

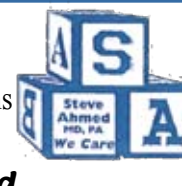
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Debbie ValVerde, left, executive director of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, spoke with Judy Pumroy and James Kendall during the Business After Hours event at the Big Spring Country Club Tuesday evening.

Fracking line explosion leads to man's death

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

GARDEN CITY, Texas — A Harlingen man was killed Tuesday afternoon when a high-pressure line on the oil well he was working on southwest of Garden City exploded, releasing water and acid, according to law enforcement officials.

Noe Cabriales, 51, of Harlingen, was pronounced dead at the scene by Glasscock County Justice of the Peace Kay Donna Machicek shortly after 12:30 p.m. at an oil well being operated by Laredo Pe-

troleum Inc.

According to Glasscock County Sheriff Keith Burnett, Cabriales was employed by Great White Pressure Pumping at the time of the accident, which happened at an oil well site on County Road 125, southwest of Garden City.

"The victim and 11 other employees were fracking the well when the accident occurred," Burnett said. "They were running acid and water down into the well when the line carrying the acid and

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What makes your sweetheart so sweet?
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Declaration of election on BSISD agenda

By **AMANDA MORENO**
Staff Writer

Election time is drawing near for the Big Spring Independent School District.

During the upcoming board of trustees meeting, set for Thursday in the high school

board room at 5:15 p.m., one of the action items on the agenda is the school board trustee election order and appointments for the May 12 election.

Three positions on the board are up for election, District 2, represented by Maria Padilla;

District 3, held by Ken McIntosh; and District 4, held by Tony Kennedy.

Last month, trustees also brought up a short discussion on a resolution which would include the renaming of the Athletic Training Center (ATC). This month, the board

will consider and is expected to take action on a resolution to rename the facility in honor of Dorothy Garrett.

Another topic discussed last month that will be addressed again Thursday is consideration of approving Big Spring ISD hazardous bus areas.

Hazardous areas are defined as areas which could pose danger for a student to cross in order to get to school. In a recent audit, a few things were pointed out in the transportation department in

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Relay survivor registration being held now

By **AMANDA MORENO**
Staff Writer

Teams are forming and it's time to start registering survivors for the 2012 Relay For

Life.

Relay will take place at Blankenship Field from 6 p.m. April 20 to 6 a.m. April 21.

Last year, there were 140 registered cancer survivors. The goal this year is 150, according to officials. But as of

early this week only six survivors had registered.

"We want to get the survivors involved and give them an even greater representation at this year's Relay," said Manny Negrón, Relay For Life chairman.

According to Relay Sur-

vivors Coordinator Bonnie Miller, survivor letters will be mailed by Feb. 15 and need to be returned no later than March 15.

The survivor lap is scheduled to take place at 8 p.m. April 20, following the 7:30 p.m. opening ceremony.


"The whole point of Relay is to give the perspective of a cancer patient," Negrón said at the Relay kick-off. "The evenings are usually the hardest after treatment and at night there is a cancer

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Firefighters grateful for reprieve

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

If Howard County Volunteer Fire Chief Tommy Sullivan and his team of firefighters seem to have a bit of spring in their step these days, it's not

just your imagination.

Sullivan said recent rainfall — coupled with other forms of moisture in the past couple of months — have drastically reduced the number of fires he and his fellow firefighters have had to respond to, giving them some much-needed rest.

"I'm seeing areas starting to green-up that I haven't seen green in about two years. That really does my heart good," said Sullivan. "The rains — even the snowfall we had not too long ago — have

gone a long way to help slow down the number of wildfires in the area, which has given us a chance to catch our breath."


Sullivan said even the recent lifting of the countywide burn ban has done little to

disturb the overall calm he and his firefighters have been able to enjoy during the past several weeks.

"Things have gone really well since the lifting of the

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"This slow-down has done a lot for the firefighters' morale, there's no doubt about that."



Tommy Sullivan, volunteer fire chief



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Matthew David Jones



Matthew David Jones of Odessa, 26, passed away Thursday morning Feb. 2, 2012, while sleeping peacefully at home.

Before falling into ill health, Matt was an exceptionally energetic young man with the world at his fingertips. Handsome, smart, strong, entertaining, and funny are some of the words used to describe him when he was at his best.

Matthew received Jesus as his Savior at an early age. He worshiped at Antioch Christian Church and Crossroads.

He graduated from Permian High School in 2003 and received a bachelor of science degree from the University of Oklahoma as an industrial engineer in 2007.

Matt will most be remembered for the fact that no matter what life was throwing at him he never slowed down and stopped. In spite of obvious difficulties, Matt was always able to find a way to do what he needed to do and somehow he managed to get it all right in the end. Very few people in the world would try as hard at anything as Matt did at everything and it was his effort that inspired all who were lucky enough to know him in life.

Matt was preceded in death by his maternal grandmother, Martha McCarver and paternal grandmother, Arva Jones.

Matt is survived by his parents, Dale and Debra Jones, as well as a brother, Luke Jones of Searcy, Ark., grandparents, Paul Jones of Gardendale and Max and Betty Ray Coffee of Big Spring.

A memorial service was held at 4:30 pm Monday, Feb. 6, 2012, at Parker Heights Christian Church, Maple and University in Odessa.

Pallbearers were Jeremy Riley, Austin Anderson, John Christopher, Matt Nunley, Matt Garcia, Lukas Garcia, Luke Jones and Grant Hackney.

Memorials may be made to Door of Hope Mission, 200 W. 1st St. Odessa, Texas 79761

Services were entrusted to Frank W. Wilson Funeral Directors.

Paid obituary

Jimmy Newsom

Jimmy Newsom, 80, of Big Spring died Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2012, in a local nursing home. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Gail Whitney Legg

Gail Whitney Legg, 94, of Big Spring died Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2012, at Parkview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

LeRoy Headrick

LeRoy Headrick, 87, of Big Spring died Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2012, in a local nursing home. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Obituaries

Yvette (Scudday) Jiles



Yvette (Scudday) Jiles, 70, of Cedar Park, Texas, passed away Feb. 6, 2012. She was born Feb. 27, 1941, in Seagraves, Texas, to the late Marshall Vernon and Virginia Jane (Craig) Scudday.

Yvette grew up on Possum Kingdom Lake, working at her family's fishing camp, Possum Hollow Camp. She had a love for education and children. Yvette taught for 32 years, spending the majority of those years at Coahoma Elementary School. During that time, she returned to school and received a masters in education.

Yvette was a loving mother, grandmother and sister, and she will be greatly missed.

Yvette is survived by her son, Jason Craig Jiles of New Orleans, La.; daughter, Nikki (Jiles) Johnke of Cedar Park, Texas; daughter-in-law, Anita Jiles; grandchildren, Kelsey Jiles, Devin Jiles and Haleigh Johnke; brother, Michael Scudday and Jan Fletcher of Dallas, Texas; niece, Kathryn Scudday; and nephew, Marshall Scudday.

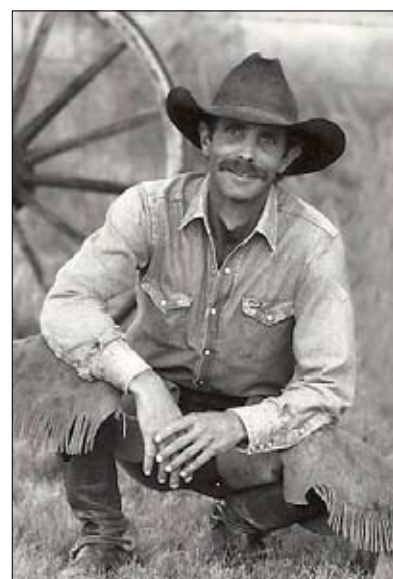
Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9, 2012, at Beck Funeral Home, Cedar Park, Texas.

Contributions in memory of Yvette may be made to the COPD Foundation, www.copdfoundation.org, or Austin Hospice, www.hospiceaustin.org.

Arrangements are under the direction of Beck Funeral Home, 1700 E. Whitestone, Cedar Park, Texas (512) 259-1610.

Paid obituary

William N. 'Bill' Currie



William N. "Bill" Currie, 57, of Big Spring died Monday, Feb. 6, 2012, in a local hospital. Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9, 2012, at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born May 16, 1954, in Big Spring, Texas.

Bill graduated from Big Spring High School and then attended Howard College. He was a fourth generation rancher on the Currie Ranch in Glasscock County. Bill and his brother Jerry John Currie raised Angus cattle and award-winning show calves.

He was a Methodist. Survivors include one niece, Natalie Nichols Stroup; and one nephew, William Jon Currie; aunts and uncles; several nieces and nephews; and a host of friends.

He was preceded in death by his father, Jerry Currie; his mother, Mae Currie; one brother, Jerry Jon Currie; and one sister, Diana Currie Nichols. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

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Police blotter

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

- MARILYN MARIE MENDEZ, 41, of 3509 E. Interstate Highway 20 Apt. 20, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant from another agency.
- KYLE WADE GUTHRIE, 27, of 408 W. Hillside Dr., was booked into the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of online solicitation of a minor – intent sexual activity.
- WENDY ANN THOMAS, 33, of 620 State, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for manufacture/delivery of a controlled substance in a drug free zone.

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- SHELLI RAMIREZ, 37, of 109 Eckert Rd., was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for issuance of a bad check.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 500 block of S. Goliad.
- ASSAULT was reported: In the 800 block of W. Eighth Street. In the 400 block of E. Fourth Street.
- THEFT was reported in the 200 block of W. FM 700.

Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 57 inmates at the time of this report.

- JOSE ANTONIO TALAMANTES, 30, was arrested Tuesday by DPS on a Ward County warrant for theft by check.
- WENDY ANN THOMAS, 33, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of manufacture/delivery of a controlled substance in a drug free zone.
- ANTHONY ROBERT SANCHEZ JR., 25, was

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Sunrise: 7:34 AM Sunset: 6:27 PM	Sunrise: 7:33 AM Sunset: 6:27 PM	Sunrise: 7:33 AM Sunset: 6:28 PM	Sunrise: 7:32 AM Sunset: 6:29 PM	Sunrise: 7:31 AM Sunset: 6:30 PM



Texas At A Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Amarillo	53	32	rain	Kingsville	62	54	rain
Austin	57	46	rain	Livingston	60	45	pt sunny
Beaumont	63	47	pt sunny	Longview	58	43	pt sunny
Brownsville	64	60	rain	Lubbock	56	33	rain
Brownwood	59	46	pt sunny	Lufkin	60	45	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	61	55	rain	Midland	58	43	rain
Corsicana	57	43	pt sunny	Raymondville	63	56	rain
Dallas	58	44	pt sunny	Rosenberg	60	49	cloudy
Del Rio	56	50	rain	San Antonio	59	48	rain
El Paso	62	39	t-storm	San Marcos	58	47	rain
Fort Stockton	60	43	t-storm	Sulphur Springs	56	42	pt sunny
Gainesville	53	39	pt sunny	Sweetwater	58	43	rain
Greenville	55	40	pt sunny	Tyler	57	42	pt sunny
Houston	60	50	cloudy	Weatherford	55	41	pt sunny
				Wichita Falls	56	41	pt sunny

REPRIEVE

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burn ban. I really can't say enough about the level of consciousness the people in the county are showing," Sullivan said. "It has me really optimistic right now, and that's not something I've been able to say in about two years. It feels good to be able to say that."

According to Sullivan, county residents have been taking advantage of the change in weather — as well as the lifting of the burn ban — to clear portions of their property and make it safer when the hot and dry weather returns.

"A lot of property owners in the county are performing controlled burns right now, and so far they have done an excellent job of being safe about them," he said. "For the most part, they handle them on their own, however, if they have questions, I'm more than happy to go out and advise them on how to safely perform them. Also, on the really big burns, we'll take some trucks out and help out. We're very proud of the way our residents have been handling them so far."

The controlled burns also offer a chance to train some of the less experienced volunteer firefighters, according to Sullivan.

"You can sit them down in a classroom and talk about the different stages of a fire all day long, but it doesn't even come close to the experience they get when they can actually see it," he said. "These controlled burns give us the opportunity to show them and they get hands-on train-

ing. No classroom in the world will ever beat that."

While the local volunteer firefighters aren't fighting wildfires as much as they were this time last year, don't be fooled into thinking they are just lounging around, Sullivan said. "There's plenty to do. Trust me, there's plenty," Sullivan said. "We're hoping to have all of our trucks and equipment fixed and all of the maintenance back up to speed by Feb. 20. That means at that point we'll basically have everything ready to go for a three-month period, which is something we haven't been able to do for quite some time now because everything has been in the field, working, almost 24 hours a day. We'll finally be operating at 100 percent again."

Trucks and equipment aren't the only things that took a beating during the past two years, as Sullivan said the volunteer fire department's morale is beginning to recover, as well.

"This slow-down has done a lot for the firefighters' morale, there's no doubt about that," he said. "When you operate at such a high stress level, it's going to take a toll on you, both emotionally and physically. Things began to slow down in November, but it wasn't until almost the middle of Janu-

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regards to Texas Education Agency guidelines.

"Big Spring has no areas marked as hazardous, which is very unusual," said Wayland Pierce, director of transportation and maintenance at BSISD.

Designation of hazardous areas in the community, according to Pierce, are part of the TEA funding criteria. Up to an additional 10 percent can be received by a school district, depending on the number of eligible bus riders that reside in designated hazardous areas.

In addition, the board

will receive several reports regarding BSISD bus routes, installation of turf, cooperative fees paid by BSISD and Early College High School. A standardized dress code will also be discussed.

Other items on the agenda include:

- Executive session 551.072 real property
- Tour of Goliad campus
- Approval of board minutes from the Jan. 12 and Jan. 19 meeting
- Receipt of financial reports

All school board meetings are open to the public. The high school board room is located at 707 11th Place.

Contact Staff Writer Amanda Moreno at 263-7331 ext. 234.

DEATH

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water exploded. Emergency Medical Services and Air Evacuation services were immediately dispatched to the scene, but they were later called back. Cabriales was pronounced dead at the scene shortly after and his body was transported to Nalley, Pickle and Welch Funeral home in Big Spring."

Burnett said the other 11 employees working at the well site were not injured in the blast.

"The accident was investigated by the Glasscock County Sheriff's Office, and it has since been turned over to OSHA (the Occupational Safety and Health Ad-

ministration)," Burnett said. "Cabriales' next of kin has been notified."

Hydraulic fracturing — often referred to in the oilfield as "fracking" — is a method used to create fractures that extend from a borehole into rock formations. The technique is used to increase or restore the rate which fluids, such as oil, gas or water, can be produced from the formation.

By creating or restoring fractures, the surface area of the formation exposed to the borehole is increased and the fracture provides a conductive path connecting the reservoir to the well, which effectively increases the rate fluids can be produced from the reservoir formations.

ary before most of the firefighters and myself began to actually start coming down from it.

"You actually started to feel like you could smile again. So, all of us are beginning to develop a whole new attitude, and we're beginning to see a difference in ourselves in the physical sense, as well. There were a lot of cases of the flu or colds that people couldn't shake that we're finally getting rid of, and that makes a tremendous difference in your life, to be able to get healthy again."

Sullivan said existing moisture could stave off the onset of wildfires — at least at a high rate — until late February. However, with a chance of thunderstorms being called for later this week, the Crossroads area could see another 10 to 15 days tacked on to that deadline, possibly carrying the county through mid-March.

While local volunteer firefighters continue to recover from their two-year fight with wildfires, Sullivan said he hopes area residents will continue to play it smart, regardless of whether there is a burn ban in place or not.

"We just want folks to be safe. No one wants the government to have to step in and tell folks what they can or can't do," Sullivan said. "If the winds are up around 15 mph or higher, don't burn for any reason. Just use some common sense and I think we'll all be that much safer."

For more information on controlled burns in the county, contact the volunteer fire department at 432-268-1165.

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

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patient who isn't sleeping and not knowing if they are going to see the light of day.

"Cancer patients don't have a choice and deal with cancer every day. As Relayers, we have a choice and we make that sacrifice to stay up all night. We do it because somewhere there is a cancer patient losing hope, there is a cancer patient sitting up at night and because someone needs us to Relay for them."

Survivors who are wanting to get registered and are not on the mailing list can sign up online at www.relayforlife.org/bigspringtx or pick up a form at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, located at 215 W. Third St.

All registered survivors will be receiving a T-shirt and a free meal ticket. The free meal is to be used at Relay and is made available, according to Debbye ValVerde, Hero of Hope for 2012, by a contribution from the Hodnett Family in memory of Butch Hodnett. The ticket will allow the survivor to enjoy fajitas provided by the Men in Black team, hamburgers from Alon or barbeque from the First United Methodist Church, as well as other campsite food options.

For more information, contact any of the three Relay For Life committee members: Dianne Wood at 432-270-0740, Bonnie Miller at 432-398-5434 or ValVerde at the chamber office, 263-7641.

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

SHERIFF

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arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for driving while intoxicated — second offense.

• MARILYN MORCE MENDEZ, 41, was booked into the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a judgment/sentence for possession of marijuana — two ounces or less.

• SHELLI LYNN RAMIREZ, 37, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of issuance of a bad check.

• MARCUS ARMENDAREZ, 48, was booked into the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on charges of possession of marijuana — two ounces or less and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Fire/EMS

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

• MEDICAL was reported in the 1500 block of Scurry. One person was transported to SMMC.

• TRAUMA was reported in the 300 block of W. Fourth Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

• TRAUMA was reported in the 700 block of W. Interstate Highway 20. One person was transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL was reported in the 2700 block of Lynn. One person was transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL was reported in the 900 block of Willia. One person was transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL was reported in the 2800 block of Apache. One person was transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL was reported in the 900 block of E. Third Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

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OUR VIEWS

'Coming Home' at Inspirations

Some have said you can't go home again, but West Texas native Kathleen Rigdon Highley's new book says otherwise.

Highley, who was raised in Big Spring and graduated from Big Spring High School, is going to be at Inspirations Flowers and Gifts on Saturday to not only sign her new book, but also to meet her readers.

Coming Home is Highley's third novel. It tells a story of a woman who had a dream and in order to pursue that dream she left her feeling of security behind in Woodland Park, Colo. In leaving Woodland Park, she left behind her mother, father and even more. In the process of going for her dream, she falls into a trap and wonders if she will be able to go home again and asks herself if it's too late for love.

The book is classified by Highley as a Christian romance and she hopes readers will find a little inspiration and some life skills in her work. Her other two books, *106 Arrowhead Drive* and *Search of Tranquility*, can be found at locations in town including Heritage Museum, Hippy Chic and Faye's Flowers.

Saturday, while at the book signing at Inspirations for *Coming Home*, Highley will also have copies of her other two books on hand for those wanting to purchase them as well.

In attending the book signing, those attending will not only be supporting a local author, but also local business and sense of community.

Coming Home will provide a good read and a chance to escape for awhile.

Sometimes, even when a vacation or a chance to escape isn't possible, picking up a book can take a reader to another time and place. It even offers the opportunity to go on an adventure and share in a story that just might provide a lesson or two that can be applied to your own life.

Stop by Inspirations Flowers and Gifts to not only meet Highley, but to also pick up a book or two, or three and give yourself the chance to take a journey.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

With You, Lord, our long terms goals will be successful.

Amen

'I column as I see 'em': Level of knowledge not high like we think

There are plenty of folks who think they know a lot about something but, if the truth be known, they are sadly mistaken about their level of knowledge and comprehension. You probably are already thinking of someone you know who fits that description.

Concerning such persons the potential subject matter available for assessment is limitless, but the one I find most entertaining, challenging, and sometimes distressing is a monumentally powerful subject simply known as love.

Millions of people use the word every day and assign it to a plethora of animate and inanimate objects or subjects. We "love" our car, our shoes, our phone, our team, a song or a movie. We love a restaurant or a store. We throw this priceless word around like it is nothing, but a common everyday commodity we can manufacture and produce in illimitable quantities by using nothing more than our vocabulary.

Love is unequivocally magnificent and has no peers in the realm of human emotions. It has many faces and comes in a multiplicity of sizes, shapes, and descriptions and is beyond earthly value. It is supernaturally and divinely implanted in the hearts of all humanity even as God knits us together in our mother's womb.

Hollywood has perverted the beauty and validity of love for decades by propagating a philosophy that pleasure and sensuality are the most important life pursuits and sadly equate that carnal mindset with casual relationships as a substitute for love. Our precious youth are bombarded on every side by society and their peers to succumb to what is oftentimes nothing more

than an inappropriate expression of human lust and passion being promoted under the disguise of love.

To genuinely love someone and be loved in return is an incomparable feeling and accomplishment. I use the word accomplishment intentionally because that's exactly what experiencing true love is. To possess love is to conquer an arsenal of obstacles that would cloud our understanding and comprehension of this awesome treasure.

A national sports network aired a series of television commercials a few years back that touted a particular host as being "brutally honest" in his reporting. In my many years of conducting premarital counseling with young couples, I have been uncompromisingly committed to being very honest with them, even declaring if they can survive my counseling their marriage will certainly endure. I simply tell them it has to be built upon more than warm and fuzzy notions of romance as we see on the big screen.

Henry Ward Beecher, a prominent 19th century clergyman and social reformer, summarized teen love in one of his colorful love quotes full of fiery imagery: "Young love is a flame; very pretty, often very hot and fierce, but still only light and flickering. The love of the older and disciplined heart is as coals, deep-burning, unquenchable." Aristotle once said "Love is composed of a single soul inhabiting two bodies."

I enjoy a good movie as much as anyone, but it amuses and irritates me that people in movies pass each other in a mall, exchange glances, and within minutes are passionately and eternally in love. I am not saying "love at first sight" doesn't happen. I'm relatively certain it does in rare instances and, in fact, it almost happened to me.

I walked into a church in Mineral Wells in late 1971 and saw an absolutely stunningly lovely blonde who immedi-

ately captured my attention. Six dates and six months later we exchanged vows in that same church, and I am writing this on the exact day that marks our 40th anniversary of sharing our lives together. She is the second best gift ever given me by God, the first being salvation.

Millions of people have written songs, articles, stories and poems about love, but no one has ever offered a description or definition of love as eloquent and expressive as Paul did in 1 Corinthians 13.

He describes love as more valuable than mere words, great wisdom, spiritual gifts, and wealth. He goes on to say love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, boast, and is not proud. It does not dishonor others, is not self-seeking, not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth and it always protects, always trusts, always hopes, and always perseveres.

As I reflect today on the immeasurable blessing of having a wonderful and beautiful woman who has loved me through the good and bad, literally for better and for worse, for four decades, I wish everyone could experience the incredible joy of loving and being loved in return.

It is possible and available to everyone, but we have to get past the misconceptions and facades of society's misrepresentations of it. Fireworks and goose bumps may not accompany every expression of love the way you desire it to, but when you commit yourself to giving more than you take, caring and being considerate even when it isn't convenient, and when you are willing to put others first, you can know that true love is real.

You may not agree with anything I've said, but I column as I see 'em.

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EDDY PRINCE



Gingrich should keep it in Vegas

Losing candidates usually congratulate the winner — first by telephone and then in front of their supporters. Not Newt Gingrich. When he loses, Gingrich doesn't even bother to pretend to be a good sport.

Already, insiders are calling Newt's Saturday Las Vegas news conference the modern equivalent of Richard Nixon's pronouncement "You won't have Nixon to kick around anymore."

Saturday night, after placing a distant second place in the GOP Nevada caucuses, Gingrich dispensed with the customary concession speech and instead held a news conference. The former speaker of the House both cajoled and berated the media and then complained that his opponent Mitt Romney outspent him 5 to 1 in Florida and ended by promising to stay in the race.

It was "like a 22-minute version of the Howard Dean scream," observed political consultant Chris Lehane, a former spokesman for President Bill Clinton. "For a guy who's afraid of seeming erratic," Lehane observed, "he

certainly leaned into the negative storyline."

It would have been a lot smarter for Gingrich to acknowledge that Romney won and then thank his supporters. But no, Gingrich is too clever for that, as he constantly reminds others.

In June, the Gingrich campaign staff resigned en masse because the candidate wouldn't do what aides said he needed to do to win enough states. Turns out they were right. But Gingrich has long maintained that he doesn't need to listen to advisers; he is his own best compass.

So how did Gingrich explain his stumble during the second Florida debate? A reporter asked: Would a political consultant perhaps have helped?

No political consultant, Gingrich raged, could have trained him to fend off the Romney machine's ruthless and dishonest attacks.

He was stunned into silence, Gingrich explained, when Romney said he never had voted for a Democrat when a Republican was on the ballot — a statement PolitiFact found to be "half-true."

It was a bizarre claim. A cornerstone of the Gingrich campaign has been the candidate's zeal to challenge President Barack Obama to seven three-hour Lincoln-Douglas-style debates.

Now Republicans learn that Gingrich gets tongue-tied over half-truths.

What I want to know is: How did Gingrich manage to come in second place in Florida and Nevada?

During the Clinton years, Republicans frequently argued that voters should demand leaders with character. As then House speaker, Gingrich did more than risk his second marriage when he had an affair with his current wife; he was also reckless with the Republican Party's reputation. And he so lacked the ability to govern himself that the GOP House reprimanded him on an ethics charge and later made him ex-speaker. Why would any Republican who lived through the Clinton era support a candidate with the Newt's oversized ego and checkered record?

"It's a weak field," answered Larry Sabato, the sage of the University of Virginia Center for Politics. Character, Sabato says, is a standard that partisans reserve mainly for the other side.

Now we see the problem with the Gingrich campaign: It's all talk. There is no character.

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DEBRA SAUNDERS

Politics, what's the yelling about?

Politics! Let me tell you something about politics.

I think 13-year-olds don't really care about politics — now, but when they get older they'll care because it's more important to them then.

In my house, my parents yap about politics a lot. That makes me a weird kid because I know a lot about politics. President Obama is the Democratic candidate. I know all the



JORDAN CAMPBELL

different Republican candidates who want to run against President Obama; Ron Paul, Mitt Romney, Newt Gingrich and Rick Santorum.

In my view, there have been too many debates. I don't think everybody needs to hear about what the candidates did wrong during their political lives, but we should hear what they're going to do to honestly fix the problems. I think one subject they need to cover and they're not talking about is abuse in the schools. What do they think about it, how would they stop it, or help it?

My point is, I'm 13 years old and I don't want to hear adults yelling at each other on TV unless it's on one of my favorite sitcoms. The way I see it is, if I hear all of this now when I get older and I can actually do something about it. I'm just going to tune it out.

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Why not check this out? At the library

A heart pounding thriller is Michael



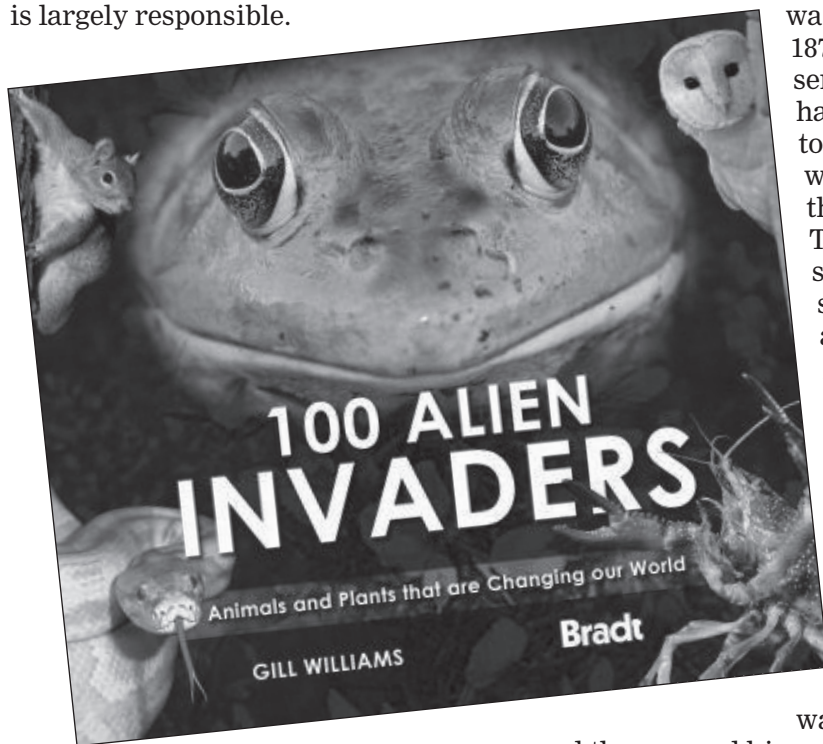
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Palmer's "A Heart-beat Away" (F PAL M). In a review from Booklist, "it offers a nifty plot premise in this high-concept medical thrill-

er, but a plethora of subplots distracts from the more interesting primary issue. As the U.S. president, James Allaire is beginning his State of the Union address, a number of small containers of a viral agent explode and infect the more than 700 people, including every important member of the government except the director of homeland security, who have gathered in the House chamber. The Capitol must be sealed off and the infected audience held inside until a cure for the disease can be found. The plotters behind the attack, a group of domestic terrorists known as Genesis, demand, among other things, the government abolish the Patriot Act and cease unchecked spying on ordinary Americans." The reviewers sort of panned it for wooden prose and overblown dialog, but what do I know? I am an easy reader and I thought it very exciting.

"100 Alien Invaders" (578.62 WIL G) by Gill Williams is not about aliens from space, but rather exposes one of the greatest threats to the planet after climate change and overpopulation. Animals and plants are perfectly harmless in their native areas, but become a menace when they colonize new territories — often out-competing

native species and, in some instances, drastically affecting the ecology. What's more, it is humankind that is largely responsible.



Some species, such as killer bees and cane toads, are obvious terrors. Others, such as the water hyacinth, pose a more insidious threat. Read this book and you'll never look at house sparrows or hedgehogs in the same way again. "100 Alien Invaders" is a warts-and-all expose of 100 of the most destructive alien species on the planet.

Dave DeWitt offers "The Southwest Table" (641.597 DEW D), a luscious cookbook, providing the best of traditional cuisine from Texas, New Mexico and Arizona. From New Mexico comes Mesilla Pecan Tarts and Red Chile Pasta with Green Chile Pesto; Arizona offers you a great drink, Tequila Sunrise, paired with Spicy Lamb Carnitas; and Texas will give you Smoke Pork Mole Enchiladas with Texas Guacamole to cool things down. Change up your dinner menu with some of these great recipes.

Now for some "history." Bill Neal writes about the Boyce-Sneed

feud that erupted in 1912. It was not until the 1990s that the descendants of the families called a truce,

opened the family archives and shared family legends. "Vengeance is Mine: The Scandalous Love Triangle that Triggered the Boyce-Sneed Feud" (976.405 NEA B), was written by Bill Neal.

"Pinkerton's War: The Civil War's Greatest Spy and Birth of the U.S. Secret Service" (973.785.BON J) by Jay Bonansinga is the story of Allan Pinkerton, best known for creating the Pinkerton National Detective Agency. They gained fame for solving train robberies in the 1850s and battling the labor movement in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. However, the central drama of his career is his work as protector of Abraham Lincoln and as head of a group of Union spies. By war's end, Pinkerton was first in two fields: presidential protection and an organized U.S. spy network.

"Bloody Bill Longley: Mythology of a gun-fighter" (B LON W) was a myth perpetrated by Bill himself. Born into a strong-in-Christ family (1851-1878) he turned bad during Re-

construction in Texas. He went on a murderous rampage over the last few years of his

life and once he was arrested in 1877 and then sentenced to hang, he began to write letters while awaiting the hangman. These letters spoke of fearsome deeds and deadly gunfights, all of which only occurred in his imagination. Author Rick Miller's thorough research shows Longley

was a braggart and his murders were no more than cowardly assassinations. This is number 9 in the A.C. Greene Series published by UNT Press in Denton, Texas.

Middle children of Big Spring and Howard County, listen up. Catherine Salmon and Katrin Schumann have written a book on us: "The Secret Power of Middle Children: How Middleborns Can Harness Their Unexpected and Remarkable Abilities" (155.924 SAL C) This myth-busting book shows how "forgotten" middle children can and do rule the world. In this counterintuitive book, psychologist Catherine Salmon and journalist Katrin Schumann combine science, history, and real-life stories to reveal for the first time our perception of middle children is dead wrong. Using unpublished and little-known research from evolutionary psychology, sociology, and communications, Salmon and Schman will illustrate how adaptive strategies middleborns develop during childhood translate into

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Romney's bad day is Santorum's best, but he'll need millions to compete

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican Rick Santorum is looking to capitalize on a string of stunning victories that snapped his four-state losing streak and raised new questions about front-runner Mitt Romney's clout with conservatives.

Romney shrugged off his poor showing, but his losses Tuesday in Missouri, Minnesota and Colorado laid bare his stubborn weakness just when it looked as if his party was beginning to embrace him. Bringing up the rear of the Santorum surge: Newt Gingrich, the former House speaker who mostly skipped the contests and finished at or near the back of the pack in all three states.

Santorum cast the results as a victory for a purer form of conservatism than Romney has offered, heard more clearly by voters across the nation's midsection without a deafening TV air war that the former Massachusetts governor has dominated.

"Tonight, we had an opportunity to see what a campaign looks like when one candidate isn't outspent 5- or 10-to-1 by negative ads impugning their integrity and distorting their record. This is a more accurate representation, frankly, of what the fall race will look like," a jubilant Santorum told a cheering crowd in St. Charles, Mo.

But it was far from clear that the former Pennsylvania senator, who has a post office box for a campaign headquarters and relies on volunteers to handle scheduling, can quickly turn the momentum into the millions of campaign dollars he would need to overcome Romney. Still, he looked past the nomination fight.

Russia says Syria's president has asked his VP to lead talks with opposition

BEIRUT (AP) — Syrian President Bashar Assad wants his vice president to hold talks with the opposition groups, Russia's foreign minister

said, as activists reported that dozens died Wednesday in government bombings of cities and villages across Syria.

A day after holding talks with Assad in an emergency meeting in Damascus, Sergey Lavrov told reporters in Moscow that the Syrian leader has "delegated the responsibility of holding such a dialogue to Vice President (Farouk) al-Sharaa."

Lavrov blamed both Assad's regime and opposition forces for instigating the violence that has killed thousands of people since March. "On both sides there are people that aim at an armed confrontation, not a dialogue," he said.

His comments came as Syrian troops bombed residential neighborhoods in the central city of Homs, the northern province of Idlib, southern region of Daraa and the mountain town of Zabadani, in what activists say is the regime's final push to retake areas controlled by the rebels.

Activists said at least 50 people died in Wednesday's shelling of Homs, which has been under a relentless regime offensive for the past five days. Hundreds are believed to have been killed there since Saturday.

Obama administration struggles to find strategy to halt Syria violence, see Assad out of power

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States appears to be out of answers on what to do with Syria.

The Obama administration says it is not considering invading Syria or arming its rebels to remove President Bashar Assad from power. Diplomatic efforts at the U.N. have collapsed. A new, much-touted option of humanitarian assistance for Syria's beleaguered population is a longshot — and would only bandage over the violence instead of stopping it.

For now, Washington is relying primarily on what it has been doing for the past 11 months in a so-far unsuccessful bid to force Assad's government to end its bloody offensive on opponents: sanctions targeting the

Syrian regime and isolating it from the world economy.

It is also borrowing somewhat from a strategy used in Libya's civil war, assembling a group of like-minded nations, led by Arab governments, to coordinate an international strategy against Assad. The goal is to pressure the Syrian leader into accepting an Arab-proposed plan to transfer power to his vice president and allow for a transition to democracy.

"We are working with our partners again to ratchet up the pressure, ratchet up the isolation on Assad and his regime," White House press secretary Jay Carney said Tuesday. "That pressure is having an impact. Ultimately, it needs to result in Assad ceasing the violence, stopping the brutality and allowing for a transition supported by the Syrian people."

Legal experts say path to Supreme Court is uncertain for California's same-sex marriage ban

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Conservative critics like to point out that the federal appeals court that just declared California's same-sex marriage ban to be unconstitutional has its decisions overturned by the U.S. Supreme Court more often than other judicial circuits, a record that could prove predictive if the high court agrees to review the gay marriage case on appeal.

Yet legal experts seemed to think the panel of the San Francisco-based 9th U.S. Circuit of Appeals struck down the voter-approved ban on Tuesday purposefully served up its 2-1 opinion in a narrow way and seasoned it with established holdings so the Supreme Court would be less tempted to bite.

The appeals court not only limited the scope of its decision to California, even though the 9th Circuit also has jurisdiction in eight other western states, but relied on the Supreme Court's own 1996 decision overturning a Colorado measure that outlawed discrimination protections for gay people to argue that the voter-approved Proposition 8 violated the civil rights of gay and lesbian Californians.

That approach makes it much less likely the high court would find it necessary to step in, as it might have if the 9th Circuit panel had concluded that any state laws or amendments limiting marriage to a man and a woman run afoul of the U.S. Constitution's promise of equal treatment, several analysts said.

"There is no reason to believe four justices on the Supreme Court, which is what it takes to grant (an appeal) petition, are champing at the bit to take this issue on," said University of Michigan law school professor Steve Sanders. "The liberals on the court are going to recognize this was a sensible, sound decision that doesn't get

ahead of the national debate ... and I don't think the decision would be so objectionable to the court's conservatives that they would see a reason to reach out and smack the 9th Circuit."

Marine wounded in Afghanistan inspired by lavish homecoming to Alabama town

JACKSONVILLE, Ala. (AP) — Shot through the upper back on a rooftop in Afghanistan and gasping for breath after a bullet ripped through his chest, Marine Sgt. Ben Tomlinson had a fear worse than death.

Heat and shock from the round damaged his spinal cord, paralyzing him from the chest down. This injury was so much worse than one nine months before, when he'd been hit by a mortar blast during his first tour in Afghanistan. Yet through all the pain, Tomlinson was haunted by the idea people back home wouldn't remember him, that they wouldn't even know he was hurt.

"That's the worst fear for everyone that gets deployed," said Tomlinson, who now uses a wheelchair. "It's that no one is thinking about them."

Tomlinson's hometown of Jacksonville, in northeast Alabama, made sure he wouldn't feel forgotten, staging a welcome home celebration veteran groups say should be a national model now that fighting has ended in Iraq. While St. Louis is the only large city to hold a major parade for returning veterans, thousands of people lined the streets of Jacksonville and packed the town square to greet Tomlinson upon his return from the war, waving flags and giving money to help make his home more wheelchair accessible.

"We need this to happen much more around the country, but (I) do not believe it actually occurs as much as it is needed because the wars have been going for such a long period of time," said Vietnam veteran John Stewart.

Teen faces life in prison

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP) — A Missouri teenager who confessed to murdering a young neighbor girl faces the possibility of life in prison when she's sentenced Wednesday.

Alyssa Bustamante, 18, was described by prosecutors as a thrill killer who lacked remorse and by defense attorneys as a disturbed child who deserved the chance to be set free one day.

The trial's conclusion follows days of testimony in a small courtroom in Missouri's capital city. Proceedings descended into chaos Tuesday as prosecutor Mark Richardson was making an impassioned, final plea for a lifelong sentence for Bustamante, who pleaded guilty to murdering 9-year-old Elizabeth Olten in October 2009.

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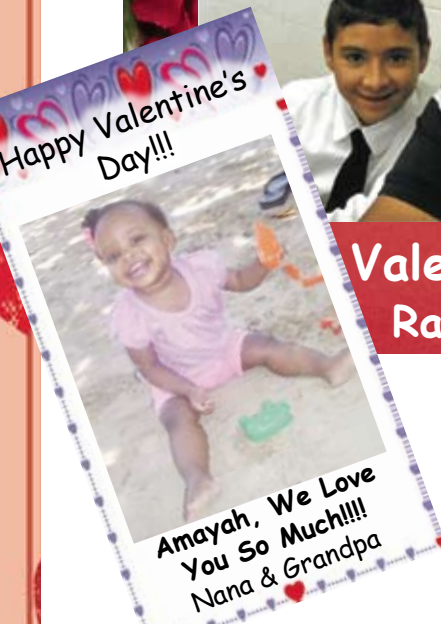
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A TOAST TO THE *Bride*

Tips and sips for the perfect bridal celebration

(Family Features) Whether it's an engagement party, bridal shower, the reception or post-wedding brunch, professional event planner Alison Hotchkiss knows a thing or two about creating memorable bridal celebrations. As the founder-owner of Alison Events, and author of "The Destination Wedding Planner: The Ultimate Guide to Planning a Wedding From Afar" (Chronicle Books), she's produced stunning weddings all over the world. Whether you enlist the help of a planner or do it yourself, Alison's tips on entertaining will help you make your bridal celebration picture perfect.



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- Bubbles add a festive, celebratory note to any bridal celebration. I love Cupcake Prosecco sparkling wine from Italy. It's crisp and refreshing - an affordable alternative to pricey French champagne yet equally delicious.

- Food doesn't have to be complicated to be remarkable. The finger foods here are varied and flavorful - but they're not hard to make. To satisfy all guest preferences, I always recommend 3 to 5 appetizers including chicken, beef and fish plus two veggie options (ideally one being vegan or dairy free).

- A signature drink is a fun way to welcome guests and get the party off to a great start. The Prosecco Ginger Cocktail is delicious and memorable. I like to serve it in unconventional glassware and garnish with Persian cucumber "swizzle sticks" for even more impact.

- A popular alternative to the traditional sit down meal at engagement parties or showers: food stations with a range of different foods offered at each. Pair a different wine with each station to create maximum variety and enjoyment as guests taste and mingle.

- Factor in overall ambiance and the vibe you want for your wedding or event. Lighting is key. And when it comes to candles, more is more.

- Flavored vodka is another big trend I'm seeing right now. Look for vodkas infused with such exotic flavors as vanilla frosting, devil's food cake and more. And don't be afraid to mix spirits with wine: One of my favorite concoctions is a blend of lemony Cupcake Chiffon Vodka with muddled blackberries, fresh mint, sparkling grapefruit water and a splash of Cabernet Sauvignon.

- It's not only more fun to serve bite-sized cupcakes at your wedding but they offer more variety and unexpected flavor combinations than a traditional cake.

- Be sure to have a good assortment of non-alcoholic beverages on hand as well such as bottled water, soft drinks and more to prevent dehydration and ensure that guests drink responsibly.

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- 1 1/2 cups water
- 1 cup (6 ounces) crystallized ginger
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 2 bottles (750 ml) Cupcake Prosecco, chilled
- 24 thin diagonal sliced, seedless or Persian cucumber

Combine water, ginger and sugar in saucepan and bring to a boil. Simmer on low heat, uncovered, 15 minutes. Off heat let steep, covered, 30 minutes. Cool.

Pure in blender until smooth.

Add 1 tablespoon ginger PurÉE to each champagne glass. Add chilled prosecco, and stir well with swizzle stick until blended. Garnish glass with cucumber slice.

Shrimp Fajitas Salad on Crisp Flour Tortilla Chips

Yield: 12 servings, 2 pieces per serving

- 4 8-inch flour tortillas
- 1 ripe avocado, pitted and peeled
- 1 1/2 teaspoons fresh lime juice
- 1 teaspoon finely chopped cilantro
- 1/2 teaspoon finely chopped jalapeno, or more to taste
- 6 ounces extra small (salad shrimp) cooked and peeled shrimp, chopped (about 1 1/4 cups)
- 3 tablespoons finely chopped peeled ripe mango
- 2 teaspoons finely chopped cilantro
- 1 teaspoon finely chopped jalapeno
- 1 teaspoon fresh lime juice
- 2 tablespoons thin sliced green onion (scallion) - tops (garnish)

Preheat oven to 350°F.

Use ruler to trim tortillas into 4 large 6-inch squares. Cut 24 2-inch squares from the squared off tortillas; discard trimmings.

Spray baking sheet with nonstick spray. Arrange tortilla squares on pan and spray with nonstick spray. Bake until toasted golden and crisp, 10 to 12 minutes. Cool.

PurÉE avocado, lime juice, cilantro and jalapeño in a food processor until smooth. Set aside.

Combine shrimp, mango, cilantro, jalapeño and lime juice in small bowl.

Spread about 1/2 tablespoon avocado mixture in center of each toasted tortilla square. Lightly press a tablespoon of the shrimp salad in center of each. Garnish with scallion slices and serve.

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Big Spring's Chazzell Robinson goes up for a dunk during the second half of the Steers' game with Snyder Tuesday night.

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Steers punch ticket to Class 3A playoffs

BSHS girls conclude regular season with 55-42 victory over Lady Tigers

By **STEVE REAGAN**
Staff Writer

The Big Spring Steers had a drama-free solution to a suspenseful situation.

The Steers left little doubt as to their qualifications for the state basketball playoffs Tuesday by taking a 61-44 win over Snyder that clinched a postseason berth for Big Spring.

Also Tuesday, the Big Spring Lady Steers closed out the regular season with 55-42 win over Snyder.

Boy's game

Heading into Tuesday's game, the Steers knew if they won, they would clinch the last playoff spot from District 5-3A. Lose, however, and they could have missed the postseason altogether.

So they went with Option A.

The Steers (13-16 overall, 4-3 in District 5-3A play) rode the hot shooting hands of Marc Segundo and Chazzell

"We're trying to build a tradition here — we want to be a team that expects and deserves to be in the playoffs year after year — and the guys have been willing to put in the work to make that happen."

Cliff Thompson,
BSHS boy's basketball coach

Robinson on offense and a stingy defense to the playoff-clinching win.

Big Spring set the tone early, scoring the game's first eight points, and never let the Tigers get any closer than seven points the rest of the way.

The biggest headaches for Snyder were Robinson and Segundo. Robinson, the Steers' post man, terrorized the Tigers inside while guard Segundo did most of his scoring from the perimeter. Robinson started the game with a hot hand, scoring six of his 17 points in the first quarter. Then, when Snyder adjusted by sag-

ging its defense, that opened up things on the outside for Segundo and his fellow guards.

Segundo had 20 points — 12 on three-pointers — to lead all scorers.

"They were great," BSHS Coach Cliff Thompson said of his leading scorers. "At times this season, we haven't played consistent basketball for four quarters, but we did that tonight."

Thompson was understandably pleased that his team has been invited to the postseason party.

"Clinching the play-

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Area basketball roundup

GIRLS

Coahoma 52, C-City 50 (OT)

COLORADO CITY — The Coahoma Bulldogettes saved their best for last. The Bulldogettes not only ended the season on a winning note, they knocked their arch-rivals out of the playoffs in the process.

Savannah Neff and Minnie Goodblanket led the Bulldogettes with 17 and 16 points, respectively. Kyla Clanton added seven points for Coahoma, which concluded its regular season.

Denver City 57 Stanton 48

STANTON — The Stanton Lady Buffalos stayed close for a half, but eventually fell to Denver City in the regular season finale for both teams.

Stanton trailed by only three points at halftime, but Denver City responded with 18 points in the third quarter

to take control of the contest.

Jennifer Henley led Stanton (11-20, 6-8 in District 3-2A play) with 12 points.

D-City	17	6	18	16	—	57
Stanton	9	12	14	11	—	48

Borden Co. 35

Grady 31

LENORAH — The Borden County Lady Coyotes rallied from a first-half deficit to defeat Grady in District 8-1A Div. II action Friday.

Borden trailed by a point at intermission, but scored 10 points in the third quarter to regain the lead, then held on for the win.

Despite the loss, Grady clinched a spot in the state playoffs by finishing third in district play.

The Lady Wildcats face Aspermont in a practice game at 12:30 p.m. Saturday at Jayton.

BCHS	10	7	10	8	—	35
Grady	13	5	5	8	—	31

Garden City 37

Water Valley 33

WATER VALLEY — The Garden City Lady Bearkats broke open a tie game in the second quarter, then held on to defeat Water Valley to end the regular season with a 26-5, 13-1 record.

Lexie Schaefer scored nine points to lead Garden City, which claimed the championship of District 12-1A Div. II.

G-City	11	9	12	5	—	37
WVHS	11	3	14	5	—	33

BOYS

Slaton 62

Forsan 51

SLATON — The Forsan Buffaloes could not recover from a slow start as they dropped a District 3-2A decision to Slaton Tuesday night.

Slaton led by 11 after the first half and the Buffaloes could not put a seri-

ous dent in the lead after that.

Tyler Evans scored 14 points and Aric Hernandez added 11 for Forsan, which fell to 12-15 overall, 3-9 in district play with the loss.

Forsan returns to action Friday at Lubbock against Roosevelt High School.

Forsan	9	11	11	20	—	51
Slaton	14	17	10	21	—	62

Grady 74

Borden Co. 34

LENORAH — The No. 6 ranked Grady Wildcats had an easy time with Borden County Tuesday night.

The 'Cats raced out to an 18-4 lead after one quarter, and were never threatened after that.

Branson Richards scored 19 points and Zeke Clay added 16 for the Wildcats.

BCHS	4	8	6	16	—	34
Grady	18	23	21	12	—	74

Kansas State downs Texas Tech

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP) — It's not very often a coach wins a conference game by 19 points and begins his postgame radio show by apologizing to the fans "for a lack of focus and enthusiasm."

That was the case Tuesday night for Kansas State coach Frank Martin, whose Wildcats defeated Texas Tech 65-46 to keep the Red Raiders winless in Big 12 play. The teams combined for 26 field goals, the lowest total in Bramlage Coliseum's 24-season history.

"After warmups, my assistants came in and warned me this might not be a very fun night," Martin said. "We had no emotion."

That's how it played out, even for Kansas State (17-6, 6-5). Pushed by Shane Southwell's 13 points

and 10 each from Rodney McGruder and Will Spradling, the Wildcats led by 14 at the break and 25 midway through the second half.

But Texas Tech (7-16, 0-11), despite two droughts of more than eight minutes without a basket, was within 10 points in the game's final three minutes.

"It's frustrating," Southwell said. "We know we can play better."

Luke Adams, a 5-foot-9 freshman who did not play in Texas Tech's first seven games, led all scorers with 15.

Kansas State made only six shots in the first half, four of them 3-pointers.

"We got real stagnant," Southwell said.

Texas Tech went 8 minutes, 24 seconds between field goals, a stretch that lasted until Adams' back-

door layup with 3:48 remaining in the half. The basket made the score 20-13 in Kansas State's favor.

Texas Tech coach Billy Gillispie said his team's offense was often halted before it even got started.

"We weren't able to get around their guards," he said.

The Wildcats ended the half on an 8-2 run to lead 31-17 at halftime despite shooting 6 of 26 (23.1 percent) from the floor. And it got worse for Texas Tech in the second half.

The Wildcats pushed the lead to 42-20 on McGruder's 3-pointer with 14:15 to play. The Red Raiders did not make a second-half basket until Jaye Crockett sank a baseline jumper with 10:11 remaining.

Gillispie said Tech's 22 turnovers were to blame.

"Just had too many," he said. "No matter the situation, we just kept turning the ball over."

Texas Tech did not make a 3-point shot until Adams hit one with 7:40 left in the game. The Red Raiders soon hit three more 3-pointers, two of them by Adams, to cap an 18-3 run that made it 50-40 Kansas State with 2:53 remaining.

Martin was forced to put McGruder, nursing a toe injury, back in the game.

"I didn't want to do it," Martin said. "But the frustrating part, as a coach, was the guy who didn't practice the last two days had the most enthusiasm."

Kansas State regrouped and pulled away, helped by it going 30 of 40 at the free-throw line.

Texas Tech tied its season low for points.

Sports Calendar

TODAY

Softball
Ranger College at Howard College (DH), 1 p.m.

THURSDAY

Baseball
Howard College vs. Vernon College, 2 p.m., Abilene.

Women's basketball
Western Texas College at Howard College, 5:45 p.m.

Men's basketball
Western Texas College at Howard College, 7:45 p.m.

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Rangers, Andrus agree to 3-year deal

FORT WORTH (AP) — Shortstop Elvis Andrus and the Texas Rangers have agreed to a three-year contract and avoided salary arbitration.

A person familiar with the deal told The Associated Press on Tuesday night that the contract runs through the 2014 season. The person spoke on condition of anonymity because the deal was pending a physical and hadn't been finalized.

The agreement came two days before a scheduled arbi-

tration hearing.

The 23-year-old Andrus is a .271 career hitter with 102 stolen bases and has played at least 145 games in each of his three seasons for the Rangers. The new deal will take Andrus through his final three arbitration-eligible seasons.

Andrus hit a career-best .279 with 37 stolen bases last year when the Rangers won their second consecutive American League pennant. He had asked for \$3.6 million in arbitration and was offered \$2.65 million for next season before

agreeing to a multiyear deal with Texas.

The Rangers still are in talks with catcher Mike Napoli and outfielder Nelson Cruz, who have salary arbitration hearings scheduled next week.

Cruz, whose eight postseason homers last year included six in the AL championship series with a game-ending grand slam in Game 2, asked for \$7.5 million while the Rangers offered \$5.5 million. He made \$3.65 million last year, when he hit .263 with 29 homers and 87 RBIs in 124

games.

Napoli set career highs by hitting .320 with 30 homers and 75 RBIs in 113 games in his first season with Texas, when he made \$5.8 million after spending his first five seasons with the Los Angeles Angels. He asked for \$11.5 million, and Texas offered \$8.3 million.

Andrus was among several key players the Rangers got from Atlanta in a July 2007 trade for Mark Teixeira after the switch-hitting first baseman turned down a contract

extension.

Hard-throwing closer Neftali Feliz, who is making the transition into the rotation this spring, and left-hander Matt Harrison (14-9, 3.39 ERA last season) were also part of that deal.

Andrus made his major league debut in the 2009 season opener after the Rangers moved five-time All-Star shortstop Michael Young to third base for the shortstop who was then only 20 years old and had never played above the Double-A level.

Hamilton visits with MLB docs after relapse

FORT WORTH (AP) — Rangers slugger Josh Hamilton visited doctors for Major League Baseball and the players' association this week in New York following his admitted relapse with alcohol.

General manager Jon Daniels said Tuesday night that Hamilton was accompanied by Shayne Kelley, the team's newly hired major league staff assistant whose job includes being in a support role for Hamilton.

The meetings with doctors were Monday, a week after Hamilton said he had "three or

four" drinks during dinner in Dallas and then had more drinks later that evening. The recovering drug addict publicly apologized Friday without taking questions about what happened, saying he had a "weak moment" that stemmed from "personal reasons" involving a family member.

Daniels said it was "unlikely" that the Rangers would discipline Hamilton, and that the team would defer to MLB's handling of the situation. He said he had had no indication of what would happen.

"Given what's happened in the past, at this point it's at their discretion," Daniels said before his appearance at a stop on the team's winter caravan. "I think it's kind of based on what the doctors find, and what they recommend, whether they feel like this was something bigger."

Daniels said he had not gotten a report from the doctors that Hamilton had also counseled with in the past.

Hamilton said he took no drugs, and never thought of doing so last week. He has had sever-

al drug tests since then as part of his regular mandated routine.

When asked what was next for Hamilton, Daniels said the outfielder worked out at Rangers Ballpark earlier Tuesday.

"He's getting ready for the season," Daniels said.

But the Rangers last week put on hold talks about a contract extension for Hamilton, who can be a free agent after the upcoming season.

After being the No. 1 overall draft pick by Tampa Bay in 1999, Hamilton got involved

in drugs and alcohol. He missed the entire 2003, 2004 and 2005 seasons and served several suspensions. He didn't make his major league debut until 2007 with Cincinnati, and was traded after that season to Texas, where he has become one of the best players in baseball for the team that won the last two American League pennants. He was the AL MVP in 2010.

Kelley takes over in a support role for Hamilton that had been held by Johnny Narron, who left after last season to

become hitting coach in Milwaukee. The Rangers announced last month that Hamilton's father-in-law had been hired as a staff special assistant, but Michael Dean Chadwick later decided against accepting that position because of "family considerations."

Kelley was a minor league strength and conditioning coach for the Kansas City Royals from 1999-2001.

He has been an assistant coach at the University of Alabama, Samford and Jacksonville State.

Giants fans laud Super Bowl champs during parade

NEW YORK (AP) — Eli Manning hoisted the Lombardi Trophy from a glittering blue-and-white float, and Mayor Michael Bloomberg joked that New York City should now be nicknamed the "Big Blue Apple," as thousands of fans crowded lower Manhattan on Tuesday to celebrate the New York Giants' Super Bowl victory amid tons of confetti.

The parade set off from the southern tip of Manhattan and rolled slowly north to City Hall, past fans dressed head to toe in red, blue and white Giants gear, with confetti wafting slowly from the

high-rises lining Broadway.

Manning, the Super Bowl MVP, joined by coach Tom Coughlin, Bloomberg, Gov. Andrew Cuomo and other teammates, waved and grinned from the float as a deep roar rose from the crowds.

Defensive end Justin Tuck said he was glad to be part of the team, leading its defense and sacking New England quarterback Tom Brady twice during the 21-17 victory over the Patriots.

"We made it here by believing in each other. We believe in every guy on this team," he said later during a ceremony

at City Hall Plaza. "Honestly, we wouldn't be here today without your support."

The team was introduced with thunderous applause from the thousands of fans outside the City Hall gates. A lucky 250 fans received tickets to the fete, where the Giants were honored with symbolic keys to the city.

The crowd went wild for running back Ahmed Bradshaw, who plopped down in the end zone Sunday to score the winning touchdown. Wide receiver Victor Cruz did his trademark salsa moves as he accepted his key.

Manning joked about the

team's fourth-quarter comebacks. "Make it tough but make it possible," he said, laughing about how the team blew an early lead to come back and win. The Giants had eight fourth-quarter comebacks to win games during the season.

"Finish games, finish fourth quarters and finish the season strong. That's what we did," Manning said.

Coughlin said the Giants were successful because they never gave up.

"The key thing was to remember this: All things are possible for those who believe," Coughlin said. "We

always believed."

Some fans had waited since 6 a.m. to catch a glimpse of their favorite players. About half of a Long Island high school class skipped school to see "a whole nation coming together in one place — this parade," said Mike King.

King and seven school friends got up at dawn, arriving by subway in lower Manhattan to join the crowds packed behind police barricades. He attributed the win to Manning's stellar performance and the hold-your-breath catch by Mario Manningham that led to the game-winning drive.

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offs was huge," he said. "We're trying to build a tradition here — we want to be a team that expects and deserves to be in the playoffs year after year — and the guys have been willing to put in the work to make that happen."

Big Spring will face either Burkburnett or Wichita Falls Hirschi in the first round of the state Class 3A playoffs. No time or date has been set for the game.

Robbie Rinehart and Armond Monroy each scored nine points to lead Snyder (11-14, 0-6

The Steers conclude regular season play at home Friday when they face district champion Abilene Wylie. Game time is 7:30 p.m.

SNYDER (44) — Zach Harris 1 3-4 5; Brandon Davis 2 0-1 4; Felix Martinez 0 0-1 0; Malik Davis 4 0-2 8; Javon Brown 0 4-6 4; Robbie Rinehart 3 2-2 9; Armond Monroy 3 2-4 9; Spencer Williams 1 1-2 3; totals 14 12-22 44.

BIG SPRING (61) — Ty'ral Menefield 3 0-0 6; Marc Segundo 7 3-4 21; Tyler Graves 1 3-3 5; Richard Lewis 4 1-3 9; Ty Sealy 1 0-0 2; Chazzell Robinson 7 2-3 16; totals 23 9-13 61.

Snyder 9 9 15 11 — 44
BSHS 15 18 14 14 — 61

Three-point goals — Snyder (Rinehart, Monroy), Big Spring (Segundo 4); Total fouls — Snyder 14, Big Spring 19; Fouled out — Brown; Technicals — Big Spring bench.

Girl's game

The Big Spring Lady Steers prepped for the Class 3A playoffs by shaking off a pesky Snyder squad in the regular season finale for both teams.

Big Spring jumped out to an early 10-2 lead, but the Lady Tigers rallied to pull within one point of the lead early in the second quarter.

The Lady Steers were able to extend their lead to seven points at

the half, however, then put matters to rest with another 10-2 run, this one to open the second half, and maintained a double-digit lead the remainder of the game.

Fittingly on Senior Night, it was seniors who led the way for Big Spring. Guard Bridgette Tuitt led all scorers with 16 points, while post players Cerbi Ritchey and Diamond Mayes contributed eight points each.

"Give Snyder some credit — they made us work for it," BSHS Coach Mike Warren said. "But we were the better team tonight. We had a great defensive effort, especially in the second half."

Kandyce Freeman led Snyder (12-16, 1-7) with

11 points.

Big Spring (21-9, 4-4) can now turn its attention to the state Class 3A playoffs, where it will face Burkburnett at a time and place to be determined. But Warren first wanted to celebrate his team's accomplishment.

"Our core group of seniors — Lashanta Anderson, Bridgette Tuitt, Cerbi Ritchey and Diamond Mayes — have been with us since they were freshmen, and we added McKenzie Stone and Ambra Hill through transfer," Warren said. "They helped turn things around ... Winning 21 games and going to the playoffs is just icing on the cake."

The Lady Steers will face Odessa Permian in

a practice game Friday in Steer Gym. Game time is 6 p.m.

SNYDER (42) — Chelsea Lambaren 2 0-1 4; Heather Medrano 2 2-3 6; Ryanna Martinez 1 0-0 2; Sydney Parker 3 0-0 8; Kandyce Freeman 3 5-8 11; Zoi Malone 1 1-3 3; Jenri Driegers 0 6-7 6; Karyss McCullar 1 0-0 2; totals 13 14-22 42.

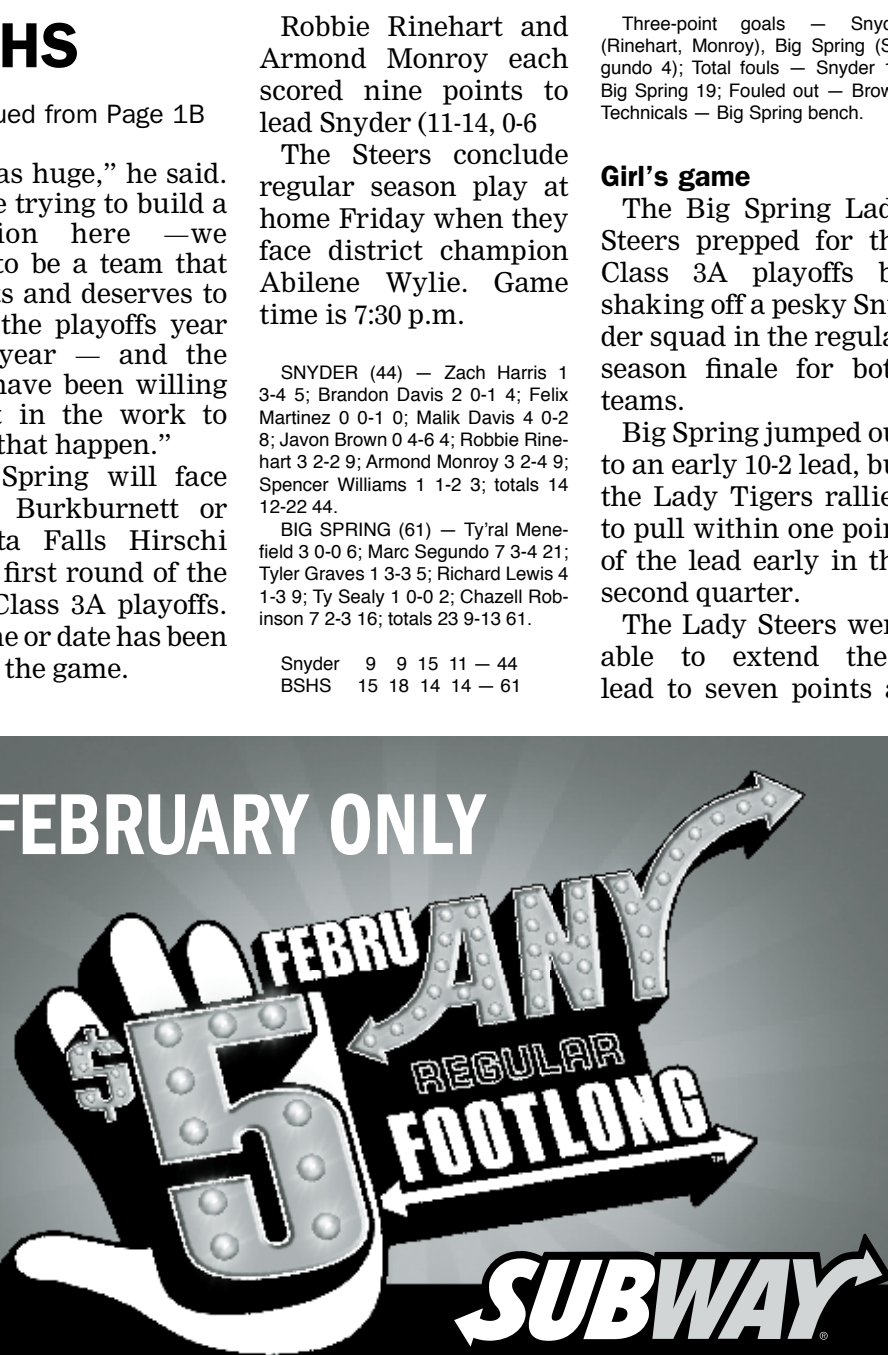
BIG SPRING (55) — Ambra Hill 3 0-0 7; Logan Yarbar 0 2-2 2; Lashanta Anderson 2 0-0 6; Dyrshae Vanderbilt 2 0-0 4; McKenzie Stone 1 0-0 2; Mary King 0 2-2 2; Bridgette Tuitt 4 8-10 16; Cerbi Ritchey 3 2-2 8; Diamond Mayes 3 2-2 8; totals 18 16-18 55.

Score by quarters

Snyder 8 10 11 13 — 42
BSHS 13 12 17 13 — 55
Three-point goals — Snyder (Parker 2), Big Spring (Hill, Anderson 2); Total fouls — Snyder 14, Big Spring 20; Fouled out — none; Technicals — none.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). You need to figure out how you can delegate more of your workload. By trying to do

everything, you are stopping yourself from moving toward a goal you greatly desire.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). One small action in the morning will significantly change the trajectory of your day. The ambitious endeavor you wish to take on will be accomplished in small, daily practices.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You will make things work, and then later, when asked how you did it, you won't have a good answer. That's because you don't have to know consciously how to solve a problem in order to do so.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). It will be lucky for you to be around people who have many interests and a generally enthusiastic tone. You'll have something fresh to add to the social mix, and when you add it, vitality will sweep over you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Beware of the armchair critics. Their theories



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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). A long stretch of seriousness this afternoon makes you realize how much you really need humor in your life. Laughing and creating cause for the laughter of others are two of your greatest pleasures.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You will feel absolutely driven to start and finish a certain project all in one day. It's as though you are overtaken by the desire to do so. Ask yourself what deeper motive you might be trying to accomplish.

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). What you do to make the environment more pleasant for yourself will improve things for others. So don't hesitate to speak up. Someone else will be immediately glad that you did.

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Jan. 19). It will be easy for you to see your relationships as agreements with a ledger balance to keep track of the give and take. Maybe it's not the most romantic view, but it's the reason you're such a stellar partner.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll be acutely aware of the difference between what you do for fun and what you do for money. Taking part in an activity that falls into both categories will bring you good fortune.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You want to know what everyone wants to know but few have the guts to say: "What's in it for me?" Being realistic about this will help you feel open enough to give of yourself.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Jan. 8). Your finger is on the pulse this year. Attuned to the prevailing style, buzzwords and financial trends, you'll turn your savvy into profit. When you show a little imagination in February, you get the opportunity to experiment on someone else's dime. Romance fills your spring. Practical arrangements are settled in June. Gemini and Leo people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 40, 1, 22, 39 and 14.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: In Gary

Chapman's bestselling book "The 5 Love Languages," the veteran relationship counselor suggests that each person has a "primary way of expressing love and interpreting love," and that people are often drawn to those who express and interpret love in a "love language" different from their own. Some feel love in compliments, others like gifts, and still others need the warmth of physical touch. You may discover the particulars of your own "love language" this week, as the full Cancer moon brings an outpouring of emotion. Much will depend on how feelings are expressed and interpreted. It may be necessary to see an action through many different lenses to correctly interpret the feeling behind the gesture.

This week Venus is leaving the philanthropic, intellectual and public-minded station of Aquarius for the more personal, spiritual and

intuitive realms of Pisces. The nature of love will come into question often in the weeks to come, especially because so much of what goes on between people defies quantification. It may help to note that just because a bond is invisible doesn't mean it isn't strong, or that it can't be felt.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Thirty-four years after his passing, legions of fans still celebrate the birthday and legacy of Elvis Presley. Astrologer Vrajavala has suggested that Elvis may have reincarnated as the Japanese jazz musician Hiromi Uehara. This astrologer doesn't think so, but with his moon in spiritual Pisces, many feel soulfully and karmically connected to the king of rock 'n' roll.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

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Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9 with no repeats. That means no number is repeated in any row, column or box.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

The Philosophy of Defense

West dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.
NORTH
♠ 7 5 2
♥ A 4
♦ Q J 8
♣ A Q 10 5 3

WEST
♠ 10 9 8 3
♥ 7 2
♦ A 10 9 4 2
♣ J 9

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

SOUTH
♠ Q
♥ K Q J 10 8 5 3
♦ 7 6 3
♣ K 6

The bidding:
West North East South
Pass 1♣ 1♠ 2♥
2♠ Pass Pass 4♥

Opening lead — ten of spades.
The principle that declarer's first aim is to make the contract has a corollary — namely, that the defenders' first aim is to defeat the contract. It follows that there is a great similarity between declarer's approach to the play and a defender's approach to the defense.

When declarer is playing a contract, he dismisses from consideration any opposing distributions that would lead unconditionally to defeat. Instead, he concentrates solely on

those distributions that would allow the contract to be made, and he plans his play accordingly.

A defender prepares his defense along similar lines. Although he cannot see declarer's hand, he should dismiss from consideration any holding that would render the contract indefensible — that would amount to giving up. Instead, he should try to picture hands declarer might have that would render him vulnerable and then take direct aim at the vulnerable spot.

Getting down to cases, consider this deal from East's viewpoint. He wins the spade lead with the king, South contributing the queen. If East continues with a spade, South makes 12 tricks.

But East should not lead another spade at trick two since there is nothing to be gained by that play. East's goal is for his side to score four tricks, and, given the bidding, his own hand and the dummy's holding, this goal is not attainable if declarer has the ace of diamonds.

He therefore credits West with the ace, and once East does so, the best defense becomes self-evident. So he shifts to the king of diamonds, continues with the five and ruffs his partner's diamond return to defeat the contract.

Tomorrow: The case of the missing damsel.

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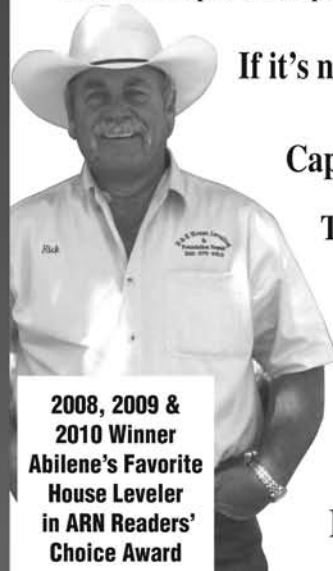
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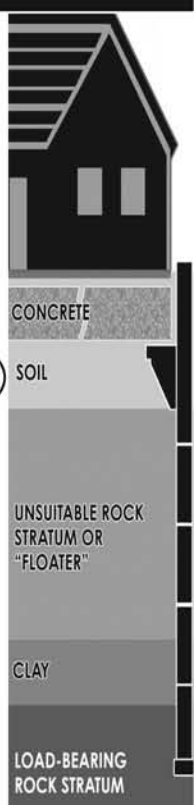
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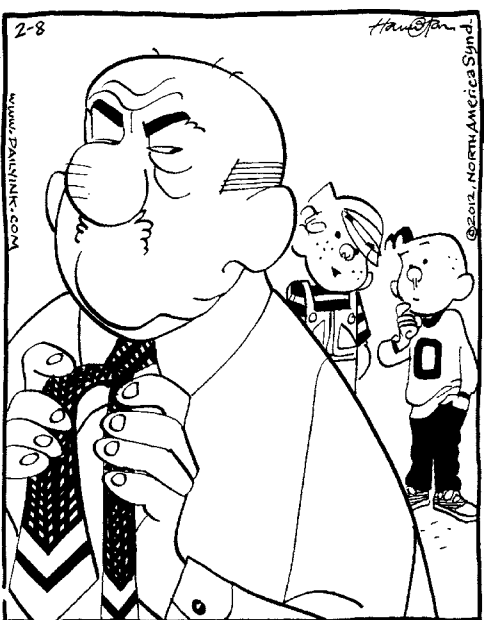
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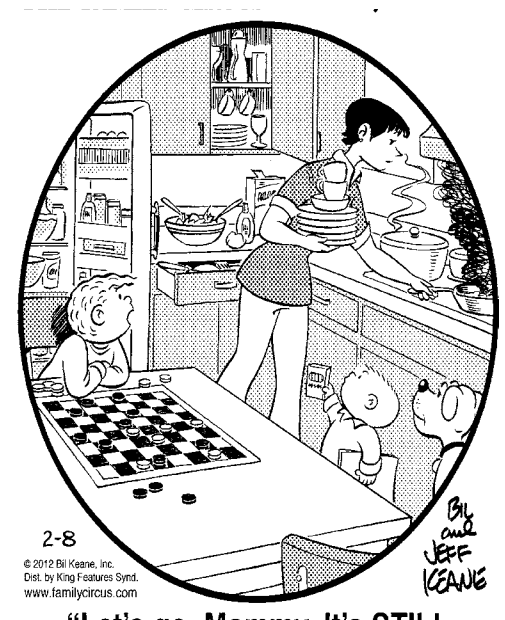
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5:PM	News ABC	Alma Notic.	Two Men Two Men	News CBS	Noticias Noticiero	News News	King King	Swallow House	Charlie Rose	Til Death King	When Fish Attack 3	CSI: Miami	Ways Die	Law & Order	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live	Shake It Good	NFL32	SportsCenter
6:PM	Jeopardy!	Una Familia con Suerte (SS)	Big Bang	News Ent	Caso Cer-rado	News Millionaire	Seinfeld	Dr. Diana CCM	PBS News-Hour	Seinfeld	When Fish Attack	CSI: Miami	Ways Die	Law & Order	Movie: Noto-rious, Jamal Woolard	Shake It Good	College Basketball: Teams TBA.	College Basketball: Teams TBA.
7:PM	Middle Suburg.	American Idol	Person to Person	Una Maid en	Whitney Chelsea	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Upd Baruch	Nature (DVS)	One Tree Hill	Dual Survival	Movie: Pet Sematary, Denise Crosby	Ways Die	Law & Order	Wizards	Shake It ANT Farm	College Basketball: Seton Hall at Rutgers.	College Basketball
8:PM	Family Happy	La Que No	Mobbed	Criminal Minds	Flor Salvaje (SS)	Rock Center	Fam. Guy	Light of the Southwest	NOVA (DVS)	Remodeled	Beast Tracker	Ways Die	Law & Order	Wizards	Jessie Austin	College Basketball: Seton Hall at Rutgers.	College Basketball	
9:PM	Revenge	Dale con Ganas (SS)	Simpsons How I Met	CSI: Crime Scene	Relaciones Peli	Law & Order: SVU	Big Bang	Conan	McGee L. Moore	Charlie Rose	King South Pk	Beast Tracker	Ways Die	Southland	Movie: Half Past Dead 2	Wizards	SportsNation	SportsCenter
10:PM	News Nightline	Impacto	How I Met	News Letterman	Noticias Sin Senos no	Jay Leno	Conan	McGee L. Moore	Charlie Rose	King South Pk	Beast Tracker	Ways Die	Southland	Wizards	Good Shake It	SportsNation	SportsCenter	
11:PM	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Hasta-Dinero	Law Order: CI	Late	Decisiones (SS)	Late Night	The Office	Yohanan	World	South Pk	Close Calls	Movie: Pet Sematary Two, Clancy Brown	Ways Die	CSI: NY	Wendy Williams	Wizards	NFL Live	SportsCenter
12:AM	Extra Paid	Mañana-Siempre	Raymond Fam. Guy	Insider	Pagado	News	Conan	Dr. Denis Upd	T. Smiley (Off Air)	Roseanne	Dual Survival	Ways Die	CSI: NY	Movie: Noto-rious, Jamal Woolard	Wizards	NBA Basket	SportsCenter	
1:AM	Paid	La Jaula	American Ent	Paid	Pagado	(.06) News	Seinfeld	Light of the Southwest		Wretched Tripp	Killer Whales	Ways Die	To Be Announced	Wizards	Random	NFL Live	SportsCenter	

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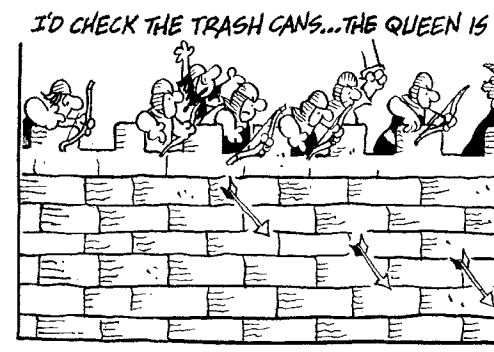
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THE FAMILY CIRCUS



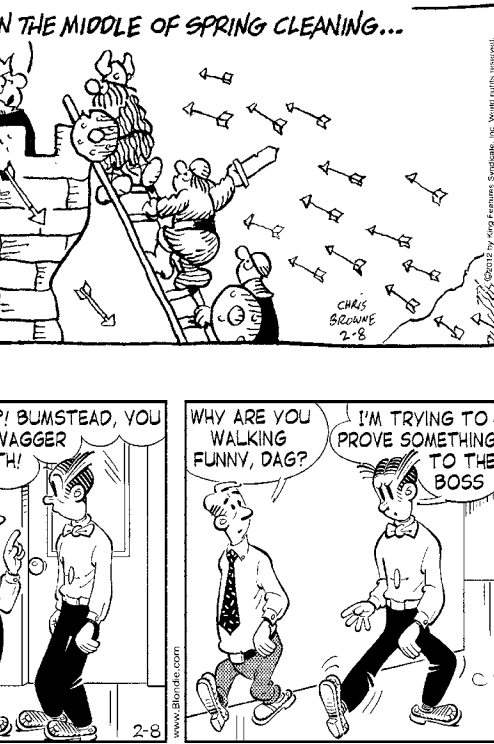
"Let's go, Mommy. It's STILL your move."

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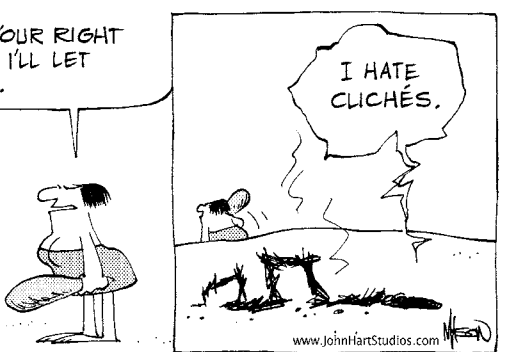
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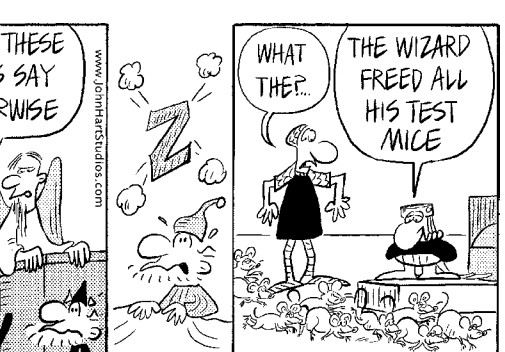
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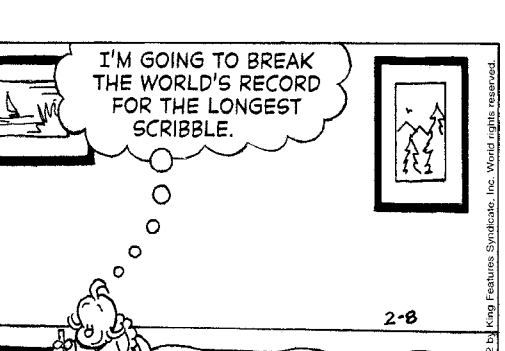
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THE FAMILY CIRCUS



This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, Feb. 8, the 39th day of 2012. There are 327 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 8, 1587, Mary, Queen of Scots was beheaded at Fotheringhay Castle in England after she was implicated in a plot to murder her cousin, Queen Elizabeth I.

On this date:

In 1693, a charter was granted for the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg in the Virginia Colony.

In 1837, the Senate selected the vice president of the United States, choosing Richard Mentor Johnson after no candidate received a majority of electoral votes.

In 1862, the Civil War Battle of Roanoke Island, N.C., ended in victory for Union forces led by Gen. Ambrose E. Burnside.

In 1904, the Russo-Japanese War, a conflict over control of Manchuria and Korea, began as Japanese forces attacked

Port Arthur.

In 1910, the Boy Scouts of America was incorporated.

In 1922, President Warren G. Harding had a radio installed in the White House.

In 1942, during World War II, Japanese forces began invading Singapore, which fell a week later.

In 1952, Queen Elizabeth II proclaimed her accession to the British throne following the death of her father, King George VI.

In 1968, three college students were killed in a confrontation with highway patrolmen in Orangeburg, S.C., during a civil rights protest against a whites-only bowling alley.

In 1971, NASDAQ, the world's first electronic stock exchange, held its first trading day.

In 1989, 144 people were killed when an American-chartered Boeing 707 filled with Italian tourists slammed into a fog-covered mountain in the Azores.

In 1992, the XVI Olympic Winter Games opened in Albertville, France.

Today's Birthdays: Composer-conductor John Williams is 80. Newscaster Ted Koppel is 72. Actor Nick Nolte

is 71. Comedian Robert Klein is 70. Actor-rock musician Creed Bratton is 69. Singer Ron Tyson is 64. Actress Brooke Adams is 63. Actress Mary Steenburgen is 59. Author John Grisham is 57. Actor Henry Czerny is 53. Rock singer Vince Neil (Motley Crue) is 51. Rock singer-musician Sammy Llanas (YAH'-nus) (The BoDeans) is 51. Environmental Protection Agency administrator Lisa P. Jackson is 50. Actress Mary McCormack is 43. Rock musician Keith Nelson (Buckcherry) is 43. Retired NBA player Alonzo Mourning is 42. Actor Seth Green is 38. Actor Josh Morrow is 38. Rock musician Phoenix (Linkin Park) is 35. Rock musician Jeremy Davis (Paramore) is 27.

Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS
- 1 Leveling wedge
 - 5 Main idea
 - 9 Order to a guard dog
 - 14 Roman statesman
 - 15 Actor Sharif
 - 16 Practical application
 - 17 Desertlike
 - 18 Spanish snack
 - 19 Industrialist H. Ross
 - 20 Student project
 - 23 Prefix for meter
 - 24 Flowerpot spot
 - 25 And more: Abbr.
 - 28 Not messy
 - 30 Not as messy
 - 32 Compete in a slalom
 - 35 Gravy holder
 - 37 "Pay ___ mind"
 - 38 Fine-print enlarger
 - 43 Numbered work
 - 44 Substandard
 - 45 ___ Misérables
 - 46 Emcee's visual aid
 - 50 Garden invader
 - 52 Diamond units: Abbr.
 - 53 Promissory notes
 - 55 Run-down
 - 58 Gardening device
 - 62 Sturdy fabric
 - 64 Canadian singing superstar

- DOWN
- 1 Lasting mark
 - 2 Sultan's wives
 - 3 "Who's there?" answer
 - 4 Popular '20s car
 - 5 Threw out
 - 6 Apple computer
 - 7 Goldman's partner
 - 8 ___ of Capricorn
 - 9 Limber
 - 10 "Uh huh"
 - 11 Airport business
 - 12 Conceit
 - 13 Ran into
 - 21 Court defense
 - 22 100%
 - 26 All wound up
 - 27 Annoyed
 - 29 "That's great news!"
 - 31 Have a bug
 - 32 Paint-splotted garment
 - 33 Unrepairable
 - 34 Tentative negative
 - 36 Inside information
 - 39 White House advisory grp.
 - 40 At the moment
 - 41 Contributes one's share to
 - 42 Inexperienced
 - 47 Military pilots
 - 48 King: Fr.
 - 49 City of Scotland
 - 51 What a diploma signifies
 - 54 Dexterity
 - 56 Boombox battery
 - 57 Sharp tugs
 - 59 Toll road
 - 60 ___ Linda, CA
 - 61 Slim margin
 - 62 Near-failing grade
 - 63 Actress Longoria

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