



Vicki Slaton Insurance Agency
205 W. 15th • 267-2398




FARMERS INSURANCE GROUP
FARMERS

Vicki Slaton 217346

The Law Offices Of
R. Shane Seaton, PLLC
"Free Initial Consultation On
All Personal Injury Auto
Wreck Cases"



1301 S. Gregg St. • (432) 264-1800



Body Focus Medical Spa
1700 FM 700 • 264-1900
Dr. Steve Ahmed

- Mesotherapy
- Fat Reduction Shots
- Body Cellulite
- Chemical Peel
- Restylene with Lidocaine
- Lipodissolve
- Dysport
- Perlane
- Juvederm
- Weight Loss
- Microdermabrasion
- Wrinkles
- Botox
- Spider Veins
- Latisse
- Anti Aging Hormone Replacement
- Laser Lipo Suction
- HCG For Weight Loss

H BIG SPRING HERALD

SUNDAY

JUNE 26, 2011



Find us online at:
www.bigspringherald.com

VOLUME 106, NUMBER 177

COPYRIGHT 2011

50 CENTS DAILY/\$1.25 SUNDAY

State funding?

College board to discuss elusive issue Monday

By **STEVE REAGAN**
Staff Writer

Howard College trustees will get an update on just how much a decline in state financial aid will effect the community college district when they hold their monthly meeting at 12:30 p.m. Monday in the student union building's Tumbleweed Room.

Just how much — or how little — money the state will provide this coming budget cycle has been a matter of intense interest to college officials the past several months.

While the latest news coming out of Austin certainly can't be described as good, at least officials are getting a firmer idea on just how much money they'll receive.

Howard College President Dr. Cheryl Sparks said they expect to receive close to \$2 million less in state aid during the next 12 months. Howard will receive \$1.5 million less from the state, while South-West Collegiate Institute for the Deaf faces a \$425,000 reduction in state aid.

Still up in the air is just how much less the state will contribute to college employee health insurance this coming year, Sparks said.

"We're still getting calculations on how those reductions will impact our employees," Sparks said. "We had already

See **COLLEGE**, Page 3A



HERALD Photo/Ron Midkiff
Dusty Pearce, a deputy with the U.S. Marshals Service, assisted by the Howard County Sheriff's Office, arrested an Indiana man wanted on two counts of child molestation in Decatur County, Ind.

Indiana fugitive captured here by U.S. lawmen

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

Deputy U.S. Marshals, assisted by local law enforcement officials, arrested an Indiana man charged with two counts of child molestation from Decatur County, Ind., Friday afternoon in the 300 block of Gregg Street.

Adam Carter Kelley, 32, was arrested by U.S. Marshals and deputies with the Howard County Sheriff's Office Friday afternoon near a car wash located in the 300 block of Gregg Street, adjacent to the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

According to Sheriff Stan Parker, marshals notified his office they would be in Big Spring Friday in an attempt to arrest another wanted fugi-

"This guy isn't someone you want to have in your city or on your streets. We're glad we were able to assist in his arrest."

—Deputy U.S. Marshal Dusty Pearce

tive. "Before the marshals got here, we received a call from law enforcement officials in Decatur County, Ind., that Kelley might be in Howard County," Parker said. "Since the marshals were already here, we shared our information with them and, using their resources, we were able to locate Kelley."

See **CAUGHT**, Page 3A

Ed Meiser, Chapter 47 commander, places a donation in the jar at the Disabled American Veterans Fundraiser Friday evening, while Barbara Tarpley and Joyce Parker look on. The event, held to raise funds for local veterans — including the purchase of a van to transport veterans to the VA Medical Center — was held at the Hog Heaven Party Barn on W. Highway 80.

HERALD photo/Amanda Moreno



INDEX

- Business 8-10C
- Classified 11-14C
- Life 1-5C
- Obituaries 10A
- Opinion 4A
- Sports 1-4B

Find us online at:
www.bigspringherald.com

To reach us:
Please call 263-7331.
Office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. If you miss your paper, please call (432) 263-7335 before 6 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m. Sunday.



Freedom Parade to honor veterans Saturday in Coahoma; you're invited

By **STEVE REAGAN**
Staff Writer

COAHOMA — Those wishing to get a bit of a head start on the July 4 celebration don't have to go very far.

The community of Coahoma will provide the first word — or first celebration, to be exact — on what is traditionally a star spangled weekend in Howard County when it hosts the annual Freedom Parade and City Park Celebration July 2.

The event was first organized to recognize the community's veterans

and this year's edition is no different, said Lori Martinez, one of the event's organizers.

Five veterans — Charles Gray, Jerry Robertson, Bob Horn, Tommy Parrish and Kirby Brown — will serve as grand marshals of the parade, which kicks off the celebration at 9:30 a.m.

Vehicles and floats of several different descriptions will participate in the parade, Martinez said.

"There is no entry fee and every-

See **FREEDOM**, Page 3A



J. RUTLEDGE REALTY

Jeannie Rutledge, Broker / Owner
Leah Hughes - 432-270-2416
Christie Larson - 432-213-4647
Janet Higgins - 432-213-5454
Pat Rutledge - 432-270-7706
Pat Hardison - 432-270-8277
Kim Pollard - 432-213-2842

1600 Gregg Street
432-714-4900
www.jrutledgerealty.com

NEW LISTINGS!!!!!!

- 1408 E. 18th St.**
Move In Ready!! 2/1.
- 1405 Mt. Vernon Ave.**
2/1 Huge covered patio!
- 2401 Merrily Dr.**
Nice 3/2 Kentwood Home!
- 2711 Carol Dr.**
Updated 3/2 Home!

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.

• Parents Empowering Parents, first and third Mondays, 6-7:30 p.m. Northside Community Center. Support group for parents, grandparents raising grandchildren, adoptive-foster parents or stepparents. Professional facilitator, parent-led discussions on variety of topics.

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

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

Howard County Feed & Supply

Now Carrying



Jeans

218849

701 E. 2nd St. 432-267-6411

Introducing


Manuel Ontiveros

Patient Care Consultant

Manuel is now associated with Alliance Medical Supply with over 20 years experience. Contact us for all your medical supply needs.




Alliance Medical Supply
 Medical Equipment & Respiratory Therapy
 (432) 580-0171



When life changes and you need
 Someone to **help**, someone to **listen**,
 someone to **care**,
 Call Us!

Crossroads Hospice

421 S. Main St.
 Big Spring, TX
 432.263.5300 (Fax) 432.263.5301

Jerry and Debbie Read, Owners

MANUEL R. CARRASCO, MD
 CERTIFIED BY THE AMERICAN BOARD
 OF INTERNAL MEDICINE

Specializing Training In:
AREAS OF INTEREST:
 GENERAL INTERNAL
 MEDICINE, ASTHMA
 AND COPD, DIABETES
 AND
 HYPERTENSION,
 JOINT PAIN,
 WEIGHT LOSS AND
 TESTOSTERONE
 MANAGEMENT IN
 MEN BETWEEN
 40 AND 75 YEARS
 OF AGE WITH
 LOW SEX DRIVE.




Bilingual ~ www.drcarrasco.com
 Serving Big Spring Since 1993
 1501 W. 11th Place • Suite 302
 432-714-4500

A Lawyer who can help you!!

Auto Accidents

- ~ General Practice
- ~ Personal Injury Law
- ~ Criminal
- ~ Family ~ Divorce Law
- ~ Real Estate Law
- ~ DWI's
- ~ Probate Law
- ~ Trials

Board Certified
 Personal Injury Trial Law
 Texas Board of Legal
 Specialization
 Director of State Bar of
 Texas (05-08)



Robert D. Miller P.C.
 Attorney at Law
 432.267.7449
 608 Scurry St. Big Spring, TX

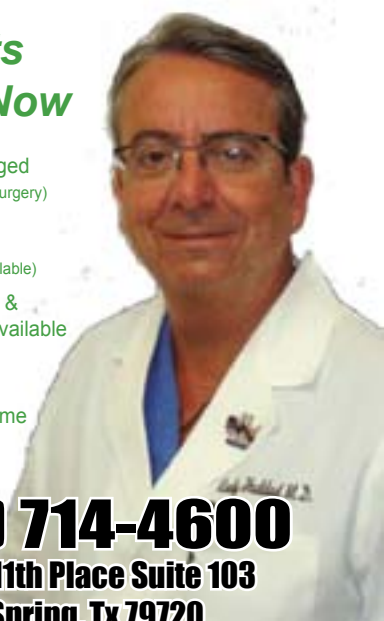
robertdmillerlaw.com

Dr. Rudy Haddad
 Board Certified in Urology
 Fellow American College of Surgeons

Adults and Pediatrics Urology

Flu Shots
 Available Now


- Office Treatment of Enlarged Prostate Profile (instead of Surgery)
- Urinary Bladder Control Problem with Medication (Simple Outpatient Procedure Available)
- Kidney Stones with Laser & Shockwave Technology Available Locally 24/7
- Sexual Dysfunction
- Low Testosterone Syndrome
- Vasectomies



(432) 714-4600
 1501 W. 11th Place Suite 103
 Big Spring, Tx 79720

Times Have Changed... and So Have We!

NOW OPEN IN BIG SPRING!





CHILDREN'S DENTAL CENTER OF BIG SPRING

Infants • Toddlers • Adolescents • Teens

*Accepting most insurances
 including Medicaid and CHIP

Big Spring
 Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00am-5:00pm
 Phone: 432-267-3657
 Address: 307 West 16th St, Suite D
 Big Spring, TX 79720
 *Located across from Herman's Restaurant



County to mull redistricting

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

Howard County commissioners will consider approval of a redistricting plan for the county's four precincts Monday, as the government agency looks to realign its political boundaries following the 2010 Census.

According to County Judge Mark Barr, commissioners have three redistricting plans they are considering.

"We recently met with Bob Bass from Allison, Bass and Associates to discuss the necessary changes," Barr said. "We have to redraw the lines to keep the precincts in line with the results of the census. I expect we'll be able to make a decision on the matter Monday."

According to Bass, the recent census has shown a number of changes in population throughout

the county, all of which have to be addressed to meet federal requirements.

"Redistricting takes place after every census," Bass told the court. "We have to look at the existing political boundaries and divide the population — not including inmates being housed in prison — which is 29,810, by the four precincts, giving us a target population for each precinct of 7,453."

According to Bass, Precinct 1, represented by Emma Brown, is underpopulated by 529; Precinct 2, represented by Donnie Baker, is overpopulated by 488; Precinct 3, which is represented by Jimmie Long, is underpopulated by 876; and Precinct 4, which is represented by John Cline, is overpopulated by 915.

During a recent meeting with commission-

ers, Bass presented the court with two plans for redistricting, with proposition one bringing the total deviation down to 3.1 percent and proposition 2 lowering it to 3.2 percent.

Bass said the court must decide on a plan by Aug. 1 so it can be submitted to the Department of Justice for pre-clearance.

"Overall, it can take the DOJ about 60 days to give their pre-clearance. However, if they need additional information, you're looking at 120 days," Bass said. "To have this new plan in place by the filing period for the March primaries, we need to be able to submit it by Aug. 1."

The city of Big Spring is also being forced to redraw its district lines as a result of the census; however, according to Barr, the municipal lines will have little to

do with how the county precincts will be divided up.

"The process is a bit simpler for the county because we have four precincts, while the city has six districts to deal with," Barr said. "In the best case scenario, the lines between their districts and our precincts will be drawn as closely together as possible, but there will always be some discrepancies. Regardless of what the city decides to do, our lines are going to change."

The meeting will get under way at 10 a.m. in the commissioners courtroom, located on the third floor of the county courthouse. For more information, call 264-2202.

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



HERALD photo/Amanda Moreno

Whimp Holcomb, left, speaks with Mike Tarpley at the Disabled American Veterans Fundraiser Friday evening. The event was held in the Hog Heaven Party Barn and provided a night of family entertainment and helped raised funds to support local disabled veterans.

CAUGHT

Continued from Page 1A

Parker said Kelley was booked into the Howard County Jail.

"Decatur County is currently making preparations to pick him up and take him back to Indiana," Parker said. "I expect they will be here to pick him up in a few days."

Dusty Pearce, a deputy U.S. marshal out of San Angelo, said he's glad to have Kelley off the streets.

"This guy isn't someone you want to have in your

city or on your streets," Pearce said moments after the arrest. "We're glad we were able to assist in his arrest."

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

COLLEGE

Continued from Page 1A

projected (the almost \$2 million in reductions) into our budget calculations, but we're still receiving final numbers from Austin, and unfortunately, those numbers are being adjusted

upwards."

Sparks is hopeful that the college will have firmer financial numbers to work with when trustees hold their annual budget workshop in July.

"I've heard from people who have participated in the state budget process for many years saying this is the most

difficult budget process they've ever seen," Sparks said. "And from my perspective, I'd have to agree with that assessment."

In other business Monday, trustees will consider:

- Bond project updates.
- Big Spring Economic Development Corp.

quarterly report.

- Bids and handbook and catalog changes.
- A bid for property held in trust by Coahoma Independent School District.

Contact Staff Writer

Dragon China Buffet
1300 Gregg 268-8888

\$1.00 Off Per Adult
.50 Off Per Child
Up to 10 People
(NOT FOR CARRYOUT)
EXP. 6/30/11

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 234 or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 234 or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

ald.com

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Caden Ian Garcia, infant, died Thursday. Services were at 10 a.m. Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

FREEDOM

Continued from Page 1A

one is welcome to participate," Martinez said. "All they have to do, really, is show up that morning."

All parade participants need to line up at the high school football stadium parking lot by 9 a.m. Judging should be complete by the 9:30 a.m. start time, Martinez noted.

The parade will head south on First Street to Broadway, west to Sixth Street, then north to the Coahoma Community Center, where the rest of the day's activities will be held.

The community center events start with special recognitions given to the parade grand marshals, citizens of the year and volunteer firefighters.

Prizes will be presented to parade entries judged tops in several different categories, including best tractor, best float and best antique car, Martinez said.

Other organized activities planned for the day include lawn mower, power tool drag races, three-legged races and a washer contest. Entry fees are \$25 for the mower and power tool races (cash prizes will be awarded) and \$2 for the three-legged race and washer contest (gift cards will be awarded).

In addition, a barbecue lunch with all the fixings will be prepared by Jackie Hill Sr. Cost is \$7 for adults and \$4 for children. Those 10 and under can eat for free.

For more information, contact Quail Dobbs at 394-4000, Martinez at 267-1113 or Wallace at 270-3507.

As of June 25, 2011, the Bargain Barn, (Bob Merrick) owner would like to take this time to express my deep gratitude for all the kindness, love & concern I have received during my illness.

I have had countless calls, visits, food and prayers and am truly grateful to each of you.

Many are old lifetime friends and many are my regular customers @ Bargain Barn.

Thanks again for all your support.

The family of **Arturo "Lito" Garcia** would like to thank; the clergy, rosary and mass attendees; the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home; the organist, singer and pallbearers; those who brought food for the family; the employees of Walmart 513; Knights of Columbus; Faye's Flowers; Motel 6; those who donated to the Diabetes Association; Chicano Golf Association; those who gave condolences and all the family and friends who attended the funeral. Your message of comfort will be held in grateful remembrance.

Thank you once again and may God bless you all.

God Is Good

Special Thanks,
Words can not express gratitude and thanks I feel toward my neighbors, Karen Freeman, Jim and David Wilson, other close neighbors including the Madrys, Seatons, Ranges, the companies that furnished water for the fire and all the fireman from Howard and other counties who saved my house and barns on Sunday in my absence. This was truly a dedication of work and love.

Thank you very much
Mrs. Ross Callihan
GOD IS GOOD

The 63rd Season of:
Summer MUMMERS
at the Historic Yucca Theatre in Downtown, Midland, Texas
208 N. Colorado Street
June 10th - September 3rd or Hoping for an 8 Second Ride

Friday & Saturday Nights
8:00pm
"It can't be explained, it must be experienced!"

"HEY, BIG SPRING!" Come join us for a weekend of fun, popcorn, and entertainment! Learn more about Midland at www.midlandtxchamber.com

For Tickets:
(432) 570-4111
www.summermummers.com

BIG SPRING HERALD
www.BigSpringHerald.com
Rich History, Big Possibilities — Big Spring, Texas

432-263-7331
(Main Switchboard)
432-264-7205 (Fax)

Missed Your Paper:
432-263-7331
(Mon.-Fri. 8a.m.-6p.m.
Sun. 8a.m.-10a.m.)

Ron Midkiff Publisher... Ext. 250
Bill McClellan Managing Editor... Ext. 230
Rick Nunez Advertising Manager... Ext. 229
Robert Smith Circulation Manager... Ext. 252
Tony Hernandez Production Manager... Ext. 256

The Big Spring Herald is a member of The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, Texas Press Association, West Texas Press Association, Texas Daily Newspaper Association, The Associated Press.

Published afternoons Mon. thru Fri. and Sunday mornings, except July 4, Memorial Day, Labor Day and Christmas Day. All materials copyrighted.

POSTMASTER: Send address changes to Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, TX 79721. Periodicals postage paid at Big Spring, Texas.

USPS 1431-48 USPS 0055-940 ISSN 0746-6811
BY THE MONTH HOME DELIVERY: \$8.85 monthly; \$95.58 yearly (includes 10% discount). MAIL SUBSCRIPTIONS: \$14.58 monthly Howard; \$18.33 elsewhere.

A modern Dismantler
WESTEX
Auto Parts, Inc.
Since 1947

One of Texas' best source of Quality used auto parts

- 14 acres of dismantled vehicles with over 20,000 sq. ft. warehouse storage
- Motors • Transmissions • Body Parts • Electrical Parts

(432) 263-5000 1 1/2 mile North of Hwy 350

EDITORIAL

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

-FIRST AMENDMENT

Opinions expressed on this page are those of the Editorial Board of the Big Spring Herald unless otherwise indicated.

Bill McClellan Managing Editor	Ron Midkiff Publisher	Steve Reagan Staff Writer
Amanda Moreno Staff Writer		Thomas Jenkins Staff Writer

YOUR VIEWS

No grave marker?

TO THE EDITOR:

How is it that a man who served the state of Texas as well as his country for over 30 years doesn't have a grave marker?

My father, William Burton Jennings, was a Texas State Trooper in Howard County for 25 years and served as sheriff. He was a man of great honor and had a reputation as a fine and fair upstanding citizen. How could his wife, Mary Jennings, not put a grave stone on his grave?

I drove from New Mexico on Father's Day to place flowers on my father's grave, but did not know exactly where it was. I stumbled upon it after diligent searching.

It will be three years this November when W.B. Jennings passed. After calling the cemetery, I was told the only person who can mark a grave is the owner of the gravesite. This means a man who was carried in such high regard alive, won't be publicly recognized in death.

RESPECTFULLY,
WILLIAM STERLING JENNINGS
RUIDOSO DOWNS, N.M.

Not Dead Yet

More facts, as requested

TO THE EDITOR:

Some of my friends and some not so friendly have requested more facts. They have also suggested some of my previous statements were not true. However, let me first say; there are some heroes at the Big Spring VA Medical Center.

Most of the staff at the VA not only accomplish their jobs, but do the work of two or more people, as well, just to keep the VA up and running, due to a lack of rehiring vacant positions in a timely manner. I want to acknowledge the volunteers who provide an invaluable service to the veterans, not only here, but across the nation. These folks deserve everyone's undying respect and gratitude. Our thanks is not enough to repay them for their service to our veterans.

Secretary of the VA Eric Shinseki stated during the American Legion Mid-Winter Conference in Washington, D.C. on March 22, 2011, "The VHA is fully funded to deliver healthcare to veterans throughout 2011." Indeed the VA received 10.6 percent more money in 2011 than in 2010. This money was tagged "discretionary funds." You might have noticed the new walking track with the sidewalk around it, the new entrance to the main building and the new furniture in the director's office.

Since April 27, 2011 the websites have been updated showing WTVAHCS is a 135-authorized bed medical center (55 acute, 40 bed domiciliary and 40 extended care) and serves 53,000 veterans. WTVAHCS is a complexity level 3 medical center, not a level 2. So, "Where's the beef?" (A popular quote by an elderly lady standing at a fast food counter.)

Now, I could share a lot of facts and numbers from my research, but the truth is — the people who know, know; and the people who don't know, don't want to know.

No, the Big Spring VA Medical Center isn't dead yet, but it is in need of Urgent Care.

STEVE CAMPBELL M. ED.
NOT DEAD YET
BIG SPRING

HOW TO CONTACT US

The Herald is always interested in our readers' opinions.

In order that we might better serve your needs, we offer several ways in which you may contact us:

- In person at 710 Scurry St.
- By telephone at 263-7331
- By fax at 264-7205
- By e-mail Managing Editor Bill McClellan at newsdesk@bigspringherald.com.
- By mail at P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721

A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we make major decisions and changes,
Lord, with you in mind.

Amen

He had the loudest roar of all

Origin of the proverb — "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy" — dates back to 1659. It might have been worded differently had Lions Clubs been around back then.

The Lions, largest of all service clubs, didn't show up until 258 years later.

Since their founding in 1917, however, Lions have worked for the betterment of humankind. But, not without "fun moments," of course. Their meetings — with commitment to service as a backdrop — are "fun" events. Lions often "let their hair down" all the way to meltdowns of merriment and laughter. "Dull moments" are held at bay.

A wonderful example is the recent Texas State Convention in Beaumont. Planned and executed by Lions in the "Golden Triangle," the activities were headed by Stump Weatherford of Orange. They carried out the "i-dotting and t-crossing" for the four-day event. Fingers and toes are too few to number the activities.

The Lions arose early and stayed up late, repeatedly urged to "sleep faster."

Three international past presidents attended, and two of them — Ebb Grindstaff of Ballinger, and Brian Stevenson from Calgary, Alberta, Canada — might challenge the "hoopla" about the meticulous planning.

Such dignitaries are typically beneficiaries of much "bowing and scraping." Not so this time.

Ebb and Brian partnered to win the convention golf tournament, always adding the "fair and square" assurance at the

end of each re-telling. They joke about having to find their own transportation from the golf course.

Their spiel: "We had to hail down a pick-up truck to get back to the hotel." Numerous witnesses saw them nimbly climb down from the truck bed after the hair-blowing ride.

A "no-show" at the Lions Foundation breakfast created the most "buzz." Lubbock's Marshall Cooper, Chief Operating Officer of the Texas Lions Foundation, made several awards, including one — in absentia — to David W. Hearn for 65-year membership in the Beaumont Founders Lions Club.

Hearn, a 102-year-old known for "keeping commitments," was scheduled to attend an annual meeting on family business interest in New Orleans, so he was in "commitment keeping" mode.

Beaumont area Lions spoke in respectful tones of the man who is more than a corner post in life's fence row. Hearn's accomplishments suggest he's a giant sequoia, towering above all the rest in the forest.

If the Lions — or all service clubs for that matter — decided to hold up a life for all the rest to model, it might well be his. For many decades, he led club singing, read the news and upon a member's death, sang all verses of "Taps."

His record of public service, generosity, patriotism and leadership cuts across the spectrum of life's worthwhile causes. In many organizations, he was "first president," including the American Cancer Society. Other service was on the school board and the war bond sales he spearheaded during World War II led the state and nation in per capita participation.

He remains a stalwart at First United Methodist Church, where he has served in numerous lead-

ership capacities. Hearn dons suits and ties most Sundays and someone from the church brings a limo to take him to services.

Hearn's the stuff legends are made of at Lincoln National Life, where he served for some half-century. He continues to impress with his sharp mind, keen wit and dapper appearance.

His hearing, though, is failing. During our phone conversation, he was able to hear just a "smidgen." He perked up greatly when I said "Lions."

With bits and pieces of information from various individuals, I was able to gain numerous vignettes from his life. When I'm in Beaumont again, I'll look him up. A proud man, on his "up" days, he's in his "Sunday clothes," moving about, albeit with the aid of a walker recently.

I'm glad he got into Lion-ism, and that Lion-ism got into him. His high standard of service has been cited by two Beaumont mayors, both of whom decreed "David W. Hearn Days," once on his 81st birthday and another almost three years ago, when he hit the century mark. Who better represents Lions' motto: "We Serve"?

This day, I think of darkest Africa. It is morning, and a fleet-footed gazelle awakens, realizing if it doesn't outrun the fastest lion, it will be eaten. Only a few yards away, a lion awakens, knowing if it doesn't outrun the slowest gazelle, it will starve. It is a given both the gazelle and the lion will start the day running.

I have no doubt but that David W. Hearn's days, until the ones here lately, began the same way. And I salute him.

Dr. Newbury is a speaker in the Metroplex. Inquiries and comments may be sent to newbury@speakerdoc.com. Call: 817-447-3872. Web site: www.speakerdoc.com.



Science loses ground; Ignorance seems to be taking a good lead

Only two out of 53 Miss USA beauty pageant contestants fully believe in evolution. The rest either entirely deny the possibility or simply get tripped up in hedging their bets to explain how they feel.

And, while beauty pageant contests may not represent our sharpest minds, they do, in fact, offer a pretty reasonable sampling of the state of education in the United States. Most Americans — even some educated Americans — reject the idea of evolution because they desperately want to cling to the idea a higher power created the universe.

At the Miss USA pageant, four contestants stated flatly they did not believe in evolution (Alabama, Arkansas, North Carolina and Tennessee) and three (Alabama, Indiana and Kentucky) said they do not think evolution should be taught in schools. Most (23) said evolution should be taught alongside other views, with the most mentioned "other"

being creationism.

Creationism is the belief God created the Earth in seven days. It encompasses the whole biblical Adam and Eve story and basically denies all scientific evidence including some pretty obvious stuff like the existence of dinosaurs and the amount of time the Earth has been around.

Now, let me first state, I have no issue with anyone who believes in God. I wish I had the faith to believe in a higher power and the comfort that must come with believing in an afterlife.

I do take offense, however, when anyone tries to interpret the Bible literally. The Bible is not a historical document. It's a book of fables meant to show humanity a path to being better people. Even if you believe that book was sent by God, you have to realize we have actual evidence that it presents an impossible timeline.

Clearly, room exists for both evolution and the concept of a higher power being in charge of everything. It's not possible though to be a strict creationist who accepts the Bible as a historical document.

It's actually frightening that in many parts of the country chil-

dren do not get taught science. Yes, evolution may not tell the whole story, but it tells the science part of the story — the part we have evidence for. Whether or not you believe God led the way or everything happened in a vacuum, the science does not change.

The Bible tells some nice stories and in most cases, it offers values and morals anyone would do well to live by. Nowhere in the Bible, though, does it say to not use our brains or to not challenge obvious stupidity.

Standing up on a beauty pageant stage in support of creationism makes our entire nation look foolish. I don't expect Miss USA to be a leading scholar, but I do expect her to have found a way to balance faith and reality.

Having faith requires accepting you don't have all the answers. It does not require you embrace ignorance and reject science.

*Daniel B. Kline's work appears in over 100 papers weekly. He can be reached at dan@notastep.com or you can see his archive at dbkline.com. You can listen to his podcast or buy his upcoming book, *Worst Ideas Ever*, at WorstIdeasEver.com.*



DR.
DON
NEWBURY



DANIEL
KLINE

HEALTH TALK

Q: Do older adults need extra protein to avoid losing muscle? If so, how much is enough?

A: Research suggests that older adults may need somewhat more protein than younger adults to avoid the loss of lean body tissue like muscle and bone that occur as we age. Most studies involve those over age 65, but some include adults over 55. This does not require huge amounts of meat or protein supplements, however. The long-time standard protein recommendation for adults has been this formula: your body weight in pounds divided by three (thus, a 160 pound adult needs 53 grams of protein).

Quite a few studies in recent years suggest that older adults lose less muscle and may actually gain muscle better if along with strength-training exercise, they consume protein equal to their weight in pounds divided by two. (So a person who weighs 160 pounds may do well to target 80 grams of protein per day.) Studies do not show any further benefit in maintaining or gaining muscle with protein consumption beyond that amount. U.S. dietary surveys suggest that average protein consumption of adults ages 51-70 generally meets that target. However, about one in four over 70 may be getting less than the minimum and another 25 percent of adults over 50 may be getting less than the proposed higher target. You can reach this higher level of protein with five to six ounces a day of lean poultry, fish or meat plus three servings of dairy products or dairy alternatives as part of a balanced diet that provides smaller amounts of protein from whole grains, vegetables, beans, nuts and seeds, and perhaps some eggs, too. Those who prefer to omit or minimize meat or dairy products need to include multiple servings of vegetarian sources of protein. Some research suggests that protein may be more efficiently used when it is spread out through the day. As important as protein seems to be, research also emphasizes the vital role that resistance (strength-training) exercise has in avoiding lean tissue loss.

Q: I'm confused by all the competing claims about different berries. Is there one that offers more health protection than the others?

A: All berries offer health benefits, so enjoy a variety. Strawberries are highest in vitamin C, yet all are good sources. A cup of most berries – about two servings – will supply from a third of the recommended amounts to the complete target. Actually, much of the health promoting power of fruits and vegetables comes not from the classic antioxidant vitamin C, but from natural protective compounds in plants called phytochemicals. Antioxidants attract and neutralize highly reactive molecules called free radicals that can damage body cells in ways that lead to cancer and heart disease.

Yet focusing only on antioxidant power, and systems that rate that power, misses the big picture. Many phytochemicals in berries may also help protect against cancer and other chronic diseases by decreasing inflammation and stimulating self-destruction of abnormal cells. Two of these are anthocyanins, which give many berries their red color, and ellagic acid. In animal studies, berries or the compounds they contain have inhibited development of colon, esophageal, cervical, lung and breast cancers. In several experiments all berries were about equally effective.

Q: My son says that using an energy drink as a mixer with alcohol reduces alcohol's effects. Is this true?

A: No, the hot trend of mixing energy drinks with alcohol does not reduce the many risks from alcohol, and actually poses increased concern for safety. Energy drinks are soft drinks, with or without sugar, that generally contain caffeine equal to one to two cups of coffee per can. Stimulant effects can zoom beyond the usual caffeine boost, however, due to interaction with other ingredients in these drinks such as taurine, ginseng and guarana, and because people often consume multiple servings.

The stimulant jolt from these drinks can mask the drowsiness-inducing effects of alcohol and make people feel more alert, but it does not prevent the impairment of judgment that alcohol causes. Consuming energy drinks mixed with or shortly before consuming alcohol leads people to be less aware of how impaired they are (for example, they may be more likely to drive) and to continue drinking longer.

This raises not only short-term concerns including alcohol poisoning, but also long-term health concerns. Excess alcohol raises the risk of certain cancers, such as mouth, colorectal and breast cancer. It is metabolized to a compound that is a probable carcinogen, so greater alcohol consumption means higher levels of this compound in the body. Alcohol is also a solvent, enhancing the penetration of other carcinogens (such as those from tobacco) into body cells.

Fish tacos, anyone?

Try a delicious and different way to enjoy fish. With a distinctive south of the border flavor you can make this nutritious dish as zesty as you want by experimenting with the amount of hot sauce you use.

The fish takes on the flavor of the garlic, cumin and cilantro. The pungent garlic is altered by the warm, nutty flavor of cumin, which is the second most popular spice in the world – second only to pepper. Cumin is in turn changed by the fragrant quality of the cilantro. Both the green and red onions add fresh taste and texture.

This dish's main feature is that it comes in its own wrapper. Flatbreads have been around for almost 10,000 years; but the Spaniards gave the name tortilla to the unleavened flat bread they found in Mexico among the Aztecs in the 15th century. The word itself comes from the Spanish word *torta*, which means round cake.

The red and white cabbage add a different texture than lettuce typically found in regular tacos. They also provide color, as do the tomatoes – you can make the tacos even more colorful by adding a little shredded carrot. If you don't want to overload your tacos when you assemble them, hold back some slaw to add later or enjoy as a side.

These tacos make the centerpiece for a great meal. Everybody can be involved and create their own masterpiece. So prepare the ingredients and fixings and set up a taco buffet on the kitchen or dining room table. Of course, you can also serve them already assembled. They go great with a side of black beans or a nice avocado salad – or both.

Fresh Fish Tacos with Cabbage Slaw

- 12 small corn tortillas (or substitute with whole-wheat tortillas)
- 3 Tbsp. canola oil divided
- 3 Tbsp. lime juice, divided
- 1/2 cup fresh cilantro, chopped and divided
- 2-3 cups thinly sliced cabbage, mix of red and white varieties
- 3 green onions sliced thinly
- 1 small red onion sliced thinly
- 1 large tomato chopped
- 1 lb. Tilapia fish fillets
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 tsp. ground cumin
- 1/4 tsp. each salt and freshly ground pepper
- Canola oil cooking spray
- 6 lime wedges for garnish



Hot sauce (optional)

Preheat the oven to 300 degrees.

Place tortillas in aluminum foil and cover completely. When oven has reached 300 degrees, place tortillas inside to warm. (This also could be done on grill while fish is cooking.)

Combine 2 tablespoons oil, 2 tablespoons lime juice, 1/4 cup cilantro,

cabbage, green onions, red onion, and tomato dice in a bowl and set aside.

Season fish with garlic, cumin, salt, pepper, remaining oil and cilantro, and 1 tablespoon lime juice. Heat grill or grill pan over medium-high heat. Spray with cooking spray. Place fish on grill/pan, careful to only turn once so it doesn't break apart.

Let cook over medium high heat for about 4 minutes on first side and then about 2 minutes on second side. Let rest on large plate for about 5 minutes. Carefully flake apart the fish into roughly 1-inch size pieces.

Assemble tacos by placing fish and then slaw in each tortilla. Serve immediately with lime wedges and hot sauce, if desired.



BIG SPRING FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER

Daily entrance fees:

Age 2 & under: Free

Age 3 & up: \$5.00

Punch Pass \$50.00 (good for 12 entries)

Entrance fees may be paid by cash, debit, or credit cards only – NO CHECKS

Days and Hours of Operation

Tuesday - Friday, 12 noon to 8 pm; Saturday and Sunday, 11 am to 8 pm

Aquatic Center Rules

1. Every person entering the Aquatic Center (whether swimming or not) must pay or present a valid punch pass.
2. Allowed Items:
 - a. Wacky noodles.
 - b. Water shoes – no swim fins.
 - c. U.S. Coast Guard approved life vests only – no water wings or large floats.
 - d. Goggles – no full face masks or snorkels.
3. Prohibited Items:
 - a. No swim fins, water wings or large floats.
 - b. No full face masks or snorkels.
 - c. No outside food or drink will be permitted.*
 - d. No coolers or ice chests.

*Guests that have reserved a pavilion for a party may bring a cake & serving plates/utensils
4. Children ages 11 and under must be accompanied by a person that is 16 or older.
5. A parent or guardian must accompany any child that is under 5 years of age or under 48 inches tall at all times, whether in or out of the water.
6. Proper attire is required to enter the Aquatic Center. No thongs or revealing swim wear are allowed.
7. Denim or cut-off shorts are not allowed in the water.
8. Children ages 3 and under must wear swim diapers at all times when in the water.
9. To help us ensure a safe and fun environment please:
 - a. NO tobacco products and lighters inside the Aquatic Center.
 - b. Abusive or profane behavior or language will not be tolerated.
 - c. No running, fighting or rough play.
 - d. Glass or metal containers, illegal or unlicensed weapons, alcohol and illegal controlled substances are strictly prohibited.
 - e. No pets other than official service animals are allowed inside the Aquatic Center.
 - f. Please do not talk to the lifeguards while on duty (except to report an emergency).
 - g. Please leave the Aquatic Center and parking area in a timely manner – no loitering.
 - h. Lifeguards and Aquatic Center staff may require swim tests at their discretion.
 - i. Stay off all ropes and guard stands.
10. Guests must obey all rules and follow the directions of lifeguards and Aquatic Center staff.
11. Aquatic Center staff or lifeguards may eject and/or deny future entrance to any person for violation of these rules or for any act or threatened act they deem hazardous to the health and safety of any person, potentially harmful to property or detrimental to good order.

Pavilion Rentals- Four pavilions are available for rent at the Aquatic Center Pavilion Rental Fee: \$25.00/hour (2 hour minimum); Cleaning Deposit: \$25.00 All applicable rental fees and cleaning deposits must be paid at the time the reservation is made.

Private Group Rentals - Available from 11 am until 12 noon, Tuesday through Friday to accommodate groups of individuals that require close supervision, i.e. day care centers or others with similar requirements. Reservations are subject to availability and must be made at least seven days in advance. **FEES:** Private one hour group rental is \$4.00 per person (minimum fee of \$100.00).

FUNTASTIC FOURTH FESTIVAL

Help us make 2011's Festival a
HUGE SUCCESS!

*Any and all donations are accepted
and greatly appreciated!*

223484

To donate, contact the Downtown Revitalization Association:

Christy Brorman 432-466-2268 or Ramon Holguin 432-268-3115

Extremists finding fertile ground in Northwest

Montana a 'hotbed'

NICHOLAS K. GERANIOS

Associated Press

KALISPELL, Mont. — With its jagged peaks, glistening lakes and lush valleys, the Inland Northwest — stretching from eastern Washington to Montana's Glacier National Park — is a stunningly beautiful and remote part of the country.

It also is a cradle for sometimes-violent anti-government activity — a reputation most recently rekindled by the search for David Burgert. The former Kalispell militia leader is accused of opening fire on sheriff's deputies on a remote logging road in Lolo National Forest.

After a lull following the demise of the Idaho-based neo-Nazi Aryan Nations in 2000, anti-government and white supremacist groups and individuals may be reviving in the Inland Northwest. It's a mostly white, mostly rural area with few job opportunities and a history of extreme activists.

Experts say the number of radical right groups is growing across the country because of the poor state of the economy, rising immigration and fears that President Barack Obama's administration has an agenda to curtail individual liberties.

They include so-called



Montana

geology.com

patriot groups, which fear one-world government and don't accept the federal government's authority. And they like northwest Montana because there is no dominant major city with liberal politics. It also has a deep libertarian streak and live-and-let-live attitude, said Travis McAdam, executive director of the Helena-based Montana Human Rights Network, an anti-hate group.

"A lot of anti-government energy has been building up over the last couple of years," McAdam said.

Sometimes the energy boils over.

Burgert is accused of firing shots at Missoula County sheriff's deputies June 12 before he disappeared into the Lolo National Forest. Burgert is a longtime patriot activist who spent eight years in prison on weapons charges — he had a machine gun when he was arrested — and U.S. authorities charged him at the time with trying to spark a revolution. He was released in 2010.

"He harbors great animosity for law enforcement and government in general," Missoula

County Sheriff Carl Ibsen said.

In January, an attempt was made in Spokane to bomb the city's Martin Luther King Jr. Day parade. The bomb was found and disarmed before it could explode. The FBI called it an act of domestic terrorism that could have killed and injured many people.

White supremacist Kevin Harpham has been charged in the case and could face life in prison. His trial begins in August.

A patriot group called Flathead Liberty Bell held a convention just last weekend, featuring right-wing speakers and sale of survival gear for what organizers believe is a coming showdown with federal authorities. It was a flashback to the 1990s, when groups like the Militia of Montana regularly held such expos, McAdam said.

The number of hate groups and patriot groups, which do not all share beliefs and conduct, has been growing across the country since Obama was elected in 2008, according to an annual report by the Southern Poverty Law Center in Montgomery,

Ala., which tracks extremist groups and individuals.

"Montana is developing into a hotbed," said Mark Potok, director of the SPLC Intelligence Project.

SPLC's 2010 compilation of active hate groups found 1,002 nationwide, with no more than 12 in the Inland Northwest between Missoula and Spokane.

Area residents complain hate group activities here seem to draw more attention than they do in other regions of the country.

"We have a small population, so they get noticed more," said Travis Suzuki, a 22-year-old Missoula college student.

"We feel very safe around here," said Kalispell Mayor Tammi Fisher, who said there is no indication tourism has been hurt by the presence of these groups, or that government employees have been threatened.

A fast-growing city of 20,000 hemmed in by the Rocky Mountains and Flathead Lake, Kalispell has a strong tourist industry thanks to its lakes, golf courses and ski resorts, and it's a major gateway to Glacier National Park.

Montana developed a reputation as a place for violent extremists in the mid-1990s with the capture of "Unabomber" Theodore Kaczynski and a standoff involving a patriot group called the Montana Freemen.

The Unabomber was the FBI code name for Kaczynski, who engaged in a mail bombing spree that spanned nearly 20 years, killing three people. He was living near Lincoln, Mont., when he was arrested in 1996.

The Montana Freemen were a Christian Patriot group based outside the town of Jordan. Mem-

bers expressed belief in individual sovereignty and in 1996 engaged in an 81-day armed standoff with the FBI before surrendering.

Some of the more well-known figures in the anti-government movement are re-emerging in the Kalispell area, according to news reports and the SPLC.

They include former Aryan Nations member Karl Gharst, who last year screened a movie, "Epic: The Story of the Waffen SS," at the Kalispell library. The showing drew 200 protesters. White supremacist April Goede and her twin daughters — who once formed the racist pop singing group Prussian Blue — have moved to Kalispell.

Others include patriot leader and former Constitution Party vice presidential candidate Chuck Baldwin, who believes the U.S. is headed for a fight between big-government globalists and independent patriots; Stewart Rhodes, founder of Oath Keepers, which wants law enforcement officers and military personnel to sign an oath against a one-world government conspiracy; and Randy Weaver, whose standoff with federal marshals at Ruby Ridge, Idaho, in 1992 kick-started the modern patriot movement.

Fisher said the Kalispell community does have its limits, as Gharst found out when he showed the pro-Nazi movie. But groups espousing their own views on government are tolerated.

"Montana has a live and let live mentality, and respect for each other's privacy and beliefs," the mayor said. "Sometimes that leads to people with beliefs outside the norm finding refuge in the Flathead Valley."

2nd ANNUAL RATLIFF RANCH GOLF LINKS

PARENT/CHILD Golf Tournament

Sponsored by American State Bank

JULY: 9th & 10th
TIME: 8:00 am/1:00 pm shotgun starts
COST: \$850/Team
(Includes: green fees, cart fees, range balls, tee gift and meal)

FORMAT: BEST BALL (Low Ball)

OPEN TO ALL PARENT/CHILD COMBINATIONS
(i.e. mother-son, father-son, father-daughter, mother-daughter)

DEADLINE TO REGISTER
Wednesday, July 6, 2011 - 5:00 pm

For more information contact:
Ratliff Ranch Golf Links 432.550.8181
or visit us online at
www.ratliffanchgolfodessa.com

RATLIFF RANCH GOLF LINKS
ODESSA

ASB
American State Bank
Banking for you.

Closed July 4th **BARGAIN MART** Discount Foods Closed July 4th

Sale Starts June 27th 403 Runnels, Big Spring, TX Sale Ends July 2nd
Open Mon.-Sat. 9-6:30

ROMA TOMATOES
25 lb. case is 9.50 **59¢** LB.
for whole sale

FRESCHETTA 5' PIZZAS **\$149**
6 pk.

JUICE BOWL CAN DRINKS **3/\$100**
11.5 OZ

CHICKEN BATTER MIX **2/\$100**
COUNTRY VALUE 12-OZ.

SPICE SUPREME POULTRY SEASONING **69¢**
1 3/4-OZ.

RUSSET POTATOES
99¢ 10-LB. BAG

MAHARD EGGS **\$299**
30 CT TRAY

CAN SODAS **10/\$100**
PRIVATE LABEL

MORNING DELIGHT BISCUITS **6/\$100**
7.5 OZ

SUNNY D FRUIT PUNCH **69¢**
48 OZ JUG

AMIGO SPAGHETTI & MEAT BALLS 14.75 OZ
2/\$100

RE-BATH
Independantly owned and operated

*Walk-In Tubs
*Grab Bars
*Tub to Shower conversions
*Senior Safety Discount

Design center located btwn Midland & Odessa
on Hwy 191, the airport exit
432-550-7224
www.ReBathofWestTexas.com

Myers & Smith

Funeral Home And Chapel

Family Owned Since 1985

Quiet Neighborhood Location
Away From Heavy Traffic.

Bill & Charlsa Myers
Owners
www.myersandsmith.com

301 E. 24th **267-8288**

Texas wildfires reach unlikely places amid drought

ANGELA K. BROWN
Associated Press
FORT WORTH — Hurricane season has reached the Gulf Coast, but electronic signs along Houston's freeways have been warning of extreme wildfire danger.

This is among the latest oddities in what has become the state's worst wildfire season, where out-of-control blazes have charred nearly 5,100 square miles from arid West Texas to the thick East Texas woods near the Louisiana border. But fires also have surprised residents in some southeastern towns where rainfall and humidity usually dilute such threats by spring.

Now, with bone-dry conditions extending into the summer and a severe drought plaguing nearly all of Texas, authorities face the challenge of educating even the least fire-prone communities about how easily the blazes can start.

The U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms unwittingly caused a 150-acre blaze in May while detonating explosives in a Panhandle dirt field, even though a fire truck was nearby because agents knew about Motley County's burn ban. No homes were damaged.

But dozens of homes in Austin and in several towns from Houston have been destroyed in wildfires sparked by a homeless man's campfire, a bar-

becue pit or bullets from hunters' target practice, despite widespread and well-publicized burn bans now affecting all but a couple dozen of the state's 254 counties.

"This didn't have to happen," said Sarah Bustamante, 29, who was evacuated from her Plantersville home last weekend after someone's barbecue pit ignited a large blaze in Grimes County northwest of Houston. "The rules are in place for a reason, and from that one little oversight or whatever, it upset nature and a whole lot of lives."

The Texas Forest Service has been promoting fire prevention efforts across the state through meetings, billboards and posters. Local authorities have done similar efforts, and Austin police officers visited homeless camps to warn about open burning after a homeless man who allegedly left eggs cooking unattended was charged with arson. The 100-acre fire in April destroyed nearly a dozen homes in Austin's outskirts.

"In years like this, it's critical to know what the causes are and to focus on what people can do to prevent fires, and it's important that we leave no leaf unturned," said Justice Jones, a fire prevention manager for the Texas Forest Service.

He said state fire officials meet with residents after determining a county's main cause



HERALD Photo/Thomas Jenkins

Firefighters with the Big Spring Fire Department and Howard County Volunteer Fire Department respond to a structure fire approximately three miles west of Elbow on FM 818 Friday morning. According to emergency officials at the scene, the fire began near a shed on the property, which is owned by Wayne Wright. The fire was contained to the shed and did not spread to any of the other nearby structures, including the home.

of wildfires — such as arson in East Texas, debris burning in South Texas and lightning strikes in West Texas.

"We think folks are listening, and that there's a growing awareness," Jones said.

Bustamante has tried to do her part in Grimes County, where burn ban signs are posted in parks, stores and even some stop signs. At a recent birthday party for a friend's 1-year-old at a state park, the group roasted hot dogs on an electric grill and ate chili heated in a crock pot plugged into outlets at a pavilion.

"Some people at the party were from out of town and said, 'Why are

we doing this?' We told them there was a burn ban and we couldn't grill," said Bustamante, who has four children and two stepchildren.

"Everybody around here knows the drought has been so bad, and they've been taking the burn ban seriously," she commented.

This season few areas of Texas have escaped the devastation being blamed in four deaths — including three firefighters battling separate blazes.

An April house fire led to the second-largest wildfire in state history — a nearly 315,000-acre blaze in three West Tex-

as counties that narrowly missed the Fort Davis Historic Site, a frontier Army cavalry fort, and the McDonald Observatory, a top astronomical research facility. In fact, seven of the state's 10 largest wildfires occurred this spring — including the nearly 127,000-acre, three-county blaze that destroyed about 160 homes around Possum Kingdom Lake, a picturesque community 70 miles west of Fort Worth.

The Texas wildfire season that starts in November usually wanes in the spring because of rain, greener vegetation and higher humid-

ity, said Victor Murphy, a climate expert with the National Weather Service in Fort Worth. But the state's wettest months — April through June — were anything but this year because of the lingering La Nina weather condition that causes below-normal rainfall.

Despite recent rains that poured across many of the state's latest wildfires, federal statistics show 71 percent of Texas remains in exceptional drought — the most severe category — and 21 percent is in extreme drought.

The National Interagency Fire Center calls for above-normal wildfire potential through September in the Southwest, including Arizona and New Mexico where blazes have raged in dried-out forests and grasslands.

Texas has not seen such a severe wildfire season since 2006, when blazes charred about 2 million acres, left 12 people dead and destroyed more than 400 homes. The state's largest fire ever started in the Panhandle in March 2006 and grew to more than 907,000 acres.

Unless significant rains fall during the sweltering summer heat, experts predict the state could be in for more destructive blazes.

"Things are tinder dry," Murphy said, "so it doesn't take much to get things started."

Texas exoneree featured in 'Thin Blue Line' dies

Linda Stewart Bal
Associated Press

DALLAS — After spending 12 1/2 years in a Texas prison for a murder he didn't commit, Randall Dale Adams spoke out against the system that wrongfully locked him up but found himself haunted by his conviction. Eventually, he moved to a small town where no one knew him and lived out the rest of his days in obscurity.

"He was just trying to earn a living, live a normal life," attorney Randy Schaffer said of the former client who drew national attention as the subject of the 1988 documentary "The Thin Blue Line."

Adams did such a good



Randall Dale Adams

job of disappearing that his Oct. 30 death from a brain tumor didn't become widely known until Friday, when it was reported by the Dallas Morning News. Schaffer confirmed his former client's death after speaking to his family. Adams was 61.

Imprisoned for the November 1976 shooting

death of Dallas police officer Robert Wood, Adams came within three days of execution in May 1979. The U.S. Supreme Court threw out his death sentence the following year because of jury selection problems at his trial. After the documentary came out, a Texas court overturned his conviction, saying prosecutors suppressed evidence and relied on testimony from witnesses who lied. He was freed in 1989.

Filmmaker Errol Morris said Adams' conviction was "a terrible miscarriage of justice in Texas" and his exoneration marked a

See **ADAMS**, Page 8A

"Texas' Greatest Amusement Park Since 1951"

Wonderland Amusement Park

Amarillo, TX
1-806-383-3344
1-800-383-4712

Home of the Famous **TEXAS TORNADO** Double Loop Roller Coaster

www.wonderlandpark.com

Bring this coupon for **\$20 Off ONE RIDE PASS**

One coupon per person per Ride Pass. Not valid with any other discount or offer.

Blissful

"Making Room for New Merchandise" Sale!
Classic Chic Clothing To Fit A Variety Of Styles & Budgets

In addition to lines currently carried, more will be added to include Plus Sizes.

Blissful
Gayla Paige, Owner
406 E. Marcy 432-714-4448 223450

► News briefs

Hundreds celebrate historic vote for same-sex marriage at NY birthplace of gay rights movement

NEW YORK (AP) — Champagne corks popped, rainbow flags flapped and crowds embraced and danced in the streets of Manhattan's Greenwich Village as New York became the sixth and largest state in the U.S. to legalize same-sex marriage.

Democratic Gov. Andrew Cuomo signed the bill shortly before midnight Friday, almost 42 years to the day that the modern-day gay rights movement was born amid violent encounters between police and gay activists at the Stonewall Inn.

Hundreds who gathered inside and outside the landmark bar erupted in celebration after the Republican-led state Senate cast the decisive vote.

Scott Redstone and his partner of 29 years, Steven Knittweis, hugged. And Redstone popped the question. "I said, 'Will you marry me?' And he said, 'Of course!'"

The so-called Stonewall riots of June 28, 1969, helped spark the equal

rights movement for homosexuals. Gay activists had pinned their hopes on a positive vote this week in New York to help regain momentum in other states in light of recent failed attempts.

Minot braces for more rain as Souris River nears crest, thousands of homes severely damaged

MINOT, N.D. (AP) — With a threat of still more rain looming, Minot was bracing Saturday for the Souris River to cascade past its already unprecedented level and widen a path of destruction that had severely damaged thousands of homes and threatened many others.

City officials were expecting the river to peak as early as Saturday evening at some 8 1/2 feet beyond major flood stage and remain there for several days, straining the city's levees to the limit and overwhelming some of them. Forecasters said there was at least an even chance of additional storms in coming days.

"A rain event right now would change everything. That's the scariest," Mayor Curt Zimbelman said.

After a flyover Friday, officials estimated at least 2,500 homes had been swamped and predicted the number would rise to 4,500 by the time the river crests. At least two schools, a nursing home and hundreds of businesses also were endangered, Zimbelman said.

More than a quarter of Minot's 40,000 residents

evacuated earlier this week, packing any belongings they hoped to save into cars, trucks and trailers.

Judge stops Ind. law that cuts Planned Parenthood funds because group also provides abortions

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Planned Parenthood of Indiana expects to start offering services to Medicaid patients again Saturday after a federal judge ruled the state is not allowed to cut off the organization's public funding for general health services solely because it also provides abortions.

U.S. District Judge Tanya Walton Pratt's ruling Friday blocked parts of a tough new abortion law and granted Planned Parenthood of Indiana's request for an injunction on the state's move to defund the organization. The decision sides with federal officials who said states cannot restrict Medicaid recipients' freedom to choose their health care provider or disqualify Medicaid providers merely because they also offer abortions.

Indiana attorney general's office spokesman Bryan Corbin said the state likely will appeal.

Planned Parenthood of Indiana has been without Medicaid funding since May 10, when Republican Gov. Mitch Daniels signed the law that cut off about \$1.4 million and made Indiana the first state to deny the organization Medicaid funds for services such as breast exams and Pap tests.

Planned Parenthood, which serves about 9,300 Indiana clients on the state-federal health insurance plan for low-income and disabled people who receive Medicaid, was forced to stop seeing Medicaid patients this week after private donations that had

paid those patients' bills ran out.

Planned Parenthood officials said Friday night they anticipate being able to offer services to Medicaid patients again beginning Saturday, and will file for reimbursement as they did before the law took effect.

Feds to look into records of truck driver among 2 dead when semi plowed into Amtrak train

RENO, Nev. (AP) — Authorities plan to look into the driving and medical records of the semitrailer driver who died when the truck slammed into an Amtrak train, killing a train crew member and injuring dozens of passengers.

Peter Knudson, a spokesman for the National Transportation Safety Board, said they also will look at autopsy results to determine whether the driver had consumed any drugs around the time of the collision Friday.

The big rig plowed into the California-bound train at a crossing in a rural area about 70 miles east of Reno. Knudson said federal investigators would make sure that railroad lights and crossing gates were working at the time.

Nevada Highway Patrol Trooper Dan Lopez said the gates and warning lights were working. Witnesses told authorities that the truck didn't seem to attempt to stop at the crossing when it crashed through the gate. The driver was the sole occupant of the semi, which was hauling two empty gravel trailers.

About 20 people aboard the train were taken to hospitals in Reno and Fallon, but Lopez didn't know the extent of their injuries.

Eye Associates and Specs & Co.

John Marshall, O.D. & Ted Seymore, O.D.

Contact Lenses have been a tradition with us for over 30 years!

Disposable Toric contacts for astigmatism starting at \$35/6pk
Disposable Bifocal contacts starting at \$45/6pk
Colored disposable contacts starting at \$35/6pk

We accept many insurance programs and our prices are among the most competitive in the Permian Basin.

Call us: 432.263.2501

223448

2311 Scurry Big Spring, Texas

ADAMS

Continued from Page 7A

turning point in American law and the beginning of "an awareness of all these problems in the justice system" that the Innocence Project and others now routinely highlight.

"We showed how the system can fail, in what way the system can fail," Morris said of his award-winning film. "And what is it failing? It's failing us, our principles of fair play, our sense of justice."

Adams, who had no previous criminal record, was one of the first Dallas residents exoner-

ated and released from prison. Since then, dozens of men convicted in Texas have been cleared based on DNA evidence.

"Within the context of the modern criminal justice system as we know it, he was the first innocent man, the first death row inmate exonerated based on innocence, even though in the court's opinion he was exonerated on the state's use of false testimony," said Schaffer, who works in Houston.

He also said Adams helped paved the way for a 2009 Texas law that gives exonerates \$80,000 for every year they spent in prison, although Adams received no payment himself. At the time, compensation

was limited to \$25,000 and available only with a governor's pardon, the attorney said.

After his release, Adams appeared on national talk shows and granted numerous interviews. He later told The Associated Press that he spoke out because "if anything, I'd like the public to realize this could happen to anybody, in any city, given the circumstances."

Adams had a falling out with Morris after suing to regain the right to tell his own life story in 1989. He then co-wrote a book about his case to help pay some bills.

Adams was still living in Texas and had a job refilling vending machines when his employ-

er did a delayed background check, learned of his wrongful conviction and fired him in front of his colleagues and friends. Schaffer said that devastated Adams, who moved to New York and then to Ohio in an effort to "disappear."

"He was an ordinary guy placed into extraordinary circumstance," Schaffer said.

A relative said Adams was diagnosed last year with a brain tumor and told he had two months to live, the attorney said. The prediction was accurate. He died two months later in the city of Washington Court House.

"His family didn't want any publicity," Schaffer said.

Pride of Texas Shows

Sponsored By The Big Spring Chamber of Commerce



Games - Food - Rides

June 22-26,
6-11 pm

At College Park Shopping Center

Daily Specials
During Posted Times
(6-10 Nightly)

All You Can Ride

Only \$20⁰⁰ each

Come Join The Fun At
The Pride of Texas
Show

222719

OUR TEENS LOOK TO THEIR FREEDOM.

TEEN BANKING



Today's teens get a sense of independence and responsibility well beyond their years. That's what Teen Banking from American State Bank is all about.

- Personalized ASB Designer Debit Card with ASB Rewards
- Free Mobile Banking
- No monthly service charge with iStatements
- Free \$10 iTunes card when you open an account

Sign your teen up for Teen Banking from American State Bank today and give them the freedom to be themselves.

For Financial Strength and Stability,
Look to the Star.

ASB
AmericanStateBank

Gay marriage is a reality for gay couples worldwide in New York

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — At New York City's Stone-wall Inn, the Greenwich Village pub that spawned the gay rights movement on a June night in 1969, Scott Redstone watched New York pass a historic same-sex marriage law with his partner of 29 years, and popped the question.

"I said, 'Will you marry me?' And he said, 'Of course!'" Redstone said he and Steven Knittweiss walked home to pop open a bottle of champagne.

They and other gay couples from around the world can start planning to wed as early as late July in New York, after Gov. Andrew Cuomo signed his bill into law just before midnight Friday night. The stroke of Cuomo's pen fulfilled a campaign promise he made last year and injected fresh momentum into the national gay rights movement that largely stalled two years ago in the same state.

New York becomes the sixth state where gay couples can wed, doubling the number of Americans living in a state with legal gay marriage. Pending any court challenges, legal gay marriages can begin in New York within 30 days.

"That's certainly going to have a ripple effect across the nation," said Ross Levi, executive director of the Empire State Pride Agenda. "It's truly a historic night for love, our families, and democracy won."

The Catholic Bishops of New York said the law alters "radically and forever humanity's historic understanding of marriage."

Ahead of 2012, Biden plays role of economic messenger in the states hard hit by recession

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — The longest walk parents can make, Vice President Joe Biden often says, is up a flight of stairs to tell their children they've lost their job.

"Millions have been stripped of their dignity," Biden told an Ohio audience last year. "It's time to restore their dignity."

Biden, who spoke frequently of his blue-collar roots in Scranton, Pa., during the 2008 presidential campaign, is reprising his role as one of the Obama administration's top surrogates on the economy and an empathetic voice in states throughout the industrial Midwest hard hit by the economic recession.

The former Delaware senator is expected to play a similar role in the 2012 campaign, focusing on states like Ohio, Michigan and Pennsylvania, which President Barack Obama carried in 2008 but which elected Republican governors in 2010. A large swath of the Midwest, including Iowa, Indiana and Wisconsin — all won by Obama in 2008 — are considered prime targets for Republicans next year.

Biden, who was speaking Saturday to the Ohio Democratic Party's annual State Dinner, has assailed moves by Republican governors in Wisconsin and Ohio to strip away collective bargaining rights from most public workers and efforts by Republican lawmakers in Congress to turn Medicare into a program in which the government subsidizes beneficiaries who would seek coverage from private insurance companies.

US military presence hasn't changed daily Afghan corruption

WASHINGTON (AP) — The farmer picking apples in the outskirts of Kabul must pay the Taliban \$33 to ship out each truckload of fruit. The governor sends in armed men to chase workers off job sites if the official bribes aren't paid. Poor neighborhoods never get their U.N.-provided wheat, long since sold on the black market.

These are some of the elements, large and small, that together form the elaborate organized crime environment Afghans contend with daily. And despite the hoped-for success of the U.S. military surge and President Barack Obama's claims of significant progress, Afghanistan's resemblance to a mafia state that cannot serve its citizens may only be getting worse, according to an upcoming report by the International Crisis Group, a Brussels-based think tank.

The 46-page study, to be released next week, looks specifically at Afghanistan's heartland: the rural areas of Ghazni, Wardak, Logar and other provinces just beyond the periphery of Kabul. Unemployment is high, government presence is low and the insurgency operates with impunity. Corruption and cooperation with the Taliban reach the highest levels of local governance.

"Nearly a decade after the U.S.-led military intervention little has been done to challenge the perverse incentives of continued conflict in Afghanistan," the research group says. Rather, violence and the billions of dollars in international aid have brought wealthy officials and insurgents together. And "the economy as a result is increasingly dominated by a criminal oligarchy of politically connected businessmen," the report concludes.

Mobster's run almost textbook case of evasion

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — Boston mob boss James "Whitey" Bulger did almost everything right in evading capture for 16 years.

The notorious mobster's run from the law was remarkable for its longevity, which was due mainly to the unremarkable new identity he built for himself while on the lam.

He adopted an unassuming lifestyle, paid for everything with cash, didn't drive a car, limited his social contact to small talk and adhered to the code of silence from the mob life he left behind. When federal agents tracked him to his lair this week, it was only after targeting the one part of his past that Bulger didn't leave behind — his longtime girlfriend, Catherine Greig.

By all accounts, the two did little to ever arouse suspicion, posing as two retirees holed up in a bland white 1970s apartment complex in Santa Monica amid other buildings of the same era.

Although Bulger — who fled Boston in 1995 after a retired FBI agent who had recruited him as an informant tipped him to a pending indictment — was believed to have millions of dollars stashed in secret accounts, and investigators found \$800,000 hidden in the apartment, the couple didn't live lavishly. They paid \$1,145 cash several days in advance each month for a rent-controlled unit, while newer neighbors paid more than twice as much. Greig shopped at a 99-cent store.

Occasionally, they splurged, even while remaining discreet.

Andrew Turner, the general manager of Michael's, recognized pictures of the fugitives this week as the couple who dined occasionally at table No. 23 at the upscale institution. He had a record of them paying their \$190 tab in cash for a meal that included Grey Goose vodka cocktails, foie gras, steak and lobster, topped off by wine, in September 2009 — the month Bulger turned 80. The couple kept to themselves and were unassuming, Turner recalled.

"This guy was just nice, mild and meek, milquetoast in a little apartment in Santa Monica," said Bill Keefer, a retired U.S. marshal who supervised the witness protection program in Los Angeles, Hawaii

and Long Island, N.Y. "This guy should have been a supervisor with the marshal's witness protection program. He did an outstanding job, the louse."

Bulger, now 81, has been linked to 19 murders, including the strangling of an associate's girlfriend who knew he was a snitch and the murder of a man shot so many times his leg was almost severed from his body.

His flight in 1995 was big news at the time. In addition to Bulger's indictment for racketeering along with other major mob figures, questions were raised about his ability to always be one step ahead of the law and because his brother, state Senate president William Bulger, was one of Massachusetts' most powerful politicians.

His fugitive status only grew when the FBI was forced to acknowledge in court two years later what had been long-whispered in law enforcement: the Boston FBI bureau had a corrupt relationship with its informants. An associate testified in 2002 that Bulger boasted that he had corrupted six FBI agents and more than 20

Boston cops, keeping them loyal with Christmas envelopes stuffed with cash.

Between the time of his flight and settling on the West Coast, Bulger had about two years to reinvent himself.

As they reinvented themselves, Bulger and Greig stuck to a low-key lifestyle that didn't invite attention.



Bulger

Thank You

The Family of
MARIA ESCANUELAS
would like to thank everyone for their prayers, comforting words, food, flowers, and hugs.

Your words and prayers were not only comforting, but a source of strength for our family during this difficult time. We would like to give a special thanks to Myers and Smith Funeral Home and their wonderful staff, Home Hospice, A.L.S.A. Car Club, and all our family and friends.

Thank you all so very much from each and everyone of us.

Thank You,
The Escanuelas Family
Ygnacio Escanuelas, Sr. "Nacho"
Ygnacio Escanuelas, Jr.
Steve Escanuelas
Olga Vidales
Janie Martinez
Martha Garza
Maria Elena Escanuelas
Isabel Vera
Mateo Escanuelas
Maria Pilar Villareal

222709

\$99 Move-In Special

- Swimming Pool
- Private Patios
- Carports
- Appliances
- Most Utilities Paid
- Senior Citizens Discount
- 1 & 2 Bedroom Unfurnished

PARKHILL TERRACE APARTMENTS
800 W. Marcy Drive
263-5555 267-5444



Community Guide

*A resource for newcomers to
Big Spring and Howard County*

Publication Date: July 31, 2011
DEADLINE: July 15th

Full Page - \$665.00 1/4 Page - \$205.00
1/2 Page - \$365.00 1/8 Page - \$115.00

Premium Positions Available

This section contains information & stories related to your community.

**Make sure your business is included in the
Special Section**

Big Spring
HERALD
rick@thebigspringherald.com
432-263-7331

Charles Myers

Attorney At Law

Family Law And
Criminal Law

Ward & Myers, L.L.P.



432-683-3700 • Midland, TX
charles@wardmyers.com

Not Certified by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization



Obituaries

Shirley O. Farrace

After spending 81 years on this earth, Shirley O. Farrace passed away peacefully after a short illness in the evening hours of June 23, 2011. Her family was by her side as she began her journey into Christ's arms.



A celebration of her life will take place on Tuesday, June 28, 2011, at 10 a.m. at Johnson's Funeral Home Chapel with Jim Benson officiating. Burial will follow at Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens. Arrangements are by Johnson's Funeral Home.

Shirley was born March 13, 1930, in Duluth, Minn., to James P. Lanehart and Dorothy Lanehart McLean. She spent her childhood in California and graduated high school in San Pedro, Calif., in 1948. She married the love of her life, Arthur Farrace, in 1984 in Big Spring. Sadly, he passed away in 1985.

She was always a proud and active participant in all of her children's lives, and she showed her love by working hard to support her family. She was a wonderful mother. She loved life and had a strong Christian faith. Her bible reading and prayer life were important elements of her daily routine. She found great comfort in prayers for whatever circumstance she was facing.

Her first job was at a dime store. Her last occupation was as the owner of Munchkin Country Children's Clothing store in San Antonio. When she retired, she was a volunteer at the VA Hospital in Big Spring.

Shirley was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her daughter, Lorrie Beatty; her brother, James P. Lanehart III; and granddaughter, Michelle Rogers. She is survived by her three children, Virginia Forbes, Deborah Read and husband Jerry, and Lanny Pierce and wife Kimberly Holcomb Pierce; 11 grandchildren, Ashley Holcomb and Dalton Holcomb, Logan Pierce, Austin Pierce, Marc Read, Nicholas Read, Kimberly Lawrence, Joseph Clifton Forbes, Jeremy Beatty, Joshua Beatty and Melissa Beatty; five great-grandchildren; special friends David and Irma Dunckel; and her favorite dog, Mr. Bentley.

A special thank you to 5 north and ICU of Shannon Medical Center for their outstanding staff and excellent care.

Family and friends may sign the online register book at www.johnsons-funeralhome.com.

Paid obituary

Kimball Guthrie

Kimball Guthrie, 79, of Big Spring died Thursday, June 23, 2011. A private family service was held.

Kimball was the son of Cecil and Doris Guthrie, born March 18, 1932, in Merkel. Kimball was a devoted husband, father, grandfather and brother. He was a member of First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include one son, Will Guthrie; one daughter, Kate Nelson; two granddaughters, Andrea Nelson and Paige Guthrie; a sister, Mary Lynne Thompson and husband, Stewart; and numerous other family and friends. A special appreciation to his cousin, Renae Ferguson.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Sue Guthrie; one daughter, Kim Guthrie; and his parents, Cecil and Doris Guthrie.

Kimball and Sue were lovingly known as Grandee and Dah, not only to their granddaughters but many others.

The family suggests memorials be made to a favorite church or charity of choice. In lieu of personal visits or phone calls, it would be meaningful to the family to express your feelings in a note.

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

Paid obituary

Caden Ian Garcia

Caden Ian Garcia, infant, died Thursday, June 23, 2011, at Odessa Regional Medical Center. Services were at 10 a.m. Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born Thursday, June 23, 2011, to Monica Garcia in Odessa.

He is survived by his mother, Monica Garcia of Big Spring; grandparents, Tony and Anna Garcia; great-grandmothers, Mary Linda Ramirez and Herminia Garcia; and great-great-grandfather, Jessie Mendoza, all of Big Spring.

He was preceded in death by his great-grandfather, Raul Garcia and great-great-grandmother, Tommie D. Mendoza.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersand-smith.com

Horace C. Murdock

Horace C. Murdock, 80, of Big Spring died Saturday, June 25, 2011, in a local hospital. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Police

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

- LEROY HILBERT ZUBIATE, 27, of 1207 Sycamore, was arrested Friday on warrants for speeding, no drivers license-when unlicensed, driving while license invalid (two counts), failed to maintain financial responsibility.

- ST. JOHN GARCIA, 17, of 2108 Johnson, was arrested Friday on charges of theft less than \$50/shoplifting, possession of marijuana less than or equal to two ounces, possession of drug paraphernalia.

- JULIAN MICHAEL CHAVEZ, 17, of 3211 Drexel Ave., was arrested Friday on charge of theft less than \$50/shoplifting.

- MICHAEL PAUL MARTIN, 28, of 805 Creighton St., was arrested Friday on a warrant for accumulated items/weeds/rubbish.

- BROBBIE DEAN BAYES, 52, of 19402 N. FM 1584, was arrested Friday on a charge of public intoxication.

- DANIEL VERA FLORES, 42, of 907 E. 15th St., was arrested Saturday on a warrant from other agency.

- ANTHONY EUGENE TREVINO, 25, of 1211 Harding, was arrested Saturday on a warrant for criminal mischief \$500 less than \$1500.

- JOSE FLORES RODRIGUEZ, 46, of 1609 Harding, was arrested Saturday on a charge of public intoxication.

- LEONA JEAN RADASA, 29, of 1413 Wood, was arrested Saturday on a charge of public intoxication.

- THEFT was reported in the 400 block of E. Fourth Street. (Three reports).

Take Note

- The Salvation Army is holding its annual fan drive and is in dire need of fans. Community members can donate new or used fans. Monetary donations are also welcomed. Donations can be made at the main office, located at 811 W. Fifth St., Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

- A reception for Michael Adams, who has served 33 years in law enforcement, including 25 as Stanton chief of police, will be held from noon to 2 p.m. Friday, July 8, in the Stanton Church of Christ Fellowship Hall at 210 N. St. Mary in Stanton. The public is encouraged to attend.

www.bigspringherald.com

POPS IN THE PARK

Sunday, July 3rd

Comanche Trail Amphitheater

Featuring Music By

The Big Spring Symphony And Chorus

Schedule Of Events:

5:00 P.M. ~ Gates Open at Amphitheater

5:00 P.M. ~ Food and Novelty Booths Open

6:00 P.M. ~ Performance by

The Fab 4 Beatles Tribute Band

7:45 P.M. ~ Welcome and Announcements

8:00 P.M. ~ Symphony Concert and

Flag Ceremony

9:25 P.M. ~ Video Presentation Recognizing

Servicemen & Women

9:45 p.m. ~ Fireworks Display

Presented By:

Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, Big Spring Herald,
Big Spring Symphony, City of Big Spring, GEO Corrections-Big Spring Correctional Center,
HEB, Robinson Drilling of Texas,

"94.3" The Fuse -The Official Radio Station of Pops In The Park,
K-Best 95.7 & KBST 1490, Weeks Broadcasting Inc. - KBYG 1400 AM &
106.3 FM - KXCS 105.5 FM

"Stars & Stripes"
Sponsor
Alon USA
Partee Enterprises

"Rocket" Sponsors
Citizens Federal Credit Union;
Howard County Volunteer Fire Department;
Holliday Inn Express; Moss Creek Ranch/Price Construction
Pat Gray Body Works; Porter Henderson Implement Company;
T. Blackshear Interiors; Wells Fargo Bank
Worthy Company

• Sharon Chaney, campus curriculum coordinator at Bauer Elementary School, and her family lost their home and all their possessions to the wildfire that swept South Mountain on the evening of June 20. A fund has been established at the Big Spring Education Federal Credit Union to assist the

family as they recover from this loss. To help, call 432-263-8393 or come by the FCU at 1110 Benton.

• A medical fund has been established at Big Spring Education Employee FCU for Maurine Pittman, who has been diagnosed with leukemia. She and her husband Gale are both off

without pay at this time and may be for quite a while. Maurine is at Baylor

Medical Center in Dallas at this time. To donate, call 432-263-8393.



Parkplace
Retirement Living

501 West 17th * Big Spring, Texas
432-267-1353
Call or come by today

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24 On Site Staff • Free Transportation • Home cooked meals • Paid utilities (except phone & cable) • Housekeeping/Laundry service 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24 Hour Security • Companionship • Activities • Emergency Call System • Four Spacious Floor Plans
---	---

220866

FREE TRAINING

Attention Attention Attention

Free Training Available in Building Performance and Heating and Air Industries!

The Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission has received funding to provide vocational training for green occupations.

Classes will be offered at the campuses of Howard and Odessa College.

100% of all fees, including tools, will be paid.

222670

Must be at least 18 years of age and meet eligibility requirements

Classes begin soon so please call 432-664-4227 for more information.

PBRPC EEO

Barb's
Boutique

Love your job.



Would you like to control your own home based business? Sell Jewelry through home parties, one one one appointments, or help with the Big Spring Mall Kiosk Barb's Boutique.

For more information call **Barb at 924-2054** or visit www.barbsboutique.info

222703

Looking for a Pronghorn Flatbed?
Well Look No Further!

Porter Henderson Implement Co.
Has What You Need!

Flatbeds For All Makes & Models!



Dual And Single Wheels!

3/4 Ton And Up!



Porter Henderson Implement Co.
3011 N. US Hwy. 87 Big Spring, TX 79720
(432) 263-8344

223429

Someone You Can Count On!


CRIMINAL LAW

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Practice • Family • Custody • Civil 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Criminal • Divorce Law • DWI's • Real Estate Law
--	---

219267

BRIEF HISTORY OF C.E. MIKE THOMAS

- Over 25 years overall experience
- Certified Public Accountant
- Served as Howard County Attorney, Big Spring City Attorney
- Member of Howard County Bar Assoc., State Bar Assoc., American Bar Assoc.



C.E. Mike Thomas

Attorney at Law

c.e.mikethomas@gmail.com

432-263-4142

501 Gregg St.
Big Spring, Tx.



UNLIMITED TALK & TEXT TO ANY MOBILE IN THE U.S.

With the Unlimited Any Mobile Plan you get:

- UNLIMITED Mobile to Mobile calling and texting to any carrier, anywhere in the U.S.
- Plus 700 Anytime Minutes and UNLIMITED Nights and Weekends to U.S. Landlines

Just over **\$30** monthly access per line for a family of four.

(\$104.99 for two lines plus two additional lines at \$9.99 each. Activation fees, taxes & other charges apply.)*



RULE THE AIR

Verizon Exclusive
NEW! DROID INCREDIBLE 2 by HTC

- Loaded with apps
- 8.0 MP camera plus webcam for video chats

Global ready for world travelers
LOWEST PRICE EVER!

\$149.99

\$199.99 2-yr. price - \$50 mail-in rebate debit card.




Samsung Intensity™ II

Advanced texter with slide-out keyboard

BUY 1 GET 1 FREE \$29.99

\$79.99 2-yr. price - \$50 mail-in rebate debit card. Free phone: \$50 2-yr. price - \$50 mail-in rebate debit card.

All phones require new 2-yr. activation.

1.888.800.6006 • VERIZONWIRELESS.COM/ANYMOBILE • VZW.COM/STORELOCATOR

*Our Surcharges (incl. Fed. Univ. Svc. of 14.9% of interstate & int'l telecom charges (varies quarterly), 13¢ Regulatory & 83¢ Administrative/line/mo. & others by area) are not taxes (details: 1-888-684-1888); gov't taxes & our surcharges could add 6% - 39% to your bill. Activation fee/line: \$35.
IMPORTANT CONSUMER INFORMATION: Subject to Cust. Agmt, Calling Plan, rebate form & credit approval. Up to \$350 early termination fee/line & add'l charges for extra minutes, data sent/received & device capabilities. Offers & coverage, varying by svc, not available everywhere; see vzw.com. Limited-time offer. Restocking fee may apply. Rebate debit card takes up to 6 wks & expires in 12 months. LTE is a trademark of ETSI. 4G LTE is available in 55 metros & 70 major airports in the U.S.; coverage maps at vzw.com. DROID is a trademark of Lucasfilm Ltd. and its related companies. Used under license. © 2011 Verizon Wireless. NBRL

IN COLLABORATION WITH
Alcatel-Lucent 



HOWARD COLLEGE

BIG SPRING • LAMESA • SAN ANGELO • SWCID



2011 KIDS COLLEGE

YOGI BEAR: SMARTER THAN THE AVERAGE KID

DATE

July 11-14 & July 18-21
Howard College Campus

COST PER 1/2 DAY SESSION

\$90 - First Child / \$80 - Each Additional Child
Graduating 1st Graders - Graduating 6th Graders
Scholarships Available

ACTIVITIES

Duct Tape Design, Cooking, Magic
Science, Survivor, Art, Recreation

CONTACT

Jeff Ward

jward@howardcollege.edu

www.howardcollege.edu 432-264-5085

Summer II & Fall 2011 Registration

GOING ON

NOW

www.howardcollege.edu



Howard College
65th Anniversary
Commemorative Pavers
\$65 each / Order by July 31, 2011
Contact Jan Foresyth 432-264-5051
jforesyth@howardcollege.edu

Mathematics Summer Bridge Program For Fall 2011 Dual Credit Students

July 18th - 21st 9am - 12 noon

Cost: \$10

For More Information Contact:

Danny Sparks - dsparks@howardcollege.edu or 432-264-5124

Linda Keeney - lkeeney@howardcollege.edu

The purpose of the Summer Bridge Math Program is to prepare high school students to be able to enroll in Math 1314 College Algebra in the 2011 - 2012 school year. Students will use the ALEKS software program and will receive individualized learning and practice assignments to address areas of weakness. The Accuplacer exam will be given to determine readiness for College Algebra.



1001 Birdwell Lane Big Spring, Tx 79720
432-264-5000 www.howardcollege.edu





HERALD photo/Robert Griffin

Coaches Roy Green and Angela Beck were at Howard College this weekend presenting the third annual Harold Davis West Texas Shootout basketball tournament.

Angela Beck delivers special message to Big Spring hoopsters

By ROBERT GRIFFIN

Sports Editor

During the Harold Davis West Texas Shootout this weekend, athletes were treated to the coaching genius and hard-learned wisdom of Coach Angela Beck. Sharing the same vision as Roy Green, the former BSHS and Howard College graduate who put the basketball tournament together, Coach Beck came to Big Spring to invest in the future of the sport by sharing her knowledge of the game with area basketball players.

With a resume that stretches from the University of Nebraska to the San Jose Lasers of the American Basketball League to offers in the WNBA, Coach Beck says that she really enjoys coaching kids at the high school level.

"It is such a privilege to meet these athletes at this age," she said. "They are at a point where their careers can go in any direction. Helping them reach the next level in their game, realizing their potential, is what it's all about."

In an age where most athletes and coaches are trying to use their stats and records as marketing tools, Coach Beck

seems to be the exception to the proverbial rule. The normal career trend in sports seems to be high school, college, pros, hall of fame and then that obscure headline saying the athlete died at the local pawn shop, after selling his championship ring. Not often enough does the career take a path that leads to giving back or investing their time and energy in the next generation of the sport they claim to love.

Yet, the winningest coach in the history of the University of Nebraska is in Big Spring this weekend, doing that very thing.

Coach Beck, along with Coach Green, is not content with teaching basketball to the female athletes who have shown up for the tournament, she is teaching lessons that will help them long after high school.

"My mantra has always been discipline. It is the key to everything, not only in sports, but in life," Coach Beck said. "There are no short cuts to success. With the right foundation of discipline and the proper tools, these girls can accomplish

See **BECK**, Page 2B

Rangers send three deep, down New York 8-1

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Over the past six weeks, Texas Rangers starter Matt Harrison has pitched through a kidney stone, missed a start because of a blister on his index finger and taken a liner off his left arm.

So Friday night was an easy one.

Harrison pitched seven strong innings and the Rangers hit three home runs in an 8-1 win over the New York Mets.

"It's nice not to have to pitch with a kidney stone or a blister, or a bruise on my arm," Harrison said with a smile. "It's kind of nice to go out there and not have to deal with those kinds of things. I guess you can kind of say this is a rebound game from all that."

The solid outing came

six days after Harrison (6-6) remained on the mound after a rain delay of 2 hours, 16 minutes in Atlanta and earned a no-decision in his first career start against the team that drafted him, when the Rangers won in 10 innings.

Harrison is 3-2 with a 1.43 ERA over his last six starts and his season ERA of 3.00 is among the best in the majors for a left-hander.

"He's focused. Whatever trouble he created tonight, he was able to pitch around," Rangers manager Ron Washington said. "Continue to do that, it builds your confidence."

Adrian Beltre snapped a 13-game homerless drought with a two-run shot off Mike Pelfrey (4-6) that put the Rangers up 3-0 in the first. Beltre's 13th homer was his

first since June 8.

Michael Young and Josh Hamilton also connected for the AL West-leading Rangers. It was the 100th career homer for Hamilton.

Harrison gave up one run and seven hits, struck out four and walked one.

"It took him probably a couple of weeks to pass that stone, I don't want even want to get into that, it's pretty gnarly," Young said. "But he did a great job. For him to come out there, compete and give us seven innings is huge."

Pelfrey, coming off a complete-game victory at home last Saturday against the Los Angeles Angels, gave up four runs over six innings in another tough outing away from Citi Field.

The right-hander is 1-6 with a 6.65 ERA in nine

road starts this season.

"You give up six runs on two-run homers, it's tough to for us to catch up in those circumstances," Mets manager Terry Collins said. "In this park, you've really got to bear down and make your pitches."

Beltre added a one-out double in the seventh off Manny Acosta before Young hit his fifth homer.

Hamilton connected for a two-run drive off Acosta in the eighth. All seven of the reigning AL MVP's homers this season have come in 29 games since coming of a six-week stint on the disabled list for a broken bone in his upper right arm.

New York opened a stretch of playing 13 of 16 games on the road before the All-Star break.

The Rangers won two

of three at home earlier this week against the Astros to begin a span of 19 games before the break when they only road games are during a three-game series at Houston next week.

Ian Kinsler hit a lead-off double in the first, moved up on a sacrifice by Elvis Andrus and scored on Hamilton's single. Beltre followed with his drive to left.

"I didn't get off to the start I wanted. My fast-ball command wasn't very good," Pelfrey said. "Beltre was right down the middle."

Beltre, hitless in 10 at-bats coming into the game, finished with three extra-base hits after another double in the eighth.

Andrus had an RBI single in the fourth before leaving the game with a sprained left

wrist. The shortstop got hurt when his left hand buckled awkwardly on the ground when he sliding headfirst for his 22nd stolen base of the season. He was replaced in the field by Andres Blanco to start the fifth.

An MRI is scheduled for Saturday, though Washington doesn't think the injury is serious.

"He's OK," Washington said. "He dove there, his left hand stayed behind him and just turned it over. He'll be fine."

NOTES: The Mets got their run in the fifth when Ronny Paulino hit a leadoff double and scored on a single by Ruben Tejada.

Jason Bay had three singles for the Mets, his fifth multihit performance in the last nine games.

Briefs

Free Junior Tennis Clinics

Free Junior Tennis Clinics will be held every Monday night from 5:30 to 6:30 at Figure 7. The cost is free and will be conducted by local coaches, players and pros.

Just bring a racquet (we have some if you don't). Balls and water will be provided. For more information, call Dana Jones at 432-557-3831.

Howard County A&M Club Westexags Shootout July 16

A golf tournament with a four-man Sherrill scramble format will be held July 16 at the Comanche Trail Golf Course. The start time will be 8 a.m. The cost is \$75 per person (carts not included). Respond by July 1 to westexags@hotmail.com or by calling 432-263-7969.

Coahoma Girls' Softball All-Stars Annual Rag Ball Tournament June 24-26

The Coahoma Girls' Softball All-Stars are hosting their annual Rag Ball Tournament. The event will be held June 24-26.

Vendors are needed for the event. For information, call Billy Newton at 325-207-2640 or Amy Overton at 432-816-1968.

Summer Rag Ball League Sign-ups through June 27

The 2011 Summer Rag Ball League is taking sign-ups through June 27. The games will be played

Mondays and - if needed - Tuesdays. The season will last eight weeks and will feature a tournament at the end. Prizes will be given during the season.

For more information, call 432-816-0050.

Volleyball Camp July 25-28

BSISD's volleyball camp will be held July 25-28, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. The camp is open to students in grades 3-8 for a fee of \$25. T-shirts can also be purchased for \$10. Call 432-264-3662 for information.

Football Skills Lineman Camp July 16

Coach Tony Johnson, former TCU line coach, will be hosting a one-day camp for linemen in Big Spring July 16. The camp, which will run from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m., will cost \$55 per player and is open to players 9-18 years-old.

For more information, contact Coach Johnson at 913-620-0167.

BSHS 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. until 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.

Gabbard, Forsythe win couples event

By ROBERT GRIFFIN

Sports Editor

The heat did not stop the ladies of Comanche Trail Ladies Golf Association from hitting the links this week as they returned to their regular schedule of play. Whether it was this week's cold front (99 instead of 108) or confidence gained by their grand showing at the Cloverleaf event, the girls braved the heat and battled each other for top honors.

Monday morning saw Linda Dewaters register the best low gross score in individual play and Patsy Sharpnack with the best low net. Trish Gabbard had the fewest putts in the outing.

On Thursday evening, the girls invited the boys out for a round of couples play. Trish Gabbard teamed up with Jimmy Forsythe to shoot a one-under par and take first place. Linda Dewaters and Nick Dewaters were not far behind for the lead. The pair had just one stroke over par to take second place. Rounding out the evening was the team Ron Booth and Daury Booth in third place. Team Booth registered three strokes above par.

The closest shot to the pin on hole number three was Jimmy Forsythe. On hole number six, Linda Dewaters beat out everyone else to get closest to the pin.

CTLGA meets every Monday morning and Thursday evenings at Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Astros succumb to bats of Rays in 5-1 loss

HOUSTON (AP) — One bad inning sent Wandy Rodriguez to his first loss in exactly two months.

Rodriguez surrendered consecutive homers to Evan Longoria and B.J. Upton during Tampa Bay's four-run third and James Shields tossed his third consecutive complete game to lead the Rays to a 5-1 win over the Astros on Friday night.

"It was really too bad that Wandy had a rough third inning," Astros manager Brad Mills said. "He had two outs, a 3-2 count on the hitter after striking out the first two hitters, and they were able to capitalize and get four runs. That was huge."

Rodriguez (5-4) looked

good the first time through the Tampa Bay lineup, but a change of catchers and the delay that came with it messed up his location just enough for the Rays to take advantage.

He allowed five runs and six hits in six innings to lose for the first time since April 24. He had been 4-0 in seven starts since then.

Longoria hit a two-run shot before Upton's drive gave Tampa Bay back-to-back homers for the first time this season. Sean Rodriguez had three hits and scored twice and Longoria also drove in a run in the fifth.

Houston catcher J.R. Towles left in the third after getting hit by a foul ball in

the chin. Carlos Corporan replaced Towles, but Rodriguez said he had trouble with his location immediately after the switch.

"I think I missed my location with Corporan because Corporan, he has like a low zone and tight, but Towles is a little more open," Rodriguez said. "That's not my excuse. My situation is that I missed a lot of my location with Corporan (but) I don't want to make it an excuse that I pitched bad because of Corporan."

Rodriguez said he would have been fine if Corporan started because they would have had a chance to warm up in the bullpen before the game. He added that the delay with the change in catch-

ers caused him to lose his concentration and miss his location.

Following the delay, Shields struck out, but Sean Rodriguez got Tampa Bay's first hit of the game on a single to left field. He stole second and scored on Ben Zobrist's single to break a streak of 14 2-3 scoreless innings by Rodriguez.

Longoria then went deep, and Upton's drive to the Crawford Boxes in left field pushed the lead to 4-0. A fan appeared to reach over the wall to grab the ball and the play was reviewed, but the call was upheld.

"You are in a situation where these guys are major league pitchers, so they

should be able to adjust," Mills said of the change in catchers. "Everything happened so quickly. Single, home run, home run. I don't know if it did or not, but you would have liked him to move past that, and then focus."

Shields (8-4) allowed three hits, struck out nine and walked one. He leads the majors with six complete games this season.

Chris Johnson drove in Houston's run with a double in the seventh inning. It was the first earned run Shields has allowed in his last three starts.

"He had some good stuff tonight," Houston's Michael

See **ASTROS**, Page 3B

Murray advances at Wimbledon with trick shot

WIMBLEDON (AP) — With the help of an audacious between-the-legs trick shot, Andy Murray once again heads into the second week of Wimbledon carrying the hopes of a nation for a first home-grown men's champion in 75 years.

The fourth-seeded Murray advanced to the fourth round by defeating Ivan Ljubicic 6-4, 4-6, 6-1, 7-6 (4) in a match that ended at nearly 10 p.m. Friday under the roof on Centre Court.

Rather than Murray's big serve or two-handed backhand, the talk was all about the shot he pulled off in the seventh game of the fourth set.

After Ljubicic hit a short ball, Murray strolled forward toward the service line, hopped in the air, took his racket behind his back and casually flicked a shot through his legs. It floated over the net and landed in for a cross-court winner.

It was similar to a shot Murray hit during his victory over Jo-Wilfried Tsonga in the final of the Queen's Club grass-court tournament on June 13.

"It's just one of those things that you're just in the right position," Murray said. "I tried it at Queen's and I tried it a couple of times in

practice since. I haven't missed one yet. You look like a (fool) when you do, so I'm glad I made it.

"It's one of those shots that you don't get a chance to try them very often and, luckily, I've pulled it off a couple times the last few weeks."

Murray served for the match at 5-3 in the fourth set but couldn't convert, hitting an errant forehand on the second break point. But Murray took advantage of errors by the 32-year-old Croatian — the oldest man in the third round — in the tiebreaker and ended the match by following up a big first serve with a forehand putaway.

"I felt like I played very good tennis from the back of the court tonight," he said. "I just needed to serve better. And I returned pretty well and I moved really good. So that's a step in the right direction. It was much better than my last match."

Murray now has the weekend off until a fourth-round matchup against 17th-seeded Frenchman Richard Gasquet, who beat Simone Bolelli in straight sets. Murray and Gasquet have split their four previous matches, with Murray coming from two sets down to win at Wimbledon in

2008 but the Frenchman winning the last two.

The weight of expectations will only increase on Murray, who has reached the semifinals the last two years. The British public is fervently hoping he will break the curse and become the first homegrown men's winner since Fred Perry in 1936.

"It's still very intense," Murray said of the pressure.

Rain disrupted play again Friday, with five matches suspended in progress and one men's singles match postponed entirely.

Among the unfinished matches was defending champion Rafael Nadal's third-round contest on Court 1 against Gilles Muller of Luxembourg. The top-seeded Spaniard was leading 7-6 (6) when the rain came.

Nadal, who saved two set points on his serve at 6-5 down in games, called for a medical timeout after the tiebreaker. He slipped and fell awkwardly behind the baseline, getting up slowly after losing the ninth point of the tiebreaker.

Nadal and Muller will resume Saturday in the first match scheduled on Court 1, followed by four-time women's champion Serena Wil-

liams against Maria Kirilenko and fifth-seeded Robin Soderling against Australian teenager Bernard Tomic.

Top-seeded Caroline Wozniacki, still looking for a first Grand Slam title, opens first on Centre Court against Jarmila Gajdosova.

Six-time champion Roger Federer will be up next against David Nalbandian, followed by No. 2 Novak Djokovic vs. Marcos Baghdatis.

Headed home after an early round exit in his 11th year at Wimbledon is Andy Roddick.

Three times a runner-up but never a champion at the All England Club, the 28-year-old American came up short in the third round Friday, beaten 7-6 (2), 7-6 (2), 6-4 by unseeded Feliciano Lopez of Spain.

At No. 8, Roddick is the highest-seeded man out of the tournament so far.

Roddick lost to Federer in the 2004, 2005 and 2009 finals — 16-14 in the fifth set of the last one — but only got to the fourth round last year, and second round in 2008.

As the years go by, Roddick was asked, does the thought creep into his mind that he will never win Wimbledon?

"Well, sure," he said.

"You're human. ... What do you do? You keep moving forward until you decide to stop. At this point I've not decided to stop so I'll keep moving forward."

Lopez, who reached the Wimbledon quarterfinals in 2005 and 2008, had lost to Roddick in all seven of their previous matches, including at Queen's two weeks

ago.

"I played Andy so many times and he always beat me," Lopez said.

"It was so important for me to win today. Even though he beat me before, to beat him at Wimbledon is the most special."

I'm happy to pay him back here on this wonderful court."

BECK
Continued from Page 1B

things well beyond their current expectations."

Mostly, the former Big 8 Coach of the Year wants to let her experience and connections help in any way she can, whether it is on the courts or not.

"With my connections on the collegiate level, the sky is the limit," she said. "There are so many opportunities for young people to obtain college scholarships. I also want the kids to know even if they are not competing in sports, there are opportunities for them (to get scholarships) as managers, trainers, video technicians, administrative assistants and more."

Coach Beck said she was impressed with the facilities at Big Spring High School and Howard College, saying it showed there were many people here who cared about the kids and were willing to do whatever they could to help them succeed.

"Things have changed a lot since I played at the high school level,"

she noted. "The girls are actually considered athletes now instead of tomboys. Of course, even today they still don't get the same exposure and coverage as male sports and I would like to help change that. I think we

are heading that direction, but there is a ways to go."

Coach Beck is currently the girls basketball coach and assistant athletic director at Round Rock ISD, near Austin. After the tournament

in Big Spring concludes Sunday afternoon, she will be heading back to that school to begin preparations for the upcoming season.

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

An Exception to the Rule

It is often curious to see a declarer play a card that is not the best way to set the contract. In this case, the declarer plays a card that is not the best way to set the contract. In this case, the declarer plays a card that is not the best way to set the contract.

Take this case as an example. West leads the ace of spades. The declarer plays the king of spades. This is not the best way to set the contract. In this case, the declarer plays a card that is not the best way to set the contract.

Finally, the declarer plays the king of spades. This is not the best way to set the contract. In this case, the declarer plays a card that is not the best way to set the contract.

su | do | ku

© Puzzles by Pappocom

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

		4	5	8				
	6			1	9		3	7
		3		2		4	1	
6	7			4			8	9
4								2
3	8		2			1		4
	1	8		7		5		
2	3		9	4			6	
			3		5	9		

COUNT ON CHEVY EVENT

INTERSTATE 30

2010 CHEVY 1500 EXTENDED CAB 2WD Z71

Stk# 10046T, summit white with ebony leather interior, exterior and power pack plus packages.

\$6,000 factory rebate
or
0% Financing up to 72 Mos.

OFFICIAL TRUCK OF THE OUTDOORS

See Our Ad Listings @ pollardchevy.com

POLLARD

Chevrolet - Buick - Cadillac

More Standard Equipment Excellent Local Service

1501 E. 4th 267-7421

ASTROS

Continued from Page 2B

Bourn said. "He was spotting every pitch. He was spotting his fastball and throwing his off-speed for strike. He made it tough on us. It wasn't like we were out of whack. He was just on."

NOTES: Towles needed 11 stitches to close a gash that he got after a pitch bounced off the dirt and hit him under the chin, but did not have a concussion. ... Houston C Humberto Quintero is likely about two weeks away from coming off the disabled list. He has been out since May 28 after sustaining a high right ankle sprain in a collision at home plate. ... Rays reliever J.P. Howell was back with the team after missing Wednesday's game because of gout that was causing pain in his left foot. ... Houston optioned reliever Fernando Rodriguez to Triple-A Oklahoma City and purchased the contract of C Brian Esposito from there after the game.

WNBA's Storm downs Lynx 65-55

SEATTLE (AP) — Camille Little and the rest of the Seattle Storm showed that they could be ready to keep on winning even without three-time WNBA MVP Lauren Jackson.

Jackson will be out of the lineup for at least three weeks with a hip injury.

Little scored 16 points to lead four players in double figures and the Storm beat the Minnesota Lynx 65-55 Friday night despite playing without Jackson, who

was injured in Tuesday's victory at Tulsa.

"It's something that unfortunately we've done before," Little said of playing without Jackson, who has been injured in previous seasons.

"We just wanted to make sure we played well. She's a great player and no one can take her place so we try to make sure we play well collectively."

Swin Cash added 13 points and Tanisha Wright and Le'coe Will-

ingham had 11 each for Seattle (4-2). That's the type of balanced attack the Storm will need to keep on winning.

"It's going to be a team effort from now on and it always is really," said Seattle point guard Sue Bird, who had seven points and eight assists.

"The more players that we've got going the better off our team is going to be because you can't hone in on one. A lot of people can do different things and that's a good thing."

Seimone Augustus scored 17 to lead Minnesota (5-2), which had its five-game winning streak end.

"We lacked a lot of energy, I think and they jumped out early," Augustus said. "It is the tale of two games the last game, we jumped out early and got the lead, and the roles were switched. They jumped out early, had the fans behind them, and they played with a lot of

See WNBA, Page 4B

THE FAB 4

A BEATLES TRIBUTE



THE FAB 4 IS AN INTERNATIONALLY ACCLAIMED BEATLES TRIBUTE BAND THAT WILL TAKE YOU ON A MAGICAL MYSTERY TRIP

Performing

July 3, 2011 • 6:00 p.m.

Big Spring Amphitheater in Comanche Trail Park

Brought To You By:

POPS IN THE PARK

WWW.THE-FAB-4.COM

Splishing and a splashing

Big Spring Family Aquatic Center offers an escape from the hot temperatures and experience a little getaway



Photos by Amanda Moreno

The Big Spring Family Aquatic Center has opened. After months of waiting, the family getaway has opened its gates.

The aquatic center has a lazy river, leisure pool, kid splash and play area, two slides and pavillions available for rent.

The pool will remain open until the end of August and has the possibility of being open weekends during September.

For the rest of the season the pool is closed Mondays and open from noon until 8 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. Saturday and Sundays the pool is open from 11 a.m. until 8 p.m. The entry fee will be \$5 per person, for all 2 years old and over. Children under 2 and under will be allowed in free with an adult.



NO ONE KNOWS THE COUNTRY LIKE WE DO

FEATURED PROPERTY

2718 ANN

Spacious 3 bedroom, 2 bath home on Corner Lot

United Country

1209 Gregg St.
(432) 714-4555

Heart Of The City Realtors



22274



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

Tom Mills, left, of the Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, received the Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center's Volunteer in Service Award during the club's Wednesday meeting. Presenting the award to Mills were Past International Lions Club Director Marshall Cooper, center, and Ike Fitzgerald, CEO of the Recycling Center.

Follow us on Facebook and Twitter

Do the Dome!

Slim dome



Look Better Feel Better

Burn Fat • Detoxification • Burn Fat
Lose Inches • Improve Skin Tone

- ASK ME HOW -



Liposuction is a surgical procedure that uses a suction technique to remove fat from specific areas of the body, such as from the abdomen, hips, thighs or buttocks. Liposuction also shapes or contours these areas.

• Abdomen • Hips, thighs and buttocks • Chest and back
• Calves and ankles • Upper arms • Neck and chin

Other Services

Mesotherapy • Dysport • Fat Reduction Shots
Perlane • Body Cellulite • Juvederm • Chemical Peel
Microdermabrasion • Restylene with Lidocaine
Botox • Lipodissolve • Spider Veins



Body Focus Medical Spa
1700 FM 700 • 264-1900
Dr. Steve Ahmed

221750

My Favorite Place "NOW OPEN"



Mary Kemp, Katie Helmstetter, Suzanne Davis and Denise Wagner, "Formerly of Serenity Spa"

We are now at My Favorite Place.

We invite you to call us today for your appointment.

**Now Accepting New Customers,
By Appointment or Walkins Welcome.**

618 Gregg St., Big Spring 432-263-FAVE (3283)
www.myfaveplace.net

222704

Outstanding fuel efficiency and everything else you need.

Fuel economy is one reason to drive a Ford. No other brand has more cars that get 40 miles per gallon! And Ford offers eight models with best-in-class mpg.² But there are a whole lot of other reasons to drive one.

Only Ford offers great features you just can't get in other vehicles. Like voice-activated SYNC[®] for your phone and music. And SYNC with MyFord Touch™ technology that responds to more than 10,000 voice commands.³

And you won't sacrifice on quality. Because Ford offers quality that can't be beat by Honda or Toyota.⁴ No wonder Ford is the best-selling brand in America.⁵

So why compromise when you don't have to? Visit our dealership today and drive one.



2011 FIESTA SE w/SFE Package

- ▶ 40 HWY MPG⁶
- Up to 409 miles on a tank of gas⁶
- Better hwy mpg than Yaris
- Available SYNC³; seven airbags (standard), integrated blind spot mirrors (standard)

2012 FOCUS SE w/SFE Package

- ▶ 40 HWY MPG⁷
- Active Grille Shutter System for aerodynamic efficiency
- Torque Vectoring Control for handling
- Available SYNC³

2011 EDGE LIMITED

- ▶ 27 HWY MPG; Best-in-class⁸
- Quality can't be beat by Murano⁴
- SYNC with MyFord Touch recognizes more than 10,000 voice commands³
- Available BLIS[®] (Blind Spot Information System) with cross-traffic alert

2011 ESCAPE XLS

- ▶ 28 HWY MPG⁹
- Better combined mileage than RAV4 or CR-V
- Quality can't be beat by RAV4⁴
- Available SYNC³

2011 F-150 XLT

- ▶ 23 HWY MPG¹⁰
- Best-in-class fuel economy¹⁰
- Ford F-150 quality beats Chevrolet Silverado 1500, Toyota Tundra and Nissan Titan⁴
- Available 3.5L EcoBoost V6 has best-in-class towing and payload¹¹

BOB BROCK FORD-LINCOLN
500 W 4TH STREET
BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720
(432) 267-7424
bbrockford.com



Drive one.

¹EPA-estimated 40 hwy mpg, 2011 Fiesta SE with SFE; 40 hwy mpg, 2012 Focus SE with SFE; 41 city mpg, 2011 Fusion Hybrid. ²Based on EPA estimates. ³Optional feature. Driving while distracted can result in loss of vehicle control. Only use SYNC/MyFordTouch/other devices, even with voice commands, when it is safe to do so. Some features may be locked out while the vehicle is in gear. ⁴Based on RDA Group's GQRS cumulative survey at three months of service in three surveys of 2010 Ford and competitive owners conducted 9/09-5/10. ⁵Based on CY sales. ⁶EPA-estimated 29 city/40 hwy/33 combined mpg, 12.4-gallon tank. ⁷EPA-estimated 28 city/40 hwy/33 combined mpg. ⁸EPA-estimated 27 hwy mpg, SelectShift models, FWD. ⁹EPA-estimated 23 city/28 hwy/25 combined mpg, I-4 manual FWD. ¹⁰EPA-estimated 17 city/23 hwy/19 combined mpg, 3.7L V6 4x2. Class is Full-Size Pickups under 8,500 lbs. GVWR, Non-Hybrid. ¹¹When properly equipped. Class is Full-Size Pickups under 8,500 lbs. GVWR, Non-Hybrid vs. premium-performance engine competitors.

Hometown boy makes good

BZ Lewis wins two Emmys

The Northern California chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences held its 40th annual Emmy Awards ceremony at the Regency Center in San Francisco on June 11.

Among the recipients was BZ Lewis, formerly of Big Spring, who won two Emmys for composing music for the CBS Television station in the Bay Area.

This is his fifth Emmy win. Lewis was nominated in three categories. The Emmy is awarded for outstanding achievement in television by The National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences.

The San Francisco/Northern Chapter covers northern California, Hawaii and Reno, Nevada.

Lewis owns Studio 132 in Oakland, Calif., and is a partner in pop Tuna, a successful company that has created music for movies, video games, and television.

BZ is a 1986 graduate of Big Spring High school. He also holds a bachelor of arts in music from the University of Texas, where he studied under classical guitarist Adam Holzman.

Engagements

sponsored by

Blum's Jewelry

In The Big Spring Mall • 267-6335

Smith and Hollingshead



Caleb Hollingshead and Susan Smith

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Smith II of Cleburne, announce the engagement of their daughter, Susan Smith, to Caleb Hollingshead of Big Spring.

The bride-elect graduated from Cleburne High School in 2002 and Texas A&M University in College Station in 2006. In 2009, she graduated from Texas Tech School of Law and currently works for a law firm in Fort Worth.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Kathryn Wiseman of Big Spring, and Joe Hollingshead of Christoval. Caleb graduated from Forsan High School in 1999. He worked for Union Pacific Railroad for several years before returning to college. He is a May 2011 graduate of Texas Tech University and received a bachelor's degree in civil engineering.

The couple will exchange wedding vows July 30, 2011, in Cleburne at the First United Methodist Church.

Adams and Mimms



Misty Dawn Adams and Brett Carson Mimms

Michael and Leatrice Adams of Stanton announce the engagement of their daughter, Misty Dawn Adams to Brett Carson Mimms, son of Clay and Reta Mimms of Ima, N.M.

Misty is the granddaughter of O.V. and Lucy Glaze and the late L.D. and Fern Adams of Stanton.

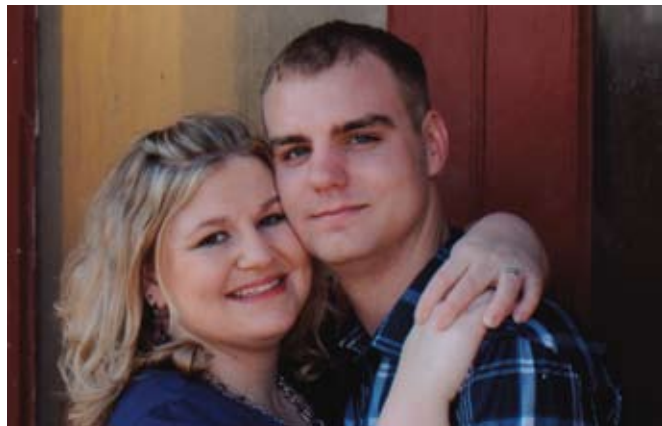
Brett is the grandson of Pete and Bobby Mimms of Shallowater, and W.T. Settle and the late Maxine Settle of Abernathy.

The bride-elect is a 2006 graduate of Lubbock Christian University with a bachelor degree in agriculture science. She is employed with Rusty's Oilfield in Stanton.

The prospective groom is a 2005 graduate of Lubbudie High School and is employed with WWP Cattle Company in Putnam, Okla.

The couple will be wed Aug. 6 in Amarillo at 7 p.m. at Starlight Canyon.

Lee and Gammons



Maegan Lee and Rory Gammons

Maegan Lee and Rory Gammons announce their engagement.

Maegan is the daughter of Ray and Peggy Lee of Coahoma. She is employed by Back in Motion Chiropractic as a chiropractic assistant.

Rory is the son of Larry and Lana Gammons of Big Spring. He is employed by Howard County.

Both are graduates of Coahoma ISD and live in Coahoma.

Rory will complete the family of Maegan Lee and her daughter Raelynn Lee Sept. 17, 2011.

First Ladies of Big Spring

The Heritage Museum will honor 23 ladies of Big Spring who have made an impact on the educational, medical and industrial fields.

The exhibit will open with a catered reception June 28 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Creations by Audrey will provide the snacks for the reception.

The community is invited to attend the exhibit opening and reception and view the displays built to honor these women.

A few of the notable ladies being showcased are Agnes Currie, for her contributions to the educational field and Dr. Nell Sanders for her contributions to the medical field.

The exhibit will be open until Aug. 30 and can be viewed during museum hours Tuesday through Friday 8:30 a.m. — 4 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Menus

BIG SPRING ISD

Monday: Breakfast: assorted cereal, cheddar cheese portion, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch: pizza, baby carrots, ranch dressing, applesauce, milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: cinnamon toast, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch: chicken nuggets, green peas, peaches, white bread, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: baked cheese stick, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch: chicken spaghetti, green beans, sliced apples, white bread, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: pizza, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch: cheeseburger, french fries, lettuce, tomato,

pickles, apricots, milk.

Friday: No menu was available.

SENIOR CENTER

Monday: hamburger on a bun, lettuce/tomatoes/onions, pork and beans, brownies, milk.

Tuesday: chicken fried chicken, mashed potatoes, spinach, rolls, banana pudding, milk.

Wednesday: cheese enchiladas, Spanish rice, tossed salad, tortilla chips and salsa, mixed fruit, milk.

Thursday: barbecue beef, corn, yellow squash, Texas toast, melon balls, milk.

Friday: No menu was available

Life forms can be found at www.bigspringherald.com

Something special's happening in the Circle.

June/July 2011 Activities

June 27 – Games, 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

June 28 – Mall Walking, 8:00 a.m.
Supper Club, "Cowboys", 5:30 p.m.

June 29 – Senior Appreciation Day, 11:30 a.m.
Movie, 1:00 p.m. "Letters to Juliet"

June 30 – Mall Walking, 8:00 a.m.
Just Peachy's Café, 10:00 a.m.

July 4 – Closed for the Holiday

July 5 – Mall Walking, 8:00 a.m.
Coffee @ Parkview Retirement Living, 10 a.m.
Supper Club "Casa Blanca", 5:30 p.m..

July 6 – Senior Appreciation Day, 11:30 a.m.
Movie 1:00 p.m. "Knight and Day"

July 7 – Mall Walking, 8:00 a.m.
Just Peachy's Cafe, 10:00 a.m.
Bunko, 5:00 p.m.

Call Anita Cline today at 268-4721 to find out what the Circle is all about.

SPONSORED BY
SCENIC MOUNTAIN
MEDICAL CENTER

Senior & Circle

Have a GREAT & SAFE

4th of July



Hudson

One candle graces the birthday cake that sits before you

Your eyes reflect the light from the candle

You smile, you laugh because

You're one year old today

You're a big boy now, but still too little to make a wish.

So I will make that wish for you.

I wish for you to always know the love of God, family and friends.

I wish for you to always be blessed with the gift of good health and happiness.

May your pockets never be empty and may your dreams come true.

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above (James 1:17).

Happy birthday Hudson, you are perfect.

Written to honor Hudson Roy Payne on his first birthday June 24, 2011

LANA ANGUIANO

Pop's in the Park

This year's goal is \$50,000
we are at \$31,490.

Please contribute to this community event

There Are Several Levels Of Donating:

Presenters Sponsors (\$5,000+) Rocker Sponsors (\$1,000+)
Stars & Strips Sponsors (\$3,000+) Texas Star Sponsor (\$2,500+)

Sparklers Donations (Any Donation)

The Sparklers Donation Level is important to the success of Pops

To Donate Contact

Big Spring Chamber of Commerce

P.O. Box 1391
Big Spring, TX 79720
263-7641

DEAR SAVVY SENIOR

I'm looking at retiring sometime this year and starting my Social Security benefits, but would also like to work part time. Will this affect my benefits, and if so, how much?

— Social Insecurity —

Dear Insecurity

You can collect Social Security retirement benefits and work at the same time, but depending on how old you are and how much you earn, it can cost you temporarily. Here's what you should know.

THE SAVVY SENIOR

and are collecting benefits, then you can earn up to \$14,160 in 2011 without jeopardizing any of your Social Security if you don't reach your full retirement age this year. But if you earn more than the \$14,160 limit, you'll lose \$1 in benefits for every \$2 over that amount.

In the year you reach your full retirement age, a less stringent rule applies. If that happens in 2011, you can earn up to \$37,680 from January to the month of your birthday with no penalty. But if you earn more than \$37,680 during that time, you'll lose \$1 in benefits for every \$3 over that limit. And once your birthday passes, you can earn any amount by working without your benefits being reduced at all.

Wages, bonuses, commissions, and vacation pay all count toward the income limits, but pensions, annuities, investment income, interest, and government or military retirement benefits do not. To figure out how much your specific earnings will affect your benefits, see the Social Security Retirement Earnings Test Calculator at ssa.gov/OACT/COLA/RTeffect.html.

TEMPORARY LOSS

It's also important to know that if you do lose some or all of your Social Security benefits because of the earning limits, they aren't lost forever. When you reach full retirement age, your benefits will be recalculated to a higher amount to make up for what was withheld. For details and examples of how this is calculated, see ssa.gov/retire2/whileworking3.htm.

TAX FACTOR

You also need to factor in Uncle Sam. Because working increases your income, it might make your Social Security benefits taxable. Here's what the IRS says. If the sum of your adjusted gross income, nontaxable interest, and half of your Social Security benefits is between \$25,000 and \$34,000 for individuals (\$32,000 and \$44,000 for couples), you have to pay tax on up to 50 percent of your benefits. Above \$34,000 (\$44,000 for couples), you could pay on up to 85 percent, which is the highest portion of Social Security that is taxable. About a third of all people who get Social Security have to pay income taxes on their benefits.

Fun at the carnival



Independence Day SPECIAL

Come in and buy an American Flag for \$25 and get a FREE 3 Month Subscription to the Big Spring Herald While Supplies Last!

COME IN TODAY!

Big Spring Herald
710 Scurry
432-263-7331

The Big Spring Herald is offering UPS & Fed EX Shipping, Fax & Copy Services

Fax \$2.00 to send 1st page
Additional Pages \$1.00 per page
Incoming Faxes \$1.00 per page

Color Copies .50 per copy
Black and White .25 per copy

For More Information

CALL 432-263-7331

SAVVY TIPS: For more information on how working can affect your Social Security see ssa.gov/retire2/whileworking.htm and ssa.gov/pubs/10069.html, or call the Social Security helpline at 800-772-1213 and ask to receive a free copy of publication number 05-10069, "How Work Affects Your Benefits." For information on Social Security taxes call the IRS at 800-829-3676 and ask for their free publication 915, "Social Security and Equivalent Railroad Retirement Benefits," or see www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p915.pdf.

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit SavvySenior.org. Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.

Wine and Cheese at Hangar 25 Air Museum



HERALD photo/Amanda Moreno

Hangar 25 Air Museum had their Wine and Cheese Fundraiser Thursday evening. Attendees had the chance to take home a hand-painted set of wine glasses and a John Deere Gator, which was won by Mary Miller. This is an annual event which helps the museum obtain funds for operation and maintenance.

Scottish Inn NEW MANAGEMENT!

- * Low Weekly & Daily Rates
- * Rooms with Kitchenettes Available
- * HBO, Cable, Wifi

Se Habla Español

1202 E. 3rd St. • 432-267-2581

Undecided About Weight Loss Surgery?

If you are at least 75 lbs. overweight, come to MCH's FREE Bariatric Information Forum and speak face-to-face with the most experienced weight loss team in the region.

Monday, June 27
6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
MCH Center for Health & Wellness Classroom
8050 East Highway 191 at Faudree Road

If you've ever wondered if Bariatric Surgery is right for you, this meeting is a must! MCH offers a full spectrum of Bariatric procedures including Gastric Bypass, LAP-Band and Sleeve Gastrectomy - and we're the only program in the area with a Certified Bariatric Program Coordinator and Licensed Dietitian on staff.

To RSVP, call the MCH Bariatric Surgery Program at (432) 640-6000.



For more information, scan with your Smartphone. QR Reader is free at any Smartphone App Store.

mch
Medical Center Hospital
Bariatric Services
www.mchodessa.com
(432) 640-6000

follow us on facebook.com/medicalcenter

First Assembly of God

invites you to a

Gospel Crusade

featuring

Evangelist

Jason Stidham

Sunday: 10:45 am & 6 pm
Monday - Wednesday: 7 pm

Join us in dynamic praise and worship, special singing, and the anointed preaching of God's word!



310 West 4th St.

432-267-7971

“Here We Stand”

On January 17th, the President and Secretary of the Howard County Bible Class, Inc., were summoned to the chambers of the Big Spring Independent School District (BSISD) Superintendent. Once there, we were presented with a list of changes to the Bible class that were being implemented by BSISD beginning immediately. These changes included: removal of the Bible as the text for the class; replacement of the current teacher because of his status as an ordained minister; and lastly, the Howard County Bible Class, Inc., would no longer be allowed to pay for or fund either instructor position or the class materials for the Bible Class.

If you are going to have a Bible class, then the Bible needs to be the primary text. The first thing we were told in the meeting of January 17th was that the Bible was being replaced as the text for this class by the State of Texas approved curriculum. This was later amended by school officials and the Bible was included as one of the resources the new class will utilize. Additionally, the well qualified previous instructor of the Bible class was to be replaced by someone who, while we are sure he is a wonderful person and a perfectly fine teacher in all respects, we do not believe is presently certified by the State of Texas to teach the class to which he is now assigned. We further contend the new class is a replacement for the former Bible class. This Bible class and its instructor were previously provided to BSISD at no cost to the taxpayers. Now this new course and its expenses will have to be assumed by our local taxpayers.

The Bible Class at Big Spring High School has existed for close to 70 years. The changes BSISD have implemented are so extensive as to lead any reasonable observer to believe that the Bible class has been wholly replaced by another, State sanctioned, Humanities class. The recent action taken by the Big Spring Independent School District Superintendent and School Board effectively ends his historic Bible Class at Big Spring High School. The school district has said it will study this issue during the summer, but unless hearts and minds are changed, we hold faint hope that anything constructive will actually come from any “study.”

We are so very grateful to our supporters, the many churches, foundations and individuals who have seen to it that the Bible class has continued all these years. Please continue to support us and pray for us as we continue to struggle against these developments.

Signed, the Board of Directors, Howard County Bible Class, Inc.

“If you ignore it, it will go away.”

There are a lot of people who think this way, and ignore things they do not want to deal with. Sometimes it actually works. Sometimes, if you ignore something and do not mention it again, people will forget what actually happened. That philosophy goes along with one which says, “Out of sight, out of mind.” It appears that these two beliefs are held by some in our school administration and our school board.

It has been a little less than four months now since some of the school administrators of Big Spring I.S.D. (BSISD) announced that after more than 60 years, the Bible Class would be taken out of our high school. You will remember that, at first, the school administration denied that any change had taken place, but later they admitted that not only had the Bible Class been removed and another course substituted for it, but that the teacher, who had been so successfully teaching that class, had also been removed and a new teacher, who was not even certified to teach the new religion course, had been substituted in his stead.

All of this, you will remember, happened because of a perceived threat by the ACLU to take legal action against the BSISD if the class was not changed. Please note, no legal action by ACLU was actually ever taken, no lawsuit was ever filed and no demands for change were ever made by the ACLU. There was only the perception of a threat in the minds of those in the administration office. This perceived threat was enough to cause the school administration to make these changes. After negative public response to their decision, the BSISD school board promised that during the summer they would conduct a study about the possibility of reinstating the original Bible Class in the fall.

Has anyone heard anything about a study being done this summer concerning the Bible Class? If the citizens of Howard County ignore this promise, then nothing will happen. Those responsible for ending the Bible Class are counting on, “If you ignore it, it will go away” and “Out of sight, out of mind.”

The Board of Directors of the Howard County Bible Class, Inc., think it is time for the citizens of Big Spring to stand up and say with a loud voice, “We are not going to allow the school administration and the school board to ignore the promise they made on January 18, 2011. We are not going to allow reconsideration of the decision to take the Bible Class out of the high school to go away. We will not allow this decision to be ignored away.

It is time now for the citizens of Big Spring to let their voices be heard with a demand that the Bible Class which has been taught for over 60 years at Big Spring High School, be reinstated. Some people will say, “It won’t do any good. The minds of the school administration and school board are made up.” If you have been around Big Spring for any length of time, you know that community pressure can accomplish a lot with elected officials. There are organizations that said they would assist in any fight against the ACLU, but they can not do so if the school administration is not willing to take a stand for the Bible Class.

If you agree, it is time for the citizens of Big Spring to let their voices be heard, clip out the form and send it to the Howard County Bible Class, Inc., P.O. Box 2609, Big Spring, TX 79721.

I demand that the Big Spring School Board of Directors inform the community of their progress in reconsidering the reinstatement of the historic Bible Class as an elective in the 2011 - 2012 school year.
Date: _____
Name: _____

40th ANNIVERSARY

1972 **RockHounds** 2011



- Voucher Books
- Mini Plans
- Group Discounts
- Picnics
- Summer Concert
- Thirsty Thursdays
- Firework Nights
- Great Giveaways
- Call Brian Smith!

midlandrockhounds.org (432) 520-BALL FOR TICKETS

BASIC Energy Services RockHounds Baseball is Presented by Basic Energy Services 222668

Vacation Guide

Bring the whole gang!
Yes, the dog can come, too.



From tubing and kayaking the crystal clear San Marcos River, to exploring and hiking natural areas and trails, San Marcos has something for everyone—even man's best friend. We'd love your company.

SAN MARCOS

www.toursanmarcos.com | 888.200.5620
www.facebook.com/toursanmarcos

HUGE ENTERTAINMENT VALUE

BOWLING • MINI GOLF • LASER TAG
GO KARTS • XD THEATER • ARCADE GAMES
BILLIARDS • BATTING CAGES • BUMPER CARS
NASCAR SIMULATORS • FOOD & DRINKS • FUN

www.primetimeabilene.com

PRIMETIME
FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT CENTER

325.690.5555

TALL CITY BLUES FEST

July 29-31, 2011 • Midland, Texas

- Award-Winning Blues & Roots Music
- VIP Exclusive Access Areas
- Authentic Cajun Cooking
- Educational Workshops/Presentations
- Artisan's Exhibition & Trade Show
- Music Memorabilia Museum
- BBQ Cook-Off
- Midnight Troubadours

tallcitybluesfest.com
432.618.0705



FAMILY-FRIENDLY FUN Right Down the Road

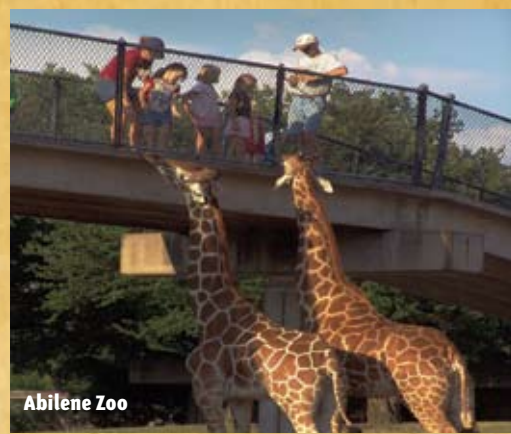
Did you know that Abilene is ranked 12th in the top leisure destinations in the whole state of Texas? Whether you're here in Abilene or just down the road, you should know that Abilene has a great time in store for you. How about history, entertainment, art, shopping...good food? Plan an afternoon, a day or weekend and discover what people from all over experience in Abilene.

We promise...you'll have a great time!

Frontier Texas! is one of only few museums in the world that feature life-sized holographic figures.



The Grace Museum



Abilene Zoo



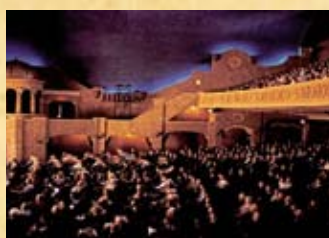
Buffalo Gap Historic Village



Primetime Family Entertainment Center



The National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature



The Paramount Theatre



Center for Contemporary Arts



Historic Downtown Abilene

Discount coupons available online www.abilenevisitors.com at the Abilene Convention and Visitors Bureau - or Frontier Texas!

ABILENE


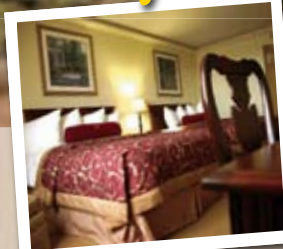
Call 325.676.2556 or email visitors@abilenevisitors.com

Take a virtual tour of Abilene at www.abilenevisitors.com

facebook twitter YouTube

- Frontier Texas! • Abilene Zoo • Paramount Theatre • 12th Armored Division Memorial Museum
- Buffalo Gap Historic Village • The Center for Contemporary Arts • The Grace Museum
- The National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature • Lots of Great Restaurants
- Shop, shop, shop! • And much more!

AMARILLO.
A Great Place
for a
Staycation

Imagine! A fun-filled, action-packed Staycation that's close enough you may not hear "are we there yet?" on your journey. Start the day off with The Ambassador's full hot breakfast and heated indoor pool. Then enjoy Wonderland Amusement Park, TEXAS Musical Drama at Palo Duro Canyon, 6th Street's Magnificent Mile of shopping on Historic Route 66 and more!

Voted Amarillo's Best Hotel 9 Years in a Row!

T.G.I. Friday's Onsite... even for room service!

THE AMBASSADOR HOTEL
Texas Star Treatment

3100 I-40 West • Amarillo • 800.817.0521
www.AmbassadorAmarillo.com

SUN LOAN COMPANY



Need Money For Vacation??
Loans UP To \$1240

Quick & Easy Loans • Phone Applications Welcome
Usually 30-Minute Service • Credit Bureau Reporting

Come See Diane or Rachel

Open: Mon.-Thurs. 8:30-5:30
Friday 8:30-6:00

220 S. Main 432-263-1138
Big Spring, TX

* Licensed by State of Texas *

Butman Photography

Skillful leadership starts with a vision, says Corbin

By **AMANDA MORENO**
Staff Writer

Innovative, forward-thinking leaders are necessary when it comes to running a balanced community, according to Carolyn Corbin, well-known consultant, lecturer and author.



Corbin

Corbin is the author of "Community Leadership 4.0: Impacting a World Gone Wiki" and president of Center for the 21st Century, a socioeconomic think tank focusing on issues being faced in the 21st century. Her book has obtained a No. 1 ranking on the Kindle Top Rated List in Public Affairs and Administration on Amazon.com.

"I am so proud of Carolyn. She has used her God-given talents and is making and has made a difference in so many lives around the world," said Dene Sheppard, friend of Corbin and a Big Spring resident.

Corbin's book is the result of seven years of research and 2,000 hours of composition. She focuses on explaining where communities need to be focused in order to compete in today's economy and society. She informs readers about the fourth stage of commu-

nity — open sourced, transparent and interactive — which is the new norm in today's world.

"People want an open government and open people. It's the new way of governing," Corbin said. "This book is directed at informing the leaders on ways to move their communities forward in the current dynamic environment."

According to Corbin, this is a one-of-a-kind book in that it is not talking about how to build a city's infrastructure, but it's aimed at the leaders of the community and points out the skills they need for empowering them to run the city. Books have been written in excess, but none of them focus on providing leadership skills necessary for posi-

tioning a city for global focus, she said.

"It can all start with a vision. Just look at Arlington.



This is the perfect example of visionary leadership," Corbin said. "Over three decades ago, the mayor wanted to create a city with a large number of entertainment venues, and Six Flags was built. Today, Arlington has grown to include amusement parks, sport stadiums and so much more. It all started with a simple vision of a forward-thinking

mayor."

She said she hopes among many things her readers will take away a better understanding of the importance of balancing between integration and preserving history.

See **LEADERS**, Page 9C

Energy Watch



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

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



By mid-June, the stock market had sustained six consecutive weeks of declines. That slump represented the most number of down weeks in a row for the Dow Jones Industrials Average and the S&P 500 since June, 2002 and July, 2008, respectively. While the selling seemed relentless at times, the magnitude and pace of the selloff was thankfully rather orderly.

The week of June 6 saw accelerated selling from the April 29 highs, yet the market declines were still modest to that point. Accompanying the drops, however, were several signals that the market may have entered a cautionary period. For example, more strategists came forward with predictions of choppy trading sessions continuing into the future. Moreover, the Investors' Intelligence survey revealed that the proportion of bullish market-newsletter writers fell to 40.9 percent, the lowest level since September, 2010.

The Federal Reserve Bank's beige book data report provided further proof of the economic slump that has been weighing on stock prices. Fed officials, led by Chairman Bernanke, even came out in force to comment on the situation. In his speech, Bernanke acknowledged that the economic recovery has become "uneven" and "frustratingly slow." But he also added that he expects growth to pick up in the second half of the year.

Similarly, the president of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York said he expects the disappointing economic growth to improve in the second half of 2011, even though downside risks such as rising commodity prices continue to be in play. The president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia opined that an exit from stimulus measures should start long before a recovery in the jobs market. He went on to say that somewhat tighter monetary policy (i.e., higher interest rates) is possible by the end of this year, but the timing and pace of that potential tightening would be a challenge for the Fed. Notably, none of these Federal Reserve officials made any mention of a possible Quantitative Easing 3 ("QE 3") economic stimulus program.

The government debt level discussion also continued back and forth, and we believe it will be an ongoing issue until the August deadline for deciding whether to raise the limit. But some new voices chimed in regarding the consequences for the country and Congress of not raising the debt ceiling. The president of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis said that a debt default could trigger a global economic shock, a comment which essentially echoed the White House's message on the matter. Also, an advisor to China's central bank was quoted as saying that Republican lawmakers were "playing with fire" in contemplating even a brief debt default as a potential strategy to force agreement on deep government spending cuts. Fitch ratings agency followed Moody's lead and forewarned that the country's debt rating would be put on watch for downgrade in early August if lawmakers fail to increase the debt ceiling by then. Comments on this topic will continue to come from all corners, and we feel that the federal debt issue could provide meaningful doubt and concern for investors until the very eve of the deadline.

So, given this backdrop, how much lower does the stock market have to go? A recent article in USA Today presented a historical perspective on the question. Since 1928, the S&P 500 index has endured a period of six weekly declines in a row exactly 16 times. Only three of those 16 times did the downward streak continue for longer than

See **ENERGY**, Page 9C

Business as usual for Big Spring EDC

By **AMANDA MORENO**
Staff Writer

It seems to be business as usual for the Big Spring Economic Development Corporation.

According to Glenn Fillingim, BSEDC secretary/treasurer, finances are looking normal and there are no unusual expenses to report. Sales tax was showing to be 18.31 percent over what it was this time last year and up 9.07 percent for the fiscal year, which started Oct. 1.

"We are doing better than some and not as well as others in sales tax, but overall we are doing well this month," Executive Director Terry Wegman said.

The hike amounts to an estimated \$20,000 increase in sales tax, according to Wegman. The reports allow the board to compare Big Spring to other cities and give an overall look at where Big Spring stands in relation to surrounding



HERALD photo/Amanda Moreno

Hangar 25 Air Museum Administrator Joe Hays, left, speaks with Entrepreneur Alliance Business Development Facilitator Matty McLean and Big Spring Economic Development Corporation Executive Director Terry Wegman during the Hangar 25 Air Museum Wine and Cheese Fundraiser Thursday evening.

communities and metropolitan areas.

Continuing with reports, Sandy Wiggins,

the Texas Department of Agriculture intern from Texas Tech University, updated the board on

the different areas she

See **EDC**, Page 9C

USDA-FSA to host webinars

Hispanic and women farmer and rancher claims process

COLLEGE STATION — USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) State Executive Director Juan M. Garcia has announced four webinars (internet-based virtual meeting) to discuss the USDA Hispanic and Women Farmer and Rancher Settlement Claims Process and current FSA loan programs. These webinars are scheduled for June 30, July 14, July 28 and Aug. 11 at 7 p.m.

On Feb. 25, Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack and Department of Justice Assistant Attorney General Tony West announced a process created to resolve the claims of Hispanic and women farmers and ranchers who assert they faced discrimination when seeking USDA farm loans during certain

periods between years 1981 and 2000. The optional claims process offers a streamlined alternative to litigation and provides at least \$1.33 billion in compensation, plus up to \$160 million in farm debt relief, to eligible Hispanic and women farmers and ranchers.

The interactive webinars will provide an overview of the USDA Hispanic and Women Farmer and Rancher Claims Process as well as FSA farm loan program updates. Farm loan program topics to be discussed include interest rates, terms, and eligibility and security requirements.

"I encourage producers who want more information about the claims process or about FSA farm loan programs to register for one of these webinars," said Garcia.

"The webinars are free and open to the first 100 participants who register," he said.

Garcia emphasizes that these webinars are intended as forums to discuss the general plan for the claims process and FSA webinar hosts will not be able to discuss the details of any individual claim during the course of the webinars.

To view the webinar schedule and register, go to www.fsa.usda.gov/Internet/FSA_File/tx_hwwebinar_2011.pdf.

For more information regarding the USDA Hispanic and Women Farmer and Rancher Claims Process and FSA Lending Program webinars, please contact Eddie Trevino in the Texas State FSA Office at 979-680-5221 or via e-mail at eddie.trevino@tx.usda.gov.

► Business briefs

Report: Coca-Cola will raise prices this summer

NEW YORK (AP) — That soda on a summer afternoon is about to get more expensive: Coca-Cola Co.'s two big bottlers both plan to raise prices starting next month, according to a published report.

The trade publication Beverage Digest cites letters that the bottlers sent to retail customers. Both blame the rising costs of materials like aluminum, plastic, corn and oil, which they need to make and transport products.

Coca-Cola Refreshments told the publication it will raise prices by 3 to 4 percent on July 31; Coca-Cola Consolidated said it will raise prices 3 to 5 percent in early July.

Coca-Cola did not respond to a phone message and e-mail for comment.

Prices for Pepsi, as well as gasoline and a multitude of other products, are also on the rise.

Egyptian pleads guilty in NYC hotel sex assault

NEW YORK (AP) — An Egyptian businessman has admitted kissing and groping a New York City hotel housekeeper who didn't welcome his advances. And she has now sued him for \$5 million over the incident.

Mahmoud Abdel Salam Omar pleaded guilty Friday to a misdemeanor sexual abuse charge in the encounter last month at The Pierre hotel. He already has completed five days of community service in a soup kitchen. His case will be closed without jail time or probation if he stays out of trouble for a year.

Defense lawyer Lori Cohen said the plea deal was "the most expeditious way" for the 74-year-old Omar to return home to his ailing wife.

The woman's lawyer didn't immediately return telephone messages.

Omar is the chairman of state-run salt production firm El-Mex Salines Co.

U.S. oil and natural gas rig count shoots up 22

HOUSTON (AP) — The number of rigs actively exploring for oil and natural gas in the U.S. rose by 22 this week to 1,882.

Houston-based drilling product provider Baker Hughes Inc. reported Friday that 1,003 rigs were exploring for oil and 873 for natural gas. Six were listed as miscellaneous. A year ago, the rig count stood at 1,552.

Of the major oil- and gas-producing states, Oklahoma gained 11 rigs and Texas added five. Pennsylvania and Colorado picked up three apiece, while Alaska and Wyoming each gained two. California added one.

Louisiana was the only state to lose rigs, dropping six. Arkansas, New Mexico, North Dakota and West Virginia were unchanged.

The rig count peaked at 4,530 in 1981, the height of the oil boom. A low of 488 was recorded in 1999.

Congressman introduces bill to allow online poker

LAS VEGAS (AP) — U.S. Rep. Joe Barton introduced a bill Friday to legalize online poker, hoping to pull the estimated \$6 billion industry out of the shadows at a time when its top operators face serious legal troubles.

The Republican lawmaker from Texas told The Associated Press that the bill would let states choose whether they want to allow residents to play poker on the Internet, and operators would be required to already have gambling licenses in at least one U.S. state.

A law passed in 2006 barred financial institutions from processing illegal gambling payments, but many

have complained since then that it didn't explicitly outlaw playing poker and it didn't define well enough exactly what is illegal.

In April, the Justice Department indicted executives and payment processors of online poker's three biggest companies — PokerStars, Full Tilt Poker and Absolute Poker. They're accused of tricking banks into processing the payments by disguising them as different kinds of transactions. Another indictment against those working for several smaller online poker sites came later.

Barton said he checked around informally with Republican leadership and felt good enough about the bill's chances to move forward.

"This may be the year that the stars align — I hope so," Barton told the AP in advance of a news conference in Washington.

Barton said the issue has traction because the indictments spurred poker players to renew their push on the issue, lawmakers are looking for ways to relieve a budget crunch, and previous efforts — though unsuccessful — have laid the groundwork for a detailed, workable solution.

SC company marketing Oak Ridge-developed solvent

OAK RIDGE, Tenn. (AP) — A South Carolina start-up technology company has been licensed to manufacture and market a solvent developed at the Y-12 National Security Complex in Oak Ridge.

RockinBoat LLC of Clinton, S.C., plans to market RonJohn initially to the government sector. The solvent can strip adhesives and finishes from a variety of surfaces faster than others.

Production of the solvent has already begun.

LEADERS

Continued from Page 8C

"Big Spring does a good job of balancing the two; they see the importance of both. It is preserving the history through the Hangar 25 Air Museum, but it is also maintaining its innovation balance by embracing wind energy," Corbin said.

The importance of not letting innovation overrun the past and thereby destroying a community's history must be emphasized, she said. A city should not only focus on the past but also envision a positive future. This is a hard balance for most communities. Through her research, she found most communities and their leaders are still in 3.0 mode — connected, but trying to restore order. She points out, in order to be globally competitive, a community must move to stage 4.0—open-source, dynamic, vital, connected, technology-savvy, and rich with intellectual property.

"If you cannot lead in chaos, you might as well lay down your leadership role. Chaos is the new normal and a city cannot rise above the skills and abilities of its leaders," Corbin said.

She continued, "Too many cities are finding themselves in chaos and are trying to get back to the way things were. They feel that if they can go back to a former state, everything will be fine. But what they don't realize is that things will never be the way they were. Structural change has happened. Things have forever changed."

Corbin's book can be found in hardback copy on Amazon.com and also for the Kindle through Amazon.com. To find out more about Corbin and her work visit her website at www.C21C.com

Contact Staff Writer Amanda Moreno at 263-7331 ext. 234 or by e-mail at life@bigspringherald.com

EDC

Continued from Page 8C

has been involved in since she arrived in Big Spring.

"We have been keeping her schedule pretty busy," Wegman said. "She has been visiting with city and county commissioners and other local entities throughout the community."

Originally from Corpus Christi, Wiggins is in the last semester of earning a double major from Tech. This is the first year the university has participated in this internship program, which is designed to show students the inner workings of rural cities compared to urban areas.

"I have learned so much in the two weeks I have been here. It has been an invaluable experience so far and it's teaching me a lot of things I never could have learned from a textbook," Wiggins said.

Howard College also

gave an update concerning its workforce training programs. According to statistics, there are 31 students enrolled in the summer 1 classes. Seven of the students reported gaining employment due to the training and courses from Howard College. Two students showed a wage increase and one was hired at a higher rate.

"It seems the program is just exploding at Howard College," Wegman said. "It is really taking off. It's a program that seems to be very flexible and adaptable to the companies and an asset to the community."

The workforce training program includes a wind program, welding class, heavy equipment training and certification, hydraulics class and electrical training.

In addition to the workforce training showing added support from the community, the dual credits courses are expected to expand this coming year. Big Spring High School is expected to jump on board and

add dual credit courses to its curriculum.

"Their program will allow the students to actually attend classes on campus, which is always an exciting thing for us," said Kinsey Hansen, director for vocational training at Howard College.

Forsan, Coahoma, Lamesa and Garden City are already part of the dual credit program through Howard College.

On the medical industry side, the new health care facility — Howard County Community Health Center — will be opening July 5. The initial hiring has been done and the training is being completed for those employees. The health care center will be offering general care and will add dental, pharmacy and possibly additional staff in the following months.

A federal agency is making inquiries into building in Big Spring, according to Wegman. The agency is interested in building a 17,000

square foot facility. He said the agency is currently sharing a facility, but would like to expand.

"They have requested help in finding a spot for their own facility and we are in the process of helping them," Wegman said. "Hopefully we can find them a spot. It's one of those things all the cards have to fall just right and hopefully they will and it will all come together."

As far as existing programs, the Entrepreneurial Alliance, which is focused on providing information and guidance to help people start of their own business or growing their existing business, is growing. The program was started earlier this year and has continued to add clients. Matty McLean is available for appointments for those wanting to take advantage of the program four days of each month.

"The program continues to grow and in the past month he has

added a few more clients," Wegman said. "He will be attending the next board meeting and providing us with an update on how the program is going."

The next meeting of the BSEDC will be the third Tuesday of July at 5:15 p.m. The meetings are held in the chamber board room.

To find out more information about what's going on in Big Spring, visit the BSEDC website at bigspringtx.com.

Contact Staff Writer Amanda Moreno at 263-7331 ext. 234 or by e-mail at life@bigspringherald.com

ENERGY

Continued from Page 8C

the six weeks. The thirteen times when the losing streak was snapped, the stock market was up approximately 1 percent on average a month later. But in the three instances where the market continued its downward slide, on average it was down approximately an additional 5 percent one month later.

Clearly, stocks have shown a lot of vulnerability to economic and political news in recent months. We expect choppy trading and increased volatility to be the norm for several more weeks. The market will likely remain in the confines of a narrow trading range and hopefully not stray far outside the lower ends of that boundary. Though the downside may turn out to be only modest (as it has been so far, relatively speaking), we urge caution at this time and recommend that investors consider parking between

20-25 percent on the sidelines until economic news begins to show somewhat of a more consistently positive bent.

Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Portions of this article were produced on June 14 by Scott Marcouiller, Wells Fargo Advisors chief market strategist. Wells Fargo Advisors did not assist in the preparation of this article, and its accuracy and completeness are not guaranteed. The opinions expressed in the report are those of the authors and are not necessarily those of Wells Fargo or its affiliates. The material has been prepared or is distributed solely for informational purposes and is not a solicitation or an offer to buy any security or instrumental to participate in any trading strategy. Additional information is available upon request by calling 432-684-7335. Wells Fargo Advisors LLC, member SIPC, is a registered broker-dealer and a separate non-bank affiliate of Wells Fargo & Company.



Enclose your patio before the Holidays & be ready for Guests! Start now!

Design center located btwn Midland & Odessa on Hwy 191, the airport exit

432-550-7224

www.ahi-texas.com



My One-Buck Thirst Quencher

\$1 any size fountain drink

i'm lovin' it

Excludes McCafé™ beverages, orange juice, coffee, and shakes. A 16 oz. cup only. Offer not apply to bottles and cans. Price and participation may vary. ©2011 McDonald's

CLASSIFIEDS

710 Scurry

263-7331

www.bigspringherald.com

Announcements

I AM looking for a House to Rent/ Buy. Prefer to be in Forsan or Big Spring School District. Need 3-4 bedrooms, 1-2 baths, garage/ barn. We have horses. Call Marie (432)230-6433.

Business Opportunity

MUST SELL. 4500 ft. Drilling Rig. Ready to Drill. Call (903)326-4851.

Cemetery Lots

FOUR CHOOSE Burial Lots, Trinity Memorial Park in Olivet Section. Reasonably Prices. Call (972)491-9977 talk to Charlene

SAVE\$\$ MONUMENTS/Markers. The Little Red Barn across from Mt. Olive Cemetery. 432-264-7722.

SAVE\$\$ CEMETERY Lots. Pay-outs welcome. The Little Red Barn across from Mt. Olive Cemetery. 432-264-7722.

Garage Sales

5110 STERLING Rd., Friday 8am-6pm, Saturday 2am-4pm & Sunday 10am-2pm. Lots of stuff, clothes, furniture, household items, yard games, camping equipment, saddle, home gym, etc.

Help Wanted

HOUSEKEEPER NEEDED. Call (432)935-6509.



NOW HIRING Yard Hand. Must be able to pass a drug test. Apply in person @ Erath Iron and Metal. For more information call (432)268-1512.

Help Wanted



Openings in Coahoma for Full & Part Time food service experienced team members. Background checks & Drug screens will be administered. We pay above minimum wage & offer a pay raise upon ServSafe Certification. Apply online at www.richesondq.com

Certified Nurse Aide

\$500 Sign on Bonus If hired by 07/08/11 with sign on agreement
We offer an excellent salary and benefits are available. If you are a person dedicated to providing quality care, please contact or fax resume to:

Nolan Nursing and Rehabilitation
705 North East Georgia Ave.
Sweetwater, TX 79556
Ph: 325-235-5417
Fax: 325-235-4519

For other job opportunities please visit our website www.daybreakventure.com EOE

CITY OF BIG SPRING Utility Service Worker Animal Control Warden Parks/ Sports Complex-Seasonal Maintenance Worker Parks Maintenance Worker For more information go to www.mybigspring.com, or apply in person in the Human Resources Office located at 310 Nolan. (432)264-2346.

Help Wanted

\$2,000 MONTHLY POSSIBLE GROWING GOURMET MUSHROOMS FOR US. Year Round Income. Markets Established. Call - Write For Free Information. Midwest Associates, Box 69, Fredericktown, OH 43019 1-740-694-0565 \$2,000 MONTHLY POSSIBLE GROWING GOURMET MUSHROOMS FOR US. Year Round Income. Markets Established. Call - Write For Free Information. Midwest Associates, Box 69, Fredericktown, OH 43019 1-740-694-0565

NEW KATES Fina Mart has full-time and part-time Deli positions available. Apply in person at Parks #1 311 Gregg.

AAA TUBING TESTING now hiring. Good Benefits. Prefer CDL, need Operator & Derrick Hand. Call Jesse (432)267-7821.

BIG SPRING STATE HOSPITAL HAS THE FOLLOWING JOB OPPORTUNITIES Clerk III (Unit Secretary) Vacancy Initial Selection Criteria: High school graduate. Must have clerical experience. Posting#177604 Our benefit package includes: Paid Vacation, Sick Leave, Holidays State Paid Insurance, Matching Retirement, Contact our Job Center for Job Descriptions 432-268-7341 or 432-268-7298 Or Complete an application online at <https://accesshr.hhsc.state.tx.us> Big Spring State Hospital 1901 North Highway 87 Big Spring, TX 79720

COASTAL TRANSPORT is seeking Owner-operators with a Class A CDL. Must be 23 years, X endorsement with 1 year experience. For More Information, Call 888-527-7221 between 9am-4pm, Monday-Friday. Join BUSY BEE'S professional home cleaning team! Enjoy an independent work environment and \$10/hr compensation. We provide paid training, all necessary supplies and uniform. Must have own transportation and speak English (bilingual a plus). All cleaners are drug tested and background checked. Bonded and insured. Please call Jessi Williams, owner, at 432-816-3732 for an application.

Help Wanted

COASTAL TRANSPORT We are now hiring drivers to deliver petroleum products in and around surrounding areas of the Permian Basin. Qualifications: *Class A CDL drivers w/hazmat and tanker endorsements *23 years of age or older *1 year verifiable tractor/trailer experience *Clean driving record *Sign on bonus *Home Everyday Please contact our office M-F 8am/5pm for more information 1-888-527-7221.



D&K HUNT Electric in Lubbock Texas is looking for Journeyman, Apprentice, and Helper Electricians for a year long project in Big Spring. Experience is helpful but not required. For more information on this project and how to apply please contact Kerry Hunt at 806-866-9911 Ext. 1.

DRIVERS HOME DAILY delivering petroleum products competitive pay and benefits, 23 w/ 1yr tractor/trailer experience. COASTAL TRANSPORT 877-314-0700.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE Company seeks entry level technician for field work. Must be at least 21, have a valid driver's license, be able to pass a drug screen, and be physically able to perform work including heavy lifting. Equipment operation skills are a plus. Starting Pay will be \$11-\$12 per hour depending on abilities plus benefits. Send resumes and qualifications to HR Department, PO Box 8469, Midland, TX 79708. Or call and leave a message with your name and phone number at 432-631-4588.

ESTABLISHED COMPANY in Big Spring needs One Experienced Remodel Carpenter. Experienced in all phases of construction remodeling. Must have valid Driver License and be drug free. Call RS Home Repair, (432)816-3030.

FARM HAND Wanted! Experience only apply. \$550.00 Weekly plus Bonus. Call after 7:00p.m. (432)684-5418.

LOOKING FOR Honest, Dependable Housekeeper. Come by 1102 W. I-20. No phone calls please.

Help Wanted

FRED LOYA INSURANCE Immediate openings for CUSTOMER SERVICE REP. In Big Spring Must be able to work M-F 8a-7p & Sat. 9a-2p Bilingual a plus Computer Skills Required Outgoing personality and self motivated We offer: Competitive pay starting at \$7.25/hour to \$8/hour Opportunity to make up to \$12/hour within 6 months Excellent benefits and opportunities for growth Paid Training NO PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE NECESSARY Apply in person at: 1001 Gregg St. Big Spring, TX. 79720 Or email resume to west-tx-csr@fredloya.com

HOUSING AUTHORITY Director The Stanton Housing Authority is seeking a qualified person to assume the position of Executive Director. Qualifications for this position include a Bachelor's degree and/or five years of administrative experience. Public Housing, Real Estate or apartment experience a plus. Prospective candidates must be bondable. A competitive benefit package is offered and salary is negotiable with experience. Resumes may be mailed to Stanton Housing Authority, P.O. Box 1529, Stanton, Texas 79782 or e-mailed to wjcoat@att.net not later than July 15, 2011. Equal Opportunity Employer

KINDER HEARTS Home Health, LLC FT RN/LVN (Days) Needed in Big Springs 1-877-430-2700 or www.kinderhearts.com

MITCHEM WRECKER 5715 W I-20 Now hiring. Apply in person. Must be willing to start. Need to have TDLR License, we can help with TDLR CDL. Not required to start. Random drug testing, must be clean cut and at least 23 years of age.

Needed Experienced Presser. Apply in person at Klassic Kleeners 2107 S. Gregg St.. No Phone Calls.

NEIGHBORS CONVENIENCE Store now hiring cooks, cashiers, stockers. All Shifts. Apply at 3315 E. FM 700.

SECURITY GUARDS- Immediate Openings for local Hospital. Nights, Evenings & Weekends. EOE. Call 432-520-1573.

Help Wanted

NOW HIRING Operators for Backhoe, Forklift, Belly Dump, Vacuum Truck & Pump Truck MUST have CDL. Also hiring Shop Mechanic. Please apply at 4205 N. Hwy. 87

PARKVIEW NURSING AND Rehabilitation is now accepting applications for a Housekeeper. You may apply in person at 3200 Parkway or at www.parkviewnursing.net

PIZZA INN NOW HIRING DELIVERY DRIVERS. MUST HAVE CLEAN DRIVING RECORD AND INSURANCE. MUST BE ABLE TO PASS DRUG TEST. MAKE UP TO \$12.00 PER HOUR. NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE. APPLY IN PERSON AT 1702 GREGG.

RUSTY'S OILFIELD Service In Stanton has immediate openings for CDL Driver, roustabout pushers and helpers. Must have valid drivers license. Apply in person at 3327 W I20 in Stanton. 432-756-2821.

SECURITY OFFICERS Needed for Hospital Federal Inmate Protection detail. All positions are Part-time and PRN.

Physical Requirements: Must be in general good health and vision must be correctable to 20/30 (SNELLEN) in one eye. The ability to distinguish basic colors is required. Emotional and mental stability is required. Other Requirements: Must be able to pass State and Federal Backgrounds and Credit Checks.

Experience Requirements: One year (2040) hours of experience in the armed forces or coast guard which involved significant performance of guard duty of detainees or prisoners; or the equivalent experience in a federal, state, or local government, or private organization which involved protecting/police duties, or college level training in courses such as corrections or police science may be substituted for experience at the ratio of two hours of instructions for one hour of experience. Apply at Workforce Center (in the Post Office), KEYWORD: PARAGON. EOE.

STERLING COUNTY Nursing Home now hiring: CNA's & Med Aide Call Carmen Rios (325)378-2134 for more information



West Texas Centers

Case Manager for Mental Health: Assists individuals in gaining access to medical, social, vocational and educational services. Requires Bachelor's degree in Social Work field or Bachelor's degree with a minimum of 24 hours in psychology, sociology or other human service hours. Base salary \$14.71-\$15.72 per hour (\$30,588.00-\$32,700.00 annually) DOE, plus excellent benefit package. Four day work week is possible. Flexible schedule offered. Crisis on-call rotation required. Applicants must live within 70-mile radius of duty.

LPHA Counselor: Position will be responsible for providing a combination of both intake eligibility assessments and counseling duties. Duties of the position will require routine interactions with individuals with mental illness and their families to complete eligibility assessment on new and returning clients. Position will be responsible for completing diagnostic assessments and making level of care recommendations. This position will also be responsible for providing Cognitive Behavioral Therapy to an individual, group, or family, depending on assignment. Travel required within service area. Employee will participate on Crisis Consult Rotation by phone, providing support to Crisis Duty Staff & authorizing options for interventions. Must have a valid Texas driver's license and a driving record that is acceptable for insurability through the Center's insurance carrier. Must be licensed by State of Texas as an LPC, LCSW, LMT. \$19.79 per hr (\$1583.08 bi weekly \$41160.00 annually).

Part Time IDD LVN: Provides nursing for clients, families and staff. Responsible for the nursing care and treatment of clients who live in a variety of community settings. Services include, but are not limited to, participation in interdisciplinary team processes; initial and ongoing assessment of the client's health status, administration of medication and/or provision of treatments; provision of health education to the client; instruction of family members or service providers in areas including medications, CPR, first aid, infection control, and signs and symptoms of illness. Supervised by Regional RN. Nursing services comply with Texas Department of Health, WTC, and HCS & ICF standards. May be required to work flexible hours. Licensed to practice as a licensed vocational nurse in the State of Texas. \$14.71.

Information services communication coordinator: Provides office support for phone systems (wireless & wired) scanners, fax & printers; also works customer support for communication and information services. Skilled in MS Excel, MS Word (testing required) and general clerical. GED or High School Diploma \$9.30 and hr (\$744.00 bi weekly \$19,344.00 Annually).

Applications available at 409 Runnels or www.wtcmhmr.org or by calling JOBLINE 800-687-2769.EOE

222583

Permian Basin Community Centers

Permian Basin Community Centers is seeking Rehab Worker (Social Worker) Great Full-time opportunity

PBCC is looking for an individual to join our Rehabilitation Team in our clinic located in Alpine, TX. Ideal applicants will be detailed oriented and possess strong writing and interpersonal skills. The position is responsible for providing life skill training services to chronically mentally ill adults and children in a community setting. The position is full-time and offers a great work environment, paid health insurance, and paid vacation.

All applicants must have a valid Texas Driver's License, proof of auto liability insurance coverage, and will be subject to a criminal history background check. For additional information and qualifications for all positions, see our electronic application and current job listing available at www.pbmhm.com. For questions, contact the Human Resources Department at 432-570-3322.

222802

The Details Are Very Simple:

WE NEED LVN'S

FOR PRN SHIFTS and REGULAR ROTATIONS IN BIG SPRING AND AROUND YOUR AREA

GET PAID THE SAME DAY YOU WORK!

100% SAME DAY PAY

No Less Than \$27 Per hr

Work Less, Make More and Get Paid Faster!

Critical Health Connection, Inc.

MEDICAL STAFFING

(888) 653-6877

WWW.CHCMEDSTAFF.COM

223619

5 Easy Ways To Place Your Ad In The Big Spring Herald Classifieds!

1

By Phone...
263-7331

2

By Fax...
264-7205

3

In Person...
710 Scurry

4

By e-mail...
classifieds@BigSpringHerald.com

5

By Mail...
P.O. Box 1431



HERALD

BUSINESSES & SERVICES

\$55.60 Per Month

Call 263-7331 to place your ad today!!



AC & HEATING

Johnson Air Conditioning Heating & Sheet Metal
 • Servicing All Air Conditioning Units
 • All Sheet Metal Work Including Duct Work
 • Registers & Grills
 TACLBO682E
We Carry All Air Condition Units Parts & Pads
1408 E. 4th • 263-2980

AUTO PARTS

A Modern Auto Dismantler
WESTEX
 Since 1947
 • 14 Acres of dismantled vehicles
 • 20,000 sq ft. of Warehouse storage
 • Specialize in late model quality auto parts
 • Foreign and domestic parts for cars, trucks, mini-vans, 4x4 and sports utility vehicles
 Hrs. 8 a.m.-5:30 Wk./day 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Sat.
 1511 Hwy 350 • (432) 263-5000

BED LINERS

C & D Truck Accessories
 2706 N. HWY 87
 432-263-3600
Rhino Linings
 THE SPRAYED-ON LINER

CONCRETE

STUCCO DRIVEWAYS SIDEWALKS BLOCK FENCES
Chico and Sons Concrete
 (432) 816-6561
 Insured & Bonded For Your Protection
 621 Sgt. Paredez
 Fred Rubio Big Spring, TX 79720

CONCRETE

J. T. Builders
 All Kinds Of Remodeling • Drywall Ceramic Tile • Electrical Plumbing • Roofing Brick & Concrete Work Swimming Pool Decks
JOHNNY TALAMANTEZ
 (432) 213-0882 Cell
 (432) 935-6310 Res.

CONCRETE

MARQUEZ FENCE CO.
 All types of fences, tile fence & repairs.
Concrete work, carports, stucco work
 All work guaranteed
 Free Estimates
 Benny Marquez-Owner
 267-5714

FOR SALE

Trying To Get Rid Of Unwanted Items
CALL 263-7331
 Herald Classifieds

ELECTRICAL

CROSS ROADS ELECTRIC
 Richard Moren Master Electrician License #173630
 Texas Electrical Contractor License #25496
 Phone: (432) 264-6261

FENCE

J.T. West Texas Fence & Welding
 Garden City, Texas
 Wood Fence • Metal Fence
 Pipe Fence • Pipe Corrals
 Barbed Wire Fence • Net Wire Fence
 Free Estimates
 Home (432) 354-2513
 Cell: (432) 466-1715
 Big Spring (423) 263-4858
 Sterling City (325) 378-3077

FENCES

Quality Fence Co.
 Jimmy Marquez-Owner
 Finest In Fencing
 Wood & Chainlink
 Free Estimates
432-267-3349

FENCES

B & M Fence Co.
 VOTED BEST IN BIG SPRING
 • Residential • Commercial
 • Chain Link • Metal
 • Cedar • Dog Kennels
 Now Accepting

 Free Estimates
 Get Our Price & Compare
 Robert Marquez - Owner
263-1613
1-800-525-1389
 101 NW 2nd St. Big Spring, TX

HOME IMPROVEMENT

Rocky Mtn. Builders
 Tile - Fence - Custom Homes - Metal Buildings
 - Drywall - Faux Painting - Kitchen and Bath Cabinets - Log Home Const. - Log Furniture - Window Treatments - Interior/Exterior Painting
 Additions - Residential & Commercial - Remodeling Design Specialist
 30 yrs. professional experience
 Union Trained
432-816-4609
 P.O. Box 3315
 Big Spring, TX

HOME IMPROVEMENT

Gibbs Remodeling
 Room Additions, Drywall Hanging & Finishing, Bath & Kitchen Remodels, Ceramic Tile, Installation & Repair.
 Free Estimates
 All Remodel Needs Of Any Room In Your Home.
 Call **263-8285** or **270-3282**

HOME IMPROVEMENT

RS HOME REPAIR
 Remodeling - Kitchen and Baths. Interior & Exterior Painting
 Our Specialty
 Add On's
 Garage Door Repair
FREE ESTIMATES
 Randy Smith-Owner
 (432) 816-3030

GENERAL CONTRACTOR

BDA Companies
 GENERAL CONTRACTOR
 COMMERCIAL - RESIDENTIAL
 ROOFING - PAINTING
 MASTER REMODELER
 METAL BUILDINGS
ROBERT P. SHAFFER OWNER
 (432) 263-1580
 FAX
 (432) 263-3711
 CELL
 (432) 517-0133

HOME IMPROVEMENT

CHEROKEE REMODELING
 Shayne Hudgins
 Renny Feaster
 (432) 213-8594 - Shayne
 (432) 816-5000 - Renny
 Big Spring and surrounding area = Free Estimates

HOME IMPROVEMENT

COSCO
 COMPLETE HOME REMODEL & MAINTENANCE
 NEW BATHROOMS, KITCHENS, PATIO & DECKS, ADDITIONS!
 TILE, SHEETROCK, PAINT, INSTALL APPLIANCES, GARAGE DOORS, FROM ROOF TO FLOOR AND EVERYTHING BETWEEN
 FREE ESTIMATES
 REFERENCES AVAILABLE
432-816-6282

HOME IMPROVEMENT

Over 25 years Experience Big Spring Texas
Smith Remodeling & Home Repair
FREE ESTIMATES
 Remodeling-Room Additions
 Custom Cabinets-Custom Decks
 Doors-Windows-Tile-Metal Roofing
 Minor Electrical and Plumbing
 Custom Flooring (Wood/Tile)
 Kitchen and Bath Specialist
432-517-2004

HOME IMPROVEMENT

ENTRY DOORS/ GARAGE DOORS/OPENERS
 Remodeling • Contractor
 Repaired/Remodeled
 Refinishing
 Kitchen & Bath Specialist
BOB'S CUSTOM WOODWORK
 409 E. 3RD 267-5811

LAWN SERVICE

Klean Kut Lawn Service
 Yards, Bushes, Weedeating and Light Tree Trimming
 Call
 (432) 264-7126
 (432) 638-5640

LANDSCAPING

Top Notch Landscaping
 Landscape design • Swimming pools
 Ponds • Irrigation • Rockscaping
 Landscape lighting • Complete lawn care
 Pavers • Brick & stone • Patios & walkways
 Complete tree service • Retaining walls
 Commercial & Residential
(432) 213-0031
 Free Estimates

LAWN SERVICE

Mowing, weedeating, hauling, hedge & tree trimmings, cleanup of lots, alleys & storage buildings.
Scoggin Lawn Service
 Call 267-5460
 Cell 816-6150

METAL BUILDING

METAL SOLUTIONS
 Specializing in
Commercial Buildings, Custom Barns or Work Shops.
 Call Today for Free Quote
(432) 816-4372

PLUMBING

Expert Plumbing and Drain Cleaning Service
 Call
(432) 270-3911
 M-36107

PEST CONTROL

SOUTHWESTERN
 Southwestern
 A-1 Pest Control
432.263.0441
 Max F. Moore
 2008 Birdwell Lane
 www.swa1pc.com

POWER WINDOW

Pioneer Sales Company
 The best in Power Window Repair. Most parts guaranteed for life. Estimates free!!
 Better than some, Cheaper than most.
 Mowing in summer.
 Don
432-816-7739

ROOFING

Timmy D's Roofing
 Specializing in Metal Roofs, Patch Jobs/Whole Roof Metal, Shingle, Tile & Flat, Remodeling
FREE ESTIMATE
 Satisfaction Guaranteed
 Call
(432) 213-7608
(432) 935-1835

ROOFING

Palacios Roofing Home Improvement
 All Types of Roof Work, Home Repairs, Ceramic tile, Painting, Drywall, Concrete Work, Fences, Additions, Wood Floors.
 You Need it - We Do It...
 Since 1996 (Licensed & Bonded)
 Free Estimates
 Alvaro Palacios - Owner
 Call 213-0363 or 263-5430

ROOFING

FULLMOON, INC.
 ROOFING
 \$1,000.00 Off Complete Roof Job
Low Cost Metal Roofing
 Insured • Bonded
 \$500,000 General Liability
 FREE ESTIMATES (432) 267-5478
 Big Spring, Texas

ROOFING

JOHNNY FLORES ROOFING
 Shingles, Hot Tar & Gravel. All type of repairs! Work Guaranteed.
 Specializing in Hot Tar Roofs and Doctor of Repairs!
Free Estimates!!
 Big Spring & Surrounding Areas.
267-1110

STORAGE

AAA Mini Storage
 3301 E. FM 700
Ashley Special
1/2 Off 1st Month
No Deposit
 24 Hr. access
 Fenced and lighted
(432) 263-0732

STORAGE BUILDINGS

RV STORAGE
 45' & 50' Spaces
432-264-0031

SIDING

Four Seasons Insulation & Siding
 Specializing In
 Wall Insulation
 Thermal Replacement
 Windows & Siding
Call 264-8610

TREE TRIMMING

LUPE'S TREE TRIMMING
 More than 20 years of experience. Stump grinder available. For Tree Trimming and removal.
 CALL
Lupe Villalpando
432-268-6406
432-213-1451

TAX SERVICES

FAST CASH
 On Income Tax Refund Refund Loan Within 24 Hrs.*
TAX ASSOCIATES
 406 Rannels (Across from Bargain Mart)
 CALL
(432) 264-7515
 "Se Habla Espanol" With RAL Approval*

UPHOLSTERY

J.R.'S UPHOLSTERY
 Owner-Jim Renfro
 Auto Seats • Headliner
 Furniture • Airplanes • Church Pews
 Material Samples
1709 Rannels St. (Shop in Back)
432-270-4610

GARAGE SALE

HAVING A GARAGE SALE
CALL 263-7331
 Herald Classifieds

WASTE DISPOSAL

Rural Waste Disposal
 (432) 399-4606

 Serving Howard County
 • Weekly Trash Pickup
 • Reasonable Rates
 • Dependable Service
 • Call Today - Worry Free
 Cell #432-213-5553

FOR SALE

Trying To Get Rid Of Unwanted Items
CALL 263-7331
 Herald Classifieds

WATER WELLS

Choate Well Service
 For all your water well needs. All major credit cards accepted
Call (432) 393-5231
 Family Owned Business
 For 55 Yrs.

WEB DESIGNS

Bond Web Designs
 web designing and hosting
www.bondwebs.com
 Lane Bond
 2605 Ann Drive
 Big Spring, TX 79720
(432) 263-4033
(432) 213-0391 cell
 lane@bondwebs.com

WELDING

L.A. WELDING SERVICES
 P.O. Box 1784
 Big Spring, TX 79721
 • Rig Welding
 • Pipe Welding
 • Well Heads & More
 Lee Alvarado
 (432) 816-4688
 24/7 Service

WINDOW TINT

C & D Truck Accessories
 2706 N. HWY 87
 432-263-3600
Solar Gaurd Window Tint
 5 year limited warranty

Tomorrow's Horoscope

The last days of June are the first days of the new season. The waning moon will go dark on July 1, accompanied by a partial solar eclipse. Some elements are bound to get lost in the cross fade of old and new. Stay conscious. You can work this to your advantage. Decide now what you'd like to ditch and what you'd like to keep. Make a list.



HOLIDAY MATHIS

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Relationships call for you to give before you get. Pave the relationship road with some good will, and this relationship is likely to be longer, as well as more fulfilling and useful, than if you took another approach.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You made a promise to take action. Although you didn't exactly say the words, they were implied in your behavior toward someone. Now you'll be asked to make good on that promise.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Mozart was composing music when he was 4. But the early compositions aren't the ones being played by musicians everywhere

more than 200 years later. Greatness takes time. Be patient with yourself.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You will employ effective rationalizations. You will give yourself a pep talk when you're down and calm yourself when you get overly caught up in the moment.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're breaking into new realms and could really use a coach. There are behaviors that are expected, but you have to know what they are to know how to execute them.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You're extremely prescient lately. You often think about what you and loved ones will be doing in a few years. You'll act in a way that will spring those ideas to life.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Listen with an open mind to criticism, but don't allow someone to demean you or your work. Place a high value on any and every effort you've made. You're getting better all the time.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). If you didn't make the impression you wanted to make on someone, you can reverse this. You are a magician of positive purpose. Your attitude

will win people over -- even people who were once skeptical.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). There will be some frustration in the way the day's events unfold. Consider that this might be just the opportunity you need to perfect your manner of coping with stress. You're getting better every day.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your purpose needn't be lofty to be great. To create a beautiful garden, nurture children or promote harmony by giving a smile to everyone you see -- these are purposes that will make a better world.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You're living proof that you don't have to use mystical words or refer to "eye of newt, wing of bat" to cast a spell over someone. You enchant by just being you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Share your vision of the future, and you'll inspire others. Your loved ones don't need to be managed so much as led. They will do what is appropriate, useful and honorable as long as they know where they are headed.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (June 26). You have an eye for

beauty and will surround yourself with it this year. Though social acceptance isn't as important to you as it is to some people, you'll still enjoy being embraced and applauded in July. There's a financial breakthrough in August. Loving words will be exchanged in September. You share a special connection with Libra and Aquarius people. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 1, 35, 38 and 15.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: Regardless of your age, you are ancient. You were born with the DNA imprint of every generation of your human family before you -- a map of millions of years inside each one of the trillions of cells that make up your body. And even though you are ancient, you still manage to come up with billions of brand-new, one-of-a-kind cells per day. So you see, you're already an expert

at commingling the forces of "old" and "new" into a particular kind of living art form. It will help you to remember this as you go about your week. There are times when you will weary of carrying around the weight of the world. And there are even more times when your springy steps and fits of laughter have others thinking you are much younger than your Earth-year calendar suggests. Age is relative.

The moon goes into hiding this week, disappearing a little more each night until the new moon in Cancer on Friday. At the same time, the sun sings the praises of a fresh season as he explores the early degrees of Cancer. So forces of old and new emerge and commingle, fading into one another.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Jennette McCurdy is a

multitalented moonchild born when the sun, Mercury and Venus were all in intuitive Cancer. Best known for her character, Sam, on the television series "iCarly," McCurdy is also a singer, dancer and philanthropist. She's a StarPower Ambassador for Starlight Children's Foundation, an organization committed to brightening the lives of seriously ill children.

If you would like to write to Holiday Mathis, please go to www.creators.com and click on "Write the Author" on the Holiday Mathis page, or you may send her a postcard in the mail. To find out more about Holiday Mathis and read her past columns, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com.

COPYRIGHT 2011 CREATORS.COM



Newsday Crossword SATURDAY STUMPER by Anna Stiga Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

- ACROSS**
- 1 Sandwich idler
 - 9 Media of a sort
 - 15 Unhized
 - 16 Breac
 - 17 Accurate
 - 18 Jungian concept
 - 19 Chronicler of ancient history
 - 20 Lacrosse team
 - 22 Emphatic refusal
 - 23 cap
 - 24 Hole thing
 - 26 Love
 - 27 Diagnostic chart
 - 28 Brother, e.g.
 - 30 Martial artists wear
 - 31 "I have what they're having"
 - 32 Ex I precursor's
 - 34 What Aussies call Scotch filer
 - 37 Amplitude
 - 38 Progenitor of the Hebrew alphabet
 - 40 All Economics Nobelists of 2010
 - 41 Pops
 - 42 Billboard's most successful female artist, 2000-2009
 - 44 Ate
 - 47 Research org.
 - 49 ASCA charter member
 - 50 "The Prince of Scu"
 - 51 Over
 - 53 '00 preceder
 - 54 Come London
 - 55 (in) association
 - 57 UK delegate since 2002
 - 59 River through Ottawa
 - 60 "Baloney"
 - 61 Lots and more
 - 62 Long-standing, quite possibly
 - 8 Diver's
 - 9 Eric the Red's putative birth year
 - 10 Neutralize
 - 11 Apparel
 - 12 Sister of Castor
 - 13 Shot the moon
 - 14 Rather combentious
 - 21 Opposite of "sensational"
 - 24 1990 merger partner
 - 25 Stopping instruction
 - 28 Waveski cousin
 - 29 Things to tell
 - 31 Yr. fraction
 - 33 Some degrees
 - 34 Heat source
 - 35 '80s political affair
 - 36 Coen brothers film of '03
 - 39 Joint venture
 - 40 Name meaning "serene"
 - 43 Speculation starter
 - 44 Be inzerel
 - 45 Words heard on bridges
 - 46 Sink
 - 48 Like some bores
 - 50 Dresses
 - 52 Metamorphosing animal
 - 54 Laughter
 - 56 S. at times
 - 58 Sound heard by MacDonald

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15								16					
17								18					
19						20		21		22			
23					24			25		26			
27				28						29		30	
			31					32				33	
34	35	36						37					
38						39		40					
41				42			43				44	45	46
47			48		49						50		
51				52			53				54		
55					56		57		58				
59								60					
61								62					

Answer to previous puzzle:

MENSA	OWAR	SAN
OLEAN	CAST	OLE
LASTDITCH	EFFORT	
ELSE	TEA	LANGE
LEST	WE	FORGET
MISLAY	MEM	
ANNAIS	BELA	DCCI
LIT	TOSTAR	BOARD
I	SEE	VIOI
ROMEO		
WED	ZERGES	
L	OSTONES	HEAD
A	FAIR	PET
I	POS	
L	UST	FOR
L	ARNING	
OSHA	DIAL	AGENT
EAN	DOTS	MSDOS

6/25/11

PART INFO GETTING PLUS **PART IDEA SHARING**

Equals total government connecting.

Get info. Find answers. Share ideas. Your connection begins at USA.gov - the official source for federal, state and local government information.

USA.gov
1 (800) FED-INFO

THE AMERICAN COMMUNITY MARKETPLACE

America's Nationwide Classified Market With Over 10 Million Readers

<p>REAL ESTATE</p> <p>LOG HOME MUST SELL!!</p> <p>FINANCIAL ISSUES!</p> <p>Purchased from American Log Homes, Model #202 Topeka.</p> <p>View at: www.TheGreatAmericanLogCo.com</p> <p>Paid \$30,915, must have \$15K.</p> <p>Contact Jim at 1-704-516-4896</p>	<p>REAL ESTATE</p> <p>DIRECTV FREE MOVIES 3 MONTHS!</p> <p>Ask How!</p> <p>NO Equipment to Buy! NO Start Costs!</p> <p>Free HD/DVR Upgrade!</p> <p>Other Packages Start at Just \$29.99/mo!</p> <p>For More Details Call DirectStarTV 877-674-2601 CALL TODAY!</p> <p>MISCELLANEOUS</p> <p>BLOWN HEAD GASKET?</p> <p>State of the art 2-part carbon metallic process.</p> <p>REPAIR YOURSELF! 100% GUARANTEED!</p> <p>1-866-780-9038</p> <p>www.RXHP.com</p>	<p>REAL ESTATE</p> <p>*****</p> <p>FREE Foreclosure Listings!</p> <p>*****</p> <p>More Than 400,000 properties Nationwide!!</p> <p>LOW Down Payment CALL TODAY! 800-817-6272</p> <p>MISCELLANEOUS</p> <p>DISH NETWORK \$24.99/Month!</p> <p>120+Channels!</p> <p>FREE HD for Life! FREE Movie Channels!</p> <p>FREE HD Receiver/DVR! FREE 6-Room Installation!</p> <p>NO Equipment to Buy! \$500 BONUS!</p> <p>1-866-955-0829</p> <p>LMG Satellite Local Installers</p>
--	---	--

Or Call: **Mark Weingarten 1-800-821-8139 ext 210**

For advertising rates and information on National Classified Advertising visit: www.cnhi-can.com

PAID ADVERTISEMENT

NATIONWIDE COMPANY IN BIG SPRING THIS WEEK PAYING CASH FOR GOLD, SILVER AND COINS.

By David Morgan
 STAFF WRITER

Been following the gold and silver market lately? Well if you have a jewelry box, a lock box full of gold or a coffee can full of old coins, you should be, according to Ohio Valley Refinery spokesperson John Miller. "The gold and silver markets have not been this strong for over 30 years" said Miller. Typically when the U.S. dollar is weak and the economy is flat, gold and silver markets soar. "That's good news if you are sitting on a few gold necklaces or an old class ring" says Miller.

Starting Tuesday at 9am and every day this week through Saturday, the Ohio Valley Refinery is setting up a satellite refinery right here in **Big Spring** at the **Holiday Inn Express**. During their 5 day stay, anyone can bring gold, silver or platinum items and turn them in for immediate payment, explains John Miller. "Just about everybody has some amount of gold or silver just lying around collecting dust and this week anybody can sell theirs direct to our refinery. Typically selling direct to a refinery is reserved for larger wholesale customers like jewelry stores, pawn shops and laboratories" says Miller. "We are changing how business is done," he explains "we want to do business with everybody so we took our business to the streets". "Our teams visit various cities around the country hosting 5 day events and allowing the general public to take advantage of our services. "The turnout has been overwhelming" says Miller. "Usually each day is busier than the previous day. It seems once people come to us and sell something, they are so amazed what an old ring or gold coin is worth, they go home and start digging around for more and



Above: Refinery representatives will be on hand starting Tuesday through Saturday to purchase all gold, silver and platinum items, as well as coins. Public welcome!

telling relatives, friends and neighbors. It's like a feeding frenzy by the third day. People line up with everything from gold jewelry to sterling silver flatware sets to old coins. I think during this bad economy everybody can use extra money, but most people say they are taking advantage of selling direct to our refinery because of the higher prices we pay".

During this special event, anyone is welcome to bring all types of gold, silver and platinum to the refinery and turn it in for instant payment. The types of items they will accept include all gold jewelry, gold coins, gold ounces, dental gold, old coins made before 1965 including silver dollars, halves, quarters and dimes, anything marked "sterling" including flatware sets, tea pots, silver bars, silver ounces and all industrial precious metals.

What should you expect if you go to the event to sell your gold and/or silver? Just gather up all gold, silver and platinum in any form. If you are not sure

if it's gold or silver, bring it in and they will test it for free. When you arrive at the event you will be asked to fill out a simple registration card and will be issued a number. Seating will be available. When your number is called you will be escorted to a table where your items will be examined, tested and sorted. This only takes a few minutes, using their expertise and specialized equipment. Items will be counted and/or weighed. The value of the items will be determined based on up to the minute market prices. Live feeds will be available at the event displaying

**WE BUY
 SCRAP GOLD
 & GOLD
 JEWELRY**

current market prices of all precious metals. If you choose to sell your items, they will be bagged and tagged and you will be escorted to the cashier to collect your payment. Waiting time to sell your items may range from just a few minutes to 1 hour, so bring something to read. If you are the owner of a jewelry store, pawn shop, dentist office or a dealer you are encouraged to call ahead to make an appointment with the smelt master to discuss their special dealer programs. They can be reached during Refinery hours at **(217) 787-7767**.

Ohio Valley Refinery will open for business Tuesday from 9am-6pm. The event continues every day through Saturday. No appointment is needed for the general public.

• Check It Out! •

WHO: Ohio Valley Refinery
 Reclamation Drive

WHAT: Open to the public to sell their gold and silver

WHEN: **June 28th - July 2nd**

WHERE: Holiday Inn Express
 1109 N Aylesford St.
 Big Spring, TX 79720
 Directions: 432.263.5400

TIMES: **TUESDAY-FRIDAY**
 9:00am-6:00pm

SATURDAY
 9:00am-4:00pm

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL
217.787.7767

SILVER AND GOLD COIN PRICES UP DURING POOR ECONOMY.

Collectors and Enthusiasts in Big Spring with \$200,000 to Purchase Yours!

By Ken McIntosh
 STAFF WRITER

Got Coin? It might be just the time to cash in. This week, starting Tuesday and continuing through Saturday, the International Collectors Association in conjunction with the Ohio Valley Gold & Silver Refinery will be purchasing all types of silver and gold coins direct from the public. All types are welcome and the event is free.

Collectors will be on hand to identify and sort your coins. Then the quality or grade will be determined. The better the grade the more they are worth, according to collectors I talked to. With the silver and gold markets high, prices of older coins are too. Any coins minted before 1965 in the U.S. are 90% silver, except nickels and pennies.

The coin's worth is determined by the rarity and the grade. Old silver dollars are worth a great premium right now, even well worn heavily circulated ones are bringing good premiums. Franklin and Kennedy half dollars, Washington quarters, Mercury and Roosevelt dimes are all worth many times the face value. While older types like Seated Liberty, Standing Liberties, and Barber coins are worth even more.

Gold coins are really worth a lot right now, according to Brian Eades of the International Collectors Association. "This country didn't start minting coins until 1792" says Eades. He explained, "Before that, people would trade goods using gold dust and nuggets. Some shop keepers would take more gold than needed to pay for items purchased. There was no uniform system of making change."

The government opened the first mints and began distributing the coins in 1792. By the beginning of the 19th

**ITEMS WE WILL
 ACCEPT INCLUDE:**

- Scrap Jewelry
- Dental Gold
- Sterling Silverware
- Sterling Silver
- Tea Sets
- Silver Dollars
- All Pre-1965 Coins
- Industrial Scrap
- All Forms of Platinum

century, coins and paper currency were wide spread and our monetary system was here to stay. In 1933 Roosevelt required all banking institutions to turn in all gold coins. Once all banks turned in this gold, the president raised the gold standard from \$20.00 per ounce to \$33.00 per ounce. This was his way of stimulating the economy during the great depression. However, gold coins were never redistributed after the recall. But not all gold coins were turned in. "Many folks during that time didn't completely trust the government and chose to keep their gold" said Eades.

These gold coins are sought after by collectors today and bring many times the face value. Any gold coins with the mint marks of CC, D or O will bring nice premiums. Collectors at the event will be glad to show you where to look. Other types of coins will also be purchased including foreign coins, Indian cents, two cent pieces, half dimes, three cent pieces and buffalo nickels to name a few.

Collectors warn people against trying to clean their coins, as significant damage can be done and the coin's value lessened.

ITEMS OF INTEREST



COINS: All coins made before 1965: silver and gold coins, dollars, halves, quarters, dimes, nickels and pennies. All conditions wanted!

VINTAGE GUITARS: Martin, Gibson, Fender, National, Rickenbacker, Gretsch, Mandolins, Banjos & others

WRIST & POCKET WATCHES: Rolex, Tiffany, Hublot, Omega, Chopard, Cartier, Philippe, Waltham, Swatch, Elgin, Bunn Special, Railroad, Ebel, Illinois, Hamilton & all others

JEWELRY: Gold, silver, platinum, diamonds, rubies, sapphires, all types of stones and metals, rings, bracelets, necklaces, etc. (including broken and early costume jewelry)

ANTIQUE TOYS: All makers and types of toys made before 1965: Hot Wheels, Tonka, Buddy L, Smith Miller, Nylint, Robots, Battery Toys, Mickey Mouse, Train Sets (all gauges, accessories, individual cars), Barbie, GI Joe, German & others

WAR MEMORABILIA: Revolutionary War, Civil War, WWI, WWII, etc: swords, badges, clothes, photos, medals, knives, gear, letters.

Local records reveal to our research department that recent vintage guitar sold for \$2400.00 and another for \$12,000.00 to a collector that will be tied into the event this week via live database feed.

LOCAL RESIDENTS ARE READY TO CASH IN! International antique buyers in town this week and ready to stimulate economy!

By David Morgan
 STAFF WRITER

Hundreds of phone calls from local residents poured in to the corporate office of the Ohio Valley Gold and Silver Refinery this week—inquiring about items to be purchased by the team of antique buyers that is on site with OVGSR.

The team of buyers this week are purchasing a vast array of vintage items, along with the coins, gold jewelry and sterling silver items the refinery deals in. It is a local shot in the arm for our economy—the spokesperson for the event expects to spend in excess of \$200,000.00 this week at the **Holiday Inn Express**, paying local residents on the spot. The spokesperson for the company has explained that these collectors are paying collector prices for the vintage items and it is great way for people to get a great value for their items.



Above: Refinery representatives will be on hand starting Tuesday through Saturday to purchase all gold, silver and platinum items, as well as coins. Public welcome!

Sponsored by **ALONUSA**

July 2

FUNTASTIC FOURTH FESTIVAL



Schedule of Events



Mark McKinney



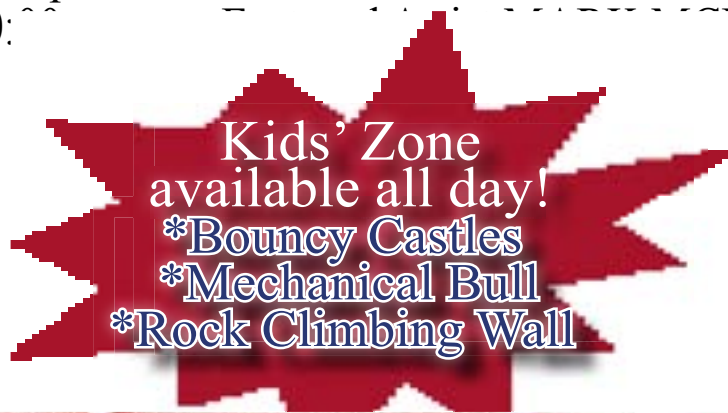
10pm

KICKOFF EVENT: July 1st @ Dark
Bring something to sit on
Concession on Site
Big Spring Film Society



July 2nd

- 9:00 am Patriotic Pooch Parade & Pet Contest
- 10:00 am Opening Ceremonies - National Anthem by Ike Jackson
- 10:00 am Hog Chapter 'Peoples' Choice' Bike Show Begins
- 10:00 am Washer Tournament Begins
- 10:30 am Live Music until 11 pm!
- 2:00 pm Big Bites Hot Dog Eating Contest
- 4:00 pm Cold Beer is now available!
- 10:00 pm MARK McKINNEY takes the Stage!



Jared Thomas & The Vagabonds



8 pm



Xtremo

5 pm



Ike Jackson

10 am & 7 pm



Lenorah

9 pm



Bianca Mercedes

4 pm



Buzzkill

6 pm

Parking South of 4th Street

Handicap parking at Courthouse

Come out and celebrate Independence Day in Big Spring!
Join us in our *Biggest and Best yet* Funtastic Fourth Festival for Live Music, Family Fun, Motorcycles & Hot Rods, and over 100 vendors to shop from!

DOWNTOWN BIG SPRING, TX

SAT. JULY 2 * 10 AM - 11 PM

2011 Downtown Revitalization Board Members

- Christy Brorman - President
- Ramon Holguin - Vice President
- Linda Burchett - Secretary
- Emma Jenkins - Treasurer

- Boosie Weaver - Board Member
- Josh Hamby - Board Member
- Allan Johnson - Board Member
- Isaac Miramontes - Board Member

Adrian Calvio - Board Member