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SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf students prepare to receive their diplomas during graduation ceremonies at the school Friday.

*One election down,  
 another one on tap*

# May 29 primary looming

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
 Staff Writer

Area election officials won't have much time to breath following this weekend's municipal elections, as early voting in this year's political party primaries is set to begin Monday morning at 8 a.m. sharp.

The primaries — normally conducted in March, but held up this year due to federal lawsuits pertaining to the statewide redistricting process — have been pushed back several times until officials finally settled on May 29.

Saundra Bloom, elections administrator for Howard County, said the lack of down time between the municipal and school board elections and the primaries shouldn't offer any problems for her office.



Bloom

"It's probably been a headache for the people who have to program the voting machines, but it shouldn't effect us too much," said Bloom. "We have enough voting machines, so we won't have to use the same ones from the municipal elections for early voting in the primaries Monday morning. All of the programing is in place and ready to go, so I feel pretty confident going into Monday."

While the primary polls — both Republican and Democrat — will all be located in the same office, Bloom said it's important to remember they are still very much separate.

"We'll have early voting for both primaries set up here in the County Elections Office, which is located on the third floor of the county courthouse," she

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# FISD board to authorize campus facilities study

By **STEVE REAGAN**  
 Staff Writer

FORSAN — Forsan Independent School District trustees will likely commission a facilities study when they hold their monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Monday in the administration wing board room.

Trustees are expected to approve the hiring of Mike Brooks from the Texas Association of School Boards to conduct the study, which will be used to

determine what, if any, renovations are needed to bring FISD campuses up to standard.

"We've got a variety of issues we're dealing with," FISD Superintendent Randy Johnson said. "And a lot of those maintenance issues and concerns are at Elbow (Elementary)."

Elbow was constructed in 1930

and has had several additions and maintenance upgrades since then. Still, Johnson said, more work may be needed.

"We've got septic issues, not just at Elbow but at both campuses," Johnson said. "Plus, we have a lack of electrical outlets and capacity. We were able to upgrade some areas during the last bond (in 2004), but other areas remain under-serviced."

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# Road woes top county agenda

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
 Staff Writer

County road maintenance will likely be the topic of choice Monday when the Howard County commissioners meet, as the court is expected to look at different ways to pay for some much needed repairs to its roadways.

The court is expected to discuss — and possibly take action on — road use agreements during the meeting, according to County Judge Mark Barr, as the county looks to address a growing problem with its county roads.

"We're going to look at several different road use agreements that are being used by other area counties to help pay for road maintenance,"

Barr said. "I'm not sure that we'll take action on these just yet, but we definitely want to get the discussion started and begin looking at different ways we can address this problem."



Barr

According to Barr, the boom in the oilfield is taking a heavy toll on many of the county's roadways.

"This certainly constitutes abnormal use," Barr said. "The increased traffic on these county roads is taking a very heavy toll and simple property taxes aren't even going to come close to paying for the necessary repairs. We have to look at a way to pay

for the maintenance of these roads."

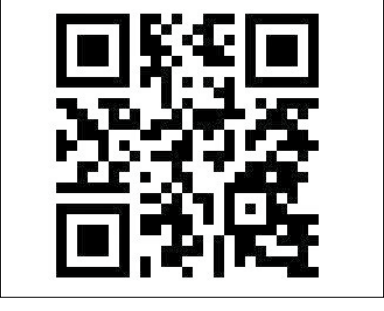
Barr said the current cost to simply fill a one-mile stretch of road is estimated at \$22,000, driving the price tag of the ongoing damage caused by large trucks and tractor-trailers well into the millions of dollars.

"One of the agreements we'll be looking at is set when the individual oil company gets a permit to drill in the county," Barr said. "We haven't looked yet at how much that charge would be, however. We're hoping Monday's meeting will help us gather input from everyone involved, especially the oil companies. This will give the commissioners something to look at and a direction to go in."

Also during Monday's meeting, commissioners are expected to sign a resolution calling for the state of Texas to step in and assist counties with the high costs of road maintenance associated with the boom in the oilfield.

"I recently met with the West Texas County Judge and Commissioners Association, and this is a resolution

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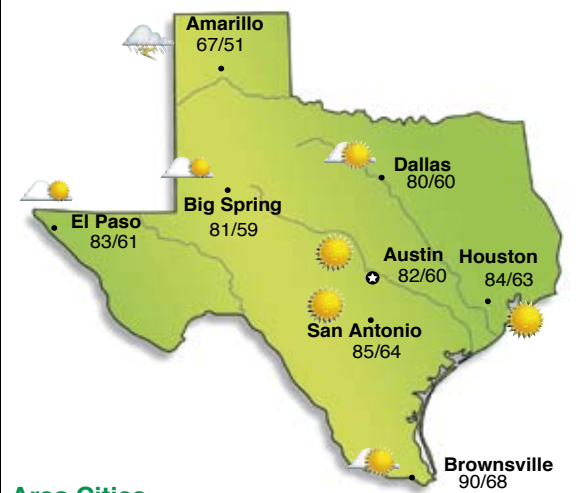
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**Texas At A Glance**



**Area Cities**

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	80	58	mst sunny	Kingsville	90	66	sunny
Amarillo	67	51	t-storm	Livingston	82	59	mst sunny
Austin	82	60	sunny	Longview	79	60	mst sunny
Beaumont	83	63	mst sunny	Lubbock	73	54	t-storm
Brownsville	90	68	mst sunny	Lufkin	82	60	mst sunny
Brownwood	82	59	mst sunny	Midland	81	58	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	87	67	sunny	Raymondville	90	66	mst sunny
Corsicana	78	59	mst sunny	Rosenberg	84	63	sunny
Dallas	80	60	mst sunny	San Antonio	85	64	sunny
Del Rio	83	66	sunny	San Marcos	83	61	sunny
El Paso	83	61	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	79	60	mst sunny
Fort Stockton	79	57	mst sunny	Sweetwater	80	57	pt sunny
Gainesville	77	57	mst sunny	Tyler	79	58	mst sunny
Greenville	78	58	mst sunny	Weatherford	78	56	mst sunny
Houston	84	63	sunny	Wichita Falls	79	55	mst sunny

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City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	71	63	rain	Minneapolis	72	52	mst sunny
Boston	79	57	rain	New York	78	62	pt sunny
Chicago	67	47	mst sunny	Phoenix	100	70	sunny
Dallas	80	60	mst sunny	San Francisco	68	50	pt sunny
Denver	61	42	t-storm	Seattle	77	51	sunny
Houston	84	63	sunny	St. Louis	77	54	mst sunny
Los Angeles	77	59	pt sunny	Washington, DC	79	65	t-storm
Miami	84	75	t-storm				

**Moon Phases**



**UV Index**

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The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection.

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**Obituaries**

**Shamar Myles**

Shamar Myles, 26, of Big Spring, died Friday, May 11, 2012, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

**Don Cunningham**

Don Cunningham, 71, of Big Spring, Texas, went to be with the Lord on May 11, 2012, at his residence. The family will receive friends Sunday, May 13, 2012, from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Jim Binnix, officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.



Don was born Jan. 23, 1941, in Wickett, Texas, when he was 6 years old and moved back to Big Spring, Texas, when he was 12. He attended Midway School and graduated from Coahoma High School in 1959. He met and married Jeannie Fleener in 1963. Don was a member of Midway Baptist Church. He worked at Welcome Well Service, United States Post Office, Cabot Corporation, Damson Gas Plant, A&M Composites, and retired from Weatherford.

He is survived by his wife Jeannie of Big Spring; two daughters: Jill Ringener and husband Philip and Jancy Cunningham, all of Big Spring, Texas. He has four grandchildren: Tiffany, Jared, and Jannessa Ringener, and Jacy Jo Don Cunningham; two great grandsons: Kole James and Copper Ringener; one brother: Ronnie and wife Marisue Cunningham of Big Spring.

He was preceded in death by his parents Toby and Elsie Cunningham.

Pallbearers will be Brent Zitterkopf, Charley Ogle, Jason Ogle, Dillon Ogle, Philip Ringener, and Jared Ringener. The honorary pallbearers are Rich Fleener, Ronnie Cunningham, Chuck Ogle and Harold Aberegg.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society c/o Carolyn Brooks, P.O. Box 2121 Big Spring, TX 79721-2121; Compass Hospice 1003 E FM 700, Big Spring, TX 79720 and/or Midway Baptist Church 6200 South Service Road, Big Spring, Texas 79720.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersand-smith.com](http://www.myersand-smith.com)

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- THEFT was reported in the 1800 block of S. Gregg Street.

**Support Groups**

**MONDAY**

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

- PEP — Parent Education Program for CPS participating and non-participating parents, single parent, grandparents, adoptive or fostering parents. Every first and fourth Monday of the month from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Northside Community Center. Classes are free. For information, call 263-2673.

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

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

**TUESDAY**

- Big Spring Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month. This is a group for those with Parkinson's Disease, Young Onset Parkinson's, caregivers, and those interested in learning more about the illness. There is time for socializing and information. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jody at 432-699-6640 or [midlandparkinsons@yahoo.com](mailto:midlandparkinsons@yahoo.com) or Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-2732.

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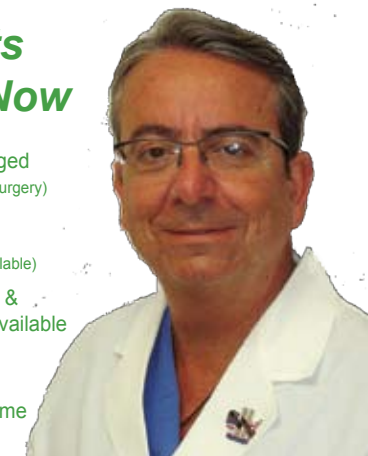
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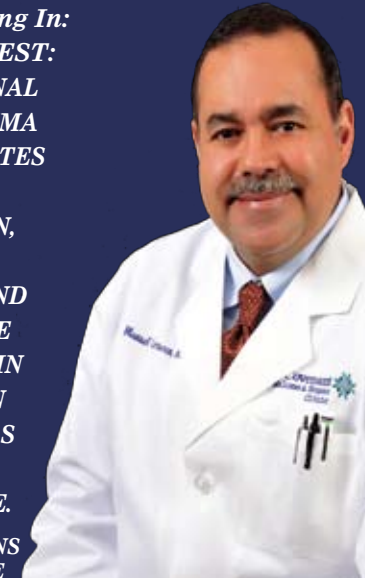
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**ROADS**

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many of the counties are adopting and sending to Austin," Barr said. "The hope is they will pass some sort of legislation to help the counties with these costs associated with road maintenance. This isn't just a problem here in Howard County. It's a problem all across the state."

Also during the meeting, the court is expected to consider approval

**"This isn't just a problem here in Howard County. It's a problem all across the state."**

Mark Barr  
Howard County Judge

for Justice of the Peace Kathryn Wiseman to do septic inspection in the surrounding counties, resolutions concerning the mental health of patients in custody and several items dealing with real estate.

County Auditor Jackie Olson will present commissioners with invoice

es, purchase requests, budget amendments, as well as present her office's monthly financial report. Olson is also expected to discuss consideration and possible action on the air conditioning system at the County Library.

County Treasurer Teresa Thomas is ex-

pected to meet with the court regarding personnel considerations, payroll report and issues regarding the county's dental coverage for retirees, while County Clerk Donna Wright will present her department's monthly report.

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, contact the county judge's office at 432-264-2202.

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Brooks is expected to begin his study before the school year ends, but there is no timeline set for its completion.

"Honestly, I don't know how long this process will take," Johnson said of the facility study. "Once we get the report back, the board will study it and we'll see if the issues are something we can resolve under the normal budget, or if we need to consider other solutions."

Also Monday, trustees will consider the teacher salary schedule for the 2012-2013 school year. Johnson said he will recommend teachers receive their normal "step" raises.

"It's getting tougher and tougher each year, considering this economy, but with the oil boom, we're concerned about losing some of our teachers to the oilfield," John-

son said. Also, trustees will consider:

- Purchase of a small plot of land immediately east of the high school field house.
- Personnel matters.
- Revenue, expenditure, investment and enrollment reports.

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**PRIMARY**

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said. "However, voters need to remember they can only vote in one or the other, Republican or Democrat. They cannot vote in both."

Early voting will continue Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. through May 25.

"We'll also be offering extended hours May 22 and 24 from 8 a.m. until 7 p.m.," Bloom said.

"We do this to try to make early voting accessible to folks who can't get away from work between traditional work hours. Since this year is a presidential contest, the turnout on election is likely to be higher, so it's a good idea to go ahead and vote early

if you can, that way you can miss any long lines."

Seats up for election this year include 118<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Attorney, currently held by Hardy Wilkerson; Howard County Sheriff, currently held by Stan Parker; county attorney, held by Joshua Hamby; tax assessor collector, held by Kathy Sayles; Precinct 3 county commissioner, held by Jimmie Long; and Precinct 1 county commissioner, held by Emma Brown.

Parker has filed to run for re-election, as have Long, Green and Wilkerson. Parker has drawn an opponent in local resident M.O. Horton. The two will face off on the Republican ticket, according to election officials.

Brown has drawn a

trio of challengers, as Howard County Jailer Larry Torres, former Big Spring Council member Oscar Garcia and Ed Ware, who has attempted to unseat the longtime commissioner previously, will face off for the Precinct 1 seat on the court.

Brown will face Torres in the Democratic primary, while Garcia and Ware will have to compete for the Republican nomination for the seat.

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Diane Carter, an employee of tax collection office, will be running unopposed for the office on the Republican ticket.

Also running unopposed are Long, Green and Wilkerson. All three are running on the Republican ticket.

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## OUR VIEWS

# Prayers were heard; it rained

The rain came pouring down from the sky this past week.

Some say it may have been an answer to the prayers that were sent up during the Community Call to Prayer, others say it just happened to rain.

Either way, one thing is certain, it doesn't matter how the rain arrived in the Crossroads, the point is it arrived.

The rain, even in its abundance, was received with open water buckets, praise and gratitude.

What started out as a few showers Wednesday night turned into downpour for the majority of Thursday.

Streets throughout the community began to flood and driving conditions seemed to become a little tricky, but that didn't stop people from going about their daily lives while enjoying the smell and sight of rain.

Big Spring was one of the area communities, including Midland and Odessa, that received what some believe to be record breaking rainfall.

It might not hurt to say, Thursday alone Big Spring received more rain than it has all year.

The excessive rain did bring about some baseball cancellations, but overall, it was probably still a tough search for someone not welcoming the rain and all its effects.

Area landscaping benefitted from the rain as well as area water reservoirs. By no means did the recent rain take us out of the drought completely or refill all the lakes, but it was a good push in the right direction.

Comanche Trail Lake seems a little bit higher, trees and lawns seem a little bit greener and the Crossroads residents can once again remember what rain feels like and smells like.

Of course, just because it rained doesn't mean the prayers need to stop or that the rain will even continue. Keep the prayers and requests for rain coming.

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May this be the day we make a commitment to You, Lord, to do the best we can for You.  
Amen

# When pigs decide to start flying

Once a track coach, always a track coach. Some retirees still have stop watches close at hand — maybe even looped around their neck — and their daily life continues to be framed with references to time, height and distance.

They still dream, but they're mostly "re-runs" (pun intended).

One such retiree is David Noble, who spent almost four decades coaching track and field at the high school and collegiate level. A quarter-century was spent at Angelo State University, where he taught young men and women about the sport — and even more about life. Throughout his career, he turned out champions. The university's annual track and field meet is now named the David Noble Relays to honor him.

Settle down, I think to myself, having reached paragraph four without any mention of pigs. Hang on.

Noble, who ranches, restores old cars and welds (including some items that don't need welding), has adjusted to retirement fairly well. He and wife JoAnn are doing "grandparent things," and the "life lap" they're currently on requires some pacing. They're now great-grandparents.

In their 52nd year of marriage, the Nobles spend considerable time attending contests, performances and events involving their five grandchildren. Often, their "to do" list includes attend-

ing FFA stock shows.

I'm closing in on pigs now. Sydney Hamlett, the Nobles' 15-year-old granddaughter, raises pigs for her ag project at Snyder High School. She's entered contests all over the state and her bedroom is festooned with trophies and ribbons.

JoAnn, herself a retired educator, has maintained decorum throughout life. She's a model mom, grandmom and now great-grandmom.

David has done the same thing — mostly. From time to time, though, "track thinking" takes over, drawing as much attention as a dropped baton on the final lap of a relay, a hurdler who fails to clear the barrier or a jumper/vaulter who almost clears the height. One such vignette occurred a while back, when the Nobles were in Snyder for an FFA stock show to support Sydney, and her prize pig, Arnold.

As the youngsters assembled, one of the pigs broke free, racing at full speed toward the other end of the arena.

"Well, let's go," Noble blurted, "That pig gets the blue ribbon. All the rest of 'em will be running for second place."

Once a track coach, always a track coach.

Noble still thinks in terms of inches, feet and yards, and may well have had the stop watch on Arnold.

If the track and field world had listened to him, enthusiasts for the sport in America would still be on the old measurement standard that served us well — until the NCAA went to the metric system.

He still reddens with disgust, convinced the decision was a virtual knock-out blow to fans

whose minds can't — or won't — wrap around the new numbers. He and several other coaches wailed about the conversion, but their voices were drowned out by a few big-time coaches who thought otherwise.

"It would never have happened in football," Noble opines. "Can you imagine a football TV guy saying it's 'third down and 3.4 meters to go'? Fans want yards!"

He says that now, decades later, American sports fans are no closer to embracing the metric system than they were when it was first imposed on track and field events.

Sure, another century or two may make a difference, if the world is still spinning.

Noble, himself a star quarter- and half-miler in high school and college, never converts his races to the metric system. He ran them in yards, by gum, so it doesn't matter how many meters he covered.

His courage, conviction and dogged determination are rooted in associations with long-ago coaching giants, J. H. (Cap) Shelton and Joe Bailey Cheaney.

The latter was a beloved teacher and coach best known for his work as a race starter at Texas' top track meets. He always had a "mini-sermon" before firing the pistol. "Men, I don't know who is going to hit the string first, but I'm sure of one thing: We're all leaving here at the same time." That's the very thing that defines Noble's life, always fighting for "truth, justice and the American (not the metric) way," whether it's people or pigs.

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## YOUR VIEWS

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The other issue I had with Mrs. Miers letter was her slamming of the city for watering the golf course all of the time. The golf course is watered from a well. This well is contaminated with arsenic and cannot be used for drinking. While I agree it is a bad example to water the streets, I hardly think it matters for this situation. I would also like to point out the lawn at the courthouse is brown and dead. As for the new facility to reclaim waste water for drinking, this water will be as clean as any we have had in the past and will pass the sanitation requirements. Where do you think they release the water from the sanitation facility now? It goes right back into the environment and is cleaned out by nature, then ends up right back in our water table.

Also people, we are in a drought. We must do something or we will have to truck in water like Robert Lee or leave. While my opinion may not matter to anyone but me I still believe before getting into a stir about things people should get the facts. Thank you for your time.

MICHELLE WILSON-SALAZAR  
BIG SPRING

## VA complaint

TO THE EDITOR:

My husband (a veteran) was having real high blood pressure. I called the help line to the VA. I talked to a male nurse and told him how high my husband's blood pressure was. He told me I needed to take him to the ER and I said "there?" (the VA) and he said I would have to take him to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. I asked why and he said there is no ER at the VA. I asked if they were going to open it again and he said no. Then I asked him is the VA going to pay for this, and he said he didn't know.

He said when you get the bill, take it to the VA. It will be considered, then you will be notified.

Why should they take it under

consideration? It should be paid for by the VA, no ifs ands or buts. He is a veteran.

What has happened to this VA? We fought to keep it here and now they have less doctors, no ER. They are remodeling this VA but Why?? They need to use this one to bring in doctors and bring back the ER — don't you think?

Vets have to call and talk to a nurse, tell that nurse what is going on and then they tell them, I'll talk to the doctor and get back with you. They don't call back. You can use urgent care from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. After that, you call the 800 number and talk to a nurse, and if they think you need to go to the ER then they send you to SMMC ER here in Big Spring, but don't pay for it unless you are service-connected.

Well, let me tell you that all our men and women are service connected. I don't care what position they served. I think they are all still considered service connected. They served this great country and still are. We need to treat them with the utmost respect and the upmost care. God bless our veterans.

Oh, I've been waiting to find out if the VA is going to pay for the charges at the ER. Well, guess what? I found out they are not going to pay for my husband's SMMC ER and of course they won't pay for the doctor and the reading of his x-ray and anything else that comes up. of course the yare not going to pay for the doctor and the reading of his x-ray and anything else that comes up.

So guess who is responsible for all these charges — my husband, the veteran. Something needs to be done to improve the quality of help and care for our veterans in Big Spring

JUDI LATIMER  
BIG SPRING

## Mothers

TO THE EDITOR:

Mothers play such a significant role in the lives of their children. This Mother's Day, I

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**LETTERS**

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want to thank my mom, Shellie, for the role she has played in my life.

In May 2006, when I was 16, I was in a terrible car crash. My friend, was driving us to a party and became distracted by her cell phone while she drove down the highway. When she realized she was going to miss our exit she swerved, overcorrected and lost control of the vehicle. The car flipped four times. In that instant, everything changed. I was left to face life as a quadriplegic.

My mother has been by my side and been such a source of strength for me. I sustained brain injuries from the crash, so my mother has helped me remember my experience. It is from her I get the strength to share my story. It is my hope that in sharing what happened to me other teens will learn the dangers of distracted driving.

I recently joined the HEARTS Network, an initiative of The Allstate Foundation and the National Safety Council. HEARTS provides teen crash victims with opportunities to share personal stories and advocate for change. My goal is to change the culture of teen driving and save lives because my mother has saved mine in many ways.

For everything you have done and for all you continue to do, Mom, thank you. Words don't do justice to how much I appreciate all you do for me. Happy Mother's Day.

KATIE MATHEWS  
THE WOODLANDS

**Speaking up**

TO THE EDITOR,

I am writing to speak up for amputees and persons with chronic limb impairment. Several states have taken the extreme steps of trying to modify Medicaid benefits so the state would deny access to artificial limbs. I am asking you to keep this from happening in our state.

Opposing cuts to O&P benefits is an appeal to both fairness and fiscal responsibility. Studies (e.g. "Prosthetic and Orthotic Adult Benefit," Colorado Department of Health Care Policy) have concluded that providing this essential health benefit saves money by helping patients avoid costly co-morbid medical conditions. O&P care permits patients to return to gainful employment and ends their dependency on federal/state assistance programs.

I know the economy is bad and states face serious budgetary crises, I just didn't know things are so bad that states would take artificial limbs from amputees. Thank you for your consideration and any help you can provide to assure this never happens in our state.

PATRICIA HOWELL  
BIG SPRING

**BSHS band receives awards**



Courtesy photos  
Left: The drum majors are holding this year awards. They are from left to right: Catherine Harris, Scarlet Robertson and Belinda Gonzalez. The high school honor band received a Distinguished Performance Award at the State Wind Ensemble Festival in Austin. Top: Four students received Outstanding Performers Award, UIL Gold Medals that are given to state champions. Students names from left to right are: Hunter Mahaney, Chris Nunez, Armando Alaniz and Alejandro Zavala.

**Campaign Conservative or Voting Conservative? You Decide!**

**My opponent, Kel Seliger, doesn't want you paying attention to his voting record. But then again, he probably doesn't want you paying much attention to his campaign promises either.**

**His failing conservative performance** ratings by the top conservative state organizations are:

- Texas Eagle Forum gave him a failing conservative rating of **60**
- Empowered Texans gave him a failing conservative rating of **D+**
- Young Conservatives of Texas gave him a failing conservative rating of **50** and a failing career conservative rating average of **55**.

Among all the State Representatives and Senators the Young Conservatives of Texas listed him as:

- One of the **top 6 Certified RINOs** (Republican In Name Only) in the state.
- Out of all the State Representatives and Senators, the YCT voted Mr. Seliger as one of the **three worst Republicans in Texas**.

Out of **684 roll-call votes**, Mark Jones, chairman of the Political Science Department at Rice University in Houston, determined that, in listing the 19 Senate Republicans from most conservative to least conservative, Mr. Seliger's conservative rating was the third from the bottom of the list.

Maybe he is in favor of "lowering taxes", but just not when serving as a member of the Texas Senate.

- He voted to speed-up the due date for the state's complicated, inefficient, and mostly unfair gross margins tax that punishes start-up business, small businesses, and struggling enterprises. This is the same tax on business that he helped create back in 2006.

- In 2009 he voted for a bill that would have allowed, as a funding option, the ability to hike the gasoline tax by 10 cents a gallon and imposed a radical set of new fees.

Randy has a proven track record for fighting for solid conservative values. As Ector County School Board president, Randy worked to drop the tax rate 2 years in a row and still give teachers a raise.

Randy led the fight against the ACLU's attacks on the elective Bible curriculum that he helped implement and he Worked with the Texas State Board of Education in 2010 to pass a resolution preventing Anti-Christian/Pro-Islamic bias in textbooks.

Randy supports gun rights and a citizen's right to bear arms and strongly believes in the right to life.

**Randy is not a 50%, 60%, or D+ conservative. We need a voting conservative not a campaign conservative representing us in Austin.**

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## Annie's Mailbox

Dear Readers:  
Happy Mother's Day. Please phone your mother, grandmother, mother-in-law, stepmother or foster mother and wish them the best. And please don't forget those for whom this day, for whatever reason, is filled with sadness. Give them a call and say you are thinking of them.



KATHY MITCHELL  
MARCY SUGAR

**Dear Annie:** I received this from a friend and am wondering whether it is complete or whether something was cut off the top. It is profound and very much worth taking note of. — K.G.

**Dear K.G.:** All you were missing was the title. This has appeared in our space before, and we think it's quite appropriate for Mother's Day:

The Time Is Now (author unknown)  
If you are ever going to

love me,  
Love me now, while I can know  
The sweet and tender feelings  
Which from true affection flow.  
Love me now.  
Do not wait until I'm gone  
And then have it chiseled in marble,  
Sweet words on ice cold stone.  
If you have tender thoughts of me  
Please tell me now.  
If you wait until I am sleeping  
Never to awaken,  
There will be death between us  
And I won't hear you then.  
So, if you love me, even a little bit,  
Let me know it while I am living  
So I can treasure it.

**Dear Annie:** I read this years ago and thought it would be a nice addition for Mother's Day. Will you print it again? — Jennie in Ohio

**Dear Jennie:** With pleasure. It's one of our favorites:

Mom and Dad were watching TV when Mom said, "I'm tired and it's getting late. I think I'll go to bed."

She went to the kitchen to make sandwiches for the next day's lunches, rinsed the popcorn bowls, took meat out of the freezer for supper the following evening, checked the cereal box levels, filled the sugar container, put spoons and bowls on the table and set up the coffee pot for brewing the next morning. She then put some wet clothes into the dryer, sewed on a loose button, picked up the newspapers strewn on the floor and the game pieces left on the table and put the telephone book back into the drawer. She watered the plants, emptied a wastebasket, hung up a towel to dry, wrote a note to the teacher and counted out some cash for the kids' field trip. She signed a birthday card for a friend, addressed and stamped the envelope and wrote a quick reminder for the grocery store. She put some water into the dog's dish and put the cat outside, then made sure the doors were locked.

Mom washed her face, put on moisturizer and brushed and flossed her teeth. Her husband called, "I thought you were going to bed." "I'm on my way," she replied. She looked in on each of the children, turned out a bedside lamp, hung up a shirt, threw some dirty socks in the hamper and had a brief conversation with the older one who was up doing homework. In her own room, she set the alarm, laid out clothes for the next day, straightened up the shoe rack and added three chores to her list of things to do tomorrow.

About that time, her husband turned off the TV and announced to no one in particular, "I'm going to bed," and he did.

**Dear Readers:** We know there are fathers who do some of these things, too, and we say, bless every single one of you, and Happy Mother's Day.

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## Odds and Ends

## Man makes amends for stealing plants — in 1958

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — No matter how much digging investigators did, the crime remained open until a thief turned himself in and returned the fruits of his theft.

In this case, the crime was stealing two hydrangeas from Centennial Park in Nashville in May 1958. And the thief, 72-year-old Bill Teitleff of Joy, Ky., returned plants from the root system of the purloined flowers to the park on Thursday.

Teitleff told WSMV-TV in Nashville he took the flowering plant because he didn't have enough money at the time to buy a Mother's Day gift for his mother. At the time of the theft, Teitleff was 18-years-old and just married, but while walking through Centennial Park with his new bride, a criminal plot came to mind.

"They've got the most beautiful, perfectly formed hydrangeas you've ever seen. They were just perfect in rows and pots," Teitleff said.

Running without lights, he and a friend swooped by the park and scooped up two potted hydrangeas.

Eventually, the past caught up with Teitleff and he didn't like how it felt.

"I knew it was wrong. I thought all along that I was borrowing them. But this stayed with me all this time," Teitleff said. "This doesn't clear what I did. ... But this is between me and the people here at the park, and they've accepted wholeheartedly."

## Baby squirrel finds home alongside Michigan cats

BANGOR TOWNSHIP, Mich. (AP) — A baby squirrel is finding a home of sorts alongside a cat and her kittens in Michigan.

Eight-year-old Bailee Schultz heard the squirrel whimpering a few weeks ago in a wooded area of his grandparents' property in Bay County's Bangor Township. Stephanie Box tells MLive.com Bailee brought her to the squirrel, which was under a nest.

Box says she placed the squirrel they call Bushy-tail with her cat, Oreo, who recently gave birth to five kittens. The next day, Box says the squirrel was nursing side-by-side with the kittens.

## ~ Dear Margo ~

## People Don't Have To "Get Over" Everything

**Dear Margo:** Twenty years ago, I lost my job and couldn't find another one. My savings ran out, and bit by bit, I hocked everything until I was left with only the clothes on my back. My mother had a three-bedroom house, but she was dating for the first time since my father died, and when I asked if I could stay with her until I was on my feet, she said it wasn't "a good idea," as "Ed" sometimes spent

the night. I stayed with friends, moving from week to week to avoid wearing out my welcome.

With nowhere to turn, I joined the military. The soonest I could leave for boot camp was four months. To tide me over, I got a job at a fast-food restaurant. I had run through all of my friends' couches and needed a place to stay for just three days until I got my first paycheck. Mom said that even for that short period of time it wasn't "convenient" for me to stay with her. For three nights, I slept in a field. On payday, I rented a room where my neighbors were prostitutes, drug addicts and rats.

Today, I have my own home and a good job. Mom now lives in an independent living complex. She is quickly reaching the point where she will no longer be able to live on her own. If her options are moving to a nursing home or living with me, then she's going into a nursing home. I simply cannot forget our history. What shall I say when she asks why I won't let her live with me? -- Cannot Forget

**Dear Can:** I would tell her "it's not convenient" and perhaps she should call Ed. I totally understand where you're coming from. I have always thought we earn the treatment we get in life. Don't spend a minute feeling guilty. This is a selfish woman with seemingly no motherly instincts. — Margo, guiltlessly

## Write Her Off for the Time Being

**Dear Margo:** My husband and I had our first child six months ago. I work from home and have a relatively flexible schedule, so I'm able to care for the baby during the week with some help from friends and family. My mother works part time and offered to cover one day a week to help out. However, since she started, she has complained to anyone who will listen about how far of a drive it is. She also has made other negative or snarky comments about the effort she's making and what other things she could be doing instead. The situation came to a head recently when she claimed that my husband and I did not show enough appreciation.

Needless to say, I suggested we end the once-a-week arrangement. In a mildly "colorful" conversation, I told her it was difficult to bend over backward thanking her when she is constantly complaining, and that I didn't know what she expected from two new parents trying to adjust to their new lifestyle. Two weeks later, we drove to my parents' town for my 30th birthday dinner, and she didn't show up — only my father did. I'm at a loss as to how to quell the family drama and move forward. — New Mom

**Dear New:** Sorry to state the obvious, but who's the baby here: your infant or your mother? As for managing the family drama, you did the right thing by bagging the weekly granny duty. (Her loss; I would give anything to be within a car ride of "my" new baby.) Moaning and groaning certainly detracts from her "gift" and is the polar opposite of "gracious." Your mother's childish behavior will either fade into the background -- or it won't. I am guessing you could live without the drama quite nicely. — Margo, acceptingly

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Mom & Dad



**TAMMY DOE SR. '12**

I would like to say thank you "Big Spring" for the wonderful benefit you held to help defray medical cost for my kidney transplant. If you participated in any way - THANK YOU! The bake sale, garage sale and the lunch were a huge success. I am in awe of your gifts and your generosity .... I am overwhelmed but so blessed!

I was born and raised in Big Spring but moved to San Angelo eight years ago. Big Spring will always be my "hometown." No where can you find such wonderful caring people as in this area.

Without the support, love and prayers of my friends and family this journey that I am about to embark on would not be possible. I have such an amazing support system! I know that I have been given a miracle. My prayer is that with a new kidney I will have a chance for a healthier life, that I can give back to others and that God will give me the gift of time to be with my family and friends and the privilege of watching my son grow up.

The transplant is scheduled for June 14th in San Antonio. The journey will not be an easy one, but one that is well worth the risk. Please pray for me and for my cousin, Casi Graves. Casi is my "lifesaver" - she is my donor. Her willingness to give me a kidney is the most unselfish act of love. I will forever be grateful to her. Casi is my HERO! Again, I just want to say thank you for the awesome benefit. It was wonderful to see so many of you. The turn out was incredible! I do not know of any other community that would come together the way you did to show your love and support for Casi and I and our families. I am honored and truly blessed. I appreciate everything that you have done.

Sincerely,

Brittney Phillips Smith & Family



# 193 & Counting!



Since taking office, State Senator Kel Seliger has traveled back and forth across his district conducting 193 town hall meetings.

*"This month I'm getting ready for my 194th Town Hall meeting. Even though the district has grown from 26 to 37 counties, I'm reaffirming my pledge to conduct at least one Town Hall in every county every year."*

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### Dear Savvy Senior,

Can you write a column educating patients on how to prepare for doctors appointments? I manage a number of small health clinics, and have found that patients – especially seniors – that come prepared when they visit our doctors are much more satisfied with the care they receive. Thanks for your help.

*Patient Educator*

### Dear Educator,

You're right. Studies have shown that patients who help their doctors by providing important health information and preparing themselves for appointments tend to get better care than patients who don't. Here are some simple things we can all do to help maximize our next visit to the doctor.

#### BEFORE YOUR APPOINTMENT

- Gathering your health information and getting organized before your appointment are the key steps to ensuring a productive meeting with your doctor. This is especially important if you're seeing multiple doctors or are meeting with a new physician for the first time. Specifically, you need to:
  - Get your test results: Make sure the doctor you're seeing has copies of your latest X-ray, MRI or any other test or lab results, including reports from other doctors that you've seen. In most cases, you'll need to do the leg work yourself which may only require a phone call to your previous doctor asking them to send it, or you may need to go pick it up and take it yourself.
  - List your medications: Make a list of all the medications you're taking (prescription drugs, over-the-counter medications, vitamins, minerals and herbal supplements) along with the dosages and take it with you to your appointment. Or, just gather up all your pill bottles and put them in a bag and bring them with you.
  - Gather your health history: Your doctor also needs to know about any previous hospitalizations, as well as any current or past medical problems, even if they are not the reason you are going to the doctor this time. Genetics matter too, so having your family's health history can be helpful. The U.S. Surgeon General offers a free web-based tool called "My Family Health Portrait" (see [familyhistory.hhs.gov](http://familyhistory.hhs.gov)) that can help you put one together.
  - Prepare a list of questions: Make a written list of the top three or four issues you want to discuss with your doctor. Since most appointments last between 10 and 15 minutes, this can help you stay on track and ensure you address your most pressing concerns first. If you're in for a diagnostic visit, you should prepare a detailed description of your symptoms.

#### DURING YOUR APPOINTMENT

The best advice when you meet with your doctor is to speak up. Don't wait to be asked. Be direct, honest and as specific as possible when recounting your symptoms or expressing your concerns. Many patients are reluctant or embarrassed to talk about their symptoms, which makes the doctor's job a lot harder to do. It's also a good idea to bringing along a family member or friend to your appointment. They can help you ask questions, listen to what the doctor is telling you and give you support.

Also consider taking some notes or ask the doctor if you can record the session for later review. If you don't understand what the doctor is telling you, ask him or her to explain it in simple terms so you can understand. And if you run out of time and don't get your questions answered, ask if you can follow up by phone or email, make another appointment, or seek help from the doctor's nurse.

*Savvy tip:* The National Institute on Aging offers a booklet called "Talking With Your Doctor: A Guide for Older People" that provides great information including a variety of questions to ask that can help you be a more informed patient. To get a free copy mailed to you, call 800-222-2225 or visit [www.nia.nih.gov](http://www.nia.nih.gov).

### Dear Savvy Senior,

What resources can you recommend for locating government assistance

programs for seniors? My husband and I have been helping support his mother for the past three years and we can't afford to do it any longer.

*Tapped Out*

### Dear Tapped,

Locating government benefits and financial assistance programs for seniors is actually pretty easy to do thanks to two key resources created by the National Council on Aging (NCOA) and the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (n4a). Here's where you can turn to for help.

#### Online Search

If you have access to the Internet, the easiest and most convenient way to search for benefits for seniors is at [benefitscheckup.org](http://benefitscheckup.org).

Created by the NCOA 10 years ago, BenefitsCheckUp is a free, confidential web-based service that helps low-income seniors and their families identify federal, state and private benefits programs that can help with prescription drug costs, health care, utilities, and other basic needs. This

site contains more than 2,000 programs across the country.

To help identify benefits that could help your mother-in-law, you'll need to fill out an online questionnaire that asks things like her date of birth, zip code, expenses, income, assets, veteran status

and a few other factors. It takes about 15 minutes to complete.

Once completed, you'll get a report detailing all programs and services she may be eligible for. You can also apply for many of the programs online, or you can print an application form, fill it out and mail it in.

#### Phone Assistance

If, however, you don't have Internet access you can also get help over the phone by calling the Eldercare Locator (800-677-1116), which will assign you a counselor to review your mother-in-law's situation, and provide you with a list of possible programs she may be eligible for, and who to contact to get the ball rolling.

#### Types of Benefits

Depending on her income level and where she lives, some of the different benefits that may be available to your mother-in-law include:

- Food Assistance: Programs like the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) can help pay for her groceries. The average monthly SNAP benefit is currently \$119 for seniors living alone. Other programs that may help include the Emergency Food Assistance Program, Commodity Supplemental Food Program, and the Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program.
- Health Assistance: Medicaid and Medicare Savings Programs can help or completely pay for out-of-pocket health care costs. And, there are special Medicaid waiver programs that provide in-home care and assistance.
- Prescription Assistance: There are hundreds of programs offered through pharmaceutical companies, government agencies and charitable organizations that help lower or eliminate prescription drug costs, including the federal Low Income Subsidy known as "Extra Help" that pays premiums, deductibles and prescription copayments for Medicare Part D beneficiaries.
- Heating and Cooling Assistance: There's the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), as well as local utility companies and charitable organizations that provide assistance in lowering home heating and cooling costs.
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI): Administered by the Social Security Administration, SSI provides monthly payments to very low income seniors, age 65 and older, as well as to those who are blind and disabled. The average SSI payment is around \$500 per month.

In addition to these programs, there are numerous other benefits such as HUD housing options, home weatherization assistance, tax relief, various veteran's benefits, transportation, respite care and free legal assistance.

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





## News in brief

### GOP activists to use Obama's support for gay marriage against him, boost Romney's image

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama delighted his liberal base by coming down on the side of gay marriage, but he cheered the opposition, too.

Republican activists now want to use Obama's stance on the issue — public opinion is about evenly split — to paint the president as a flip-flopper and to boost Mitt Romney's image in the eyes of conservatives who are still warming to him.

Yet, across the Republican Party, from leaders to activists interviewed since Obama's announcement, there's been wide agreement to use the gay marriage issue selectively — in battleground states that have banned gay marriage, for example— and keep the GOP's national political focus on Obama's stewardship of the economy.

"I'm going to stay focused on jobs, thanks," House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, said repeatedly when asked about Obama's announcement on gay marriage. "The president can talk about it all he wants. I'm going to stay focused on what the American people want us to stay focused on."

Romney is taking a similar approach, avoiding any discussion of the issue unless he's questioned about it and focusing on the economy.

### Video in name of militant group claims Syria bombings, says were response to regime attacks

BEIRUT (AP) — A video posted online in the name of a shadowy militant group late Friday claimed responsibility for twin suicide bombings in the Syrian capital this week that killed 55 people.

In the video, a group calling itself the Al-Nusra Front says the bombing was in response to attacks on residential areas by the regime of President Bashar Assad.

"We fulfilled our promise to respond with strikes and explosions," a distorted voice says, reading black text that rolls across a white screen while Islamic chanting plays in the background.

The video's authenticity could not be independently verified. The Al-Nusra Front has claimed past attacks through statements posted on militant websites. Little is known about the group, although Western intelligence officials say it could be a front for al-Qaida.

### People around the world feel Obama failed to deliver on promises, but hope he wins second term

(AP) — In Europe, where more than 200,000 people thronged a Berlin rally in 2008 to hear Barack Obama speak, there's disappointment that he hasn't kept his promise to close the military pris-

on at Guantanamo Bay, and perceptions that he's shunting blame for the financial crisis across the Atlantic.

In Mogadishu, a former teacher wishes he had sent more economic assistance and fewer armed drones to fix Somalia's problems. And many in the Middle East wonder what became of Obama's vow, in a landmark 2009 speech at the University of Cairo, to forge a closer relationship with the Muslim world.

In a world weary of war and economic crises, and concerned about global climate change, the consensus is that Obama has not lived up to the lofty expectations that surrounded his 2008 election and Nobel Peace Prize a year later. Many in Asia, Africa, the Middle East and Latin America were also taken aback by his support for gay marriage, a taboo subject among religious conservatives.

But the Democrat still enjoys broad international support. In large part, it's because of unfavorable memories of his Republican predecessor, George W. Bush, and many people would still prefer Obama over his presumptive Republican challenger Mitt Romney.

"We all had high hopes for him," said Filomena Cunha, an office worker in Lisbon, Portugal, who said she's struggling to make ends meet. "But then things got bad and there's not much he can do for us over here."

### \$2 billion loss at JPMorgan triggers calls for tougher regulation of banks

WASHINGTON (AP) — JPMorgan Chase faces intense criticism for claiming that a surprise \$2 billion loss by one of its trading groups was the result of a sloppy but well-intentioned strategy to manage financial risk.

More than three years after the financial industry almost collapsed, the colossal misfire was cited as proof that big banks still do not understand the threats posed by their own speculation.

"It just shows they can't manage risk — and if JPMorgan can't, no one can," Simon Johnson, the former chief economist for the International Monetary Fund, said Friday.

JPMorgan is the largest bank in the United States and was the only major bank to remain profitable during the 2008 financial crisis. That lent credibility to its tough-talking CEO, Jamie Dimon, as he opposed stricter regulation in the aftermath.

But Dimon's contention that the \$2 billion loss came from a hedging strategy that backfired, not an opportunistic bet with the bank's own money, faced doubt on Friday, if not outright ridicule.

### Jurors say Hudson's stardom no factor in convicting ex-in-law for killing mom, brother, nephew

CHICAGO (AP) — Jurors shrugged off Jennifer Hudson's star status and insisted it played no role in their decision to convict her former brother-in-law for slaying the Oscar winner's mother, brother and nephew — a verdict that means the 31-year-old Chicago man will likely spend the rest of his life behind bars.

"This wasn't about her," juror Jacinta Gholston told reporters Friday evening. "It was a case about William Balfour."

Balfour, a former gang member, was convicted on three counts of first-degree murder. He faces a mandatory life prison sentence. Illinois no longer has a death penalty.

Just an hour before their verdict, the jury of 12 sent a note to the judge saying three panelists still weren't convinced of Balfour's guilt. Prosecutors said Balfour shot dead Hudson's family members in an act of spite after his estranged wife at the time, Hudson's sister, Julia Hudson, refused to reconcile.

### Maritime tensions with China bonds Philippines closer to U.S. but brings its own risks

WASHINGTON (AP) — China's assertive behavior is breathing life into America's historically tumultuous relationship with the Philippines.

With Washington turning its attention more to

the Asia-Pacific region, the U.S. and the Philippines last week held the first joint meeting of their top diplomats and defense chiefs. The U.S. increased military aid and resolved to help its ally on maritime security.

The steps came with the Philippines locked in a standoff with China over competing territorial claims in the South China Sea that has stoked passions on both sides. The U.S. is walking a delicate diplomatic line. It doesn't want the dispute to escalate, but it is showing where its strategic interests lie.

The relationship between the U.S. and its former colony thrived during the Cold War but ebbed after nationalist political forces prompted the closure of American military bases in 1992. As the U.S. seeks to build a stronger presence in Southeast Asia, a region it neglected during the past decade of war in Afghanistan and Iraq, the alliance is assuming growing importance.

For its part, the Philippines is looking to Washington and its allies to help equip and train the nation's bedraggled military, to put up a show of resistance to Chinese vessels that frequently sail into waters Manila considers to lie within its exclusive economic zone.

### 3 Boston University students killed, at least 5 injured when minivan crashes in New Zealand

WELLINGTON, New Zealand (AP) — Three Boston University students who were studying in New Zealand were killed Saturday when their minivan crashed. At least five other students from the university were injured in the accident, including one who was in critical condition.

The students were traveling in a minivan at about 7:30 a.m. Saturday near the North Island vacation town of Taupo when the vehicle drifted to the side of the road and then rolled when the driver tried to correct course, New Zealand police said.

Three of the students died at the scene, police said. Another woman was in critical condition at an area hospital, while at least four other students suffered moderate injuries.

Joseph Bergen, the U.S. vice consul in Auckland, New Zealand, identified the deceased students as Daniela Lekhno, Roch Jauberty and Austin Brashers, according to the Boston University website. New Zealand police confirmed their identities.

Another BU student, Margaret Theriault, was airlifted from the crash site to a hospital in Taupo and was in critical condition, the university said.

### Young Seattle cancer patients' 'Stronger' video a big hit; Kelly Clarkson calls effort amazing

SEATTLE (AP) — A video featuring cancer-stricken children, their nurses, doctors and parents lip-synching and dancing to the popular Kelly Clarkson song "Stronger" has become an online sensation.

Clarkson, in her own video message to the children at Seattle Children's Hospital, said it was "amazing."

"It made my day. I know it's making everybody else's day online," Clarkson said in a message posted on her website. "I just can't wait to meet you."

The youngsters, many attached to IVs and holding signs that say "Stronger," "Fighter" and "Hope," dance along with parents and medical staff. One child even rides a bike through the hallways of the hematology oncology floor. The video is part of a creative arts program with cancer patients at Seattle Children's.

The kids' video went online May 6. It was the idea of 22-year-old Chris Rumble, a patient at the hospital who was diagnosed with leukemia in April. He wanted to do something to share with his old hockey team in the central Washington town of Wenatchee.

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# Steers drop series opener in extra innings

By BRIAN MCCORMACK

Sports Editor

ABILENE — If you thought the Big Spring Steers baseball squad was out of their league heading into the second round of playoffs against a solid Mineral Wells team, you were right and wrong.

The Steers lost the game 8-6.

The silver lining? It was a good overall showing for BSHS, and it took 10 innings and a couple of errors for the Rams to finally quiet the Steers and take Game 1 of a three-game stint at McMurry University.

Adam Franco started for the Steers and according to BSHS Coach Bert Otto, "(Franco) pitched well all night."

It was a well-rounded game, but Otto's plan is to work on clutch hitting in order to survive the second game and force the Rams to take to the diamond a third time.

"I thought offensively, we couldn't get the key hits like we normally do," Otto said. "Defensively, we played lights out until the last inning. We made some errors. If you could take that out, we might have won, but unfortunately, you can't do that."

Several Steers chipped in with hits, including a two-run blast by Joseph Morelion.

According to Otto, Garrett Stuteville will be the starting pitcher in Game 2. Should there be a third game, it will likely be Franco taking the mound once again.

Results from the series finale will be in Monday's edition of the *Herald*.

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Big Spring High School's Haegan Rodriguez throws to Joseph Morelion to record an out during a game earlier this season. The Steers dropped the three-game series opener against Mineral Wells 8-6 on Friday in 10 innings at Abilene's McMurry University. Game 2 and 3 (if necessary) will be played Saturday.



HERALD photo/Brian McCormack

Coahoma's Tobi Robinson steps up to the plate during the first outing of a three-game series against Colorado City on Friday at Lubbock Cooper. The Bulldogettes were downed for the third time this season by the Lady Wolves, but will have at least one more game to turn it around.

## Bulldogettes lose to C. City in opener

By BRIAN MCCORMACK

Sports Editor

LUBBOCK — The Coahoma Bulldogettes have been unstoppable since District 3-2A play opened.

That is, unless they are facing the Colorado City Lady Wolves, who seem to have Coach Robb Glasscock's young team stymied.

Coahoma got its third chance to defeat Colorado City on Friday at Lubbock Cooper High School, and once again, the Bulldogettes came out on the short end as they lost Game 1 by a score of 11-1 to open the three-game regional quarterfinal matchup.

Starting as usual from the circle was Coahoma ace Kyla Clanton who gave up an uncharacteristic 11 hits.

Trailing 4-0, the Bulldogettes threatened in the top of the third, when Tobi Robinson singled, Clanton reached on a fielder's choice play and Laurel

Nix got a base hit. Coahoma couldn't bring any runners home, however.

The only run came when cleanup batter Jennifer Castilaw smacked a solo homerun out of the park over the left wall during the top of the fourth inning.

Meanwhile, the Lady Wolves put on an offensive display which began when they scored four runs in their first at-bats of the game.

Coahoma committed five errors to Colorado City's one.

Though down, Coahoma is certainly not out, as they will have a chance to redeem the disastrous first game on Saturday at Lubbock Cooper High School.

A Bulldogette win in Game 2 would force a third and final outing. A loss would end their season.

Coach Robb Glasscock was unavailable for comment at press time.

## Forsan falls to Alpine in first of three

By BRIAN MCCORMACK

Sports Editor

SEMINOLE — After defeating their nemesis, Coahoma, to earn the second seed in District 3-2A softball and beginning the postseason by whalopping Crane, the Forsan Lady Buffaloes had momentum headed into the regional quarterfinal where they drew perennial playoff contender Alpine.

Forsan's offense was quieter than usual in its 3-1 loss to kick off the series which is slated for three games.

Despite dropping the first game, Forsan Coach Shanna Taylor wasn't disappointed in her squad.

"It was one of those weeks," Taylor said.

"I thought they played very well. I wish we had started hitting the ball sooner than we did. I think it's anybody's game."

The Lady Buffs' run came after catcher Kayla Tilley tripled and outfielder Maria Ortiz hit a sacrifice fly to bring her home.

Ashley Buzbee, who had a rough first inning, settled down and allowed no more Lady Buck runs, but the offense couldn't produce the way they usually do.

Taylor cites the weather as part

of the reason Forsan wasn't on top of its game.

"We had to practice in the gym because of the rain," she said. "It threw us off a little. We are going to go out this morning and hit and try to get our timing down a little better."

Buzbee will start Game 2, according to Taylor, with backup hurler Ali Knight ready to go in relief if needed. Knight was responsible for three of the Lady Buffs' five hits.

Adjustments haven't been a priority for Taylor, and she says if there are any changes in Game 2 they will be minor.

"The defense made some outstanding plays," Taylor said. "We just need to hit the ball some more. If we hit the ball to them, maybe they will make an error or two and we can maybe score more runs. We are capable of winning, but at this point, it's really just anybody's game."

The series will wrap up Saturday. Results will be in Monday's *Herald*.

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HERALD file photo

Forsan's Kayla Tilley gets a hit during a game earlier in the season. The Lady Buffs fell to Alpine in the regional quarterfinal opener Friday in Seminole. Forsan can avenge the loss with a win in Game 2.



# Miami's James racks up third NBA MVP award

MIAMI (AP) — LeBron James loves telling the story about his first MVP award.

In James' first season of organized basketball, he was the best player on an undefeated team, but everyone on the roster got an MVP trophy from coach Frank Walker Sr.

"Right then and there, I knew that this is what I wanted to do," James said Friday.

On Saturday, the Miami Heat forward was set to get another MVP award — one that puts him on a list alongside seven of the game's absolute greats.

A person familiar with the decision told The Associated Press that James will be announced as the winner of the NBA's top individual honor, and that he'll be formally presented the trophy by Commissioner David Stern on Sunday afternoon before Miami faces Indiana in Game 1 of their Eastern Conference semifinal series.

James is winning the award for the third time in four seasons. Only Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Michael Jordan, Bill Russell, Wilt Chamberlain, Larry Bird, Magic Johnson and Moses Malone have won at least that many MVP trophies.

Abdul-Jabbar won six times, Jordan and Russell five times each, Chamberlain four times. After this weekend, they'll be the only players with more than James.

"I think LeBron is an MVP candidate every year," Boston Celtics coach Doc Rivers said last month.

"It's just who he is. He only does everything. So I don't know what more you can ask from him.

"LeBron, to me, is the favorite every year. The years he doesn't win it, it'll usually be because people are just tired of voting for him. Statistically, if you go all-around game, I don't know how you don't vote for him every year."

James said last week that while another MVP award "would be amazing and would be humbling," it's not what drives him.

In his ninth season, James still has not won an NBA title and it's clear that, although he wanted to reclaim the MVP trophy, winning a championship is far and away his top basketball priority.

"I think he's probably as committed as he's ever been in his career," Heat coach Erik Spoelstra said this week, asked to summarize James' season. "And he's always been committed. ... We all respond to his energy on the court."

A news conference was scheduled to take place on the court at AmericanAirlines Arena after Saturday's Heat practice.

James averaged 27.1 points, 7.9 rebounds and 6.2 assists — making him only the fourth player with those totals in at least two seasons, according to STATS LLC, joining Oscar Robertson (five times), John Havlicek (twice) and Bird (twice).

Add James' 53 percent shooting and 1.9 steals per game into the mix, and

the club gets even more exclusive. Only Jordan had a season with numbers exceeding what James did this season in those categories — 1988-89, when he averaged 32.5 points, eight rebounds, eight assists and 2.9 steals on 54 percent shooting.

And Jordan wasn't even the MVP that year, the trophy going to Johnson instead.

Voting results will be announced Saturday as well. Oklahoma City's Kevin Durant was widely expected to be James' top competition for the MVP, after winning the NBA scoring title for a third straight season. Chris Paul of the Los Angeles Clippers, Kobe Bryant of the Los Angeles Lakers and Tony Parker of the San Antonio Spurs also had seasons that generated some MVP buzz.

James' teammates also lobbied for him to be defensive player of the year this season, noting that probably no one else in the league routinely plays four positions on offense while sometimes being asked to guard anyone from a point guard to a center on defense. James was fourth in that balloting.

"LeBron has been unbelievable," Heat guard Dwyane Wade told The AP before the playoffs. "He's done it at both ends, every night, offensively and defensively."

Last season's MVP, Derrick Rose of the Chicago Bulls, appeared in only 39 of 66 regular-season games this season because of a variety of injuries. His season ended in Game 1 of

the Bulls' first-round series against Philadelphia, when he tore a knee ligament.

Many in the Heat organization thought James should have won the award a year ago as well, when he dealt with constant fallout from "The Decision" to leave the Cleveland Cavaliers as a free agent and sign with Miami, where he, Wade and Chris Bosh formed a "Big Three" that has been celebrated at home and reviled in just about every other NBA arena.

James has said he played more out of anger and to silence criticism than anything else last season.

So this season, his mindset changed, with him trying to revert to old ways, first as a superstar-in-waiting at St. Vincent-St. Mary High School in his hometown of Akron, Ohio, then during his seven seasons with the Cavaliers.

It apparently worked.

"I wanted to get back to who I was as a person," James said.

It's the first time that the Heat will be hosting an MVP celebration.

Shaquille O'Neal won his only MVP award before coming to Miami, and James won the 2009 and 2010 trophies with the Cavaliers — receiving 225 of a possible 244 first-place votes in those seasons.

The NBA MVP trophy is named for Maurice Podoloff, the league's first commissioner. Heat assistant coach Bob McAdoo won the award once, for the Buffalo Braves in 1975.

## Grizzlies force Game 7 against Clippers

LOS ANGELES (AP) — This time, the fourth quarter belonged to the Memphis Grizzlies.

Long the domain of the Clippers' Chris Paul, it was the Grizzlies who rallied in the closing minutes to beat Los Angeles 90-88 and force a decisive seventh game in their playoff series.

Marc Gasol and Zach Randolph worked their inside-out game to perfection on a night when Paul and Blake Griffin were limited by injuries and the Clippers' bench couldn't quite put them over the top.

"This one has to hurt," Paul said. "If it doesn't hurt, it means you don't care."

Gasol scored 23 points, Randolph had 18 points and 16 rebounds, and Rudy Gay and Mike Conley added 13 points each to help the Grizzlies win for the first time in the Western Conference series at Staples Center and stave off elimination.

"We were very focused on our task defensively and that's a big reason we won," said Gasol, whose brother Pau will play a Game 7 with the Los Angeles Lakers against

Denver at Staples on Saturday night. "We were way more disciplined. The whole team is doing a better job of finding me in the post."

Griffin scored 17 points despite a sprained left knee that limited his jumping ability, and Eric Bledsoe added 14 off the bench to lead the Clippers, who blew an eight-point lead in the fourth along with a second consecutive chance to close out what would have been a landmark playoff victory for the beleaguered franchise.

"Right now is not the time to start pointing the finger," Griffin said.

Paul scored 11 points playing with a strained right hip flexor and a jammed right middle finger.

"I didn't know he was hurt," Randolph said. "Everybody's hurting. My knee is hurting. I ain't looking for no excuse. You got to put that in the back and keep playing."

The Clippers are seeking just the third playoff series win in franchise history. Game 7 will be Sunday in Memphis.

"It's uncharted territory for us as a team,"

Clippers second-year coach Vinny Del Negro said. "We got to stay together, battle through it and give our best effort of the season."

Only eight teams in NBA history have come back from a 3-1 deficit to win a seven-game series. Top-seeded San Antonio awaits the winner in the conference semifinals.

"All of this means nothing because it's a one-game series," Memphis coach Lionel Hollins said. "Everyone has a chance to win."

Tied 66-all starting the fourth, the Clippers scored 10 straight to take their first lead since the game's opening minutes, led by Bledsoe's six points.

"It was looking bleak at that time," Hollins said.

Memphis went on a 17-4 run, including 10 straight points, to take an 85-80 lead. Gay scored five in a row as the Clippers missed and Randolph came up with a big block. Conley hit a 3-pointer and Randolph tipped in the ball to close out the spurt.

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## Woods on fringe of contention at The Players Championship

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AP Sports Writer

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. — Tiger Woods' biggest problem Friday was a broken right shoe.

It turned out to be a quick fix.

If he keeps playing the way he did in the second round at The Players Championship, he might be able to say the same about his golf game.

Woods made four consecutive birdies after a shoe swap in the sixth fairway, shot a 4-under 68 and put himself on the edge of contention heading into the weekend. He was at 2-under 142, six shots behind leaders Zach Johnson, Kevin Na and Matt Kuchar.

"I'm still with a good chance," Woods said.

He hasn't been able to realistically say that for weeks. Woods had gone nine rounds without shooting in the 60s. After winning the Arnold Palmer Invitational, he struggled at the Masters and missed the cut at Quail Hollow last week. After spraying the ball around in the opening round at TPC Sawgrass, he was in danger of missing consecutive cuts for the first time in his career.

A burst of birdies changed everything.

It started with his best shot of the week, a 5-wood into a stiff breeze on the par-3 eighth that caught a slope on the edge of the green and rolled 8 feet from the flag. That was the first of four straight birdies, and when his tee shot to the island-green 17th settled at the very back of the green, he was no longer in danger of going home early again.

"I probably could have gotten one or two more out of (the round)," said Woods, who broke an eyelet on his right shoe on the fifth tee. "But I really played well. I was just very consistent. Nothing spectacular, just real solid golf."

Woods signed a few autographs after his round and headed to the range to fine-tune his swing.

Some of golf's other big names headed home.

Rory McIlroy stumbled to a 76 and became the first player at No. 1 in the world ranking to miss the cut at Sawgrass since Greg Norman in 1996. Steve Stricker had made a

PGA Tour-leading 49 cuts in a row until he shot 74 and ended a streak that began in August 2009.

Just about everyone who remains has a chance going into the weekend, including Woods and Phil Mickelson. They were six shots behind. But they are chasing the gang from Sea Island — home of Kuchar and Johnson, along with PGA Tour rookie Harris English, who was one shot out of the lead.

Johnson made five birdies on the back nine, but bogeyed the 18th hole, though he matched the best score of the second round with a 66. Kuchar, who made a strong run at the Masters last month, played bogey-free over his last 13 holes for a 68. Na started the back nine with three straight birdies for a 69.

"It's fun to be back in position with a chance to win again," Kuchar said.

They were at 8-under 136, meaning only eight shots separate first from worst going into the final 36 holes on a most unpredictable Stadium Course. The top 14 players on the leaderboard were separated by three strokes.

English birdied the 17th and 18th for a 67, while the group at 6-under 138 included past champion Adam Scott (70).

Martin Laird was solid for 33 holes and was the only player to reach double digits under par for the week. He was at 10 under with three holes to play when he lost four shots down the stretch. His hopes for eagle turned into bogey with a 4-iron into the water on the 16th, and he dunked one on No. 17 for double bogey.

The good news?

"I'm glad it happened on Friday and not on Sunday," said Laird, whose 73 put him in a large group two shots behind.

Ben Curtis and FedEx Cup champion Bill Haas were in the group at 5-under 139. Those at 3-under 141 included Quail Hollow playoff winner Rickie Fowler and Luke Donald, who at least has a chance to go back to No. 1 in the world now that McIlroy has missed the cut, and Lee Westwood.

Woods was right behind them.

"It was fun to see him kind of get things going, and it looked like he freed up a little bit and started playing some golf," said Fowler, who played the first two rounds with Woods. "You know, he's hitting a lot of good shots and hitting a lot of good putts."

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# Hamilton, Rangers roll over Los Angeles

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Josh Hamilton stood in the Texas outfield as the cheers got louder and louder. It was the first time the slugger really didn't know what to do.

Already with two homers in the first game back since a four-homer performance on the road earlier this week, Hamilton no longer could suppress a smile. He acknowledged the ovation with a wave of his glove.

"That was cool," Hamilton said after the Rangers beat the Los Angeles Angels 10-3 on Friday night. "You don't know what to do in that instance because it was in the middle of a game."

Yu Darvish struck out seven while C.J. Wilson faced only five batters in his first game against his old team, forced out by a one-hour, 56-minute rain delay in the first inning.

Darvish (5-1), signed by the Rangers after they let Wilson go, worked into the sixth. His 93rd and final pitch came four hours after his first one.

"Yu pitched great. I was proud of him coming back out there and sticking it out, doing what he's got to do," Hamilton said.

"That says to his teammates about him as a player and a com-

petitor to go back out and do that."

Both of Hamilton's solo homers came after the rain stopped.

Before the delay, Texas already led against Wilson (4-3), the Rangers' No. 1 starter last season who left in free agency after their second consecutive World Series appearance.

The left-hander won't have to wait long for another chance because he's scheduled to start Saturday's game.

"Two hours is too long for C.J. to go back out," Angels manager Mike Scioscia said, "and he felt really strong that he could come back and start (Saturday), and we felt that was the best option."

Hamilton became only the 16th player in major league history with four homers in a game when he accomplished the feat Tuesday night in Baltimore.

Mitch Moreland also homered for Texas in the seventh, when Rangers fans started chanting "We want C.J.!" with a rhythmic clap.

Moreland entered in the first when he hit for catcher Yorvit Torrealba, who had a head contusion after he was struck by the splintered bat of Albert Pujols. Torrealba said after the game he

felt fine.

Hamilton hit a towering drive in the second inning, then lined a shot into the right-field seats in the fourth to make it 9-2. He has eight homers in his past five games.

"He's as locked in as any hitter can be right now," Scioscia said.

The slugger, who is eligible for free agency after the season, leads the majors with his .407 batting average, 17 homers and 40 RBIs.

The Rangers, citing baseball-reference.com, said Hamilton is only the third player since 1918 with 17 homers in his team's first 33 games, and he missed three of those with back stiffness. The others were Cy Williams for the Philadelphia Phillies in 1923 and Frank Howard for the Washington Senators in 1968.

Darvish, coming off his first loss Sunday at Cleveland, walked three and gave up three hits. During the rain delay, he kept throwing every 15 minutes.

"He wanted to pitch. He said he showed up today to pitch. He didn't show up today to go out there for one inning and call it quits," Texas manager Ron Washington said. "He was mentally prepared to pitch against the Angels."

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# Seau buried in hometown of San Diego

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Thousands of fans got the chance to cheer one more time for Junior Seau at the stadium where he starred for 13 seasons.

Hours after Seau was buried in his hometown Friday, a crowd estimated at 20,000 attended a public memorial service at Qualcomm Stadium for the hard-hitting, fist-pumping linebacker. Many wore Seau's No. 55 — in Chargers blue, Southern California cardinal and gold and Miami Dolphins aqua and orange. One of Seau's cousins wore a jersey combining the colors of all three of his pro teams, including the New England Patriots.

Former NFL safety John Lynch led a shout-out of "Buddy!" — Seau's greeting to friends and strangers alike.

"I love it," Lynch said.

"He was a good and loyal friend," said former teammate LaDainian Tomlinson, who drew some of the biggest cheers of the night as he spoke. "Notice the words I said: good and loyal."

Chargers President Dean Spanos made official what many had known since Seau left after the 2002 season, that No. 55 will never be worn by another Chargers player.

Among those attending were Seau's parents, his former wife and their children, several current and former Chargers, and former rival John Elway. Elway, who now runs Denver's front office, was accompanied by new Broncos quarterback Peyton Manning and coach John Fox, a former assistant with San Diego.

Seau's No. 55 was painted at midfield.

Seau committed suicide on May 2 at his Oceanside home. He played parts of 20 seasons in the NFL.

After a private funeral earlier Friday, Seau was buried at Eternal Hills cemetery.

Chargers chaplain Shawn Mitchell opened the service with a prayer.

"Junior, we don't know if you can see this down here, but tonight's your night."

Said Hall of Fame quarterback Dan Fouts: "Our paths never crossed on the field, but boy could we have used him with the offense of Air Coryell. I'm also glad I never had to play against him. I could just imagine the thought of him sacking me, then standing over me and dancing all over me."

Someone yelled, "Ask Elway!"

Fouts called it a "classy move" for Elway, Manning and Fox to attend, and the crowd cheered.

Seau didn't leave a suicide note.

"No doubt this is a tragedy," Fouts said. "A tragedy for the community of San Diego, for Chargers fans and football fans everywhere. And with all tragedies, there are lessons to be learned, lessons that must be learned by all of us. The lesson here is, if you need help, get help. It's out there. All you have to do is swallow your pride and ask for it. We all need help at times. We can all do a better job of helping each other."

Former teammate Billy Ray Smith, a fellow linebacker, told the crowd: "I want to make sure you

know, Junior Seau loved you guys; loved you all. I'm real sure that you loved No. 55 as well. Is that correct? He was a great friend a great teammate and I will miss him forever. Rest in peace."

Bobby Ross, the only coach to get the Chargers to the Super Bowl, told a Seau "bounty" story from the 1990s, when Stan Humphries was throwing long passes during pregame warmups near the stands. One of the Raiders fans was dressed up in a garish football outfit that included shoulder pads and a helmet.

"I said, 'Stan, what the hell's going on?'" Ross said. "And he said, 'I've got to tell you, coach, Junior told me if I hit that guy in the stands, he'd give me \$1,000.'"

Ross recalled Seau's many charitable contributions to the community.

"I don't believe there's a player who played in the National Football League who has done for a city what Junior Seau has done for San Diego," Ross said.

"Junior, we know that you're with our maker, up there with our heavenly father," Ross added. "We know that. Look out for our guys who have also left. Look out for our guys."

Ross then mentioned the other seven players from San Diego's 1994 team who have died: David Griggs, Doug Miller, Rodney Culver, Chris Mims, Curtis Whitley, Shawn Lee and Lew Bush, as well as former equipment manager Sid Brooks.

Tomlinson recalled how impossible it was to block Seau during practice, and how it inspired him to lift weights.

"But lucky enough, he was on my team," Tomlinson said to loud applause.

Tomlinson spoke directly to Seau's parents, telling them: "Mama Seau, Papa Seau, it's time for you to take a bow. Why?

Because of everything that you instilled in Junior, and taught him and told him to go out and be happy and do happy, he did that. He instilled in everybody he touched, the things you taught him. So don't be sad today, be happy because Junior lives through us every day in everything he's touched."

Then, reciting the names of Seau's children, who were seated in the front row, Tomlinson said: "Go make your father proud. He'll live through you. Thank you, Junior."



By Steve Becker

## Diagnostic Analysis

West dealer.  
East-West vulnerable.

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♥ 2  
♦ A K 9  
♣ A K 10 7

**WEST**  
♠ K J  
♥ A K J 9 6 5  
♦ J 6 5 2  
♣ 8

**EAST**  
♠ 9 7 5  
♥ 10 8 4 3  
♦ 10 8  
♣ Q J 6 3

**SOUTH**  
♠ Q 6 3  
♥ Q 7  
♦ Q 7 4 3  
♣ 9 5 4 2

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

Opening lead — king of hearts.

This deal demonstrates how a declarer can take advantage of the knowledge he has acquired during the bidding and play to bring in a seemingly unworkable contract. West led the king of hearts and shifted to a low diamond at trick two. Declarer won with dummy's king, cashed the ace of spades, catching West's jack, and continued with a

low spade to the queen. West took the king and led another diamond.

Declarer put up dummy's ace, East contributing the ten, and was now in excellent position to judge West's distribution. West had started with two spades, at least six hearts, most likely four diamonds to the jack and, therefore, at most one club.

So, after cashing the ten of spades, declarer cashed another spade. This forced East to discard a heart as South discarded a club. Now the ace-of-clubs play from dummy, on which West produced the eight, convinced South that West had started with 2-6-4-1 distribution.

This assumption was confirmed when declarer next led a diamond to his queen, forcing East to discard still another heart. South then ruffed the queen of hearts with dummy's last trump as East followed with his last heart.

Everyone was down to three cards at this point. Dummy had the K-10-7 of clubs, East the Q-J-6 and South the 9-5 of clubs and seven of diamonds. The seven-of-clubs lead from dummy then compelled East to win and yield the last two tricks to dummy's K-10, and the game was home.

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# Judge tosses suit against SU, Boeheim

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — A judge on Friday threw out a defamation lawsuit brought against Syracuse University and men's basketball coach Jim Boeheim by two men who said the Hall of Fame coach slandered them when he said their accusations of sexual abuse against former associate head coach Bernie Fine were driven by greed.

Two former team ball boys, Bobby Davis and Michael Lang, accused Fine of sexually abusing them more than 20 years ago.

When the allegations surfaced in November, Boeheim vehemently supported Fine, a friend for more than 40 years and his assistant for 35-plus seasons. Boeheim told ESPN that Davis was telling "a bunch of a thousand lies" and called him an opportunist looking to cash in on the publicity surrounding the Penn State sex-abuse scandal.

Supreme Court Justice Brian DeJoseph, a graduate of Syracuse University and its law school, ruled Friday that Boeheim's comments were not statements of fact but were opinions that are protected from defamation suits.

"The content, tone and purpose of Boeheim's statements would clearly signal to the reasonable reader that what was being said in the articles published in the days after the initial ESPN report were likely to be an opinion — a biased, passionate, and defensive point of view of a basketball coach — rather than objective fact," DeJoseph wrote in his 30-page decision. "It is clear to this court that Boeheim provided a factual basis

for his opinion. He provided a ... reasonably accurate version of those facts."

Davis, 40, and Lang, 45, hired high-profile attorney Gloria Allred and filed the lawsuit in late December. Late Friday, Allred vowed to appeal the ruling.

"When Bobby Davis came forward years ago and complained about sexual abuse he was ignored," Allred said in an email statement.

"When the allegations were made public he was attacked. It is difficult enough for victims of childhood sexual abuse to come forward. This decision sends the message that you can attack the alleged victim and call him a liar with impunity. It makes it even harder for victims to come forward."

A call seeking comment from Davis was not immediately returned.

"We are gratified by the court's decision dismissing this lawsuit," university spokesman Kevin Quinn said.

Boeheim, who was out of town attending meetings in Indianapolis, declined to comment through the university's sports information office. A call to his attorney, Timothy Murphy, was not immediately returned.

Victims advocates reacted angrily to Boeheim's initial comments and called for him to resign or be fired. He apologized twice within a week of Fine's firing on Nov. 27, saying he was wrong to question the motives of the accusers.

# GRIZZLIES

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"We stuck together and finished the game," Randolph said. "That's what coach has been preaching."

Griffin made two free throws before Randolph scored for an 87-82 lead.

Conley fouled Paul, and he missed the first and made the second to leave Los Angeles trailing 87-83 with 56 seconds left.

The Clippers were forced to keep fouling, and the Grizzlies made 3 of 8 to stay alive.

The Clippers' Caron Butler missed a 3-pointer with 14 seconds to go as red-clad fans headed for the exits before Randy Foye hit a 3 with 3 seconds left.

Paul blamed himself for two fourth-quarter turnovers that led to Grizzlies baskets.

"I got to do better," he said.

"We didn't want to go back to Memphis, not 'til sometime next season."

Memphis opened the second half on a 12-8 run to extend its lead to 54-46, with Randolph having six points and Gasol four.

Los Angeles answered with Paul bookending a 14-6 spurt that tied the game at 60. Griffin and DeAndre Jordan got in two huge dunks before Paul's jumper from the right corner brought the Clippers all the way back from an eight-point deficit earlier in the quarter.

Paul said he began the game favoring his injured hip, while Griffin was trying to feel out his bum knee.

"I tried not to pick and choose (movements)," Griffin said. "Sometimes there was a move I could normally make but not in these circumstances."

Butler's 3-pointer gave the Clippers their first lead, 63-62, since the game's opening minutes. Griffin took the ball away from Gasol and fed Bledsoe for a layup that tied the game at 66 going into the fourth quarter.

"We just kept battling," Hollins said. "Our defense started collapsing and not giving them anything. That was the key."

The Grizzlies led by nine points in the first half, when they outrebounded the Clippers. Paul twice drew the Clippers within one in the second quarter before Gasol's three-point play extended Memphis' lead to 42-38 at the break.

Paul and Griffin combined for 12 points and six rebounds in the half, with Paul playing 18 minutes and Griffin 15. The Grizzlies had 13 turnovers in the half, when neither team shot well.

Notes: Gasol said he and his brother's respective Game 7s on Sunday would be watched in their home country of Spain.

"They do love basketball," he said.

"We got a whole country behind us." ... Reggie Evans was called for a technical in the second quarter, the 20th of the series and 13th for the Clippers.

Mo Williams, who scored 20 points for the Clippers in Game 5, had the middle and ring fingers of his right shooting hand taped and he scored just two points.

The Clippers' bench outscored Memphis' reserves for the fourth time in the series, 34-15.

The Clippers fell to 2-3 in the sixth game of a playoff series. ...

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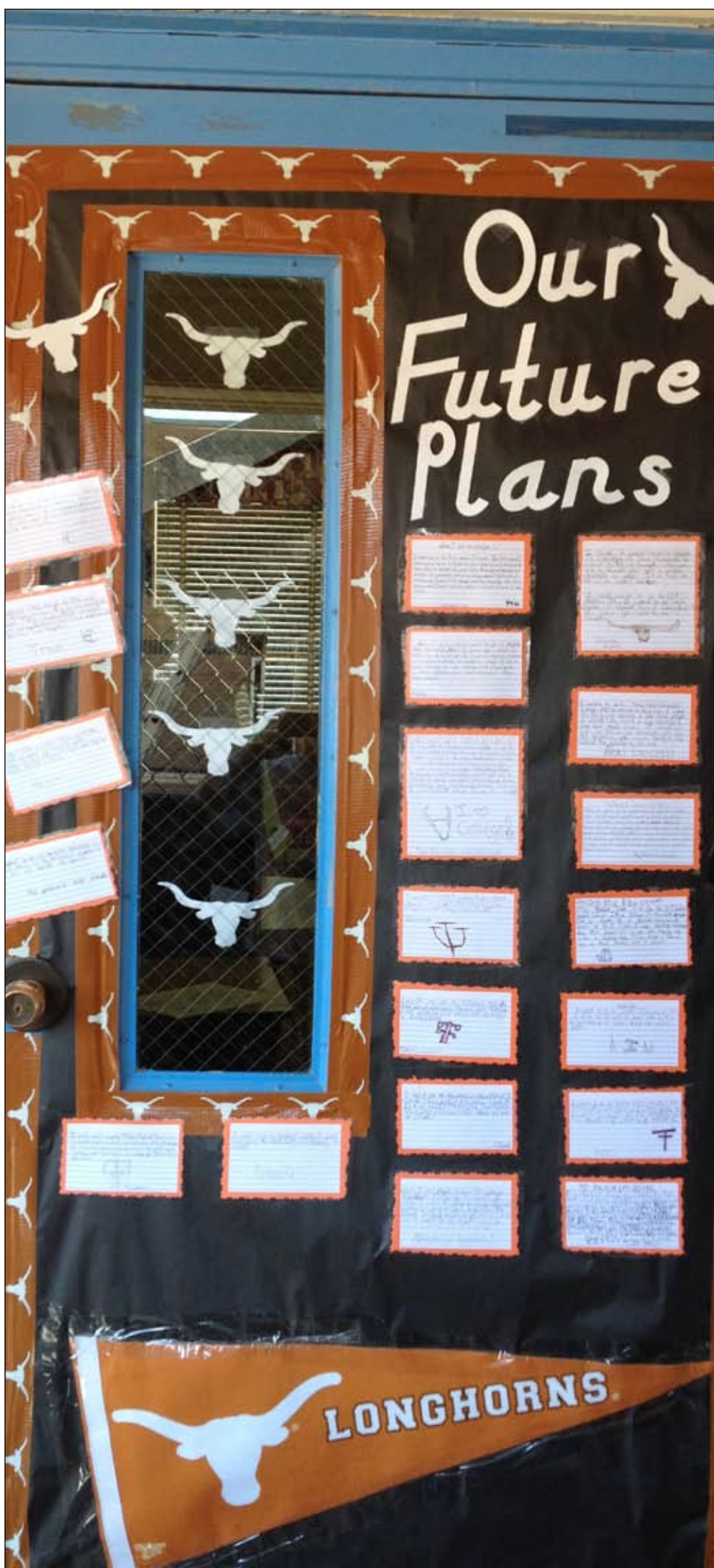
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# College Days: Looking to the future

Courtesy photos

Students at Washington Elementary took part in learning about College and Career Awareness Week.

Throughout the week, several speakers visited the students about college and future plans. On top of college professionals, such as Dean of Students at Howard College Jeff Ward and Howie the Hawk, local business professionals spoke to the students as well.

"The speakers talked to the students about what they can do now to prepare for their future, such as make good grades, listen to the teacher, turn in homework and always treat people with respect," Chandra Brooks, school counselor, said.

In addition to the class visits, teachers incorporated activities into classroom assignments. Some used color pages and had students write about what they wanted to be when they grew up. Virtual tours were also taken of colleges and the week ended with students wearing their favorite college T-shirt.



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## Halfmann receives scholarship

SAN ANTONIO – Reggie Halfmann of Garden City, Texas, was selected to receive the 2012 All American Scholar Award sponsored by Catholic Life Insurance, the nation's eighth largest fraternal life insurer. Each year, Catholic Life awards 35 scholarships worth \$1,000 each to graduating high school seniors who excel in their academic studies and dedicate themselves to making a difference in their communities through active volunteerism.

The All American Scholar Award was designed to offset tuition costs for young Catholic Life members attending an accredited college or university in the fall semester immediately following their senior year of high school. This award recognizes those special individuals who have dedicated their valuable time and efforts to helping others while remaining devoted to their academic studies and Catholic Life Insurance strives to reward this high degree of selfless commitment.

Halfmann, who plans to attend Texas Tech University in Lubbock, is the son of Nathan and Gena Halfmann. Halfmann submitted an impressive resume of extracurricular activities which includes football, basketball, FFA, UIL Academics, Student Council, National Honor Society and 4-H Livestock

Judging. He has volunteered with the Glasscock County Community Center, St. Lawrence Catholic Church, American Cancer Society Relay for Life and the Catholic Youth Organization (CYO).

Other 2012 recipients include: Kyndal Bippert of Floresville, Alysson Bluhm of Hobson, Heath Farrell and Emily Thompson of Houston, Kalla Gaertner of Moulton, Caleb Green and Brittany Palmer of San Antonio, Hunter Haas of Bellaire, Troy Halfmann and Kimberlyn Schwartz of San Angelo, Karlynn Hartman of Umbarger, Sarah Hermes of Victoria, Brooke Hoelscher of Temple, Stewart Hohensee of Paint Rock, Lauren Howes of Adkins, Kaitlyn Jarzombek and Scott Lyssy of Falls City, Kali Kocian of Shiner, Eli Kresta of El Campo, Alyson Lyssy and Kelsey Ricketson of Midland, Samantha Moore of Cedar Creek, Cole Mund and Ashley Pesek of Needville, Abbey Multer of Rowena, Margaret O'Neil of Columbus, Dylan Reiley of League City, Riley Rycketsky of Robstown, Brittney Schreiber, Lucas Veitenheimer, Harlee Vieth and Mary Wolf of Windthorst, Dava Smetana of Eola, and Hannah Treptow of Hallettsville.

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## Local students graduate from UTPB

On Saturday, May 12, 2012, 339 students at The University of Texas of the Permian Basin will receive diplomas during commencement. The ceremony will be held outside on campus in the grassy quad area between the Mesa, Science and Tech, Student Activities and Library Buildings. In the event of inclement weather, the ceremony will be moved under the Mesa deck.

Among those graduates are the following from Big Spring: Lisa Kay Brown, Blaine Lee Roman, Chelsey Jean Nanny, Monique Garcia, Stephen Christopher Ewing, Joshua Joaquin Torres, Swapnali Manoj Katakdaunde and Marsha E. Sturdivant.

## Weddings

Jamie Long of Big Spring and Brian Wills of Austin exchanged wedding vows at 6 p.m. Nov. 26, 2011. The ceremony was held at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring and was officiated by Dr. Randy Cotton. The bride was given away by her parents, Frank and Glenda Long.

The bride is the daughter of Frank and Glenda Long of Big Spring. She is the granddaughter of Elbert and Monohn Long and Wanda Jones of Big Spring and Jackie Jones of Rockwall, Texas and the late Glen Jones.

The groom is the son of Charles and Barbara Wills of Eules, Texas. He is the grandson of Mary V.C. and the Donald H. Wills and Burton and Ruth Stein, all deceased.

A string quartet from Lubbock performed music for the ceremony. The Revelation Song was played during the lighting of the unity candle. The scripture reading was performed by Kara Green of Houston, sister of the groom.

The bride wore a Midgley Couture designer wedding dress. The form-fitting style in Demir Satin featured a heavily pleated bodice that descends below the waist and cascades into an asymmetrically draped A-lined skirt. A glistening band of beaded embellishments illuminated the natural waist. The bride's veil was chapel length and trimmed with rhinestones. She carried a bouquet of pink peonies.

The matrons of honor were Kimberly Nelson of Frisco and Tracy Crow of Austin, sisters of the bride. Bridesmaids were Abby Carter



Mrs. Brian Wills

of Lubbock; Stephanie Weichman of Dallas and Colleen Borsh of Dallas, all friends of the bride. They wore long, strapless pink champagne dresses accented with a gray velvet ribbon by Vera Wang. They carried bouquets of white hydrangeas.

Andrew Nelson of Frisco, nephew of the bride, served as ring bearer. Bell ringers were Austin Nelson of Frisco and Tanner Crow of Austin, nephews of the bride.

Best man was Kevin Wills of Eules, Texas, twin brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Cole Morrison of Royce City, Texas; Joe Longnecker of Lubbock; Jason Allen of Austin; Brian Bedford of Austin; all friends of the groom.

Ushers were Aman Johnson of Austin; James Borski of Bryan, Texas; Alfonso Esenganzang of Lubbock; all

friends of the groom.

A reception was held at the Courtyard in Big Spring. The bride's cake was a three-tier yellow cake with royal pink icing detailed with hand iced decorative lace trim. Grooms table featured seven different flavors of cake balls made by the groom's mother.

The bride is a 2002 Big Spring High School graduate. She received her bachelors of interior design from Texas Tech University in 2006. She is employed at JEI Designs in Austin.

The groom is a 2002 Eules Trinity High School graduate. He received his bachelors of environmental design from Texas A&M University in 2006. Masters of architecture at Texas Tech University in 2010. He is employed at Flazio Architects of Austin.

The couple will honeymoon in the fall with a trip to Europe. They will make their home in Austin.

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# Menus

## Coahoma ISD

Monday: Breakfast: waffles, sausage, syrup, variety juice, milk. Lunch: hamburgers, chips, salad trays, apples, milk.  
 Tuesday: Breakfast: donuts, ham, apple juice, milk. Lunch: chicken patty on bun, baked beans, pineapples, pickle spears, milk. Corn dogs.  
 Wednesday: Breakfast: pop tarts, grape juice, milk. Lunch: meat loaf, creamed potato, green beans, bread, milk. Sloppy joe.  
 Thursday: Breakfast: biscuits, gravy, sausage, syrup, grape juice, milk. Lunch: baked ham, mac and cheese, corn, oranges. Burritos.  
 Friday: Breakfast: pancake sausage on a stick, syrup, fruit, milk. Lunch: taco beef pie, ranch beans, pickle spears, fruit, milk. Hot pockets.

## Sands CISD

Monday: Breakfast: biscuit and gravy. Lunch: chicken spaghetti, tossed salad, frozen cherry bar, Texas toast, cookie and milk.  
 Tuesday: Breakfast: muffin, juice and milk. Lunch: corn dogs, oven fries, baked beans, orange smile and milk.  
 Wednesday: Breakfast: honey bun, juice and milk. Lunch: chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, carrot coins, applesauce, roll and milk.  
 Thursday: Breakfast: breakfast pizza, juice and milk. Lunch: hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, baked chips, sliced peaches and milk.  
 Friday: Breakfast: cereal, yogurt, juice and milk. Lunch: peanut butter and jelly sandwich, cheese stick, carrots with ranch, apple, cookie and milk.

## Forsan ISD

Breakfast  
 Monday: honeybun, juice, milk.  
 Tuesday: scrambled eggs, toast, juice, milk. Alt. Cereal.  
 Wednesday: biscuit, sausage, juice, milk. Alt. Cereal.  
 Thursday: sausage on a stick, juice, milk. Alt. Cereal.  
 Friday: cereal, toast, juice, milk.

Elbow Lunch  
 Monday: chicken fajitas, refried beans, seasoned corn, rosie applesauce, milk.  
 Tuesday: cheeseburger, lettuce, tomato, pickle, baby carrot dippers, funyuns, pineapple delight, milk.  
 Wednesday: chicken spaghetti, cooked carrots, garlic toast, orange smiles, milk.  
 Thursday: nachos grande, Spanish rice, lettuce and tomato, frozen fruit cup, milk.  
 Friday: chili macaroni, green beans, Texas toast, peaches and cream, milk.  
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 Tuesday: cheeseburger, lettuce, tomato, pickle, baby carrot dippers, funyuns, pineapple delight, milk.  
 Wednesday: chicken spaghetti, cooked carrots, garlic toast, orange smiles, milk.  
 Thursday: nachos grande, Spanish rice, lettuce and tomato, frozen fruit cup, milk.  
 Friday: chili macaroni, green beans, Texas toast, peaches and cream, milk.

## Big Spring ISD

Monday: Breakfast: apple jacks, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch: nachos, border beans, lettuce/tomato topping, fruit cocktail, celery and peanut butter, milk.  
 Tuesday: Breakfast: sausage roll, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch: steak fingers, mashed potatoes/gravy, mixed vegetables, apricots, orange smiles, roll, milk.  
 Wednesday: Breakfast: baked cheese sticks, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch: chicken nuggets, mac and cheese, carrots, pears, roll, milk.  
 Thursday: Breakfast: blueberry muffin top, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch: southwest chicken flatbread, tossed salad, ranch dressing, corn, applesauce, milk.  
 Friday: Breakfast: pancake on a stick, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch: turkey/cheese sandwich, lettuce, tomato, pickles, broccoli, ranch dressing, strawberries and bananas, baked cheetos, milk.

## Senior Center

Monday: polish sausage, blackeyed peas, macaroni and tomatoes, cornbread, mixed berries, V8 juice, milk.  
 Tuesday: chicken with gravy, carrots, pasta salad, apple raisin crisp, V8 juice, milk.  
 Wednesday: meatloaf, mashed potatoes, seasoned greens, tossed salad, mixed fruit, milk.  
 Thursday: hot dogs with chili, baked beans, baked potato chips, lemon pudding, milk.  
 Friday: hamburger steak, mushroom gravy, whole grain and wild rice, buttered broccoli, rolls, cinnamon apple sauce, milk.

### Her Hands

She held her hand out to me and said, I wish my hands weren't so ugly. And I looked at her hands marked by the passing of time and years of hard-work.  
 I took her hands in mine and I told her your wrong, your hands aren't ugly. They are beautiful because these hands are the hands that held a tiny baby girl close to your heart.  
 Your hands are the hands that helped her grow into a beautiful caring person. Your hands are the hands that helped ease the pain and suffering of the one who called you wife as he fought a battle with cancer and lost that battle.  
 These hands are the hands that reach out to help others in need of a little kindness.  
 As I held her hands in mine she looked at me and said maybe my hands aren't so ugly after all.  
*Written in loving memory of my friend Peggy Marshall and all the mothers, for without their tender loving hands it would be a cold barren world. And that's why God gave us mothers. Happy Mother's Day.*

Lana Anguiano

## Perez selected as part of 2012 Texas Choral Directors Elem. choir

Courtesy photo

Big Spring Jr. High sixth grade student Esperanza Perez was selected to sing in the 2012 Texas Choral Directors Elementary Honor Choir. The TCDA select chorus will be a part of the 2012 TCDA Convention to be held in San Antonio, Texas, July 23-26, 2012. There were over 700 students who auditioned for this choir and will be comprised of approximately 160 students who have completed grade 4, 5, or 6. There will be a concert performance during the state convention Wednesday afternoon, July 25. Esperanza is the daughter of Juana and Lionel Perez and granddaughter of Paula and Daniel Perez all of Big Spring. She is shown with her choir director Stacy Barr.



### Variety Platters - Includes fries, slaw, 2 pups

#1 - 2 Fish, 8 Shrimp.....	\$7.69
#2 - 1 Fish, 1 Chicken, 3 Shrimp, Popcorn Shrimp, and Battered Shrimp.....	\$7.69
#3 - 2 Fish, 1 Chicken, 4 Shrimp.....	\$7.69
#4 - 2 Fish, 3 Chicken.....	\$7.69
#5 - 2 Fish, 4 Shrimp, Clams.....	\$7.69
#6 - 8 Shrimp, Popcorn Shrimp.....	\$7.69
Lobster Bites & 2 Fish.....	\$7.99

### Basket Combos - Includes Fries, 2 Pups & Drink

#7 - 2 Fish, .....	\$5.69
#8 - 2 Chicken.....	\$5.69
#9 - 1 Fish, 1 Chicken.....	\$5.69
#10 - Popcorn Shrimp.....	\$5.99

### And More Meals - Includes fries, slaw, 2 pups

#15 - 2 Pc. Fish & More.....	\$6.19
#16 - 3 Pc. Chicken & More.....	\$6.29
#17 - 10 Pc. Shrimp & More.....	\$6.49
#18 - Lobster Bites.....	\$6.69

### Treasure Chest Feasts

Regular - 8 Pc. w/2 sides.....	\$17.99
No Sides.....	\$11.99
Large - 12 Pc. w/2 sides.....	\$21.99
No Sides.....	\$16.99
Super Treasure - 16 Pc. w/3 sides.....	\$29.99
No Sides.....	\$19.99

Drinks.....\$1.49, \$1.69, \$1.89

Pies..... Chocolate Cream \$1.59 Pineapple Cream Cheese \$1.59

*\*Prices Subject To Change Without Notice*

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 FRIDAY 10:30 A.M. - 10:00 P.M.**

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Leadership Big Spring graduates received diplomas Thursday evening. Each member completed the requirements during the nine-month course. Graduates are, from left to right, back row, Jessica Rivera, Bill Allen, Zac Phinney, Brent Strande, Amy Briseno, Jay Holt and Jake Ellifritz; middle row, Travis Bingham, Nancy Maldonado, Kelly Grant, Staci King, Diane Newton, Jody Kelly and Manny Negron; and front row, Craig Ferguson and Jerry Duenes. Not pictured: Gail Lampier and Jenelle Lewis and Kinsey Hansen.

## Not unexpectedly, mule deer numbers down in current drought

Texas Parks and Wildlife reports that mule deer populations are down about 40-45 percent across the Trans-pecos region since 2009.

Each year in January and February, wildlife biologists fly helicopter surveys to estimate the mule deer population. During the surveys, biologists also tally the percentage of deer that are bucks, does, and fawns. Not surprisingly, fawn production is down because of the drought. The long-term average for fawn production is 43 percent, or 43 fawns

produced for every 100 does. In 2011 fawn production was 13 percent, the lowest since 1978.

The surveys are designed to track the population at a region-wide scale and do not necessarily reflect the population trend on an individual ranch, but surveys from many ranches in the Managed Lands Deer Permits program mirror these results.

There have also been some reports of adult deer mortality from landowners. On average, fawns typically account for about 20 percent of the total mule deer

population, so the 40-45 percent decrease also indicates that adult deer mortality has increased during the drought.

Despite the downward trend, the overall population estimate for the Trans-pecos region is about 139,000 mule deer.

The current drought is of record intensity, so these results are not surprising and are part of a natural cycle.

As long as the drought doesn't also become one of record length, mule deer populations should rebound once the rains return.



## PATIENTS CHOICE

Scenic Mountain Medical Center CEO Larry Rodgers and Chief Nursing Officer Judy Roever present Shelby Tissue, RN, right, with the Patients Choice Award for 2012. She was nominated by Coahoma resident Don Allen.

Courtesy photo

## 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.



Here we go again. For the third year in a row, some economic data have begun to raise red flags.

Initial claims for jobless benefits have drifted back above 380,000, after bottoming at 361,000 in February. Private payroll growth slowed to 121,000 in March. Industrial production was unchanged the past two months. The Empire State, Philly Fed and Chicago manufacturing indices all dipped in April. And on Friday, we all heard real GDP grew at a modest 2.2 percent annual rate in Q1.

As a result, the economic vultures are circling again. Some are concerned about a relapse into recession, while others fret about a collapse in the dollar if the Fed does QE3. In other words, here we go again. It's the same message we heard in 2010 and 2011 when the data softened. Maybe the third time will be the charm, but as we said in both previous years, we don't think so. The economy is more robust than commonly believed.

In 2010, unemployment claims jumped, but the economy kept its forward momentum. In 2011, after Japan's disasters, jobless claims shot up 25,000 in a month, but the economy kept growing. Right now, even with initial claims elevated in recent weeks, they are still running 9-10 percent below year-ago levels. True, payroll growth slowed in March, but that's after an average increase of 231,000 private sector jobs per month in the prior four months.

And while overall industrial production was flat in February/March, that's largely due to a slowdown in the volatile mining sector. But manufacturing alone increased at a solid 3.9 percent annual rate in those two months. Like last year, the Empire, Philly, and Chicago reports showing slower growth also show faster hiring, which suggests any slowdown is likely temporary.

We are not saying the negative data is meaningless. It's not. But some of the reaction is, once again, overdone. For example, in Q1, real GDP was pulled down by significant weakness in government spending. Excluding purchases by government, "private" real GDP expanded at a solid 3.4 percent annual rate. Meanwhile, housing is clearly starting to rebound, with sales and construction up from a year ago and prices up in February, while private wages and salaries are up 5.3 percent year-over-year.

Debating the worry-warts has become a full-time job and we can't prove them wrong until the future becomes the present. So, let's look back to last year when we said "in a few months we will be looking back at recent reports as just statistical noise." Sounded good then, so let's not mess with success. The more things change, the more they stay the same.

*Past performance is no guarantee of future results. This article was written by Brian S. Wesbury, chief economist for First Trust Advisors L.P., on April 30, and provided courtesy of Bhupen Agrawal, managing director, branch manager of Wells Fargo Advisors' Midland office, at 432-684-7335. The report was prepared by First Trust Advisors L.P., and reflects the current opinion of the authors. It is based upon sources and data believed to be accurate and reliable. Opinions and forward-looking statements expressed are subject to change without notice. The material has been prepared or is distributed solely for informational purposes and is not a solicitation or an offer to buy or sell any security, or instrumental to participate in any trading strategy.*



## OB/GYN DEPT. REDONE

In recognition of the newly remodeled Family Medical Center OB/GYN Department, located on the second floor of the Malone-Hogan Clinic, a ribbon cutting was held this week. Several members of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce were on hand as well as the staff of Family Medical Center.

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**Public Records**

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Tina Diane Whitlow, 1407.5 Settles, Big Spring  
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Calvin Williams, 1313 Mulberry, Big Spring  
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Dennis Anthony Zara-goza, 4534 Sinclair, Big Spring  
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District Court Filings:  
Wind Energy Transmis-sion Texas vs. Laura Land McCloud, et. al., civil.  
Jeanette Seaton vs. Ab-dul Brent Seaton, divorce.  
Sherry Burdette vs. J.C. Burdette, divorce.  
Worthy Land Develop-ment vs. Avantech Corp. and Glenna Osborn, civil.  
Tiffany Ann Fernandez vs. Marcus John Fernan-dez, divorce.  
James Everett Pope vs. Angela Marie Pope, divorce.  
Jolene Bricker vs. Bobby Bricker, protective order.  
Tashia Rose Cerda vs. Shaylon Tobias Cerda, divorce.  
Jennifer Estrada vs. Thomas Estrada, divorce.  
  
Marriage Licenses:  
Justin Ryan Eason, 22, and Jennifer Laverne Brooks, 23, both of Big Spring.  
Robert Viera Zamora, 39, and Denita Flores Fuentes, 35, both of Big Spring.  
Joshua Michael Daniels, 22, and Traci Renne Rodriguez, 22, both of Big Spring.  
Edrion Patrick Houston, 22, and Andrea Marie Ruiz, 24, both of Big Spring.  
Jeffrey A. Watkins, 54, and Marilyn E. Nesteby, 54, both of Big Spring.  
Justin Colby Price, 27, and Veronica Lyn Vega, 30, both of Aransas Pass.  
Clyde Samuel Conley Jr., 49, and Theresa Agui-re Seago, 62, both of Big Spring.  
  
Warranty Deeds:  
Grantor: Jeneva Duna-

gan  
Grantee: Dale Mantooth  
Property: A 2.5-acre tract out of Section 4, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey  
Date: April 10, 2012  
  
Grantor: Jeneva Duna-gan  
Grantee: Dale Mantooth  
Property: A 3.9-acre tract out of Section 4, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey  
Date: April 10, 2012  
  
Grantor: Jeneva Duna-gan  
Grantee: Dale Mantooth  
Property: A 5-acre tract out of Section 4, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey  
Date: April 10, 2012  
  
Grantor: Beverly A. Taylor  
Grantee: Gaylon Knowl-ton and Tyna Knowlton  
Property: A 0.25-acre tract out of Section 31, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey  
Date: March 23, 2012  
  
Grantor: Beverly A. Taylor  
Grantee: Gaylon Knowl-ton and Tyna Knowlton  
Property: A tract out of Section 31, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey  
Date: March 23, 2012  
  
Grantor: Thomas A. Welch Jr.  
Grantee: Davis Lewis Enterprises  
Property: Lots 2-4, Block 4, Brown's Addition  
Date: April 12, 2012  
  
Grantor: Carlos Ortiz and Maria Ortiz  
Grantee: Jose Busta-monte Aispuro  
Property: The W/135 feet of Lot 8 and the S/6 feet of Lot 9, Block 4, Wrights Second Addition  
Date: April 12, 2012  
  
Warranty Deeds with Vendor's Lien:  
Grantor: Tonya K. Wieck and James Wieck  
Grantee: Elgin Moreno  
Property: Lot 6, Block 3, Caroline Court  
Date: April 10, 2012  
  
Grantor: Horace E. Tubb  
Grantee: Arturo DelValle and Heather DelValle  
Property: A 20.04-acre tract out of Section 105, Block 29, W&NW RR Co. Survey  
Date: March 23, 2012  
  
Grantor: Kenneth Stew-art and Ramona Yager  
Grantee: Robert Ogburn and Lynn A. Kiefer-Ogburn  
Property: Lot 29 and the E/30 feet of Lot 30, Bates Addition of Coahoma  
Date: March 23, 2012  
  
Grantor: Edna Pearl Perry  
Grantee: James G. Bell III and Deann Bell  
Property: Lot 10, Block 1, Jerald Smith Addition  
Date: April 12, 2012

**Legendary car designer, racer Shelby dies**

DALLAS (AP) — Carroll Shelby, the legendary car designer and champion auto racer who built the fabled Shelby Cobra sports car and injected testosterone into Ford's Mustang and Chrysler's Viper, has died. He was 89.  
Shelby's company, Carroll Shelby International, said Friday that Shelby died a day earlier at a Dallas hospital.  
Shelby was one of the nation's longest-living heart transplant recipients, having received a heart on June 7, 1990, from a 34-year-old man who died of an aneurism. Shelby also received a kidney transplant in 1996 from his son, Michael.  
The 1992 inductee into the Automobile Hall of Fame had homes in Los Angeles and his native east

Texas.  
The one-time chicken farmer had more than a half-dozen successful careers during his long life. Among them: champion race car driver, racing team owner, automobile manufacturer, automotive consultant, safari tour operator, raconteur, chili entrepreneur and philanthropist.  
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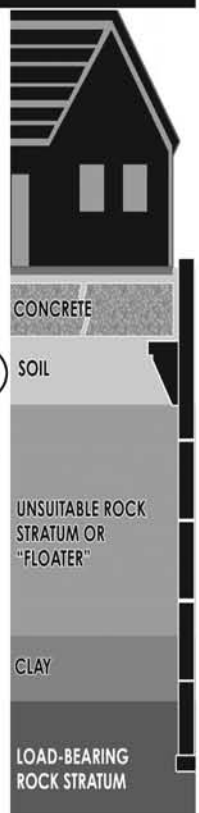
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The imaginative Pisces moon rules this Mother's Day, insisting that you add a little extra soulful intention to your interaction with, if not your gift to, Mom. Mothers who are far away or who have shuffled their mortal coil will still find ways to communicate with loved ones under this spiritual moon. Look for a sign, and you'll find one.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). An act of loving

Answer to previous puzzle

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

initiative will open your heart. Show kindness to the one for whom you currently feel only neutrality. The tiniest gesture will liberate a flow of compassion.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). You're not too eager to please these days. You sense your advantage: that others really do need what you contribute.



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There's a more subtle exchange here.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Your role as a consumer is a powerful one. It may even give you a rush of excitement to make a purchase now, as you realize that your life will be different after the money changes hands.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). You'll expend more than the usual amount of effort chasing after others, trying to get them to take care of themselves and be safe, aware and smart. Tonight, take a break from the nurturing and focus on you.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). After each interaction, people are either better off or worse off. You make it your personal responsibility to uplift everyone you meet. It's as though you're dusted with good cheer and a little of it rubs off on every person you touch.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll be affected by the Venus/Mars dynamic. Consider what your sign mate H.L. Mencken noted: "A man may be a fool and not know it, but not if he is married."

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll realize what you did right and give yourself silent props. It's beneficial to reward yourself in this admiring way. Your sign mate Oscar Wilde said it well, "To love oneself is the beginning of a lifelong romance."

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Sports, fast vehicles and other high-risk activities have a certain appeal now, and you'll find yourself slightly more willing to try your hand at the endeavor that is sure to thrill you.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Can you make a living doing art? Will people pay for your special talent? The venture in the back of your mind starts to push its way forward. Interesting developments emerge in the weeks to come.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Wishing someone a wonderful life takes only seconds, if that. But it requires a sincere and very focused effort. Your heart and mind work together to shoot arrows of good energy into the core of the world.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). As you think of the one you love, your physiology changes. You may experience a tingling or warming sensation. Loving thoughts unite your physical, emotional and spiritual selves.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). You bring effervescence to your scene. People love to be around you because even when you're not smiling, they can sense the burbling enthusiasm inside you.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (May 13). This year, you'll choose what you want and go after it. You'll study and learn from the success and failure of others. June brings financial and emotional security. Utilize your charm and social resources in July. August brings travel. You'll be charismatic and unconcerned about what others think in September. Proposals are forthcoming. Cancer and Libra people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 30, 1, 33, 25 and 15.

**FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:** Norma's, in the Le Parker Meridien hotel in New York City, offers the world's most expensive

frittata: the Zillion-Dollar Lobster Frittata. Since the dish costs \$1,000, it might also be considered the world's most discounted food item, considering the difference between a zillion (an unspecified fictional number assumedly higher than a billion) and 1,000 has to be at least a 10-digit number.

The reason I bring it up is that the final week of the Taurus sun urges us to get some luxury in our lives. Of course, what constitutes a luxury is completely dependent on our circumstances. For instance, to the one who lives in a busy home filled with the noisy activity of children and pets, it is possible that quiet alone time, though it technically costs nothing, could be the most luxurious gift in the world.

Today's alignment of the Taurus sun and Jupiter will continue to have an effect through May 17, focusing on our ideas of value, material and otherwise. On the 15th, Venus goes retrograde and will keep traveling backward through Gemini until June 27. Saying "I love you" doesn't make it so, but with enough evidence behind the declaration, loved ones will feel supported during this unsteady romantic cycle.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** Swoon-inducing Taurus Robert Pattinson is not only an accomplished actor; he's also a musician who has been playing both guitar and piano since age 5. Pattinson was born under a psychic Cancer moon, indicating a reflective, sensitive nature. His sun and Mercury in Taurus shows a sensuous manner of communicating and a love of collecting.

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25 Causes to shiver  
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32 Presently  
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37 Novelist named for Emerson  
39 Chemical plant graffiti, perhaps  
40 Tackles successfully  
41 Spy-movie review adjective  
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51 Game played in *All Quiet on the Western Front*  
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61 Rubberneck  
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8 Ear piece  
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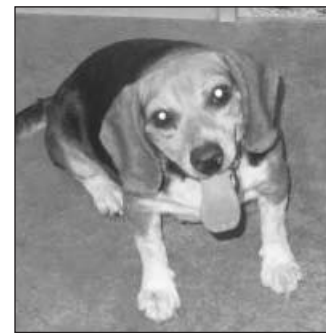
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Immediately following the closing time for receipt of bids, proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud at City Hall. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened. Bids will be tabulated and presented to the Mayor and City Commission for action at a later date.

Bidders must submit a Cashier's or Certified Check issued by a bank satisfactory to the Owner, or a Proposal Bond from a reliable Surety Company, payable without recourse to the order of City of Big Spring in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the bid submitted as a guaranty that the Bidder will enter into a contract and execute bonds in the forms provided within fifteen (15) days after notice of award of contract to him. Bids without the required check or Proposal bond will not be considered.

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CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS  
Mr. Tommy Duncan  
Mayor  
#7374 May 13 & 20, 2012

Legals

SECTION 00020  
ADVERTISEMENT AND INVITATION FOR BIDS

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NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

THE STATE OF TEXAS §  
COUNTY OF HOWARD §

By virtue of a ORDER OF SALE issued out of the District Court of Howard County, Texas, pursuant to judgment rendered in 118th Judicial District Court of Howard County, Texas, by the District Clerk of said Court, in the hereinafter numbered and styled suits and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I did on the 7th day of May, 2012, at 10:00 a.m., levy upon and will proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder at public auction on the 5th day of June, 2012, being the first Tuesday of said month beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on said day, at the North Courthouse door of said County, all the right, title, and interest of the Defendants in such suits in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said Defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Howard and the State of Texas, to-wit:

CAUSE NO. 6080  
HOWARD COUNTY,  
ET AL VS  
JOSEPHINE BAEZA  
EXHIBIT NO. DEFENDANT NAME  
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION  
ADDRESS

No. 1 Josephine Baeza  
Lt 11, Bk 11, Government Heights to Bauer Addn  
402 Father Delaney

No. 2 Addie Cherry Baird, et al  
Lt 1, Bk 2, Rosemont Addn  
106 Channing

No. 3 Natividad Barela  
Lt 2, Bk 1, Denton Addn  
609 N. San Antonio

No. 4 Lunnie Coleman  
Lt 5 and E/20' of Lt 6, Bk H, Moore Heights Addn  
1009 NW 3rd

No. 5 Oscar R. Del Bosque and Ester Del Bosque  
Lts 1 & 2, Bk 13, Boydston Addn  
200 State

No. 6 Federal Housing Com. of Washington D.C.  
Lt 17, Bk 19, Monticello Addn  
2612 S. Monticello

No. 7 Francisca Flores and Domingo Flores, et al  
Lt 4, Bk H, Moore Heights Addn  
1007 NW 3rd

No. 8 Aubrey Galan and Elva Galan, et al  
Being a tract of land out of Sc. 42, Bk 32, T1N  
104 NE 10th

No. 9 Ramon M. Garcia and Guadalupe Garcia  
Lts 3 & 4, Bk 5, Cedar Crest Addn  
815 W. 7th

No. 10 Susie M. Grant  
Lt 13, Bk 11, Monticello Addn  
1402 Marajo

No. 11 Susie M. Grant  
Lt 14, Bk 11, Monticello Addn  
1404 Marajo

No. 12 George M. Hanks aka George M. Hanks, et al  
Being a tract of land 109' wide, East and West, by 140' long, North and South, out of tract 19, of the Wm B. Currie Sub-division, SE/4 Sc 42, Bk 32, T1N  
603 NE 9th

No. 13 L.C. Heffington, et al  
Lt 4, Bk 2, Brown Addn  
1504 W. 3rd

No. 14 Mike Hernandez, et al  
Lt 2, Bk 5, Government Heights to Bauer Addn  
504 NW 5th

No. 15 Mike Hernandez, et al  
Lt 3, Bk 5, Government Heights to Bauer Addn  
506 NW 5th

No. 16 Ike Isaacs and L.R. Baxter  
Being 310' Easterly and Westerly and 250' Northerly and Southerly out of the SW corner of 8.58 acres of land out of Sc 31, Bk 33  
N/A

No. 17 Juliana H. Mancha Joure aka Julia Mancha, et al  
Lt 2, Bk B, Moore Heights Addn  
903 NW 5th

No. 18 Maudine Kasch  
Lt 1, Bk 17, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
N/A

No. 19 Maudine Kasch

Lt 2, Bk 17, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
N/A

No. 20 Maudine Kasch  
Lt 3, Bk 17, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
N/A

No. 21 Maudine Kasch  
Lt 4, Bk 17, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
N/A

No. 22 Maudine Kasch  
Lt 5, Bk 17, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
N/A

No. 23 Maudine Kasch  
Lt 6, Bk 17, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
N/A

No. 24 Maudine Kasch  
Lt 7, Bk 17, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
N/A

No. 25 Maudine Kasch  
Lt 8, Bk 17, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
N/A

No. 26 Maudine Kasch  
Lt 9, Bk 17, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
N/A

No. 27 Maudine Kasch  
Lt 10, Bk 17, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
N/A

No. 28 Maudine Kasch  
Lt 11, Bk 17, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
N/A

No. 29 Maudine Kasch  
Lt 12, Bk 17, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
N/A

No. 30 Maudine Kasch  
Lt 1, Bk 18, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
N/A

No. 31 Maudine Kasch  
Lt 2, Bk 18, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
N/A

No. 32 Maudine Kasch  
Lt 3, Bk 18, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
N/A

No. 33 Maudine Kasch  
Lt 4, Bk 18, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
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No. 34 Maudine Kasch  
Lt 5, Bk 18, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
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No. 35 Maudine Kasch  
Lt 6, Bk 18, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
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Lt 8, Bk 18, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
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Lt 9, Bk 18, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
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No. 40 Maudine Kasch  
Lt 11, Bk 18, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
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No. 41 Maudine Kasch  
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No. 42 Maudine Kasch  
Lt 13, Bk 18, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
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No. 43 Maudine Kasch  
Lt 14, Bk 18, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
N/A

No. 44 Maudine Kasch  
Lt 15, Bk 18, Sherrrod Heights Addn  
N/A

No. 45 Leslie L. Killings and George Killings  
W/90' of Lt 6, Bk 1, Rosemont Addn  
211 Channing

No. 46 Georgia Leach and Georgamal Collins  
Lt 8, Bk 4, Government Heights to Bauer Addn  
508 N. Bell

No. 47 Charles C. Long aka C.C. Long  
Lt 14, Bk 37, Original Town of Forsan  
109 S. Rex (Forsan)

No. 48 Juanita Marquez, et al  
Lt 8, Bk D, Moore Heights Addn  
1008 NW 3rd

No. 49 R. McDaniel, Pauline Tucker McDaniel, et al  
A tract of land out of Bk 3, of the Bowser Addn  
1309 W. 2nd

No. 50 Tenalio O. McGee aka T. O. McGee and Lee Anna McGee  
Lts 1 & 2, Bk J, Moore Heights Addn  
907 NW 2nd

No. 51 W.J. McNew  
Lt 4, Bk 7, Lakeview Addn  
104 Algerita

No. 52 Micaela Mendoza  
A tract of land out Sc 42, Bk 32, T1N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, Tract

41, Wm B. Currie Subdivision  
310 NE 6th

No. 53 Ysa Mendoza and Maria Mendoza  
The E/49' of Lt 8, Bk 99, Original Town of Big Spring  
628 NW 3rd

No. 54 Linda Joyce Norman aka Linda Norman  
W/30' of N/100' of Lt 9, Bk 12, Brown Addn  
1709 W. 2nd

No. 55 Diego Olague, Sr. Deceased, Johnny Olague, Deceased, et al  
A tract of land 50' northward and southward by 90' eastward and westward out of a certain 2 acre tract, more or less, out of Sc 42, Bk 32, T1N  
N/A

No. 56 W. C. Pearson and Dorothy C. Pearson  
Lt 2, Bk 5, Rice Addn  
1102 State Park Dr.

No. 57 Eddie Mae Penn  
Lt 6, Bk 2, Rosemont Addn  
101 Channing

No. 58 Elizabeth Perkins, et al  
A tract of land out of the SE corner of Lt 7, Bk "A", Moore Heights Addn  
Sargent Paredez

No. 59 Mrs. Helen Peterson  
W/2 of Lt 2, Bk 117, Original Town of Big Spring  
201 NE 3rd

No. 60 Leroy Phillips, et al  
Lt 3, Bk 15, Wm B. Currie Extension to Government Heights to Bauer Addn  
105 NW 8th

No. 61 Lillian Pijanowski  
Lt 3, Bk 5, Jones Valley Addn  
N/A

No. 62 Lillian Pijanowski  
Lt 4, Bk 5, Jones Valley Addn  
N/A

No. 63 Marvin D. Price, Jr. aka Marvin Price and Lupe Martinez  
Lt 11, Bk 20, Original Townsite of City of Coahoma  
314 S. 2nd (Coahoma)

No. 64 Clara Puga  
A tract of land out of Sc. 42, Bk 32, T1N  
402 NE 6th

No. 65 Pete Rodrigues, et al  
Lt 3, Bk H, Moore's Heights Addn  
1005 NW 3rd

No. 66 Alex Rosas aka Alex Rosa  
A tract of land 100' eastward and westward by 140' northward and southward out of Tr 22, of the Wm B. Currie Subdivision of the SE/4 of Sc 42, Bk 32, T1N  
300 NE 9th

No. 67 Nat Scott and Mable Scott  
2 tracts of land out of Sc 26, Bk 33, T1N  
808 Father Delaney  
816 Father Delaney

No. 68 Willie Mae Sewell aka Willie Sewell  
A tract of land out of Sc 26, Bk 33, T1N  
901 Father Delaney

No. 69 Pat H. Stanford  
Lt 13, Bk 2, Stanford Park Addn  
N/A

No. 70 Stanford John Steward, et al  
Lt 19, Bk 2, Original Town of Forsan  
306 W. 8th (Forsan)

No. 71 T.W.M. Inc  
A tract of land out of the SE/4 of Sc. 42, Bk 32, T1N  
108 NE 9th

No. 72 Amalia O. Torres, et al  
The S/50' of the SW/4 of Bk 30, of Government Heights to Bauer Addn  
900 N. Gregg

No. 73 R.A. Trantham, et al  
A tract of land out of Sc 32, Bk 33, T1N  
911 W 8th

No. 74 Ector Valdez, et al  
A tract of land out of Tract No. 19 of the Wm B. Currie Subdivision of the SE/4 of Sc. 42, Bk 32, T1N  
507 NE 9th

No. 75 Florinda I. Viera et al  
A tract of land of the SE/4 of Sc 42, Bk 32, T1N  
106 NE 9th

No. 76 Preciliano H. Viera  
Lt 10, Bk H, Moore Heights Addn  
1004 NW 2nd

No. 77 Manuel Villa, et al  
A tract of land 40' Eastward and Westward by 110' Northward and Southward out of the NW corner of Tr 29, Wm. B. Currier Subdivision, SE/4 Sc 42, Bk 32, T1N  
500 NE 8th

No. 78 E.R. Weatherman  
A tract of land out of Sc. 32, Bk 33, T1N  
1600 W. 5th

No. 79 William Lewis West, et al  
A certain 1.93 acre tract of land out of Sc. 40, Bk 32, T1N  
1800 Birdwell

No. 80 Artis White, et al  
Lt 1, Bk B, Moore Heights Addn  
901 NW 5th

No. 81 W.W. White, et al  
A tract of land out of a 5.75 acre tract out of Sc 32, Bk 33, T1N  
812 San Antonio

No. 82 Max M. Winn, et al  
The E/2 of a certain 100' North and South by 208.7' East and West out of the E/2 of Sc 2, Bk 33, T1S  
1317 Harding

No. 83 Theresa J. Winn  
A 1.0 acre tract out of Sc 41, Bk 31, T1N  
N/A

CAUSE NO.  
STYLE  
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION  
ADDRESS

T-4644  
Howard County, et al vs. Jose J. Olivares, et al  
The N/50' of the NE/4 of Bk 27, College Heights Addn  
2000 Johnson  
T-5530  
Howard County, et al vs. Hosea Banks, et al  
Lts 5 & 6, Bk 2, Banks Addn  
1206 NW 7th

T-5851  
Howard County, et al vs. Emmitt Woodard  
Lt 18, Bk 3, Mittel Acres Addn  
1803 Mittel Ave

T-5851  
Howard County, et al vs. Emmitt Woodard  
Lt 9, Bk 4, Mittel Acres Addn  
1819 Benton  
T-5834  
Howard County, et al vs. Edward Andrew Merrick  
West 46' of Lt 5 and the West 46' of Lt 6, Bk 15 "D", Fairview Heights Addn  
301 E. 15th  
T-5911  
Howard County, et al vs. Louis Silvia, et al  
Lt 11, Bk 5, Wright's Airport Addn  
1210 Lindbergh

Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment(s) rendered in the above styled and numbered cause(s), together with interest, penalties and costs of suit, and the proceeds of said sales to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

Witness my hand this 7th day of May, 2012.

SHERIFF OF  
HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS  
BY: D. RESTELLI  
Deputy

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Legals



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## Club News

### Keep Big Spring Beautiful

Keep Big Spring Beautiful met May 7 in the Cactus Room at Howard College. A good crowd was in attendance including guests Georgie Newsome, Jim and Tammy DePauw and new city employee Daniel Castillo.

Janice Bishop presided with Janell Davis giving the invocation. Financials were approved and Treasurer Debbie Wegman reminded members it is dues paying time. Pat Simmons reported on the recent Trash-Off. Volunteer numbers were down a bit (100 participated with 22 Adopt-a-Highway participants) but a total of 9,470 pounds collected. One positive note was some areas regularly cleaned in this endeavor did not have as much litter as usual. Perhaps we are making our case to the public. Mike Richey's school group had 34 workers and Alon were next with 25. Alon filled 90 bags, Del and Viron Hartin — 10 bags, Howard College 28 bags — State National — 24 bags, Jim DePauw family — 15 bags, Sid Richardson — 140 bags, Dale Pittman — 10 bags and SWCID — 10 bags. Give your neighbors a pat on the back if they helped.

Our state convention will be in Austin on June 25-28. Our pick up day for FM 700 was Saturday at the north end of the rodeo bowl. Pat Simmons is organizing a group of citizens to help be the extra eyes of code enforcement. She is welcoming volunteers.

Walter Ward announced the Master Gardeners will soon begin their building on Jones St. They cooperated with us in many ways. Up-coming events are "Pops in the Park" on July 3 and Love Our Lake in August.

Next meeting will be July 2.

Former members and new volunteers are welcome. Call Bobby McDonald if you need to dispose of a used water heater at 263-7615. He will arrange a pick up on a Saturday.

Submit weddings, engagements, anniversaries and births. Life forms can be found at [www.bigspringherald.com](http://www.bigspringherald.com)



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## Home Hospice receives donation



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Dawne Pearson, committee member of 2013 Coming Home to Big Spring Spring Picnic, is shown donating a check to Home Hospice representative Megan Chandler. During the recent Coming Home celebration several attendees took up a collection in order to give back to the community. The group decided to donate the money to Home Hospice.

By **AMANDA MORENO**  
Staff Writer

Not only did hundreds of people come home to Big Spring a couple weekends ago, but many

of them decided to give back to the community before they left.

"Many of those attending said they wanted to help with some of the costs, but everything was taken care of," Dawne Pearson, member of 2012 Coming Home to Big Spring Spring Picnic, said. "They wanted to give back to the community so we took up a donation collection."

Attendees were given an option of where the money would go and the decision to donate

to Home Hospice was agreed upon by the majority.

"Many of them had said Home Hospice had provided care for their mother's and father's. It seemed many of them had some kind of dealing with Home Hospice and that is where they decided they wanted the money to go," Pearson said.

The group was able to gather \$377.

"The amazing thing is many of those who came in for the gathering are on a limited income, but

they still wanted to give back to the community and gave a donation that they could," Pearson said.

For those who missed out on the first annual Coming Home, there will be another chance next year. Plans are already underway for the 2013 Coming Home. According to Pearson, the date is set for the third weekend in April.

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## Reader's Corner

### FAITH

Faith is something that you don't know you have

until something happens to turn your whole world

upside down and you don't know what to do.

That's when you find out that you have faith.

You can't see it, but it lives in your heart and soul.

Faith is a gift that God gives to all.

A gift that makes you say I can when others said you can't.

We walk by faith, not by sight. 2 Corinthians 5:7

Lana Anguiano

## United Way planning new events, and welcomes two new members

Special to the Herald

United Way of Big Spring and Howard County held the May monthly meeting Wednesday at the Chamber of Commerce board room.

After a quorum was determined, a vote was taken to accept the resignation of a current board member and the consideration of accepting two new members.

Sherry Hodnett with Home Hospice and Jason Brock with Conoco Phillips were unanimously approved to fill the two vacant positions on the board.

Applications for the 2013 agencies were accepted and distributed to board members for consideration. The official list of agencies for the upcoming campaign year will be announced June 26.

The date was also set for the 2013 kickoff, which will once again be held at the Big Spring Country Club. Aug. 18 is the set date with FreeRide, a band from Abilene, will be performing again.

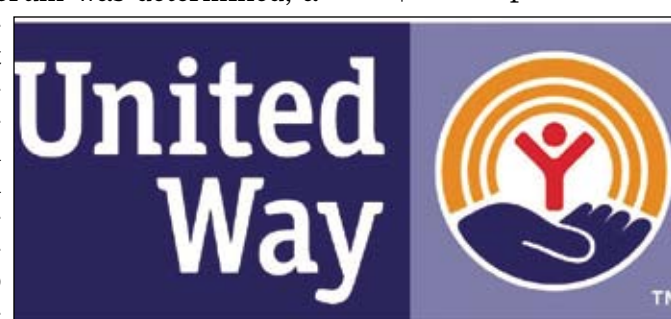
In other business, the Rev. Ken McIntosh is organizing a Quackers Challenge Cup Race to be held at the Big Spring Family Aquatic Center.

The race is set for June 18 at 11:30 a.m. and will consist of rubber ducks competing to be the first to hit all designated target spots. The cost for entry is one duck for \$5 or five ducks for \$20. The proceeds raised from the

event will benefit United Way as well as three other local organizations — Greater Big Spring Rotary, Symphony Guild and Isaiah 58. Prizes will be given to the first three places.

More information can be obtained about the United Way by calling, Executive Director Sandy Stewart at 267-5201. Also, more information can be found on the Facebook page.

The next meeting is set for Wednesday, June 13 at Scenic Mountain Medical Center in the Senior Circle Room.



## Cub Scout Open House

### Interested in Cub Scouts?

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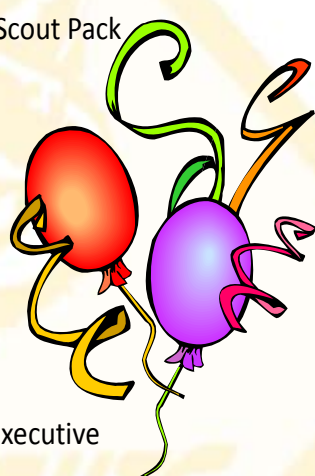
What: Boy Scouts of America Cub Scout Pack

When: Tuesday, May 15th, 6 PM

Where: Boy Scout Office  
610 Scurry Street  
Big Spring, TX 79720

For more information contact:

Brian Sweeney, Lone Star District Executive  
432-212-3577



Come check out Cub Scouting!

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