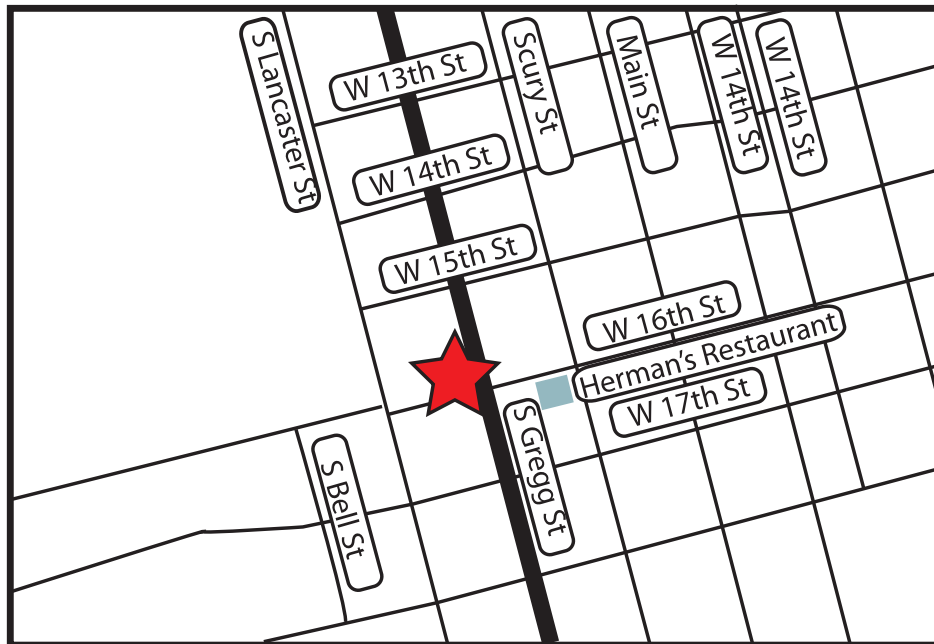
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Scouts are in need of public's assistance

Special to the Herald

The Buffalo Trail Scout Ranch, owned by the Buffalo Trail Council - Boy Scouts of America (Permian Basin) was one of the victims of the recent Rock House Fire.

The fire burned more than 314,000 acres and a number of structures, including homes in the Fort Davis area. Additionally, dozens of ranchers lost livestock and the rangelands used to feed their livestock herds. The local Red Cross and County Extension Agent for Brewster and Jeff Davis Counties have been providing assistance when available.

BTSR did have some fire

damage and loss. The water system for high country programs was an 80 percent loss. The programs in the Madera Canyon area have significant fire damage, and the pasture lands are completely burned. Scout Executive Lyman Gifford said the council is working with insurance to determine what will be covered.

On the land, BTSR works cattle and horses. A small herd of cattle are used for two purposes, according to Gifford. First, they provide hands-on experience for young Scouts to learn the lessons of livestock care.

"The Scouts also learn valuable life lessons of responsibility, goal setting and de-

pendability as their personal character is developed," Gifford said. "Second, a few head each year provided ranch raised beef for the tables of these Scouts and their leaders."

Horses have been a part of the BTSR program for many years. Scouts come from all over Texas and other southern states to experience BTSR.

"The horse program is one of the highlights of their trip for hundreds of Scouts, often having their first ride on a horse while attending camp," said Gifford.

One necessity not covered by insurance is feed for livestock. Because of this, the

cattle had to be sold. However, BTSR hopes to keep its horses.

"The council is working to raise the financial support to save 58 head of horses that cost \$6 each to feed for one day. These horses are a mixture of geriatric and rescue horses," Gifford said.

During the recent fires, BTSR was evacuated on three different occasions. Full-time personnel along with a "strike team" of wranglers worked alongside firefighters to protect the main camp structures.

"Only by divine intervention did we not have a total loss," said Gifford. "We were preparing during this fire to

cancel an entire summer. After 12 days, the smoke cleared, the fires stopped, the clear skies returned and we have this wonderful camp standing tall in the midst of the beauty of the Davis Mountains. We do not have to cancel camp!"

Not canceling camp was good news to local residents who have come to depend upon BTSR and its financial impact on the local economy," Gifford noted.

Individuals interested in helping the Boy Scouts recover from the fire and feed their horses can make a contribution online at www.buffalotrailbsa.org or call 432-570-7601 and contribute to the BTSR Fire Fund.

Tomorrow's Horoscope

The ruler of imagination and dreams welcomes us to contemplate our deeply held beliefs today as he goes retrograde in Pisces. Neptune

is heading back to the familiar territory of Aquarius, where he resided from 1998 until April 2011. In August, Neptune will finally

reach Aquarius and bring on a cycle of nostalgia, but it won't last long.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Your world is not the same world as the one your next-door neighbor experiences. Understanding the differences will make you a very wise person. Your powers are greater than you know.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You will be in an enterprising mood and not likely to wait for others to show you where the opportunities for fun and profit lie. Anyway, it's likely that none will exist until you arrive on the scene and create them.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You'll make a positive impression, and the ensuing connection shows promise. Yet, you may be unsure about the nature of this relationship and where to take it next. Take it slow, and keep an open mind.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). How you frame things makes all

the difference in how they are received. For instance, when a job seems beneath you but you still have to do it, give it a new title - the fancier the better.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). New sources of inspiration are affecting your mental process. As your imagination continues to work on a problem, unusual thoughts pop to mind and your dreams take a highly creative turn, as well.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The normal rules of etiquette may go out the window because there is more pressing business at hand. You may even invite yourself to someone's house or show up unexpectedly, but your reason will be good.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). People are talking about an array of wacky topics. You have a charming way of focusing the attention on what's wonderful about life in general. Everyone around you will feel calm and secure.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). What you do in pursuit of a hobby will open your horizons in other ways, as well. A new source of income

opens to you. This could be the start of something significant.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Relationships are a push-and-pull dance, and you'd rather be on the "pull" end of things. It is more interesting and less tiring to reel the other person in with your enchanting personality than to be pushy.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). A sympathetic ear is welcome, although it's not the best role you could take on right now with a certain someone. Instead of being nurturing and sympathetic, be an exciting and compelling force.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). There is someone you want to like, and you want this person to like you, too. You hope this person will continue to play the little game you've got going. Hint: Flattery is the fastest way to get through the door.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You would love to be a source of surprise and delight to others, which is why you will keep some of your plans a secret. So

much depends on your ability to manage the expectations of those around you.

T O D A Y ' S BIRTHDAY (June 3). You'll sample many options through this month and then finally decide on the best course.

That's when you become tremendously tenacious and confident and people will move to accommodate you as you work steadily toward your goals. New relationships start in August. September brings a windfall. Aquarius and Sagittarius people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 30, 1, 11, 14 and 15.



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Playmakers 99, a 12U fast-pitch travel softball team, placed second out of 17 teams in the USSSA tournament in Lubbock recently. Standing (from left) are: Karson Botts, Ysabel Soliz, Kylee Davis, Destiny Mata and Kendall Phillips. Kneeling (from left) are: Tenea Love, Alyssa Benitez, Chloe James, Rylee Morales, Marisa Cruz, and Mariah Sarmiento.

Quick Snaps

CGA Scholarship Tournament

June 4-5

The Chicano Golf Association's 21st annual Scholarship Drive Tournament will be held June 4-5 at Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Registration for the two-person scramble is \$75 per person and proceeds will go toward providing college scholarships to area students.

On the first day of the tournament, a prize of \$500 will be awarded for a hole-in-one, while a 2011 vehicle will be awarded for an ace on the second day.

For more information, contact Ben Garcia at 213-1074, Tommy Billalba at 816-1091 or Bobby Cordava at 935-0410.

Country Club Parent-Child Scramble

June 4-5

The Big Spring Country Club is hosting a Parent-Child two-man golf scramble June 4-5. The event will kick off to a shotgun start at 9 a.m. Saturday, June 4 and at 1 p.m. Sunday.

Entry fee for the Open Division is \$80 and \$40 for the Trophy Division, plus cart fees (private carts are welcomed).

Parents may play with more than one child and the fees will be half off for the second team. BBQ will be served on the golf course Saturday only. Prizes in the Open Division will be Gift Shop gift certificates.

To sign up or for more information, call 432-267-5354.

Summer Bash

Ragball Tournament

June 10-11

A Summer Bash Ragball Tournament will be held June 10-11 at Cotton Mize Softball Park. Teams must be comprised of 5 girls and 5 guys.

The fee is \$10.00 per person. Registration will be at 6 p.m. June 10 and games will begin at 7 p.m. For more information, contact Mike Hilario at 213-6791 or Tommy at 517-9512.

BSSH Cheerleader

Ragball Tournament

July 8-9

Big Spring High School Cheerleaders will be having their ragball tournament at Roy D. Anderson Complex July 8 from 6 p.m. to midnight and July 9 from 8 a.m. until the last game is played.

To register contact Kelli Wash at 213-3206, Brandi Borchardt at 816-2334 or Val Robertson at 213-8315.

Registration deadline will be July 8 from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the complex. Fees are \$10 per person. Remember to get your receipt. A full concession will be open.

Summer League Track Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays

Summer League Track has begun sessions for area 8-18 year-old athletes. Practices are to be held Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays at Blankenship Field.

Coach Kevin Boyce says they are looking for volunteers to help with the youngsters. If you would like to help out or if you need more information about the league, call Coach Boyce at 432-816-3855.

Gaines County Golf Summer Junior Clinics

June 8-10

The Gaines County Golf Course has announced its schedule of summer golf clinics.

Session 1 will be held June 8-10

Session 2 will be held June 29-30 and July 1.

Session 3 will be held July 20-22.

Each session will be held 9:30-11:30 a.m. each day. The cost of these sessions is \$15 per day or \$45 for each three-day session.

An advanced session will be held August 10-12. The fee for that clinic is \$25 per day or \$75 for the entire session. For more information, call 432-758-3808.

Jack and Jill Golf Tournament

June 11-12

The Gaines County Golf Course is holding a Jack and Jill golf tournament June 11-12. Couples will begin to a shotgun start at either 8:30 a.m. or 2 p.m.

All prizes will be awarded as golf shop credit. Entries being taken now. Also, an NTPGA junior tour will be held on June 23. The event will begin with a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. Call 432-758-3808 to register or for more information about upcoming events.

Ladies Golf Association

The Comanche Trail Ladies Golf Association has released its weekly report. Due to the Memorial Day holiday, there was no play on Monday. Thursday evening they held a two-person scramble. Jerry Roach and Annie Ward won first place, as the pair shot four under par. In second place, shooting a perfect par was Ron Booth and Daury Booth.

Jerry Roach shot closest to the pin on hole number three, while Daury Booth grabbed that honor on hole number six.

Dallas Rallies to even series

MIAMI (AP) — Any pain in Dirk Nowitzki's left hand wouldn't have hurt nearly as much as a 2-0 deficit.

So he put the ball there — torne up the finger and all — and hoisted the shot that gave the Dallas Mavericks new life in the NBA finals.

Nowitzki shook off an injury to his non-shooting hand and made the tie-breaking layup with 3.6 seconds left, and the Mavericks roared back from 15 points down in the fourth quarter to stun the Miami Heat 95-93 on Thursday night and tie the series at one game apiece.

"You can just sense it in us that we weren't going to give up, we were going to be resilient," Dallas guard Jason Terry said.

Capping a furious rally by scoring Dallas' final nine points, Nowitzki made two late baskets left-handed — despite a torn tendon on his middle finger. He finished with 24 points, saying the finger felt fine.

"Definitely a huge comeback for us and we never gave up, and that was big," Nowitzki said.

Nowitzki was hurt in Game 1 when he slapped at the ball trying to make a steal from Chris Bosh. He fiddled with various braces and splints over the last two days before settling on a small one that sat lower on the finger and allowed him to keep a good feel of the ball.

Dwyane Wade had 36 points for Miami, but

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Rangers hold off Cleveland for win

CLEVELAND (AP) — Endy Chavez wasn't sure he would ever play again. The Texas Rangers are sure glad he hung in there.

Chavez, who spent nearly two years recovering from knee surgery, had four hits to help Texas overcome a three-run deficit to beat the Cleveland Indians 7-4 Thursday night.

"I'm happy to be back," said Chavez, whose ninth four-hit game tied a career high and gave him a .415 (17 of 41) average since being recalled from Triple-A Round Rock on May 14.

"He's playing the way he did before he got hurt," Texas manager Ron Washington said. "He did so much rehabbing and is reaping the rewards."

Yorvit Torrealba drove in two runs and Nelson Cruz twice doubled to start three-run rallies as the defending AL champions won for the fourth time in their last five road games.

Michael Kirkman (1-0) earned his first career win. The left-hander allowed one run over three innings in his 18th

career relief outing. Nef-tali Feliz pitched the ninth for his 12th save in 15 chances.

"That was very exciting," Kirkman said. "I think every kid dreams of winning in the big leagues. Hopefully there's a lot more to come."

Cleveland dropped to 19-7 at home and has lost three in a row at Progressive Field for the first time this year as Carlos Carrasco (4-3) couldn't hold a 3-0 lead. The Indians went 2 for 12 with runners in scoring position, twice making three straight outs with two runners on base.

"We didn't swing the bats particularly well," Indians manager Manny Acta said. "We didn't pitch very well and we didn't play very good defense either."

The Rangers twice scored on errors and totaled 12 hits. Chavez, batting ninth, provided the offensive impetus with his speed. He had an RBI triple and scored in a three-run sixth that put Texas ahead 6-3. He also had a line single

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Big third inning keys Astros' win

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The Houston Astros suddenly seem to be a different team.

Chris Johnson homered and the Astros used a five-run third inning to beat the sloppy San Diego Padres 7-4 on Thursday night in a matchup of the NL's two worst teams.

The Astros (23-34), last in the NL Central, have won the first four games of a seven-game trip, their longest winning streak of the season. The Padres (24-33), last in the NL West, dropped to 9-21 at home, worst in the NL. They came in hitting a major league-worst .199 at home.

"It's good to get some stuff going," Johnson said. "It's kind of one of those things that we know we're capable of doing this. It's almost an about-time feeling that we're doing this."

The Astros didn't have any trouble with spacious Petco Park. Johnson homered to left on a 1-0 pitch from Tim Stauffer (1-4) with one out in the fifth for a 7-2 lead. It was Johnson's sixth. That helped make a winner of Bud Norris (3-4).

"It's one of those parks where you try not to think about hitting the ball out of the ballpark here just because it's a big yard, but he left a changeup out over the plate and I got some backspin on it and got it out," Johnson said.

Norris went six-plus innings, allowing four runs and six hits while

striking out six and walking two. Mark Melancon pitched the ninth for his fifth save in seven chances.

The Astros had 11 hits. Hunter Pence extended his hitting streak to 14 games with a third-inning single.

"We're doing a lot of the little things right," Johnson said. "We're coming up with some timely hitting and getting good pitching. When you do those things, it's easy to win games."

Houston jumped on San Diego for five runs on just three hits in the third, when the Padres committed three errors, including a catcher's interference. The first four Astros reached and scored, and Houston sent 10 men to the plate.

Carlos Lee had an RBI double and Brett Wallace an RBI groundout. J.R. Towles was credited with an RBI when shortstop Jason Bartlett bobbled his slow grounder, allowing Towles to reach and Lee to score. Norris drove in a run with a fielder's choice and another run scored on the play on second baseman Logan Forsythe.

"Bad inning," Padres manager Bud Black said. "Any team that commits three errors in an inning and gives up three hits, there are going to be a number of runs scored. That got us behind the eight-ball and we couldn't quite recover. That inning did

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his desperation 3-pointer was off at the buzzer.

Game 3 is Sunday in Dallas.

Seemingly out of the game when the Heat led 88-73 with 7:15 remaining, Dallas held the Heat to just one field goal from there, a 3-pointer by Mario Chalmers with 24.5 seconds that tied it just 2 seconds after Nowitzki's 3 had made it 93-90.

But after a timeout, Jason Kidd ran the clock down before getting the ball to Nowitzki, who drove into the lane, spun back to the left and made the layup.

"We're a veteran team and we don't get too high with the highs and too low with the lows," Nowitzki said.

Terry, largely silent since the first half of Game 1, fueled the comeback with a couple of

jumpers and finished with 16 points. Shawn Marion had 20 points for the Mavericks, who had lost four straight finals games in Miami since taking a 2-0 lead in the 2006 series.

They were about to go down 2-0 this time before Nowitzki, who insisted his injured finger wouldn't hinder him, led a rally even more amazing than the one that won Game 4 of the Western Conference finals, when the Mavs trailed Oklahoma City by 15 in the fourth quarter before pulling it out in overtime.

"Just a different series, but we always believe we can come back regardless of the score," Marion said. "The game is over when the final buzzer rings."

LeBron James scored 20 points for the Heat.

He and Wade were running by and over the older Mavs for three quar-

ters, and it appeared the only thing that could slow them down was that big trophy they would soon be holding.

Not so fast.

Wade angered the Mavs, particularly Terry, when he held his follow through after his 3-pointer from the corner with 7:15 left capped a 13-0 run and made it 88-73. Though the Mavs said they were bothered by the Heat's actions, James and Wade — who have already endured plenty of criticism for premature partying — denied that was the case this time.

"There was no celebration at all," James said. "I was excited about the fact that he hit a big shot and we went up 15."

The Heat suddenly went cold, holding the ball too long on possessions and forcing James and Wade to attempt long jumpers with the shot clock winding down, instead of playing to their strengths and driving into the lane.

"We just didn't execute down the stretch," Bosh said. "There's no shock. There's disappointment. But the reality is the reality. We might as well get used to it and focus on the next one."

A series of those missed jumpers eventually ended with the Mavs getting possession, and Nowitzki making a layup that tied it at 90 with 57 seconds to play.

The Heat lost for the first time in 10 games at home in the playoffs and will have to win at least once in Dallas to force the series back here.

"That's about as tough a fourth quarter as you can have," Heat coach

Erik Spoelstra said. "When it started to slide, it just kept on going."

The Heat held the Mavs, whose offense was so precise in their victories over the Lakers and Oklahoma City, to one of their worst performances of the postseason in Game 1.

Yet Miami didn't expect to shut down Dallas the way it did Boston and Chicago in the last two rounds, with Spoelstra saying before the game the Mavs would "hit back."

But Miami weathered the early storm and appeared to have nothing to worry about in the second half.

A 29-10 burst spanning halftime showed off the Heat at their athletic best: A dunk by James, a dunk by Wade, and a long alley-oop pass from Wade to James on the fast break that turned a 51-all halftime tie into a 57-52 lead.

And just when Dallas got it down to four late in the period, James drove right for a powerful slam that left Tyson Chandler throwing his hands up in the air as if to say "How do we stop that?"

Eventually they did.

And they turned the tables on the Heat, who pulled off a stunning comeback of their own to spark the turnaround in the 2006 series.

Dallas had a double-digit lead midway through the fourth quarter of Game 3 of that one, Wade brought Miami back, and the Heat never looked back.

Considering he has more help now with James and Bosh, the Heat's inability to put this one away is even more amazing.

"We didn't play the way that we normally play, so they deserved it and we didn't," Wade said.

The focus was back on the Heat's stars in a finals where some attention during Wednesday's off day was diverted to a former Heat player when Shaquille O'Neal announced he was retiring from the NBA.

TEXAS

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and stolen base in a three-run fifth, and added two infield hits, the last on a well-placed bunt.

The last time the speedy outfielder had four hits was on July 25, 2008, for the New York Mets. The next June, playing for Seattle, he tore a ligament in his right knee.

He signed with Texas before the 2010 season, but was limited to just eight games in the minors.

"I had my doubts," Chavez admitted about making a comeback. "It was tough. I had to stay strong (mentally) and I thank the Rangers for their support."

Cleveland went ahead 3-0 in the second against Dave Bush. Travis Buck and Orlando Cabrera each had run-scoring singles and third run scored on an RBI groundout by Jack Hannahan.

Bush started in place of left-hander Matt Harrison, who has a blister on the middle finger of his pitching hand.

"Bush went out and gave us everything he had," Washington said. "Kirkman did what we needed, too, and it worked out for us."

Held to one hit over four innings, the Rangers tied it at 3 in the fifth. Cruz doubled, moved up on one groundout and scored on another.

Chavez then singled and after Ian Kinsler walked, Elvis Andrus and Josh Hamilton each lined two-out RBI singles.

With one out in the sixth, Cruz doubled to left. He went to third on a single by Mitch Moreland and scored on a sacrifice fly by Torrealba to put the Rangers ahead 4-3. Chavez then tripled home Moreland.

With Kinsler at-bat, Carrasco threw a pitch past Carlos Santana, who recovered in time to freeze Chavez coming down the line. Santana's throw to Carrasco covering the plate was wild and had to be tracked down by third baseman Hannahan.

His throw back home was to late to get the speedy Chavez, who slid in ahead of the tag by Carrasco.

"I didn't think it went far enough away to go," Chavez said. "Then he threw back and there was nobody there so I just took off and made it."

Matt LaPorta opened the Indians' seventh with his eighth homer, a 422-foot shot into the bushes past the center field wall.

Carrasco, seeking to win his fourth straight start, gave up five earned runs over six innings, failing to get a strikeout.

NOTES: Texas did not strike out for the first time since May 31, 2008. ... The Rangers have won eight of their last nine games in Cleveland. ... Moreland has hit .500 (13 of 26) over his last eight games.

Texas had two stolen bases, one night after getting five in a game for the fourth time this year. ... Washington said he expects Harrison to make his next start Tuesday against Detroit.

Rangers coaches Mike Maddux and Gary Pettis are not with the team. Both are attending their children's high school graduations. ... Acta used Grady Sizemore at DH. He wanted to give the outfielder, who has had problems with both knees, a break after Sizemore played on artificial turf in Toronto earlier this week. ... Cavaliers guard Baron Davis and pro wrestling star Jerry (The King) Lawler participated in first-pitch ceremonies.

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Test Your Play

1. You are declarer with the West hand at Five Clubs. North leads the ten of diamonds. How would you play the hand?

<p>WEST</p> <p>♠ A J 10 ♥ 6 2 ♦ A K 7 ♣ A K 10 8 3</p>	<p>EAST</p> <p>♠ 6 4 2 ♥ A Q ♦ Q 5 3 ♣ Q J 7 5 4</p>
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2. You are declarer with the West hand at Three Notrump. North leads the six of hearts, and, when you follow low from dummy, South plays the nine. How would you play the hand?

<p>WEST</p> <p>♠ A ♥ A 8 ♦ K Q J 3 ♣ A J 6 5 4 2</p>	<p>EAST</p> <p>♠ Q J 10 7 ♥ 10 5 4 3 ♦ A 6 4 2 ♣ 8</p>
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1. Win the diamond, draw trumps, cash two more diamonds and play the A-Q of hearts! This guarantees the contract regardless of how the missing cards are divided. The player who wins the heart must return a spade or yield a ruff-and-discard, which would hand you your game then and there.

If the spade return comes from North, you lose only one spade trick. If the spade return comes from South, you finesse the ten and again lose only one spade trick, since North is endplayed after he wins the trick.

The heart finesse should not be

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attempted. Taking the finesse would cost you the contract if South had the king of hearts and North the K-Q of spades. There is no reason to jeopardize the contract when there is a way of assuring 11 tricks beyond the shadow of a doubt.

2. North can't have the K-Q-J of hearts, since he would have led the king instead of the six initially. South therefore has a heart honor, which in turn means that by winning the first trick, you can stop the hearts from being run if the suit is divided 5-2.

The type of hand you are trying to guard against is one where North has:

♠ K x x
♥ K Q 7 6 2
♦ x x x
♣ Q x

If you ducked South's nine of hearts, he would continue the suit, and you'd go down at least one. But if you win the nine with the ace and the diamonds are divided 3-2, you can assure nine tricks by cashing the K-Q of diamonds and ace of spades, leading the diamond jack to dummy's ace and returning the queen of spades.

When North takes the king, he can't run his hearts, since South's now-singleton jack is blocking the suit. Whatever he returns, you can eventually lead your three of diamonds to dummy's six and cash dummy's spades to score nine tricks.

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VANCOUVER, British Columbia (AP) — Alain Vigneault and Claude Julien know all about bad behavior after the whistle in big hockey games. They might have even participated in a few shenanigans themselves back when the Stanley Cup coaches were teammates.

Put it this way: Vigneault's nickname was Bam-Bam, and he racked up 266 penalty minutes in 1981-82 with the CHL's Salt Lake Golden Eagles. Julien had a mere 134 of his own.

"Things were a lot different in those days," Boston coach Julien said. "I remember a lot of gouging, a lot of biting. It was fair game at that time. Obviously, the rules have gotten a little tighter. Those kind of things right now are deemed unacceptable."

Yet Julien was only mildly disappointed when Vancouver's Alex Burrows avoided suspension Thursday after NHL officials decided they couldn't prove he deliberately bit the finger of Boston's Patrice Bergeron during the Canucks' 1-0 series-opening victory Wednesday. "It's too bad that something like that has to happen in the Stanley Cup finals," Julien said. "I think there's

better ways of resolving issues than getting to that."

Bite or no bite, Game 2 is Saturday night — and Burrows will be on Vancouver's top line alongside the Sedin twins.

Perhaps it's only fitting for a little extra-curricular activity to be the main off-day focus after a finals game coached by Vigneault and Julien, the first two French-Canadian coaches to meet in a Stanley Cup finals. Both were better known for scrapping than scoring during playing careers which only included brief tastes of NHL action.

"Back then, you didn't have a lot of scrums after the whistle," Vigneault said. "If something was going to happen, it was going to be a fight. It wasn't a lot of pushing and shoving. It was either, 'Let's go,' or guys went back to their benches."

Although the Bruins weren't terribly happy about NHL disciplinarian Mike Murphy's decision, both teams realize they've got bigger concerns than an alleged bite.

After all, players have been biting, gouging, facewashing, elbowing, grabbing, spearing — and don't forget punching — since probably the first period of the

first game after Canada invented hockey.

"That's how French guys say hello to one another," joked Alexandre Bolduc, who centered the Canucks' fourth line in Game 1. "You want to show respect, you put your fingers in someone's mouth."

Daniel and Henrik Sedin were relieved that such a silly incident didn't sideline their linemate early in what's shaping up as a gritty, goalie-dominated series.

Roberto Luongo shut out the Bruins with 36 saves, and Boston's Tim Thomas nearly matched him in a penalty-plagued game featuring six power plays for each team.

Raffi Torres finally scored with 18.5 seconds to play, giving Vancouver a series-opening victory and the accompanying 77 percent historic probability of winning its first Stanley Cup title.

"We need him out there," said NHL scoring champion Daniel Sedin, who took eight shots without a goal in Game 1. "He plays in every situation. Big part of this team. Obviously, we're happy to have him inside the rink."

Burrows wasn't made available to reporters after the Canucks' light practice Thursday.

ASTROS

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us in."

Johnson also had an RBI single in the second.

Stauffer allowed seven runs, five earned, on eight hits in five innings, struck out four and walked two.

The Padres got consecutive RBI singles by Chase Headley, who extended his hitting streak to 12 games, and Ryan Ludwick in the third, and consecutive sacrifice flies by pinch-hitter Chris Denorfia and Eric Patterson in the seventh.

NOTES: The Padres said nearly 1,000 season-ticket holders donated their tickets to military members and their families. Of those, 32 were in the Sony Home Plate Club, which at \$325 are the most expensive seats at Petco Park.

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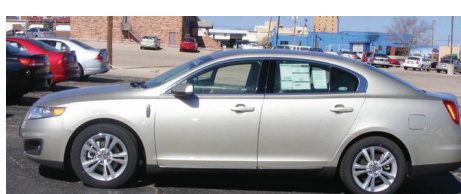
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FOUND NEAR the Prison Lab mixed female. Call 432-264-0904.

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Legals

LEGAL/PUBLIC NOTICE Pre-Kindergarten Notice
Big Spring ISD offers free Pre-Kindergarten classes for students at least four years of age by September 1, 2011, if the following criteria are met:
1. Child is unable to speak or comprehend the English language and/or;
2. Child comes from an economically/educationally disadvantaged family according to standards set by the State Board of Education. (Qualify for food stamps or the Free or Reduced Lunch Program) and/or;
3. Child is homeless.
4. Child is under the care of Child Protective Resources and/or in Foster care.

If you know a child whom you feel meets these qualifications, please call (432)264-3600.

A minimum of 15 qualified students is required before the class will be offered.

Big Spring ISD ofrece clases gratis de Pre-Kinder para estudiantes que cumplen los cuatro años de la edad antes del primero de septiembre de 2011:

- 1. Nino incapaz de hablar o comprender el idioma ingles y/o;
- 2. Nino que vienen de una familia desventajada econonomicamente segun el conjunto de estandares por el Consejo de Educacion del Estado. (Si califica para la tarjeta de Lone Star o el Programa Libre or Reducido de Almuerzo) y/o,
- 3. Nino sin hogar.
- 4. El nino esta bajo cuidado de los Recursos Protectores y/o en case de cuidado.

Si usted sabe de un nino o ninos que califican para este programa por favor de llamar al numero (432)264-3600. Un minimo de 15 estudiantes calificados seran escogidos antes que la clase se ofrecera.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
SUBJECT: School credit by examination without prior instruction.
Big Spring ISD offers examinations for credit without prior instruction for each primary school grade level and each secondary school academic subject as approved by the Board of Education. Students in grades K-12 may be accelerated by taking advantage of this provision. There will be no charge for the administration of the examination. If a parent requests an alternative examination, the District may administer and recognize results of a test purchased by the parent or student from Texas Tech University or the University of Texas at Austin. The District shall accelerate a student in grades K-5 in the following manner:
1. The student scores 90 percent or above on a criterion-referenced test for the grade level to be skipped in each of the following areas: language arts, mathematics, science and social studies;
2. A District representative recommends that the student be accelerated; and
3. The student's parent or guardian gives written approval of the acceleration.
The District shall accelerate a student in grades 6-12 in the following manner:
The student scores 90 percent or above on a criterion-referenced test for acceleration for the applicable course. If such credit is given, the District shall enter the examination score on the student's transcript.
Procedures to allow a student not six years old at the beginning of the school year to be placed initially in the first grade are as follows:
1. Scores on readiness test(s) and/or achievement test(s) that may be administered by appropriate District personnel;
2. Recommendation of the kindergarten or preschool the student attended;
3. Chronological age and observed social and emotional development of the student; and
4. Other criteria deemed appropriate by the principal and Superintendent.
A student planning to take an examination for acceleration is required to register with the principal or designee of the school in which he is assigned at least 30 days prior to the scheduled testing date. Testing dates for 2011 are by appointment during July 2011.
Ref: Board Policies EEJB (Legal & Local)
SUJETO: El credito de la escuela por la examinacion sin la instruccion anterior.
Big Spring ISD ofrece las examina- ciones para el credito sin la instruccion anterior para cada nivel del grado de la primaria y cada tema academico de la escuela secundaria segun aprobado por la Junta de Educacion. Los estudiantes en grado K-12 pueden ser acelerados aprovechandose de esta provision. No habra cargo para la administracion de la exami- nacion. Si un padre requiere una examinacion alternativa, el Distrito puede administrar y puede reconocer resultados de una prueba comprada por el padre o el estu- diante de Universidad de Tejas Tech o la Universidad de Tejas en Aus- tin. El Distrito acelerara a un estu- diante en los grados K-5 en la siguiente manera:
1. Las cuentas del estudiante sean 90 por ciento arriba de en un criterio referieron de la prueba para que el nivel de grado sea pasado encada uno de las siguientes areas: artes de idioma, las matematicas, la ciencia y los estudios sociales;
2. Un representante del distrito recomienda que el aceleren al estudiante; y
3. Los padres del estudiante o el guardian da la aprobacion escrita de la aceleracion.
El Distrito acelerara a un estu- diante en grados 6-12 en la siguiente manera:
Las cuentas del estudiante 90 por ciento o arriba en el criterio referencia de la prueba para la aceleracion para el curso aplicable. Si tal credito es dado, el distrito entrara en la cuenta de la examina- cion en el transcripcion de el estu- diantes.
Los procedimientos para permitir que a un estudiante no seis anos de edad a principios del ano escolar a ser colocados inicialmente en el primer grado estan como sigue;
1. Las cuentas en la prueba de preparacion(s) y / o la prueba(s) de logro que se pueden administrar por la personal apropiado del Distrito;
2. La recomendacion del kindergarten o el preescolar al que el estudiante asistio;
3. Edad Chronological y desarrollo social y emocional observado del estudiante; y
4. Otros criterios estimados apropiados por el director de escuela y Superintendente.
Un planeamiento del estudiante tomar una examinacion para la aceleracion se requiere para registrar con el principal de escuela o el designado de la escuela en la cual el esta asignado por lo menos 30 dias antes de la fecha programa- da de la prueba. Fechas de la prueba para 2011 son por cita durante el mes de Julio.
Ref: Politicas de la Junta EEJB (el Legal y Local)
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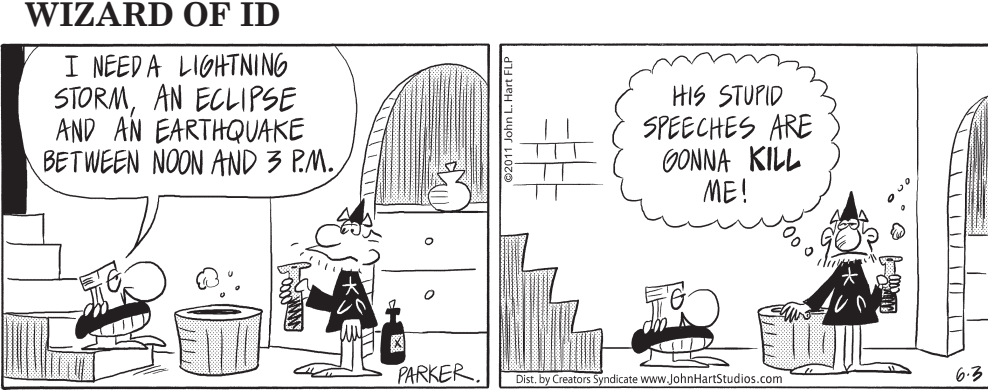
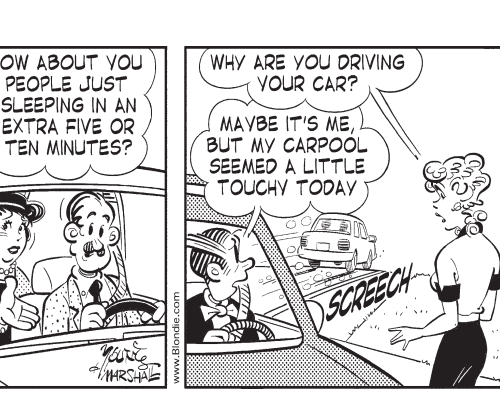
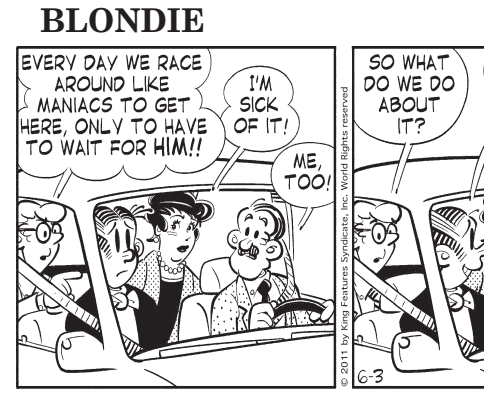
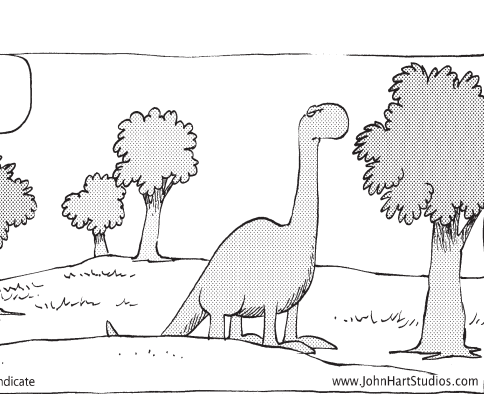
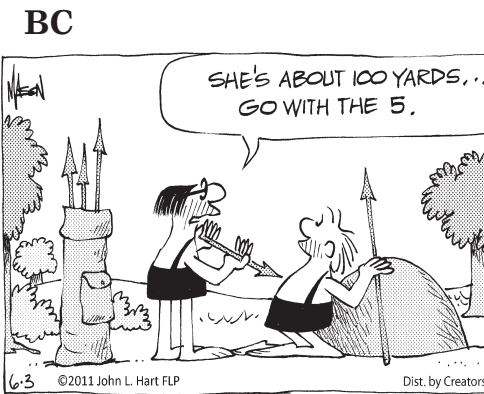
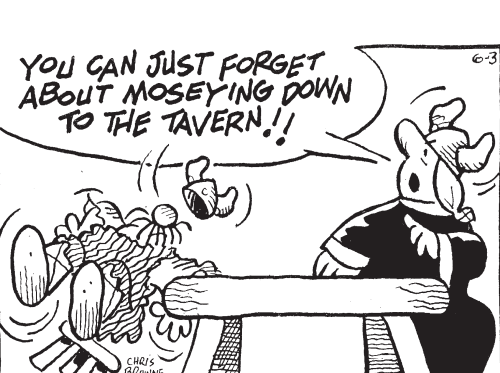
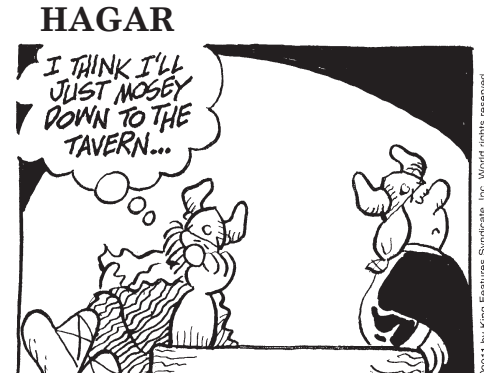
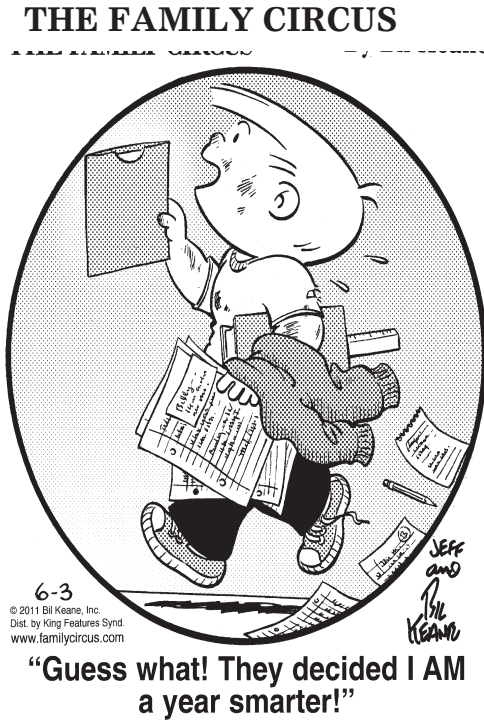
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LEGAL/PUBLIC NOTICE
Spanish Summer School
As part of the total Big Spring ISD Summer School Program, the district will offer 120 hours of Spanish Summer School for Spanish speaking children entering Kindergarten or 1st Grade in 2011-12.
Dates: Monday, June 6, 2011 - Friday, July 15, 2011
Time: 8:30 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.
Place: Marcy Elementary School
This program is designed for Spanish speaking Kindergarten or 1st Grade students in need of language arts/math instruction in Spanish.
For registration information: Call Administration Office Ann McClarty, Executive Director Phone: (432)264-3600
Escuela De Verano
Escuela De Verano Espanola
Como parte del programa escolar de verano, el Distrito Escolar Independiente de Big Spring ofrecera 120 horas en la Escuela de verano en Espanol para los ninos que hablan espanol y que ingresaran a el Kindergarten o el Primer grado en el ano escolar 2011-12.
Fecha: lunes 6 de junio, 2011- miercoles 15 de julio, 2011
Horario: 8:30 manana - 1:30 tarde
Lugar: Escuelar Primaria de Marcy
Este programa esta disenado para los estudiantes que hablan espanol y van a ingresar a el Kindergarten o a el primer ano. El programa ayudara a los estudiantes a desarrollar destresas en espanol en las materias de language y de matematicas.
Para informacion de matriculas favor de llamar Ann McClarty, Director Ejecutivo Telefono: (432)264-3600. #7010 May 27, and June 3, 2011

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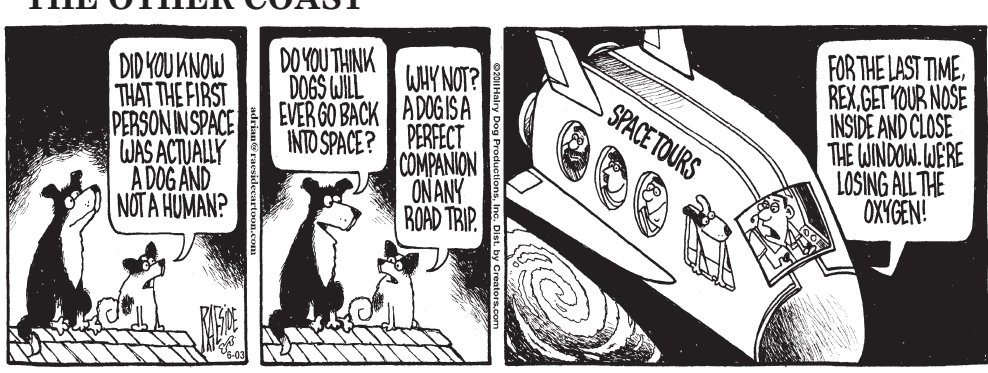
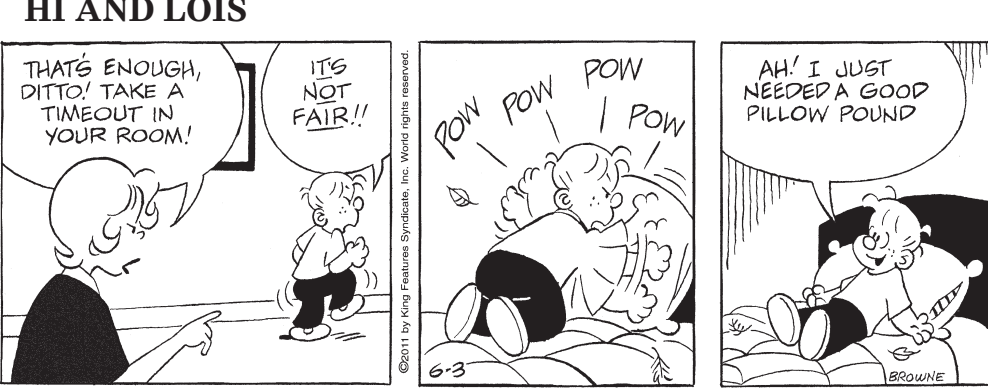


This Date In History
Today is Friday, June 3, the 154th day of 2011. There are 211 days left in the year.

Palomar Mountain Observatory in California was dedicated.
In 1961, President John F. Kennedy and Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchey opened two days of summit talks in Vienna.

is 62. Singer Suzi Quatro is 61. Singer Deneice Williams is 60. Singer Dan Hill is 57.

Answer to previous puzzle crossword grid with filled letters.



Newsday Crossword

CHANCES ARE by Merle Baker Edited by Stanley Newman

Word search puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down.

