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Runners set off on the 5K Freedom at the Peak Run/Walk atop Scenic Mountain. The race occurred Saturday morning, with proceeds benefitting Go Life Missions at Life Church.

Appraisal hike draws taxpayers' ire

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

Area residents who received their property tax appraisals this year may find themselves with a case of sticker shock, as officials with the Howard County Appraisal District say higher market values are driving up valuations in the Crossroads area.

According to Ronny Babcock, chief appraiser for the appraisal district, his office is already seeing a high volume of property owners filing protests regarding their appraisals.

"We've had quite a few file protests so far this year," Babcock said. "The deadline to file a protest is normally May 31, however, we have to

allow at least 30 days from the time the appraisal is sent out. So the majority of property owners have already seen the deadline to file pass, while a few others who received their appraisals a few days later will see it pass in the next few days."

Babcock said many of the protests have already been settled, but some property

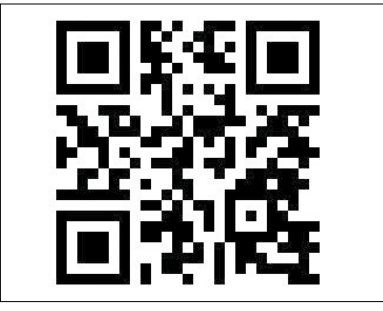
owners have decided to take the matter to the appraisal district's board of adjustments.

"When a protest is filed we have an appraiser look at the property in question and then compare it to the market value of other properties," Babcock said. "Once we've done that, we look at any discrepancies in the appraisal and

then contact the owner with that information. Right now it's taking approximately 30 days from the time the protest is filed until we're contacting the property owners with our findings.

"Once we've got all of our information, we contact the owner to discuss a

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Stay cool, folks Officials offer tips on how to cope with heat

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

With temperatures having already eclipsed the 100-degree mark, officials with the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) are urging Texans to take precautions as the mercury begins to rise.

Emily Palmer, spokesperson for DSHS, said the elderly, the very young, people with chronic diseases and those without access to air conditioning are those most likely to suffer in extremely hot weather.

"Typically, the most deaths are recorded in July, followed by August, then June," said Palmer. "Staying in an air-conditioned area, either at home or in a public place such as a mall, library or recreation center, is the most effective way to combat heat. If air conditioning is not available, open the windows, pull the shades down to keep out the sun and use cross-ventilation and fans to cool rooms."

Palmer said the symptoms of heat-related illnesses are no joking matter, and could lead to serious health problems — even death.

"Symptoms of heat illness include heavy sweating, muscle cramps, weakness, dizziness, nausea, weak but rapid pulse and headaches," said Palmer. "People with these symptoms should find shade, drink water slowly and make sure there is good ventilation."

"To help a person showing severe symptoms, get the victim into shade, call for emergency medical services and start cooling the person immediately with cool water or by fanning. If fluids are not replaced soon enough, heat stroke can follow causing extremely high body temperature, red and dry skin, rapid pulse, confusion, brain damage, loss of consciousness and death."

And with so many children home during the summer holiday,

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Big Spring's rodeo parade back this year

By **BILL McCLELLAN**
Managing Editor

The parade is on again. After a year's absence, the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo will have a parade — at a cooler time.

"This year, we've put the parade back in, but moved it to Saturday morning when it's cooler."

Chad Wash
Rodeo Association
board member

"One problem with the parade on Thursday afternoon was the heat this time of year," said Chad Wash, rodeo association board member. "This year, we've put the parade back in, but moved it to Saturday morning when it's cooler."

The rodeo opens Thursday, June 21, and ends Saturday, June 23 with nightly performances at the

Big Spring Rodeo Bowl. This year marks the 79th edition of the annual event, making it one of the longest-running

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Obituaries

Allen Risner

Allen Risner, 25, of Fairbanks, Alaska, formerly of Big Spring, Texas, died May 28, 2012, in Anchorage, Alaska, as a result of injuries from a motorcycle accident. Services will be held at a later date. Allen was born Jan. 22, 1987, in Stanton, Texas, to

David and Margie Risner.

He attended schools in Big Spring until the family moved to Alaska in 2000. The family attended First United Methodist Church in Big Spring.

Survivors include his parents and a brother, David Risner of North Pole, Alaska.

LaDell Musgrove

LaDell Musgrove, 73, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, May 29, 2012, at her residence. Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m., Monday, June 4, 2012, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Revs. Jim Wilkerson and Pat Ray Jr. officiating.

She was born June 11, 1938, in Boswell, Okla. and married Thomas Jerry Musgrove Sr. Jan. 15, 1954, in Big Spring. He preceded her in death Feb. 23, 2009.

LaDell owned and operated Dell's Cafe for 14 years, from 1974 to 1989. She was a great mother and grandmother. She was a member of Hillcrest Baptist Church.

Survivors include one son, Tom Musgrove and wife, Liz of Big Spring; one daughter, Susan Palmer of Big Spring; four grandchildren, Lochie Darling

of Salado, Jacqueline Riley of Coahoma, and Brianna Palmer and Kylie Palmer, both of Big Spring; two great-grandchildren, Lily Sage Riley and Kelli Jo Darling; two brothers-in-law, Joe Don Musgrove of Big Spring and Mike Musgrove of Marble Falls; and special friends, Van and Barbara Lewis of Lingleville.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, Sage and Muriel Johnson; and one sister, Barbara Jean Johnson.

The family suggests memorials be made to Hillcrest Baptist Church, 2000 W. FM 700, Big Spring, Texas 79720 or to Gideons International, P. O. Box 133, Big Spring, Texas 79721-0133.

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

Paid obituary

Lucille Aston

Lucille Aston, 93 of Big Spring died Friday, June 1, 2012, at Parkview Nursing Home. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Coleman Cemetery in Coleman with Kermit Sorrels of Coleman officiating.

She was born July 23, 1918, in Coleman, Texas. She was the secretary for Grammar's Department Store for many years, then worked at Coleman Independent School District as a secretary until retiring. She moved to Big Spring 15 years ago from Coleman. She was a member of First Methodist

Church of Coleman.

She is survived by two daughters, Pam Beauchamp and her husband Roy Don of Big Spring, and Dana Dodson of Stockton, Calif.; two grandchildren; two great grandchildren; and a niece.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Hap Aston; and three brothers, Bill Stewart, Carl Stewart and Osie Stewart.

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

Police blotter

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

- **JOE ANTHONY BUSTAMANTE**, 23, of 1500 E. 57th, was arrested Friday on a warrant for driving while license invalid, fail to report change of address/name, fail to appear (two counts).
- **GABRIEL SOTO**, 46, of 3304 W. Hwy 80 27, was arrested Friday on warrants for expired motor vehicle inspection certificate (two counts), failed to maintain financial responsibility (two counts), fail to appear (four counts).
- **TONY GLEN BAKER**, 26, of 1804 Mittell Avenue, was arrested Friday on a warrant from other agency.
- **ADRIAN PATRICK VALENCIA**, 23, of 1106 Ridgeroad Drive, was arrested Friday on a warrant from other agency (x2).

- **GABRIEL SOTO**, 46, of 3304 W. Hwy 80 27, was arrested Friday on a warrant from other agency (x8).
- **CARL WILLIAM-TABOR WELLS**, 29, of 102 Merrick Road, was arrested Friday on a charge of assault-aggravated with deadly weapon causes SBI to family member.
- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported: In the 1000 block of Stadium Avenue.
- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported: In the 3600 block of Calvin.
- **BOMB** was reported in the 500 block of S. Main Street.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 900 block of Golf Course Road.

Support Groups

- MONDAY**
- Alcoholics Anonymus 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 Anonymus 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. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jody at 432-699-6640 or midlandparkinsons@yahoo.com or Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-2732.
 - Special Parents for Special Children support group meets the first Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at Elbow Elementary. Contact Kerri Rosenbaum at 432-816-3320 or kerrirosenbaum9488@msn.com
 - Alcoholics Anonymus, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.



The Family of

Eddie C. DeLeon

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City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Ablene	99	73	sunny	Kingsville	96	75	pt sunny
Amarillo	98	64	pt sunny	Livingston	95	70	pt sunny
Austin	93	72	cloudy	Longview	95	71	mst sunny
Beaumont	91	73	mst sunny	Lubbock	102	68	sunny
Brownsville	97	78	pt sunny	Lufkin	97	73	mst sunny
Brownwood	98	73	mst sunny	Midland	101	73	sunny
Corpus Christi	91	77	pt sunny	Raymondville	97	75	pt sunny
Corsicana	94	71	mst sunny	Rosenberg	92	74	pt sunny
Dallas	96	73	mst sunny	San Antonio	95	74	cloudy
Del Rio	95	75	pt sunny	San Marcos	94	73	cloudy
El Paso	100	70	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	95	72	mst sunny
Fort Stockton	100	72	sunny	Sweetwater	99	72	windy
Gainesville	96	72	sunny	Tyler	95	70	mst sunny
Greenville	95	71	mst sunny	Weatherford	97	71	mst sunny
Houston	92	74	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	99	73	pt sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	86	67	mst sunny	Minneapolis	78	63	rain
Boston	68	54	t-storm	New York	77	59	mst sunny
Chicago	80	59	mst sunny	Phoenix	100	71	sunny
Dallas	96	73	mst sunny	San Francisco	65	56	sunny
Denver	86	59	pt sunny	Seattle	63	51	cloudy
Houston	92	74	pt sunny	St. Louis	87	68	mst sunny
Los Angeles	71	59	pt sunny	Washington, DC	82	63	mst sunny
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settlement. Quite a few owners have already settled their protests, but some have decided to take the matter to the board.”

Babcock said one of the reasons many property owners are seeing a sudden jump in their appraisals is because it's been approximately four years since there have been any increases.

“Most property in Howard County hasn't seen an increase in their appraisal since 2008,” Babcock said. “Despite the fact an increase hasn't been applied in all that time, property values have been steadily increasing each year. So, we're not looking at a situation where there was suddenly a leap in property value this year. Instead, we're looking at the increases from the past four years finally catching up to us.”

Babcock said a change in the appraisal schedule also means the increases won't be felt in just one area or district.

“Because we've changed

the schedule, we've seen increases in all of the school districts, not just one,” Babcock said. “So, this increase is effecting the entire appraisal district, not just parts here and there. The change in schedules matches the market. We're required by law to value the property at 100 percent of market value, which is what we've done.”

Babcock said the increase in appraisals is a result of the shifts in the market value of the property, not improvements that have been made.

“On an individual basis, of course there are some properties that saw increases because of improvements. However, the vast majority of the increases we're seeing this year are a result of the market value,” Babcock said.

For more information on property appraisals, contact the Howard County Appraisal District at 432-263-8301.

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Teen with epilepsy becomes advocate

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — After four life-risking surgeries as a child to treat her epilepsy, Morgan Carey decided to lobby lawmakers to raise awareness about her disorder, teach students what to do if someone around them has a seizure, and adopt a diet and exercise routine to stay healthy.

She's 14. Morgan was diagnosed with epilepsy — a brain disorder in which a person has repeated seizures over time — at the age of 8.

She suffers from one of its rarest forms. Her seizures are not violent and she doesn't convulse, but they are constant — day and night — and don't respond to medication. Only about 100 such cases have been documented in the world.

But that's not the only rare thing about the auburn-haired teenager: She is one of 44 students in the country selected by the Epilepsy Foundation to be ambassadors on the topic and attended a workshop in Washington D.C. last month to learn advocacy outreach.

“If you have a pulse, you have a purpose,” Morgan said in a recent interview. “Before my surgery, (at age 12), I don't think I was a very good person. I thought everything was about me. It really opened my eyes to do something bigger than myself.”

She underwent a fifth surgery a few months ago, to install a device in her chest that controls the seizures, because the previous operations failed to stop them.

It can be reset by swiping a magnet on her upper torso, she said.

“It's never going to go away, but the worst thing about it is my limitations,” Morgan said — she can no longer play volleyball or the French horn in the marching band at Reagan High School. “But otherwise, I have a very normal life.”

And that's the point Morgan hopes to get across in her advocacy for people with epilepsy, using humor to express herself with the personality of a bubbly comedienne.

During a 30-minute meeting with U.S. Rep. Francisco “Quico” Canseco, R-San An-

tonio, in his office last month to urge him to support a resolution to raise awareness on epilepsy, Morgan stuck to her message but charmed her listeners describing her recent appearance in a river parade.

“I enjoyed that way too much,” Morgan said. “Just being on a float on the river waving to people. If I could do that every day ... I'd travel on a float telling everyone about epilepsy.”

More than 400,000 Texans have epilepsy, about 30,000 of them San Antonians, according to the foundation.

The disorder is caused by abnormal brain activity. When most think of epilepsy, what comes to mind are “grand mal” seizures, which cause violent convulsions.

But Morgan's form is more subtle, blurring her vision, causing memory loss and a sense of disorientation. Her body can start to feel like it's moving when it's not. It started one day when she was in the second grade. There is no known cure.

There wasn't a history of epilepsy in the family, so she

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Palmer said parents should be vigilant when it comes to the heat.

“Children, especially, can quickly become dehydrated,” said Palmer.

“They need to drink fluids frequently, especially water, and wear light-colored, loose-fitting clothes. Avoid drinks that are heavily sweetened or contain caffeine. Check on children often, especially if they are playing outside in high temperatures.”

Palmer suggests following a few simple rules when the temperature begins to rise:

• Never leave anyone

in a closed, parked vehicle in hot weather, even for a short time.

• Drink plenty of fluids, but avoid drinks with alcohol, caffeine or a lot of sugar. Don't wait until you are thirsty. Start drinking fluids at least 30 minutes before going out.

• Plan strenuous outdoor activity for early morning or evening when the temperature is lower.

• Take frequent breaks when working outside.

• Wear sunscreen SPF (sunscreen protection factor) 15 or higher, wide-brimmed hats and light-colored, loose-fitting clothes.

• Eat more frequently, but be sure meals are well balanced, cool and

light.

• Dress infants and children in cool, loose clothing. Shade their heads and faces with hats or an umbrella.

• Check frequently on the elderly, the ill and others who may need help.

• Adjust to the environment. A sudden change in temperature — an early heat wave or travel to a hotter climate — will be stressful to the body. Limit physical activity until you become accustomed to the heat.

• Check with a doctor about the effects of sun and heat when taking prescription drugs, especially diuretics or antihistamines.

Palmer said the body's defense mechanism

against skyrocketing temperatures — sweating — isn't always effective enough to protect people from the heat, especially when combined with other health and environmental factors.

“The body normally cools down by sweating. But under some conditions, sweating is not enough,” said Palmer. “The body's temperature may rise rapidly to dangerous levels, leading to the possibility of heat illness or death.”

“A combination of high temperatures and high humidity especially can cause this natural cooling system to work overtime. When humidity is high, sweat may not evaporate efficiently, preventing

the body from releasing heat quickly. The stress of hard physical activity, fatigue, dehydration, heart disease, obesity, poor circulation, sunburn and prescription drug and alcohol use also contribute to heat-related health problems.

“Prevention is the best defense against heat-related illness. Staying cool, drinking plenty of fluids, wearing cool clothing and monitoring outdoor activities are essential to staying healthy in hot weather.”

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had to navigate medications and treatments for years. At 12, Morgan underwent four brain surgeries within 14 days. She spent her birthday in the hospital. She has forgotten some of that period, but her mother, Jolene Driver, hasn't.

“The doctors had never seen anything like it, and at one point after one of the surgeries, she had the worst pain and the seizure activity wouldn't stop,” Driver said, tearing up. “Morgan turned to me and said, ‘I am sorry Mom, I tried, just make it stop. Let me go to sleep. Just let me go.’”

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rodeos in the nation. Featuring the nation's top cowboy and cowgirl performers in the arena and country star Aaron Watson on stage, the event is one of the most popular activities in the Crossroads area. Gates open at 7 each evening with the grand entry to get under way at 8. Tickets will be \$10 for adults and \$6 for children in advance and \$12 and \$8 at the gate. Box seats are available for \$250.

Specialty acts this year will include Keith

Isley — perennial winner of the Coors Man in the Can competition, Comedy Act of the Year and Clown of the Year. He has taken home those awards for the past three years. Also performing will be the highly acclaimed 24-member Santa Rosa Palomino Club.

Carr Pro Rodeo will be providing livestock and Mike Mathis will return as announcer.

Saturday's rodeo parade will begin at 10 a.m. and take a familiar route — north on Main Street near State National Bank, west on Third and south on Scurry.

Among the participants will be the Santa Rosa Palomino Club and Hardin-Simmons Six White Horses.

“Anyone who would like to participate is welcome,” said Quail Dobbs, rodeo association member and longtime supporter and performer. “They need to line up about 30 minutes early.”

Rodeo tickets are available at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, Ward's Boot and Saddle, Western Bank, Compass Bank, Wells Fargo, Citizens Federal Credit Union, State National Bank, Lonestar

State Bank and H-E-B.

Tickets for Watson's Saturday night show, which begins at 9:30 p.m., are \$20 per person. The opening band will be the popular Lenorah Band. Neil Olivas will perform Friday evening. Tickets for that show are \$5.

In conjunction with the rodeo, Heritage Museum will be hosting its annual fund-raiser, Legends and Legacies, June 19. Tickets are \$5 each and prizes are \$1,000, \$500 and \$100. To make reservations or purchase tickets, call 432-267-8255.

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ALSA help

TO THE EDITOR:

I would really like to send a big "Thank You" to the ALSA organization for taking time out of their busy schedules to help me move.

Thanks for helping around the community like you guys do and enjoy it. We need more young active role models in this community such as yourselves.

THANK YOU,
VANESSA OLIVAS
BIG SPRING

OUR VIEWS

Two more events fast approaching. Moonlight Rave Run and the Fun Fly will be returning this weekend.

Friday night Scenic Mountain will turn into an opportunity for area residents to enjoy the scenery offered in a different light ... the moonlight.

The run will start right before midnight, with registration taking place right before from 10 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. The race will start at 11:55 p.m.

Registration for runners will be \$20 per run, \$35 for two runs, \$45 for three and \$50 for the complete series.

For those wanting to register ahead of time, visit www.timingspecialist.com.

The Friday night run will be the first in the four-part series this year. An additional race has been added due to the extra full moon in the month of August.

The Fun Fly will be taking to the skies once again on Saturday. Airplane enthusiasts will have a chance to gather with other hobbyists and enjoy some time flying.

The fun fly will be taking place, once again, at John W. Buzbee Field. The event will last Saturday and Sunday, with the public able to come out and watch as the planes take to the air.

Whether it is beautiful, unique scenery and a chance to enjoy all that Scenic Mountain has to offer or remote control planes flying around, there will be something to do in town for yet another weekend.

Enjoy!

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

When we pray, Lord, we recharge our batteries.

Amen

Is there a doctor in the house?

Back in the 1970s, when trails leading to doctoral degrees were longer and more treacherous, candidates danced to the tunes chosen by their dissertation committees. With few exceptions, this tribunal scowled, seemingly in a state of ongoing discontent. (One particularly ornery member bragged that his stern countenance was enhanced by his hair and hemorrhoids — the former for the look of distinction and the latter for the look of concern.)

We approached them with whimpers, hoping to fall no further into their disfavor. It was they who signed on — or off — proposed research projects into which candidates would pour most of their lives for the following year or so.

I'd have chosen to have bamboo strips shoved under my nails — fingers, thumbs and toes — than to propose a dissertation topic which might be considered frivolous. But, then, I didn't attend the Massachusetts Institute of Technology nor did I see a need for new catsup bottles.

That's what happened up there, deep in Yankee country. It would be interesting to know more about the committee members or overhear their conversations. "By Jove," one might exclaim. "Americans have been bamboozled by stingy catsup bottles far too long." (There is the possibility, of course, that these are all tenured faculty, nearing retirement and/or are friends of MIT's major donors.)

Or maybe the candidate himself is awarded for his courage. Or whose middle name is "Heinz."

Anyways, the dissertation topic was approved and the project duly completed. Now, the world has bottles treated with some sort of "slick-um" that allows catsup to flow like Niagara, first blob to last. And Dr. Dave Smith has a patent, with a projected payday in the megamillions.

Don't rush to judgment. Is this really what we want? Who among us has not passed along "tricks" to dislodge stubborn catsup lodes? We might have inferiority complexes, but by Hokies, we knew ways to coax that catsup out!

If Ogden Nash and Dr. Richard Armour had come along a century later, the poets would have had less to write about. Both of these guys could "rhyme up" the trivial, brightening the dark days of the Great Depression.

They did, in fact, "collaborate" on a poem, though Nash may not have known about it until years later. Nash, credited with "candy is dandy but liquor is quicker," penned a two-liner in the 1930s entitled The Catsup Bottle. It reads: "First a little, then a lottle."

Dr. Armour, whose doctoral study was in Shakespeare, "doctored" Nash's poem a few years later. Keeping the same title, his lines went this way: "You shake and shake the catsup bottle, nothing comes, and then a lot'll."

Chuckles wedged their way onto the faces of folks saddened by the Depression's bleakness. The response encouraged Dr. Armour, whose poetry included indignities similar to the ones Spike Jones took with music. (Remember Beetlebomb?)

He squeezed another poem from condiments: "Nothing attracts mustard from wieners as much as slacks just back from the cleaners."

Perhaps hopeful to be viewed beyond four-liners, he took on prose. Tongue cheek-implanted, he created quite a different background from history books concerning the composition of our national anthem.

He wrote: "In an attempt to take Baltimore, the British attacked Fort McHenry ... Bombs were bursting in air, rockets were glaring, and all in all, it was a moment of great historical interest. During the bombardment, a young lawyer named Francis "Off" Key wrote The Star-Spangled Banner, and when by dawn's early light the British heard it sung, they fled in terror."

So, expect no more humor about catsup. It will go the way of mustard, about which humorous poems are few. Come to think of it, maybe I should have tackled a humorous dissertation. Mine was a scholarly study of institutional relationships with the mass media. When I'm in Denton, I drop by the University of North Texas library to see if anyone has checked it out. It was written almost 40 years ago, back in the days of frozen radio dinners. So far, check-outs are "zilch." It languishes on a dusty shelf; no publishing paydays are expected. Maybe I should have hit the bottle, but dissertation purists would have accused me of pouring it on.

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A winning season in my book

There are lots of things in life I can picture myself doing, but coaching a T-Ball team wasn't one of them.

Here we are wrapping up our season and I'm still not quite sure how this happened, but I am glad it did.

Each week before the game and every Tuesday and Thursday before practice I would ask myself, "Am I really coaching a team?"

I'm not sure if it's the fact that I have no athletic ability, or maybe that I have no patience, but coaching just isn't something I ever pictured myself doing.

Having high goals — goals so high some may say they are impossible to reach for a small-town girl like myself — is something I have always done. Tackling a difficult task isn't anything I have ever really shyed away from, but at the same time, I have never dove into an area where I had no expertise or experience. I try to at least have some knowledge of what I will be doing even if there are things I have to learn.

However, despite the lack of athleticism, knowledge of the sport and patience, the season didn't go all that badly. I'm not sure if we won or lost

more games considering the score wasn't every really kept, but if someone asked me if my team had a winning season my answer would be yes.

Winning seasons may be based on who has the higher score when it comes to older kids and professional baseball, but at this age (really how it should be at any age) it is about so much more than that.

I say we had a winning season because for the past 12 weeks I watched 12 kids, some who had never played the game before let alone ever picked up a bat and ball, grow and learn more than just how to play T-Ball.

Yes, there were some who didn't learn as much as others. There were those who were a struggle to coach, by no fault of their own for the most part, but even those kids will come out of this season having learned something.

I saw 12 kids who had never met form friendships with kids they may never have met otherwise.

I saw 12 kids find a passion in swinging a bat and hitting a ball. There wasn't a time we met that I didn't hear, "Are we going to bat Coach?"

Each one found a spot on that field that was theirs.

Twelve strangers came together and learned to work as a team.

There may have been times that were hard, especially when temperatures were up in the high 90s and even low 100s, but

they continued to push themselves. There was even a couple of times I saw disappointment in their eyes when we called a practice early so they wouldn't get too hot.

The most rewarding part, the best trophy I could ask for, are the smiles and the sparkles in their eyes they had when they found themselves having fun.

The memories of a big smile coming across my smallest team member as he hit the ball, ran the bases and accomplished the task set before him and the drive and want to do a little bit more from one of the girl's on the team.

Each player made their own memory in my mind and taught me a lesson I never could have learned otherwise.

Kids are special that's for sure. Sometimes they can test our nerves, but we need to remember there are adults molding these children and not all problems are that of the child alone.

These kids taught me to be a little more understanding and ... well ... how to be a kid again.

As the season wraps up I admit, I am a little saddened to have to say goodbye.

It has been fun and I have to say I'm going to miss hearing, "Hey Coach!" because yep, that's me!

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Can you really teach a kid to become bullyproof?

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Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Teaching kids to become "bullyproof" is all the rage. Books, videos and websites promise to show parents how to protect their kids from being bullied; school districts are buying curricula with names like "Bully-Proofing Your School," a well-regarded program used in thousands of classrooms. Even martial arts programs are getting into the act: "Bullyproofing the world, one child at a time," is the motto for a jujitsu program called Gracie Bullyproof.

But can you really make a child invulnerable to getting picked on? And even if you could, should the burden really be on potential victims to learn these skills, rather than on punishing or reforming the bullies?

Parents and educators say when bullyproofing programs are done right, kids can be taught the social and emotional skills they need to avoid becoming victims. But bullyproofing is not just about getting bullies to move on to a different target. It's also about creating a culture of kindness, beginning in preschool, and encouraging kids to develop strong friendships that can prevent the social isolation sometimes caused by extreme bullying.

WHO'S GOT YOUR BACK?

Bullies "sniff out kids who lack connections or who are isolated because of depression, mental health issues, disabilities or differences in size and shape," said Malcolm Smith, a family education and policy specialist at the University of New Hampshire who has been researching peer victimization for more than 30 years. "So if you're worried about your child being a victim, the best thing a parent can do from a very young age, starting in preschool, is ask, 'Who's got your back? When you're on the bus, when you're in the hall, who's got your back?' If they can't name someone, you should help them establish connections to their peers."

Smith, who is working on a program called "Courage to Care" that's being tested in three rural New Hampshire schools, cited an example of a new boy who was being pushed and shoved by other boys in the hallway. "We didn't know how to empower him," Smith said, until the staff noticed that he'd become friends with a girl. "This girl is sweet but really assertive. What are seventh grade boys more afraid of than anything? Girls! So having her walk down the hall with this boy was the immediate solution to ending the bullying."

Psychologist Joel Haber, a consultant on the recent documentary "Bully," says kids should also have "backup friends" outside school through sports, hobbies, summer camp or religious groups. "That's hugely important, especially as kids move from elementary to middle school."

EMOTIONAL SKILLS

Haber says "most kids can learn skills to make themselves less likely to have the big reactions" that feed bullies.

"Let's say you're one of those kids who, when I make fun of your clothes, you get really angry and dramatic. If I taught you in a role-play situation as a parent or a therapist to react differently, even if you felt upset inside, you would get a totally different reaction from the bully. And if you saw that kids wouldn't tease you, your confidence would go up," said Haber.

One way parents can help is to normalize conversations about school social life so that kids are comfortable talking about it.

Don't just ask "How was school today?" Ask, "Who'd you have lunch with, who'd you sit with, who'd you play with, what happens on the bus, do you ever notice kids getting teased or picked on or excluded?" advises Haber, who offers other bullyproofing tips and resources at RespectU.com and is co-authored of a new book called "The Resilience Formula."

BODY LANGUAGE

Bullies "feed on the body language of fear. It's a physical reaction — how the victim responds, how they hold their head and shoulders, the tone of voice," said Jim Bisenius, a therapist who has taught his "Bully-Proofing Youth" program in more than 400 schools in Ohio and elsewhere.

Teaching a kid to appear confident physically can sometimes be easier to teach than verbal skills, Bisenius said. "If a kid who's never been mean in his life tries to fake it, or tries to outdo a bully with a verbal comeback, the bully sees right through that."

Lisa Suhay, a mom in Norfolk, Va., said her 8-year-old son Quin was helped by Gracie Bullyproof, a martial arts program taught in 55 locations that combines verbal strategies with defensive jujitsu moves.

Quin had been bullied so much on the playground that Suhay stopped taking him there. But she decided to give the park one last try after he completed the Gracie training.

No sooner did Quin begin playing on a pirate ship than a bigger boy knocked him down and ordered him to leave. But this time, as his mom watched in amazement, Quin grabbed the other kid around the waist "and landed on him like a big mattress, all while saying, 'That was an incredibly bad idea you just had. But I'm not afraid of you.'"

The other boy swung again, and Quin took him down again, then asked, "Now do you want to play nice?" They played pirates for the rest of the afternoon.

"It's about respect and self-confidence," said Suhay.

"You're not teaching them to beat up the bully. But they're not cowering. They make eye contact. They talk to the bully. So much of the time they avert the situation because the bully doesn't expect them to say, 'I'm not scared of you.'"

HOW NOT TO RAISE A BULLY

The classic bully profile is a child who was neglected, abused, or raised in an authoritarian home where punishment was the norm. But lack of discipline is just as bad: Children who have no boundaries, who feel entitled to whatever they want, can also become bullies.

Smith worries that misguided efforts to boost kids' self-esteem have produced a "sense of entitlement that we've never seen before." He worries that we're raising "the meanest generation" and says schools and parents must create a culture where meanness is not tolerated. "Kindness, empathy, caring and giving — you can teach those things."

Haber says parents and schools can start in preschool years by discouraging hitting, pushing and teasing: "Ask, how would you feel if someone did that to you?"

Children can even be taught that being kind is fun. "Addict your child to kindness," said Smith. "There are releases in the brain that feed endorphins that are very positive when you act with kindness. Encourage your kids to go over to a kid who's alone and bring them in."

Some kids who bully need help learning to read social cues. "If I tease you and you cry, most kids will realize they crossed a line and will apologize, but if I'm a bully, I want more power, more status, and I see there's an opportunity to go after you," said Haber. "If you see your child bullying a child the child not only has to apologize but do something nice, practice atonement. Being a bully is less exciting when you have other skills."

And beware the example you set when you treat a waitress or clerk rudely. "If you're the kind of person who is constantly criticizing, you're unconsciously role-modeling behaviors that kids will test out," Haber said.

PROSPECTS FOR SUCCESS

Given what Smith calls "a history of failure" in reducing bullying, it's easy to be cynical about whether bullyproofing can work. At one time, bullies were seen as having low self-esteem; now they're seen as narcissists who think they're superior. Conflict resolution was big in the '90s, but that didn't work because bullies don't want to give up the power they have over their victims — even when they pretend to be conciliatory.

"They say what we want to hear. But they'll go back and do it again when nobody's watching," said Bisenius.

But experts are hopeful about this new generation of bullyproofing programs, which teach social and emotional skills while promoting a caring school culture. Susan Swearer Napolitano, a Nebraska-based psychologist and co-director of the Bullying Research Network, who recommends a half-dozen bullyproofing programs on her website TargetBully.com, says "if these programs are implemented with fidelity and the messages are consistently communicated across a school community, then bullying prevention and intervention programs can help change the culture of bullying behaviors."

However, ultimately it's about people treating each other with kindness and respect that will stop bullying."

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News in brief

Mubarak to be transferred to a Cairo prison to serve life sentence

CAIRO (AP) — Egypt's state TV says that the country's prosecutor general has ordered ousted leader Hosni Mubarak to be transferred to a Cairo prison to serve his life sentence.

Saturday's announcement comes shortly after a Cairo court convicted Mubarak for his role in the killing of the protesters during last year's revolution that forced him from power.

Over the past months, Mubarak has been held in a presidential suite in a hospital on the outskirts of Cairo. Doctors treating him have said he is weak and has lost weight from refusing to eat. They have also said he suffers from severe depression.

He will be taken to Torah prison in southern Cairo, where his sons and members of his toppled regime have been held.

Facing uproar, Romney retreated from scuttling affirmative action

WASHINGTON (AP) — With a few strokes of his pen on a sleepy holiday six months after he became governor of Massachusetts, Mitt Romney quietly scuttled the state government's long-standing affirmative action policies.

There were no news conferences, no press releases trumpeting Romney's executive order on Bunker Hill Day, June 17, 2003, in the deserted Statehouse. But when civil rights leaders, black lawmakers and other minority groups finally learned of Romney's move two months later, it sparked a public furor.

Romney drew criticism for cutting the enforcement teeth out of the law and rolling back more than two decades of affirmative action advances.

Civil rights leaders said his order stripped minorities, women, disabled people and veterans of equal access protections for state government jobs and replaced them with broad guidelines. They complained Romney hadn't consulted them before making such drastic changes, snubbing the very kind of inclusion he professed to support.

"It was done under the radar and there was a big backlash," said Michael Curry, president of the

Boston branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. "It was clear Romney really did not have an appreciation for the affirmative action policies long in place."

Clinton brings message of cooperation to Arctic

TROMSO, Norway (AP) — U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton is trekking north of the Arctic Circle, a region that could become a new international battleground for resources.

Clinton's trip Saturday to the northern Norwegian city of Tromso is her second to the area in a year. She is bringing a message of cooperation to one of the world's last frontiers of unexplored oil, gas and mineral deposits and underscoring the region's rising significance as melting icecaps accelerate the opening of new shipping routes, fishing stocks and drilling opportunities.

To safely exploit the riches, the U.S. and other countries near the North Pole are trying to work together to combat harmful climate change, settle territorial disputes and prevent oil spills.

"From a strategic standpoint, the Arctic has an increasing geopolitical importance as countries vie to protect their rights and extend their influence," Clinton said Friday in the Norwegian capital of Oslo. Governments should "agree on what would be, in effect, the rules of the road in the Arctic, so new developments are economically sustainable and environmentally responsible toward future generations."

At the least, the U.S. and the other Arctic nations hope to avoid a confrontational race for resources. Officials say the picture looks more promising than five years ago when Russia staked its claim to supremacy in the Arctic and its \$9 trillion in estimated oil reserves by planting a titanium flag on the ocean floor.

Panetta: New U.S. focus on Asia Pacific is no threat to China; nations must work together

SINGAPORE (AP) — Speaking near China's backyard Saturday, U.S. Defense Secretary Leon Panetta rejected suggestions that America's new focus on the Asia-Pacific will fuel conflict in the region or that the emerging strategy is meant as a threat to Beijing.

Instead, he appeared to offer an olive branch to the communist giant, with a broad message that the two often-feuding world powers must learn to work better together for the benefit of the entire region.

Delivering his most extensive thoughts to date on the fragile state of U.S.-China relations, Panetta said neither side is naive about their disagreements.

"We both understand the differences we have, we both understand the conflicts we have, but we also both understand that there really is no other alternative but for both of us to engage and to improve our communications and to improve our (military) relationship," Panetta said at a security conference in Singapore.

At the same time, however, Panetta warned Asian nations that they must find a way to resolve their own conflict because the U.S. can't always come charging in to help.

U.S. adds just 69,000 jobs in May; stocks suffer worst fall of year

WASHINGTON (AP) — Another bad month for the U.S. job market is lengthening the list of perils facing the global economy.

American employers added only 69,000 jobs in

May, the fewest in a year and not even close to what economists expected. For the first time since June, the unemployment rate rose, to 8.2 percent from 8.1 percent.

It was the third month in a row of weak job growth and further evidence that, just as in 2010 and 2011, a winter of hope for the economy has turned to a spring of disappointment.

"This is horrible," said Ian Shepherdson, chief economist at High Frequency Economics, a consulting firm.

The job figures, released Friday by the Labor Department, dealt a blow to President Barack Obama at the start of a general election campaign that will turn on the economy.

On first trip abroad in 24 years, Suu Kyi visits Myanmar refugees in Thailand who fled war

MAE LA REFUGEE CAMP, Thailand (AP) — Aung San Suu Kyi turned her attention to Myanmar's long-standing refugee crisis Saturday, telling thousands of people at a sprawling camp on Thailand's border that their plight has not been forgotten.

Inside the Mae La refugee camp, home to about 45,000 people who have fled war at home, crowds thronged Suu Kyi's convoy, shouting, "Long live Mother Suu!" The beating of traditional drums heralded her arrival and departure.

Her six-day journey this week is the first trip abroad in 24 years for Suu Kyi, who this year made the transition from former political prisoner to opposition parliamentarian. The 1991 Nobel Peace Prize winner has used her tour of Thailand primarily to draw attention to the plight of her compatriots abroad.

"I have not forgotten you while you are living in another country," Suu Kyi told the cheering crowd inside the camp of bamboo and thatched huts, which sits at the base of mist-shrouded mountains. She visited a health clinic at the camp and listened to a presentation by camp leaders.

Asked to comment on her visit to the camp, Suu Kyi told The Associated Press: "It's not a problem to be solved with emotions. We have to solve it practically."

Zimmerman's credibility could be issue after judge says he lied to court on finances for bond

SANFORD, Fla. (AP) — The credibility of Trayvon Martin's shooter could be an issue at trial after a judge said that George Zimmerman and his wife lied to the court about their finances to obtain a bond, legal experts say.

That's because the case hinges on jurors believing his account of what happened the night the 19-year-old was killed.

The questioning of Zimmerman's truthfulness by the judge on Friday could undermine the defendant's credibility if it is brought up at trial. It also may complicate how his defense presents him as a witness, said Orlando-area attorney Randy McClean, who is a former prosecutor.

"The other key witness, unfortunately is deceased," McClean said. "Basically, Zimmerman is going to be asking the jury to believe his version of the facts ... As the case stands now, his credibility is absolutely critical to the case."

Zimmerman has pleaded not guilty to second-degree murder for the February shooting. The neighborhood watch volunteer says he shot Martin in self-defense because the unarmed 17-year-old was beating him up after confronting Zimmerman about following him in a gated community outside Orlando.

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By Steve Becker

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♥ K 9 4
♦ 8 3 2
♣ J 10 9 4
EAST
♠ A
♥ 8 7 5 3 2
♦ K 9 7 4
♣ Q 6 5
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♦ Q J 6
♣ K 7 3

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Opening lead — jack of clubs.
Good timing is extremely important in the play of many hands. When declarer has several different things to do, the order in which he does them frequently makes the difference between success and failure.

Consider this deal where West leads a club against four spades. How should South proceed? Let's say he starts by winning the club with the king and returns a trump. East takes the ace and plays another club. South must now go down one,

losing a trick in each suit, since the diamond and heart finesses both lose when they are attempted.

The outcome is surely unlucky, but it can be traced to a wrong choice of plays. Declarer should not stake his chances on either of the red-suit finesses working when there is a more promising approach available.

When dummy comes down, he should realize that there is more urgent business to attend to than tackling trumps at once. An early trump lead gives the defense time to establish a club trick. Instead, declarer should win the club lead with the king and play the A-10 of hearts, deliberately rejecting the heart finesse in order to establish an immediate heart trick in dummy.

If South plays in this fashion, he winds up losing only a spade, a heart and a diamond, and so makes the contract. West can take his king of hearts and return a club, but South wins with dummy's ace and discards his remaining club on the queen of hearts.

By attacking hearts first, South wins the crucial race against time. He develops a heart trick before the defense can develop a club trick. If declarer leads the wrong suit at trick two, he loses a vital tempo and goes down one.

Tomorrow: Famous Hand.
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Study: Hormone pill slows prostate cancer's growth

CHICAGO (AP) — the course of treating their disease.

A hormone-blocking pill approved last year for some men with advanced prostate cancer now also seems to help a wider group of men who were given it sooner in

the drug also seems to

be improving survival. Independent monitors stopped the study once it was clear the drug was helping and let men who had been getting dummy pills to switch

to Zytiga.

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Perry doubles down on Dewhurst in U.S. Senate race

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry on Friday forcefully reiterated his support for David Dewhurst in the state's ferocious U.S. Senate race, suggesting that national tea party groups claiming the lieutenant governor is too moderate "don't know anything about how Texas works."

Dewhurst, who has wielded almost as much power as Perry while overseeing the state Senate as lieutenant governor since 2003, squares off with fiery attorney and former state Solicitor General Ted Cruz in a July 31 runoff election for the Republican nomination to replace retiring U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison. Neither won a majority of the votes cast in a nine-candidate GOP field during Tuesday's primary.

"I think it is inarguable that Texas has created the most enviable economy in America. And David Dewhurst's fingerprints are all over it," Perry said at a news conference near a remote terminal at the Austin airport, where he took a tour showcasing first-responder equipment to mark the start of Hurricane Season.

Perry says Texas has kept unemployment rates far lower than the national average thanks to legislation imposing regulatory and tort reform that he and Dewhurst helped make possible — and that both helped the state balance its budgets year after year without raising taxes.

The Republican governor has been a vocal supporter of Dewhurst from the start of the race. But Perry has also long fashioned himself as a tea party darling, especially during his unsuccessful run for the White House, and key tea party backers are supporting Cruz.

Asked if he might be jeopardizing his credibility with grass-roots groups, Perry lashed out at national tea party organizations and leaders who have supported Cruz, including the Washington-based Club For Growth and South Carolina Sen. Jim DeMint.

4 plead guilty in Lake Charles casino fraud

LAKE CHARLES, La. (AP) — Four people have entered guilty pleas in a conspiracy to cheat a Lake Charles casino, U.S. Attorney Stephanie Finley said Friday.

Finley said in a news release that 34-year-old Charbel Tannous, of Katy, Texas; 55-year-old Constandi Lubbat, of Houston; 43-year-old Derrick Weldon, of Lake Charles; and 45-year-old Stephen Mouton, of Iowa, were indicted in June of last year for conspiracy to commit wire fraud. The counts involved the use of telephones to set up the scheme.

Finley said Tannous was the creator of the scheme to rig roulette games at L'Auberge du Luc Casino. Weldon and Mouton permitted Tannous and Lubbat to place late bets at the roulette wheel after the ball had fallen on the winning number.

The defendants face possible prison terms of five years and fines of up to \$250,000.

Tannous is scheduled to be sentenced on Aug. 30; Lubbat and Weldon, on June 28; Mouton, July 12.

Man produces gun, robs bank

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Police are seeking a man who used a gun in a Fort Worth bank robbery.

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported that the man walked into Southside Bank about 11 a.m. Friday and ordered the manager and another person to the teller counter at gunpoint. He had a teller place money in a plastic grocery bag before running out of the bank toward a creek bed.

The man was described as being about 40 years old, between 5-feet, 8-inches and 5-feet, 10-inches, tall and 200 pounds. He was last seen wearing a floppy, camouflaged hat, a gray shirt and black jeans.

DNA testing allowed for Texas death row inmate

DALLAS (AP) — A man condemned for the New Year's Eve slayings of his girlfriend and her two sons will get new DNA testing after the Texas at-

torney general's office on Friday withdrew its objections.

Hank Skinner was sentenced to death and once came within an hour of execution for the 1993 slayings of Twila Busby and her two grown sons in Pampa, in the Texas Panhandle. The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals granted its last stay of execution Nov. 7.

Prosecutors had consistently dismissed Skinner's request for DNA testing as a ploy to delay his execution. They reversed course Friday in a one-paragraph advisory filed with the Court of Criminal Appeals.

"Upon further consideration, the State believes that the interest of justice would best be served in this case by DNA testing the evidence requested by Skinner and by testing additional items identified by the State," prosecutors said.

A spokesman for Attorney General Greg Abbott did not say what led to his office's new stance on testing.

Skinner, 50, has acknowledged being inside the house where Busby and her sons were found. But he insists he couldn't be the killer because he was passed out on a couch from a mix of vodka and cocaine.

Texas GOP leader charged with assaulting reporter

BURNET, Texas (AP) — A member of the Texas Republican Party's executive committee for Burnet County faces charges he assaulted a 65-year-old journalist.

Johnnie Rogers turned himself in Friday at the county jail in Burnet, northwest of Austin. He was booked on third-degree felony assault and released on \$5,000 bond.

Burnet Police Chief Paul Nelson said Rogers argued with 62-year-old James Walker, community editor of the Burnet Bulletin newspaper, during a party following Tuesday's primary election.

Rogers allegedly followed Walker outside a building near the Burnet town square and punched him in the jaw and neck.

State law automatically classifies assaults involving victims 65 or over as felonies.

Republican Party Chairman Steve Munisteri said that, according to press reports, Walker may have touched Rogers first, which would be a defense against prosecution.

Sheriff: Mom helped son escape from Arkansas jail

TEXARKANA, Ark. (AP) — The mother of a suspect in a murder case passed her son a hacksaw blade during a court appearance, helping him and another man escape from jail, the Miller County sheriff said Friday.

The inmates, Cortez Hooper, 23, and Quincy Stewart, 35, escaped Monday and were caught Thursday evening near Stewart's mother's house on the Arkansas side of Texarkana.

Stewart's mother, Charlene Stewart, 55, was arrested Tuesday and charged with furnishing prohibited articles inside the detention facility and furnishing implements for an escape.

A Miller County judge set her bond at \$500,000 during a hearing Thursday. She was arrested at an address on the Texas side of the city.

Sheriff Ron Stovall said at a Friday news conference that Charlene Stewart passed her son the hacksaw blade and a cellphone when he was being transferred to or from the courthouse. Stovall said Quincy Stewart was able to conceal the blade in a folder that held court documents.

Stovall said deputies can't look in those folders, but he pledged to change procedures so a similar event can't happen again.

The sheriff didn't get into specifics about how procedures would be changed and wouldn't address whether any Miller County employees were involved in the escape.

Nobel laureate questioned \$8 million grant at A&M

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A \$3 billion state cancer research initiative, under fire after its chief sci-

ence officer alleged that the agency's most lucrative grant to date was tainted by politics and a slapdash review, also funded another project that raised concerns from the Nobel laureate.

The Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas has been embroiled in turmoil since Dr. Alfred Gilman resigned last month over a \$20 million award to M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston. Gilman claims the proposal was never sufficiently reviewed and fired off emails accusing the agency of letting "political considerations" seep into the funding process.

He also objected to the timing and worthiness of a grant application from Kalon Biotherapeutics, which received \$8 million from the agency in March. Kalon is headquartered on the Texas A&M University campus in College Station inside a new biomedicine research center that drew scrutiny in 2009 when it received a \$50 million grant from Gov. Rick Perry's Emerging Technology Fund.

Owned by the Texas A&M system, Kalon is the facility's first tenant.

In a March 26 letter to agency leaders, Gilman criticized funding a proposal he said received poor to modest scores from peer review panels.

"These scores are significantly poorer than any that have been deemed acceptable in the past," Gilman wrote. "Yet this proposal comes forth now rather than, for example, a multi-investigator research proposal that was described as the best we have seen by one of our research review committees and scored accordingly."

Houston-area state lawmaker dies

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Houston-area state Rep. Ken Legler has died from an apparent heart attack.

Brad Tegeler, Legler's chief of staff, said the 54-year-old Pasadena Republican died Friday. He had served in the Texas House since 2008.

Legler served on the House environmental regulation and pension committees. Last year he introduced a bill that would require applicants for unemployment insurance to pass a drug test before receiving funds. The bill failed to pass.

Both Republicans and Democrats mourned Legler's death. Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst offered his condolences to his family.

Fun-loving and well-liked, on the final day of the last legislative session Legler dressed as Col. Sanders in a cream suit and bow tie as part of the festivities. He had not sought re-election this year.

He is survived by his wife and three children.

It's not a shuttle, but Houston will take it

HOUSTON (AP) — It's not the space shuttle Houston was hoping to get. Actually, it's not even a space shuttle.

But that didn't dampen the excitement by officials and hundreds of residents who gathered Friday to welcome a full-sized shuttle replica. It arrived in suburban Houston after an eight-day trip aboard a barge that began from Kennedy Space Center in Florida and went across the Gulf of Mexico.

"It's still cool," 9-year-old Cesar Alanis said after he and his family took photographs of the 122-foot long replica, dubbed "Explorer," once it had been moored to a dock near Johnson Space Center.

Houston last year was unsuccessful in its bid to land one of the agency's four retired space shuttles. Lawmakers and officials from Houston had viewed NASA's decision not to award the Texas city a shuttle as a slap in the face to a place with deep ties to the nation's space program and home to Johnson Space Center and Mission Control. The space industry provides about 14,400 jobs in the Houston area.

Texas officials alleged NASA and Democratic President Barack Obama's administration excluded the city because of the state's Republican leanings. In an August report, NASA's watchdog group said the decision was not politically motivated.

The feeling of being slighted seemed to be gone Friday as people on boats and jetskis and along the shore welcomed the replica as it entered Galveston Bay and then snaked its way into Clear Lake before ending up at the dock.

Experts: Oklahoma, not Texas, had hottest summer

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — Oklahoma and Texas have argued for years about which has the best college football team, whose oil fields produce better crude, even where the state border should run. But in a hot, sticky dispute that no one wants to win, Oklahoma just reclaimed its crown.

After recalculating data from last year, the nation's climatologists are declaring that Oklahoma suffered through the hottest summer ever recorded in the U.S. last year.

"It doesn't make me feel any better," joked Texas rancher Debbie Davis, who lives northwest of San Antonio.

In the new tally by the National Climatic Data Center, Oklahoma's average temperature last summer was 86.9 degrees, while Texas finished with 86.7 degrees. The previous record for the hottest summer was 85.2 degrees set in 1934 — in Oklahoma.

"I'm from Oklahoma, and when you talk about the summer of 1934, there are a lot of connotations that go with that," said Deke Arndt, chief of the NCDC's climate monitoring branch in Asheville, N.C. "That whole climate episode — the Dust Bowl — that is a point in our state's history that we still look back to as transformative."

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HERALD photo/Brian McCormack
In P-Wee League action, Logan Savarance of the Indians safely crosses home plate during a game Saturday against the Diamondbacks at the Roy Anderson Sports Complex.

Rival Angels get best of Rangers on road

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — When the Los Angeles Angels had two on and two outs in a tie game, Texas manager Ron Washington summoned Alexi Ogando. It seemed like a good decision, because the right-hander retired his first batter in 21 of his previous 24 appearances this season.

Ogando did his job, getting a ground ball from pinch-hitter Maicer Izturis. But second baseman Ian Kinsler booted it, and Mike Trout followed with a bases-loaded two-run single in the seventh inning to help the Angels pin a 4-2 loss on Colby Lewis and the Rangers in the opener of a 10-game California trip.

Lewis (4-4) held the Angels to one hit over the first five innings before giving up two runs in the sixth on an RBI triple by Trout and a sacrifice fly from Albert Pujols. The right-hander retired his first two batters in the seventh before giving up a single to Howie Kendrick and hitting Erick Aybar with an 0-2 pitch.

"Colby was just trying to get inside on Aybar to set up the next pitch, but he just went too far," Washington said. "Ogando comes in and does his job. He got the ground ball. We just didn't pick it up. Kinsler's got the surest hands at second base in the game. When the ball was hit to him, I thought

it was an out. That brought another guy up to the plate, and he delivered the base hit. There's the game."

The Rangers threatened to regain the lead in the top of the seventh after third baseman Alberto Callaspo misplayed Nelson Cruz's leadoff grounder for his second error of the season and Kinsler hit a ground-rule double with two out. But Jerome (6-2) Williams escaped the jam with the help of Trout, who raced toward the warning track in center field and reached over his head to grab Elvis Andrus' bid for extra bases.

"He's a good player — a real good player," Washington said. "He's got speed, a little pop in that bat, and he makes contact. He's an exciting-looking little player."

Williams allowed two runs and seven hits over seven innings and struck out four. The Angels' ninth victory in 11 games reduced the Rangers' lead over them in the AL West to 4 1-2 games. The two-time defending AL champions had a nine-game cushion over the Halos on April 30.

"We got off to an awful good start after I got here. And when you get off to a start like that, the expectations are to play that way year after year," said Rangers

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Ladies Golf Association news

The Comanche Trail Ladies Golf Association did not hold its regularly scheduled Playday Monday due to it falling on Memorial Day.

Play resumed Thursday morning with couple's play. Trish Gabbart, Vaughn Martin and Betty and George Murphy took first place with a two-under par round.

Coming in second after shooting one-under par and winning a scorecard playoff were Annie Ward, Jerry Roach

and Connie Fowler. Third place went to Cliff and Sue Balzer and Joe and Patsy Sharpnack.

Closest to the pin honors on Hole No. 3 went to Vaughn Martin. Betty Murphy was the closest on Hole No. 6.

The Ladies Golf Association is always looking to expand. Couples are always welcome to join in the fun. Just show up at 9 a.m. on any Thursday morning at Comanche Trail Course to get in on the action.

Astros take seventh straight loss

HOUSTON (AP) — J.A. Happ put together a solid start. Unfortunately for the Astros, so did Mike Leake.

Happ pitched a season-high seven innings, but the sliding Astros struggled against Leake and lost 4-1 to the Cincinnati Reds on Friday night.

"I think Happ gave us exactly what we needed tonight," Houston manager Brad Mills said. "He got us through seven innings. It was a quality start. I know it was a losing effort, but it was a quality start. The first inning was big. Two outs, nobody was on and they were able to get two runs."

Joey Votto hit a two-

out single in the first and scored on Brandon Phillips' double off the wall in center, putting Cincinnati up 1-0. Jay Bruce then singled in Phillips.

Votto added another run-scoring single in the third.

"I thought I made some good pitches, but then I didn't make a few," Happ said. "I guess sometimes there are games where there is no room for error, and those are tough ones. That kind of was one tonight."

Happ (4-5) settled down after the slow start, allowing just five hits overall. He struck out seven and walked two.

Leake (2-5) was even better, finishing with a

season-high seven strikeouts in seven innings. He gave up one run and four hits.

"He was just throwing strikes when he needed them," Cincinnati manager Dusty Baker said. "He would get in trouble, and he would slow down a little bit and find his tempo and his rhythm. Then after that he would go back at them again. That was big to get him his second one and hopefully he can get on a roll."

Leake retired 11 of 12 batters before Jose Altuve and Jed Lowrie hit consecutive singles to start Houston's sixth inning. Carlos Lee grounded into a double play that allowed Altuve to score.

Spurs regroup after first loss in seven weeks

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — As Manu Ginobili was finishing up his answer to a reporter's question, Tony Parker walked up behind him, put both hands on his shoulders and provided his teammate an escape.

"Great job, Manu," Parker said, having heard hardly a word of Ginobili's five-minute, question-and-answer session.

After losing for the first time since mid-April, it was time for the San Antonio Spurs to face an entirely different set of questions Friday with their Western Conference finals lead over Oklahoma City cut to 2-1.

No longer was the talk

about whether the Spurs — riding a 20-game winning streak less than 24 hours earlier — were invincible. It was about how San Antonio could regroup following a 102-82 blowout loss in time to face Game 4 in Oklahoma City on Saturday night.

"Usually it's easier to refocus after a loss than after a win. Players usually have a tendency after winning a few games to relax or feel complacent. In the past, we've reacted really well to wins. We'll see now how we do against losses," said Ginobili, held to eight points in Game 3 after totaling 46 through the first two games. "Even if we react well, it's a tough place to

win and they are a great team."

The Thunder limited the output of San Antonio's best backcourt players by deploying 6-foot-7 Thabo Sefolosha to use his five-inch height advantage and wingspan to corral Parker, and by changing up their defense on the Spurs' pick-and-roll attack.

Oklahoma City players who had been guarding the ball frequently switched to defend the screener, and vice versa. After scoring a post-season-best 120 points in Game 2 and averaging 109.4 during the winning streak, San Antonio was held to a season-low 82 points in Game 3.

"They're doing a lot

of switching. They're doing a lot of those, so they're ending up with a lot of different guys on a lot of different guys," Spurs star Tim Duncan said. "We're going to have to take advantage of that. We've got to use the mismatches that we get from that, and Tony and Manu will be expecting those kind of switches and understand that they have to attack it a different way."

"Their length and their size and their athleticism is a huge advantage for them, so we're going to have to move their bodies and move the ball and use our passing to kind of neutralize that a little

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Santana tosses first no-hitter in Mets history

NEW YORK (AP) — Johan Santana was past 130 pitches and fans at Citi Field were high-fiving with every out, hoping this was finally the night the New York Mets had waited for.

All those famous arms — Nolan Ryan, Tom Seaver, Dwight Gooden, Pedro Martinez — and not a single no-hitter in more than 50 years of baseball.

Not until Santana finished the job Friday.

The two-time Cy Young Award winner pitched the first no-

hitter in team history, aided by an umpire's mistake and an outstanding catch during an 8-0 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals.

After a string of close calls over the last five decades, Santana went all the way in the Mets' 8,020th game.

"Finally, the first one," he said. "That is the greatest feeling ever."

Hometown kid Mike Baxter then made an extraordinary catch to rob Yadier Molina of extra bases in the seventh.

Local briefs

YMCA Boot Camp being held throughout June

A four-week boot camp will be held June 4-29, Monday-Friday at the YMCA from 8-9 p.m. Body composition measurements will be taken Monday at 7:30 p.m. Health and nutrition information will be available as well as an opportunity to purchase Herbalife shakes. The cost for the boot camp is \$60 for YMCA members and \$120 for non-members or \$5 per day per person.

Howard College's Earl Diddle Basketball Camps to begin Monday

The 2012 Earl Diddle boys and girls basketball camps are just around the corner. The girl's Shooting and Position Camp (grades 7-12) is set for June 4-7 between the hours of 9-11 a.m., with registration beginning at 8:30 a.m. the first day; the boy's Shooting and Position Camp (grades 7-12) will be held the same days, but from 1-3 p.m. Registration will be held at 12:30; The girls and boys Little Hawk Camp (grades K-3) is scheduled for June 11-14 between the hours of 9-10:15 a.m. Registration will be from 8:30-9 a.m.; The girls Individual Skill Camp (grades 4-6) is slated for June 11-14 with registration from 10-10:30 a.m. on June 11. Hours of the camp will be from 10:30-noon. Lastly, the boys Individual Skill Camp (grades 4-6) is set for June 11-14, with registration slated for 1-1:30 p.m. on June 11. All registrations and camps will be held at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum on the campus of Howard College. Pre-registration is encouraged. All camps are \$50 per child.

Big Spring Athletics to hold softball and baseball camps

Softball and baseball camps will be held June 4-7 from 8-11 a.m. Students in grades 3-8 are invited to participate. The cost per child will \$25. The softball camp will be held at Lady Steers Field. The baseball camp will be at Steer Park. T-shirts will be sold for an additional \$10. For more information, contact the BSHS athletic office at 264-3662.

Big Spring Athletics to hold hoops camps

Boys and Girls basketball camps are slated to be held by Big Spring Athletics. The boys camp will take from June 4-7 at Steer Gym from 1-4 p.m. Grades 2-8 are welcome. The cost per camper is \$25 with T-shirts being offered for \$10. The girls camp will also be held at Steer Gym, from June 18-21 from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. for grades 2-5 and from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. for grades 6-8. For more information, contact the athletic office at 264-3662.

Big Spring Summer Tennis events in full swing

Tennis events are slated for this summer including the Black Gold Tennis Tournament being held June 8-9. The tourney is open to all ages, but focuses on junior players. Many from the Permian Basin have already signed up. A tennis camp is set for June 11-14 and is open to players of all ages. Area tennis coaches will be on hand to instruct attendees. The camp will run from 8 a.m. until noon. Registration begins Monday. Cost is \$65 per person. Free junior tennis is open Monday evenings

during the summer from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at Figure 7 Tennis Center. B.Y.O.R. — bring your own racket. Details about these events are available at www.blackgoldtenniscircuit.com or contact Dana Jones at 557-3831.

Big Lake Golf Course to hold 4-lady scramble

The Big Lake Golf Course will be hosting a 4-lady select shot golf tournament on June 9. For more information, call 325-884-3200.

Rotary Club to host 3-person scramble

The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club is hosting its 4th annual golf tournament at the Big Spring Country Club on June 23-24. Entry fee is \$80 per player plus golf cart. Private carts are welcome. There will be a shotgun start both days. Included will be barbeque on the course Saturday. Practice rounds are available Friday. Field will be flighted by first round score. Call the pro shop at 267-5354 for information and entering teams.

BSHS volleyball camp set for July 30

A volleyball skills camp will be held July 30-Aug. 2 at the junior high gym by Big Spring Athletics. The camp is open for girls in grades 3-8. Cost of the camp will be \$25 per child. T-shirts will be available for \$10. Campers in grades 3-6 will attend from 9-10:30 a.m. with grades 7 and 8 staying until 11:30 a.m. For more information contact the athletic office at 264-3662.

Ap source: NFL has Saints' bounty ledger

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Documents gathered in the NFL's bounty investigation of the Saints include a ledger detailing payments for plays such as "cart-offs" and "whacks," a person familiar with the probe said.

The person confirmed the existence of the ledger to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity Friday night because the NFL has not publicly discussed it. Yahoo first reported that the NFL has the ledger, which describes \$1,000 payments for "cart-offs," or hits which left opponents needing help to the sideline.

It noted \$400 payments for "whacks," or hard hits, and \$100 deductions for mental errors.

Another person with access to Saints records also told the AP of the existence of documents listing payments made for "cart-offs" and "whacks." But the person was not aware of any document that identified a bounty placed on an opponent.

"There was no such thing as a bounty where anyone put up money to

hurt another player," said the person, who spoke to AP on condition of anonymity because the investigation is ongoing and related litigation is pending.

"There were stupid names for legitimate plays," the person said, referring to the use of the terms "cart-offs" and "whacks." The person said the payments listed "are for big, clean plays," and that plays which were penalized usually resulted in fines.

NFL Players Association spokesman George Atallah says the union has not seen the ledger or any other evidence of player involvement in a "pay-to-injure" program, including the ledger.

"This supposed coach's ledger, if it does exist, only proves that a fair due process was not afforded to the players," Atallah told The Associated Press. "They were punished before they had the opportunity to review any of the supposed evidence against them."

The NFL has suspended four players — all of them either current or former Saints — in con-

nection with the bounty probe.

Saints linebacker Jonathan Vilma was suspended for all of the 2012 season, Green Bay defensive end Anthony Hargrove was suspended eight games, Saints defensive end Will Smith was suspended four games, and Cleveland linebacker Scott Fujita three.

The players all have appealed their suspensions. While none of the punished players has denied that the Saints ran a pay-for-performance pool similar to those run by other teams, they have denied that they ever pledged or received cash for injuring a targeted opponent.

Vilma also has filed a defamation lawsuit against NFL commissioner Roger Goodell in U.S. District Court in New Orleans.

The Saints also have been punished harshly as an organization, with head coach Sean Payton serving a suspension that began in April and runs until after the Super Bowl. General manager Mickey Loomis was suspended eight games.

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bit."

Oklahoma City coach Scott Brooks refused to pinpoint any of his adjustments as the difference-maker in what could be a momentum-changing win. He put more emphasis on his players giving maximum effort and executing all of the defensive plans.

The changes bore some similarities to the previous round, when he used Sefolosha, James Harden and even the nearly 7-foot Kevin Durant to mix up his defense on Kobe Bryant.

Sefolosha made a big splash early in Game 3, recording four steals in the first 3 minutes, and finished with 19 points and six steals — both the best of his career.

"It's always good to have everybody taking cracks at the good players," Brooks said. "You can't have one guy on a great player to give him the same coverage. They're going to tear that apart. ... Ginobili and Parker are the best penetrating decision-makers in the league and they do it where you don't think that they have opportunities to score or to pass, and they make those passes every time."

The changes got the Spurs out of that free-flowing offensive game, and Ginobili and Parker both suggested that San Antonio ended up playing too much one-on-one and without enough aggression.

"There are some ways to try to make them pay a little bit more, so hopefully we find them and we have a clearer mind to read the situations better," Ginobili said.

As San Antonio's streak kept growing — eventually becoming the longest ever to carry over into the playoffs — players frequently said it wasn't their focus.

But now that it's over, they'd prefer if it was still going on.

"Everybody wants to win every game. That's what you try to do: You try to win," coach Gregg Popovich said.

"They played great and they had a lot to do with us playing poorly, but nobody wants to lose a game in the playoffs. You try to win every game."

Popovich said he thought Oklahoma City had played as though their season was on the line in Game 3.

Durant said the Thunder "knew what was at stake, but we weren't desperate."

"We just played harder," the three-time NBA scoring champion said.

"We were there for each other, we covered for each other on the pick-and-roll. ... We didn't really make a huge adjustment."

The Thunder still face the task of winning three out of the next four against a team that hadn't lost since April 11.

"They're a great team. They won 20 games (in a row). They're not going to push the panic button after one loss," Brooks said.

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CEO and president Nolan Ryan, who joined the team for the first two games of this three-game series.

"You have to realize that you're going to have periods where you don't play as well as you do at other times. I think we've just gone through that, and hopefully the month of June will play better than the month of May.

"But I'm very pleased at where we are as a ballclub," Ryan added. "I mean, if you break it down, obviously there are things that you'd want to see better. But as a whole,

I think we're doing well. I don't know if your club is ever where you want it to be, because you're always trying to improve your ballclub. But I think this is the best-balanced ballclub we've had since I've been here, and I'm very proud of that."

The Rangers scored their runs on RBI singles by Adrian Beltre and former Angel Mike Napoli in the first and fourth innings.

Williams retired 10 of his first 18 batters, getting No. 9 hitter Mike Moreland on inning-ending double-play grounders in the second and fourth, after Cruz and David Murphy got themselves into scoring position with stolen bases.

"I thought Williams made some adjustments from the last time we faced him," Washington said.

"He kept the ball inside on us and he was cutting it a lot. We still had some opportunities, but he made some pitches when he had to and didn't make very many mistakes. Twice we had runners in scoring position and we hit into double plays. So we certainly put ourselves in position to put more than two runs on the board."

Lewis retired his first 10 batters before giving up a single to Callaspo and a walk to Pujols.

But the right-hander came back to strike out Kendrys Morales and Mark Trumbo, whose four-game home run streak ended one shy of the franchise record set by Bobby Bonds in 1977.

Scott Downs pitched a scoreless eighth inning and Ernesto Frieri pitched a perfect ninth with two strikeouts for his third save in as many chances. The right-hander has not allowed a hit in 13 innings since joining the Angels in a trade with San Diego on May 3, and has fanned 27 of the 50 batters he's faced.

Celtics beat Heat, pull to 2-1 in finals

BOSTON (AP) — Doc Rivers knew there was little to say to Rajon Rondo after the Celtics point guard scored a career-best 44 points in Game 2 of the Eastern Conference finals.

After Boston lost that one, Rivers couldn't resist offering one piece of advice: It starts with Kevin Garnett.

"Throw it up in the air, Kevin will go get it," the Celtics coach said he told Rondo. "The only thing we told him offensively was we had to get Kevin involved. Other than that, just go play."

Garnett did get involved, scoring 24 points — many of his baskets off lob passes to the paint — and grabbing 11 rebounds to lead Boston to a 101-91 win over the Heat on Friday night

that cut Miami's lead in the best-of-seven series to 2-1.

Paul Pierce added 23 points and Rondo followed his Game 2 performance with 21 points and 10 assists to help the Celtics avoid falling into a 3-0 hole after dropping the first two games in Miami.

Game 4 is Sunday night in Boston.

"They defended their home court," Rondo said. "In a couple of days, we'll do the same."

LeBron James scored 34 points, but the NBA MVP and the rest of the Heat went cold during a 7-minute stretch at the end of the first quarter and the beginning of the second, when Boston went on a 15-0 run to turn a six-point deficit into a nine-point lead.

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Shelly Rivoli vacationing in Yosemite

Summer Travel

WITH LITTLE ONES

Tips for Planning Summer Getaways with Family

Warm weather has finally arrived, and parents everywhere are starting to plan family vacations. But traveling with a little one can be challenging and requires preparation.

Huggies has teamed up with family travel expert Shelly Rivoli, author of "Travels with Baby," to help moms and dads beat the heat and plan a no-stress summer vacation for their entire family — including the youngest of the bunch.

Rivoli knows all about vacations with little ones as a mother of three, and has even changed diapers on four continents. "When planning a vacation for the entire family, it's important to plan simply and only bring necessities for trips," said Rivoli. "With the right products on hand, like Huggies Hawaiian Diapers and Wipes, you might only need a sun hat for your little one."

Here are more of Rivoli's tried and true tips and tricks for making the most of this summer's trip.



Timing Is Everything

Stick to your baby's regular sleep schedule as best you can to ensure a satisfied little one. If your baby sleeps well in the car, you can look forward to putting on miles during naptime drives. However, if your child has trouble sleeping in the car, consider leaving first thing in the morning or right after naptime to make sure your little traveler gets the rest he or she needs to enjoy the adventure.

Bring Liquids Onboard

When you travel with a baby or toddler, airport security will allow you to bring a "reasonable amount" of extra liquids for your child, based on your itinerary. Place any prepared bottles, baby food or boxes of shelf-stable milk in a large, clear zip-top bag to present at airport security as you pass through with your child.

Beat the Heat

During summer travel, long rides in the car can be even warmer for tots riding snugly within a car seat. To keep your child cool and comfortable, dress him or her down to a vacation-ready diaper. Huggies Hawaiian Diapers are shaped to fit to provide proven leakage protection — with an added tropical twist — perfect for summer.

Pace Your Road Trip

Plan a meaningful pit stop for your family at least every two hours on the road for fresh air and exercise. Even rest areas may have space to roll a ball or chase bubbles and enjoy a picnic lunch.

Simplify Diapering on the Go

Carrying just one or two diapers at a time in your purse with a travel pack of stylish baby wipes will make it much simpler to change baby on the go. Huggies Hawaiian Diapers come with two different styles in a pack — providing two outfits for your little one. Remember to restock your purse or day-pack as needed.

Stick to the Routine

Traveling babies need the stability of their daily routines to stay happy, especially for naptime or bedtime. If you and your baby go through a nightly bedtime ritual at home, stick to it. Even with the change in scenery, you and your little one will enjoy your special routine and ensure a restful slumber.

Packing Checklist



Diaper Bag Essentials

- Huggies Hawaiian diapers and wipes (5/day + 2 extra)
- Diaper rash cream
- Portable changing pad
- Disposable diaper bags

Go-To Gear

- Car seat
- Lightweight stroller
- Baby carrier
- Portable crib
- Portable clip-on highchair

Home Away From Home

- Pacifiers
- Pajamas
- Stuffed animal/ doll/ blankie
- Books
- Music
- Crib sheets
- Waterproof crib mattress pad

Fashionable Protection No Matter Beach or Backyard

This summer, dress your little ones to be "Cute for a Cause" and contribute to the fight against diaper need. These vacation-ready Hawaiian Diapers allow mom to stylishly accessorize baby for the hot summer — for a trip to the pool or a family getaway — while also helping a baby in need. For every pack purchased, Huggies Every Little Bottom will help diaper a baby in need for a day. To get excited for vacation planning, upload a photo of your summer-ready little one to the Huggies Facebook page, and create a fun animated dancing Hula Baby video to share with all your friends. Learn more at www.facebook.com/huggies.

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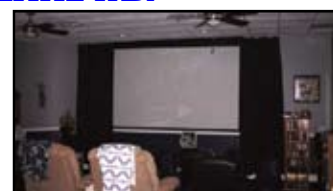


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Births



Joslyn Nevaeh Mireles

Joslyn Nevaeh Mireles, daughter of Josh and Kasandra Mireles of Big Spring, was born May 19, 2012, at 4:32 p.m.

She weighed 7 pounds 10 ounces and measured 19.75 inches.

Maternal grandparents are Jesse and Sylvia Cantu. Paternal grandparents are Joe and Patty Mireles.

Joslyn was welcomed home by her siblings, Joshua Jr. and Isaiah Mireles.



Mason Levi Gammons

Mason Levi Gammons, son of Rory and Maegan Gammons, both of Coahoma, was born May 23, 2012. He was born at Scenic Mountain Medical Center in Big Spring.

He weighed 7 pounds 4 ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches.

Maternal grandparents are Ray and Peggy Lee of Coahoma. Paternal grandparents are Larry and Lana Gammons.

Mason was welcomed home by his sibling, Raelynn Lee.

Weddings



Mrs. Kaitlyn Jane Dunn

On May 19, 2012, Kaitlyn Jane Blocker of Lenorah and Logan Rance Dunn of Ira exchanged wedding vows in the Circle Six Baptist Tabernacle at 8 p.m.

Kaitlyn was attended by maids of honor Maegan and Kristen Blocker, sisters of the bride. Bridesmaids included Kandace Young, Julia Schuelke, cousins of the bride; Rilee Dunn, sister of the groom and Lauren Robinson, friend of the bride. They wore Mori Lee gowns of black chiffon styled with a single cap sleeve with a cutout, the asymmetrical empire waistline and slim skirt gave a graceful silhouette.

Serving as best man was Austin Calley, friend of the groom. Other groomsmen were Dustin Murdoch, Kaylor Fine, Justin Taylor, friends of the groom; Preston Burr, cousin of the groom and Bryce Blocker, brother of the bride. The groomsmen were attired in black tuxes with diamond white shirts and black ties. Their boutonniere was a pink rose with tiny white orchid.

Six young ladies served as flower girls carrying black wire baskets filled with pink rose petals, Ashley Hill, Ashlynn, Kailynn and Adalynn Peugh, Scout Stockton and Charlea Peugh.

Zane Burr, cousin of the groom and Major Stockton, cousin of the bride, carried smoked ring pillows hand crafted by the brides great-grandmother Angeline Shaw in 1975.

Kaitlyn wore a diamond white, strapless, full A-line gown with a dipped neckline and corset closure styled of ruched Valencia Organza creating a hourglass shaped bodice. The full A-line skirt was created from Point d'Esprit adored with embellished corded lace. The skirt was encircled with scallops forming a lovely train in the back.

Her jeweled scalloped veil lightly touched her blonde curls falling to waist length. She carried a cascading bridal bouquet of white and blush pink roses, stephanoplis, white gerber daisies with black centers, tiny white orchids with peeks of turquoise hydrangea.

Koy Blocker escorted the bride down the aisle to the Bridal Chorus processional by Jogay Hill.

Officiating the ceremony was Judge Charles Blocker, grandfather of the bride. Parents of the groom, Dirk and Jodi Dunn, along with parents of the bride, Koy and Tammy Blocker gave their blessing to the couple and handed them lighted candles to light the unity candle.

The double ring ceremony, exchange of vows and prayer was followed by the presentation of the couple.

A reception followed the cutting of the bride's cake.

The white multi-tiered cake set on a glass topped round table with twinkle lights amidst folds of full length organza. Fresh spring flowers encircled each layer and a elegant jeweled D, designed and crafted as the cake topper by Tammy and Kristen Blocker.

The groom's cake was a tiered square, chocolate frosted cake topped with double T. A black wrought iron Texas Tech emblem stood tall behind the table overlaid with black pin tucked cloth over white full length round cloth.

Following a honeymoon to the Hawaiian islands the couple will be at home in Lubbock. Rance will be a fall 2012 graduate of Texas Tech with a degree in management information systems.

Kaitlyn has been accepted into occupational therapy school in May with plans to graduate in 2015 with a masters degree.

She has attended Midland College and Texas Tech before being admitted into the occupational therapy program.

60th anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Harold 'Sug' Cain

Mr. and Mrs. Harold "Sug" Cain are celebrating 60 years of marriage. They were married June 1, 1952, in Big Spring by the late Maple Avery. They are long-time members of the East Fourth Street Baptist Church where they continue to be active members.

Sug served in the army and then retired from Cosden after 37 years of service. Mary is retiring from State National Bank. They have one daughter, Tanga Chapman, a son-in-law Steve Chapman and two grandsons, Cade and Kyle Chapman. Mary and Sug enjoy traveling, sports and spending time with their grandsons.

To celebrate this important occasion they are planning a short trip to San Antonio.

Reader's Corner

SOMEWHERE

Somewhere
a tiny baby girl lays crying all alone
on a bed covered in vomit
her little hands reach out to someone
that's not there —
her cries go unheard.

Somewhere
a young woman lays all alone
on a vomit covered bed
her mouth open in a silent plea
for help
because this time the cheap drugs
that she used to get high took
her to a place where she never
dreamed that she would be at a
place where only the dead walk.

Somewhere
a cop is crying as he reaches out
to pick up a tiny baby girl
her little mouth open in a silent
plea for help that no one heard
until it was too late.

Somewhere
Jesus is crying.

Lana Anguiano

HEARTS

Some people have hearts that love others as Jesus does.

They over look one's faults and see only the good in a person.

Their hearts are full of kindness for all.

Kind words — loving deeds and warm hugs are gifts they give to

others daily without a thought.

But little do they know how much these things mean to others.

Some people have hearts that love others as Jesus does.

*Love one another as I have loved you.
(John 13 1,34.)*

Lana Anguiano

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Pack 501 remembers our veterans

Who's Who



Courtesy photos

Above: Coahoma Pack 501 honored our military veterans Saturday by placing flags on sites at the Coahoma Cemetery.

Left: Den Master of Coahoma Pack 501 takes a moment and places a flag on one of the veteran's sites at the Coahoma cemetery. Below: Members of Cub Scouts took time to place flags on veterans grave sites at Trinity Memorial Park for Memorial Day.

Chad Dunnam, son of Carie and Michael Downes of Hewitt and Craig and Lisa Dunnam of Big Spring, graduated May 12, 2012, from Tarleton State University with a master of science in human resource management. He is a 2004 Big Spring High School graduate.

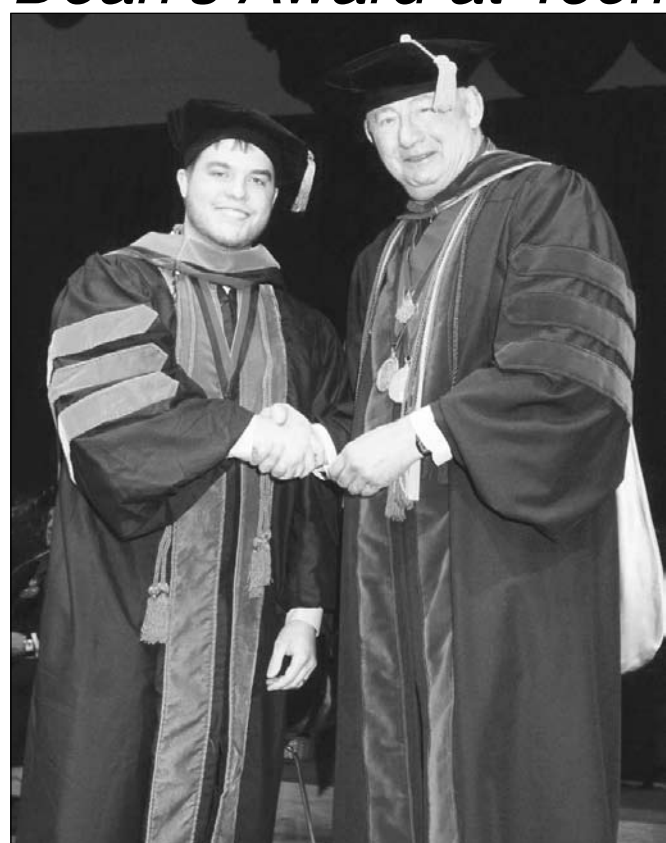
Chad is working as a talent acquisition manager with Mars, Inc. in Waco, Texas.

Chad's sister, Caylie Dunnam, graduated Dec. 3, 2011, from the University of Texas with a bachelor of science in radio, television and film. She is a 2006 Big Spring High School graduate.

After completing an internship for MTV and ColorForce Productions last fall, Caylie now works as a production assistant for Super Delicious Productions in Los Angeles, Calif.

Chad and Caylie are the grandchildren of Charles and Jolene Dunnam of Big Spring and J.F. and Claudette Poyner of Granbury.

Canada honored with Dean's Award at Tech



Kirk Canada of Stanton graduated May 20, 2012, from Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Allied Health Sciences.

Kirk is the son of Karla Canada and Selan Canada, both of Stanton.

He received his doctorate in physical therapy. Dr. Canada was selected as the recipient of the Dean's Award for Excellence for the graduating class of 2012, as well as the top graduate student in the School of Allied Health Sciences. This honor was based on academic performance, leadership and service to the profession and community.

Kirk's achievements were recognized by the presentation of a plaque, medallion and monetary award. In addition, he lead the graduating class in reciting the Allied Health Affirmation and held an honored role at commencement.

As the Dean's Award for Excellence graduate, Kirk carried the symbolic Dean's Award plaque and lead the entire graduating class into the graduation ceremony.

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- June 13** - Senior Appreciation Day, 11:30 a.m.
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This man is one of several workers who are busy installing new curbs and sidewalks in the area of Fourth and Scurry Streets. The project is expected to continue for the next several days.

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.

Turn on the television, pick up the newspaper, search the Internet and you will find story after story about Greece, JP Morgan, austerity, the labor force, student loans, California, the G-8, or the Facebook IPO. Just about every bit of the coverage is negative.

Replace that list with Tunisia, Egypt, China, oil prices, foreclosures, deleveraging and Ireland; or Dubai, tsunami, earthquake, copper, Baltic Freight Index and Portugal ... and you get the picture. For three years, the news has been relentlessly bearish.

And yet, amid all this, our “plow horse economy” keeps moving forward — through the stumps and rocks and mud. It’s certainly not I’ll Have Another, who, with one more win, can take the Triple Crown — a measure of strength, courage and greatness. But it ain’t headed for the glue factory, either.

Consumer spending is at a record high (whether measured on a real or nominal basis). Retail sales were up in April for the 21st time in the past 22 months. In terms of consistency, this rivals the 1998-99 streak of 16 straight monthly gains, a period everyone looks back on as a boom. Real (inflation-adjusted) retail sales are up 4 percent from a year ago. If this is the new normal, let’s have more of it.

Private payrolls are up 26 consecutive months, hours of work are rising, and consumers’ financial obligations are the smallest share of income since 1984. No wonder sales of autos and light trucks are up almost 10 percent from a year ago.

Meanwhile, business investment is soaring. While overall industrial production is up a robust 5.2 percent from a year ago, the production of business equipment is up a stellar 12 percent. This is why we believe productivity growth, which has slowed down the past couple of years, is destined to get a second wind.

Capacity utilization hit 79.2 percent in April, equal to the average of the past 20 years. What this means is that firms have an increasing incentive to build out capacity by investing in plant and equipment. At the same time, profits and balance sheet cash are at record highs. In other words, prospects in the business sector look good.

And, despite all you hear about banks not lending, commercial and industrial loans are up 13.6 percent in the past year. The story about banks not lending to companies is getting very stale; the bottom for these loans dates back to late 2010.

To top it all off, housing is clearly on the mend. Starts are up 30 percent from a year ago. Every major region of the country shows growth in the past twelve months, for both single-family and multi-family homes. Residential investment (home building) has been a positive factor for real GDP growth in each of the past four quarters and looks poised to do it again in Q2.

What we have on our hands is a sustainable, self-reinforcing economic recovery. It could be better. What’s holding it back is bad policy choices coming out of Washington, DC. Government spending is robbing the economy of potential and uncertainty about future taxes and regulation is a wet blanket.

Amazingly, the plow horse keeps moving forward. That’s the real news here — unending pessimism being defeated by the American entrepreneurial spirit.

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FSA seeks nominations

Special to the Herald

The Howard FSA County Committee is soliciting county committee member nominations for Local Administrative Area 3 (LAA 3).

LAA 3 includes the area south of State Highway 350 and IH 20. It encompasses the Coahoma, Forsan and Lomax communities. Donnie Reid is currently serving as the COC representative for LAA3.

Essentially, anyone may nominate a committee candidate; however, the nominee must consent and sign the nominating petition form FSA-669A. The final date to submit a nomination for COC LAA3 is Aug. 1. A Spanish version of the COC election fact sheet and FSA-669A are available.

FSA is particularly interested in the nomination of representatives of socially disadvantaged

Conservation workshop available for 2 teachers

The Howard Soil and Water Conservation District will be awarding two scholarships for Howard County teachers to attend the Teacher’s Conservation Education Workshop.

The workshop will be held June 19-21 in the historic Holt Oaks Ranch near Blanco in the Hill Country. The workshop is sponsored by the Pedernales SWCD.

Teachers attending can earn 16 hours of professional continuing education units. The program is approved by the State Board of Education.

Natural resources topics will cover soils, wildlife habitat, energy conservation, prescribed burning, plant identification and more.

Interested teachers should call the Howard SWCD at 432-267-1871 or come by the NRCS office at 302 W. Highway I-20. The registration deadline is Tuesday, June 5.

To learn more about the workshop, which begins at 1 p.m. on Tuesday and concludes by noon Thursday, contact the Pedernales SWCD at 830-868-7237 or pedernaleswcd@tx.nacd.org.

groups and beginning farmers. An eligible candidate would be someone who is also eligible to vote in the LAA3 election. Those

eligibility requirements include being of legal voting age and having an interest in a farm or ranch and participation or cooperation in any

FSA program. Candidates must be Howard County residents and attest to their willingness to serve by signing form FSA-669A.

June 15 through Aug. 1 is the period for nominating farmers and ranchers as candidates for the local COC election. FSA encourages all eligible producers to nominate themselves, or another eligible producer, to run for office. Nomination forms (FSA-669-As) are available:

- at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/elections>, and scroll down to the links under “Election materials” and click “2012 Nomination Form”
- by picking up FSA-669A at your local FSA office. In Howard County, the location is 302 W. IH-20, Suite 106.
- by calling your local office (432-267-2557) and requesting FSA-669A be sent to you.

Wal-Mart ‘committed to compliance’

ANNE D’INNOCENZIO

AP Retail Writer

FAYETTEVILLE, ARK. (AP) — Wal-Mart Stores Inc. CEO Mike Duke said Friday that the retailer is committed to integrity in the wake of recent bribery allegations in Mexico.

Duke joined other executives including chairman Robson Walton, the son of founder Sam Walton, at the company’s annual meeting on Friday in pledging that Wal-Mart will get to the bottom of the allegations.

This comes after the world’s largest retailer has said that it is overhauling its compliance program and expanding its internal investigation into the accusations to other countries.

“We’ve all heard about the recent allegations about the company,” Duke said to a crowd of about 16,000. “Let me be clear: Wal-Mart is committed to compliance and integrity everywhere we operate. I want to personally assure you, we’re doing everything we can to get to the bottom of this matter.”

The meeting could have been a triumphant moment for the world’s largest retailer, which is celebrating its 50th anniversary and seeing its U.S. results make a comeback. But instead executives were forced to spend much of the meeting reassuring shareholders that the company will be able to retain its integrity as it continues to expand globally.

The meeting, which capped a weeklong slate of events, follows

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Massage therapy — natural pain relief

By SHARON M. SMITH, LMT

Owner, Tranquility Professional Massage

We all know that today’s stress and pain levels are at an all-time high. For those looking for natural relief, research has shown that professional massage therapy is a time-honored method that in many cases can relieve and manage chronic and

acute pain. It can also promote a greater level of health and well-being.

Many people view massage as a “luxury.” However, when you compare the cost of other types of care, the cost of massage can be manageable. Some insurance companies are covering the cost of therapeutic massage given by licensed professionals.

Here are some facts for consumers seeking massage therapy. All individuals in the state of Texas who provide massage must have completed a program approved by the Texas Department of State Health Services and have passed both written and clinical exams. All written advertising must include their license number. You can check to see if an indi-

vidual you are considering has a current Texas license to practice massage at http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/massage/mt_search.shtm.

Those who seek stress relief and relaxation will benefit from what is known as Swedish massage, which is a light to moderate type of massage. Others who seek natural pain relief will benefit from other special-

ized types of massage which include compression, trigger points, and neuromuscular work.

Pain relief can be enhanced by the use of smooth heated stones, therapeutic blends of pain-relieving essential oils and cupping therapy. Cupping therapy is an excellent method for getting rid of

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 Dennis Anthony Zaragoza, 4534 Sinclair, Big Spring
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County Court Decisions:

Judgment and Sentence: Cheyenne Arguello, interfering with an emergency phone call, \$320 fine, \$278 court costs.
 Probated Judgment: Rafael Rivas, theft of property - more than \$500 and less than \$1,500, \$750 fine, \$332 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).
 Probated Judgment: Carl Wayne Nicholson, driving while intoxicated, \$750 fine, \$457 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).
 Probated Judgment: Adrian Yanez, assault causing bodily injury, \$1,500 fine, \$328 court costs, 365 days in jail (jail time suspended, 24 months probation).

District Court Filings:

Allstate Insurance Company vs. Salinas Trucking, injury or damages involving a motor vehicle.
 Gabriel Barraza vs. Monica Nichole Muniz, divorce.
 Roshanda Bethany vs. Darrell Hodnett, injury or damages involving a motor vehicle.

Marriage Licenses:

Jamie L. Garza, 37, and Carrie A. Farrington, 31, both of Big Spring.
 Travis R. Lynch, 27, and Susan L. Schlegel, 29, both of Big Spring.
 Christopher Olivarez,

21, and Megan Hilario, 21, both of Big Spring.

Warranty Deeds:

Grantor: Horace E. Tubb
 Grantee: Wolf Partnership
 Property: A 4-acre tract out of Section 46, Block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
 Date: May 7, 2012
 Grantor: Dulane Leonard
 Grantee: Marcellous Weaver
 Property: A tract out of Section 18, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey
 Date: May 5, 2012
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 Property: A tract out of Section 18, Block 34, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey
 Date: May 5, 2012
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 Grantee: Marcellous Weaver
 Property: A tract out of Section 18, Block 35, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey
 Date: May 5, 2012
 Grantor: M. Grella LP
 Grantee: MPI Surface LLC
 Property: A 28.5-acre tract out of Section 24, Block 33, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
 Date: May 3, 2012
 Grantor: Tanner Potter
 Grantee: Sabin Tanner Ray Potter
 Property: A 5-acre tract out of Section 46, Block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
 Date: May 24, 2012
 Grantor: Steven Johnson and Stephanie Johnson
 Property: A 4-acre tract out of Section 46, Block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
 Date: May 7, 2012

Grantee: Sabin Tanner Ray Potter
 Property: A 5-acre tract out of Section 46, Block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
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Grantor: Tanner Potter
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Warranty Deeds with Vendor's Lien:
 Grantor: Horace E. Tubb
 Grantee: Wolf Partnership
 Property: A 4-acre tract out of Section 46, Block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
 Date: May 7, 2012

Grantor: Horace E. Tubb
 Grantee: Steve Wolf dba Wolf Farms
 Property: A 7.7-acre tract out of Section 46, Block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
 Date: May 7, 2012

Grantor: Michael Hall and Barbara Hall
 Grantee: Zane Neal Bobbitt, Casey Ann Marshall and Danya Jegede
 Property: The S/2 of Lot 2 and all of Lot 3, Block 64, Original Town of Big Spring
 Date: May 3, 2012

Grantor: Hayes Stripling Jr.
 Grantee: Tim Blackshear Company Inc.
 Property: A 39.3-acre tract out of Section 41, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
 Date: May 2, 2012

WAL-MART

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a story by *The New York Times* in April that the world's largest retailer allegedly failed to notify law enforcement after finding evidence that officials authorized millions of dollars in bribes in Mexico to get speedier building permits and other favors.
 Meanwhile, federal authorities in the U.S. and Mexico reportedly are investigating Wal-Mart for potential violations. Investors have filed lawsuits against top executives. And some shareholders have called for the removal of several board members, including Walton, CEO Mike Duke and former CEO Lee Scott.
 Preliminary results from Friday show that all directors up for reelection were re-elected. Final results will be announced Monday. Descendants of Wal-Mart's

founder own about 50 percent of Wal-Mart's shares, so activist shareholders have little chance of voting out the board members. But any lack of support for the leaders is a blow to the retailer.
 Corporate governance executives say they'll be dissecting the final tally to see what percentage outside of the Walton family voted against reelecting the directors. Anything above 10 percent would send a clear message for change, says Michael Garland, who represents the New York City Comptroller's Office, which oversees the public pension funds of New York. The group, which owns 5.6 million shares of Wal-Mart, voted against five members of the board including Scott and Duke.
 On Friday, the company went back-and-forth between addressing the allegations and talking about other things annual meeting, which

was held in the basketball arena at University of Arkansas. That's about 30 miles from Wal-Mart's headquarters in Bentonville.
 The event opened with Walton walking on stage to a replica of his dad's first store. Walton then swapped stories with his siblings, Jim and Alice, about the early days of working with their father.
 "It's a family business. It's just grown a lot," said Robson Walton. He also noted that his father didn't measure success by financial achievement, but rather by "the lives we improved."
 Pop singer Justin Timberlake hosted the event, arriving in a hula skirt to symbolize of a story told about the founder dancing a hula on Wall Street after losing a bet. Musical interludes included performances by R&B legend Lionel Richie, singers Celine Dion and Taylor Swift, gospel jazz group

Take 6 and Latin singer Juanes.
 Protests were expected during the meeting but did not materialize.
 "Some folks want to interrupt our meeting, but we're hoping they respect all of you," Walton said at the start of the meeting. "But don't be surprised if we do have some interruption."
 Another interruption is the last thing Wal-Mart needs at a time when it's beginning to turnaround its business.
 The discounter had struggled during the U.S. economic downturn as its core low-income customers were hard hit by joblessness and other challenges in the weak economy. At the same time, its namesake U.S. unit had veered away from its "everyday low prices" strategy and got rid of popular merchandise.

But Wal-Mart last year began adding back 10,000 products and refocused on keeping prices low. Its strategy is just beginning to pay off.
 Wal-Mart reported better-than-expected first-quarter profit. Its U.S. namesake unit, which accounts for 60 percent of net sales, turned in its best performance in three years. And its shares have recovered to trade around \$65 after falling by more than 7 percent right after the bribery allegations surfaced.
 But the accusations still threaten to distract the retailer at a critical time when it's trying to continue its momentum.
 For its part, Wal-Mart officials have said in recent weeks that the accusations haven't impacted its plans for growth in the U.S. or overseas.

Big Tobacco vs. Lance Armstrong

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Fabled as a mecca for the health-conscious and fitness-obsessed, California is also one of only a few states that hasn't hiked cigarette taxes in the last decade — and the tobacco industry wants to keep it that way.
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 But tobacco companies and their allies have amassed nearly \$50 million to fund a media blitz to snuff out Proposition 29.
 With less than a week to go before the California primary, the measure's passage is uncertain.

MASSAGE

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To: Unknown Heirs of Samuel Mccloud Deceased, Defendant, Greeting: You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the Monday next after the expiration of 42 days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday June 25, 2012, before the Honorable 118th District Court of Howard County, at 312 Scurry Street in said County in Big Spring, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 05/03/2012 in the entitled cause WIND ENERGY TRANSMISSIONS TEXAS vs. LAURA LAND MCCLLOUD, ET AL. A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: Condemnation as is more fully shown by the Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.
Issued and given under my hand seal of said court at office this 9th day of May, 2012
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#7380 May 20, 27 & June 3 and 10, 2012

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Public Notice
The County will list larger surplus items as they become available online at www.GovDeals.com. Please check the website periodically as the County will not advertise each item.
#7360 June 3, 2012

Dear Margo

Hope Versus Reality

Dear Margo: My mother "did her best" to ensure that both of her children grew up to be straight, conservative Christians. Well, my poor little brother greatly disappointed my mother with his homosexuality (and



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being vocal about it), and our father also felt his expectations were not met. In any case, my mother's "plan" totally failed, because I ended up an agnostic lesbian. The only member of the family, including my extended family, who supported me was my aforementioned brother. He, however, became very depressed and took his own life. I believe this was due to our parents' emotional abuse, which I was not able to completely escape myself. Despite the backlash

and lack of support, I entered into a relationship with "Natalie." I knew she was bisexual, but I also knew she was monogamous. She was a great girlfriend, but when tragedy struck, I felt it was unfair for her to be caught up in all the family turmoil, so I ended things between us. Now, a few years later, I find out she's getting married next month — to a man. That was bad enough because I felt somewhat betrayed, but my mother took the opportunity to remind me that Natalie's marrying a boy, "so there's hope for you yet!"

mother, whose idea is nonsense. Her wish, I guess, is understandable for a conservative Christian, but it is a hope entirely uninformed by reality and fact. As for feeling betrayed because Natalie ended up with a man, I remind you that she is, as you stated, bisexual. This denotes an attraction to males and females. For marriage (at least her first marriage), she chose a man. I do hope you find a suitable girlfriend and get your life going again. — Margo, positively
Dear Margo is written by Margo Howard, Ann Landers' daughter. All letters must be sent via the online form at www.creators.com/dearmargo. Due to a high volume of e-mail, not all letters will be answered.

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Pursuant to Chapter 59, Texas Property Code, American Self Storage which is located at 3314 E. FM 700 Big Spring, TX 79720 will hold a public auction of property being sold to satisfy a landlord's lien. Sale will be at 11:00 o'clock A.M. on Saturday, June 16th, 2012, at American Self Storage 3314 East F.M. 700 Big Spring, Texas. Property will be sold to highest bidder for cash. Seller reserves the right to not accept any bid and to withdraw property from sale. Property may be sold item by item or in batches, or by the space. All sales are subject to Texas State Sales Tax. Sale is on the contents of:
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Consisting of: misc. household goods
Tenant: Rosalinda Moreno
Consisting of: misc. household goods
#7389 May 27 & June 3, 2012

Legals

INVITATION TO BID
The Colorado River Municipal Water District and Garney Companies are soliciting General Contractor, Subcontractor and supplier participation including those that qualify as SWMBE's for the following: Bid Package 8 Raw Water Supply Well Sites North Well Field for the Ward County Water Supply Expansion Project. Bid Documents available on May 24, 2012 at <https://team.garney.com/4378>
Bid Deadline is June 7, 2012 at 3:30 p.m. Bids will be received at CRMWD 400 E. 24th Street, Big Spring, TX 79721-0869. For more information contact Marcus Grace at (816)536-6485 or email mgrace@garney.com Garney Companies, Inc. is an Equal Employment/Opportunity Employer.
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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS GRADED CALICHE BASE
Bid Requirements
Sealed Bids for **graded caliche base material** will be received by the **Glasscock County Judge** at the Glasscock County Courthouse, 117 E. Currie Street, Garden City, Texas, until 9:00 a.m., June 11, 2012, at which time the bids will be publicly opened, read aloud and tabulated. These bids will subsequently be considered for award by the Commissioners Court of Glasscock County. The Commissioners Court may, at its discretion, award to more than one bidder.
Each bid should include: 1) the unit price per cubic yard bid for the specified graded base material and 2) the location in Glasscock County of the pit or stockpiled material; and shall be signed by the Bidder. Each bid must be submitted in a sealed envelope addressed to the Glasscock County Judge. The envelope should have the name of the Bidder and "May 2012 Graded Base Bid" typed or written on the

outside of the envelope. If submitted by mail or delivery service, the sealed envelope containing the bid must be enclosed in another envelope addressed to the Glasscock County Judge, P.O. Box 67, 117 E. Currie Street, Garden City, Texas 79739. Any bid received after the time and date specified will not be considered.
Glasscock County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any technicalities, informalities or minor defects, or to accept the proposal or proposals they deem to be in the best interest of Glasscock County.
Material Specifications
Successful Bidder(s) shall furnish uncontaminated material of uniform quality that meets the following specifications from the 2004 Edition of the Texas Department of Transportation *Standard Specifications for Construction and Maintenance of Highways, Streets, and Bridges*:
Graded Base shall be Grade 1 or Grade 2, Type A, B or C material, in accordance with the requirements for 1) gradation,

2) liquid limit and 3) plasticity index, as set forth in **Table 1 - Material Requirements under Item 247 - Flexible Base**. Additives such as lime, cement, fly ash, or other materials shall not be used to modify aggregates in order to meet these requirements.
Before any material is purchased by the County, the successful bidder(s) must submit to the county Judge a report from an acceptable testing laboratory certifying that the material to be purchased meets or exceeds these material specifications.
Questions concerning these specifications or bid procedures should be addressed to Don W. Bonifay, Engineer for Glasscock County, at (432)230-6815 or donbonifay@gmail.com.
Measurement and Delivery
The specified material shall be supplied and measured by the cubic yard. Material shall be loaded by the successful Bidder into trucks provided by Glasscock County. Material shall be located at the successful Bidder's location, which

must be in Glasscock County. **This location shall be stated in the bid document.** There is no minimum or guaranteed quantity of material stated or implied with the award of this bid.
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- ACROSS**
1 Paragon of penuriousness
8 What toasters hold
15 Water carrier
16 Strong and regal
17 Surfeited
18 Egg specification
19 Contented
20 Outmoded combo appliance
22 Contented
23 Well-chosen
24 Slacker activity
26 Sovereign's (part of the British Crown Jewels)
27 Dave Barry's headquarters
29 American acquisition of 2001
30 Stomach
32 Put grooves in
34 Perked up
36 Vita
37 NL West team
38 Prepares, as pot roast
42 Concert menu
46 Relax
47 Bring home
49 Grade for a sophomore
50 Dedicated lines
51 Simple nature
54 Dining
55 Aussie's "ear bud"
57 Renaissance fair prop
58 Sister mag of Paris Match
- DOWN**
1 Shri! sounds
2 Inferior product
3 Grammy Awards performer, often
4 No more than 5 Person
6 Affect
7 Up
8 Really slow
9 Live partner
10 Huffington Post owner
11 Trip up
12 Chopping candidate
13 Initiator of some matches
14 Garden spot
21 Its website has a Flag Education page
24 Go-between favored by Bach
28 The boss character at Disneyland
33 ___ clip (bike part)
35 Sculptor's medium

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- 38 Develop nicely
39 Cab or port
40 Was stuffed
41 SWAT team, at times
42 Sore
43 Be disposed
44 Ocelot, often
45 Education foundation
48 Time before a crisis
52 Member of the sunflower family
53 Line of work
56 Leading name on the *From Here to Eternity* credits
58 Other than those
60 Stir
62 Seize suddenly

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Annie's Mailbox ®

Dear Annie: My sister, "Lois," has been seeing "Desmond" for a year. This guy is toxic. He does absolutely nothing for her and expects everything in return.

He tells her how to dress and whom she can and cannot speak to. Lois and her children (from a previous relationship) lived with Desmond until she'd had enough. She then asked to move in with me, and I welcomed her with open arms.

When Lois came here, she was sickly looking. Her skin was gray, and her eyes were sunken. After some time away from Desmond, however, she seemed to perk up, becoming her old, bubbly self.

The problem is, Lois recently has taken up with Desmond again and is lying to everyone about it. She claims that she met someone new through a dating site, but her browser history shows otherwise.

She doesn't know that I know the truth. I keep her secret because I don't want to cause a problem, but I am so afraid that she will go back to him and take my nephews with her.

This guy should not be a role model for anyone. I also believe there may be drugs involved. If she goes back to him, I worry that my mother will die of heartbreak.

Lately, Lois has been speaking of wanting her "freedom." I can't understand why she would return to someone who treats her like his servant. Should I tell her I know she is lying? I don't want to lose what's left of our relationship. — *Sister Mess*

Dear Sister: Don't accuse Lois of lying. Instead, talk to her about her decisions. Ask, without judgment, whether she is seeing

Dear Annie: Like "Bob," I, too, married a woman with children. And, like him, I love them as if they were my own. The title dilemma was automatically solved by the kids. They call their father "Dad," and I am "Pop." When I am introduced to their

to help her make better choices.

Unfortunately, if Lois is determined to go back to Desmond, there's not much you can do. Make sure she has the number of the National Domestic Violence Hotline (thehotline.org) at 1-800-799-SAFE (1-800-799-7233) just in case his controlling behavior escalates.

Dear Annie: My wife's family is very tight with a buck, and it's not because they don't have money. When my niece needed a new electrical system installed, I pulled in a favor to get it replaced at no charge.

When my brother-in-law built a home, I spent four very long weekends wiring the place. I also arranged for another family member to get a new heating system and then gave them nearly new sporting equipment for their kids.

However, when my wife wanted two very inexpensive fake goose garden statues, they required that she pay them \$18. This makes me angry, and I'd rather not associate with them any more than I have to. It seems disrespectful to me and all that I've done for them. Of course, this is causing a problem between my wife and me, but I can't get past it. How should I handle it? — *Feeling Disrespected*

Dear Feeling: People should reciprocate kindnesses, but that's not always the case. You've been very generous with your in-laws. Feel free to stop. But please don't force your wife to choose between you and them. Accept them as they are, and you will be less disappointed by their innate stinginess.

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friends, they start with, "This is my pop."

I enjoy the title and the distinction. Perhaps you could suggest that Bob ask the children to call him by some other endearing family title since "Dad" seems to be too difficult. — *"Pop" from Campbelltown, Pa.*

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

It is said that there's no way to happiness because happiness is the way. Tell that to a goal-oriented individual on a mission, though, and expect a puzzled response. Happiness is, to this person, a trophy in hand. Mercury and Saturn form a fortuitous angle to help us see the validity of different approaches and try to find the best fit.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). People want what you have. You'll be approached by many, and you don't have time to address each person's individual need. Find a way to help several people en masse.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You'll go the extra mile to make sure that your actions not only match your words but also exceed the expectation that your words set up. That's why you'll be promoted in the esteem of others.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You'll capture someone's imagination. That's not what you set out to do, but you'll do it all the same. And once you've caught this imagination, you can bring it wherever you want to go.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You're objective when it comes to your work, and what you observe about it now will inspire you. Like a sculptor who steps back to behold a work in progress from a distance, you begin to see the shape of your life.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). As you follow your curiosity about ordinary people and daily life, you discover that there is no such thing as an "ordinary person" and that each day is really entirely different from the last.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Whether you're traveling to the grocery or to another country, travel light. It's simpler, easier and cheaper. Plus, it sends a signal that you trust the universe to bring all you need.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You really appreciate

what's going so right in your life now, which includes your relationship with a few people you cherish. You'll be moved to let them know in little ways that they are special.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). As you rise to meet the challenges of the moment, new influences march into your life. You'll be smart about which ones to adopt. It's brave, the way you are always changing.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Making backups is favored, whether it's a digital copy of your computer files or a plan B for today's schedule. Thinking ahead to what might go wrong will make it more likely that things go right.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You feel a transition coming on, and you want to be graceful with this change. The element of surrender will help you. Let go and trust that you'll have a soft landing.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Sometimes loved ones treat you like you're an on-call problem solver. Take the pressure off of yourself. You don't have to have all of the answers. Go off-duty. There's peace in saying "I don't know."

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Respond promptly to phone calls. This one rule will save you from confusion, miscommunication and/or awkwardness. Handling things in real time gives you power.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (June 3). You'll powerfully create environments that would never exist if not for you. A project will be completed over the next six weeks. Mutual love captures your attention and a good chunk of your time in August. September features a savvy investment. You'll contribute to someone's education in October. Travel in November. Libra and Cancer people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 40, 2, 14, 39 and 29.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: Saturn likes to remind us every so often that life is essentially a tradeoff. Every action has a price; every prize has a price. Luckily, this week Saturn is in a

terrific mood. Mercury in Gemini has the old taskmaster feeling young and playful. A lighthearted trine of Mercury and Saturn suggests that life lessons don't always have to be taught in drastic measures. Learning can be easy and fun. Follow your curiosity.

Since the world is round, there are certain challenges to mapping it on a flat piece of paper. Monday's full moon in Sagittarius is up to the challenge, showing us all of the possibilities at once. Strangely, knowing that there is a multitude of options doesn't make it hard to decide where to go. Instead, there's a sense that many paths lead to the same destination, and rather than stress about it, it's better just to pick one and be on your way.

Every year the planet Neptune has about five months of retrograde as if to reinforce our spiritual growth. The retrograde starts on Monday. Belief systems get tested during a process of review. Grappling with our doubts and fears will be excellent practice and ultimately a faith-strengthening exercise.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Primary anchor for the CNN show "Anderson Cooper 360," Anderson Cooper embodies the ease of communication and high intelligence the Gemini twins are known for. A guest on "The Tonight Show" at age 3, Cooper seems destined to be a television personality. Mercury and Venus in Cancer suggests a strong intuitive sense, while Jupiter in Leo brings extra charisma.

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HOLIDAY MATHIS

Miller's journey concludes

By **AMANDA MORENO**

Staff Writer

Robert Miller, local attorney, had one more hurdle to cross after the surgery in his journey to beat prostate cancer.

After being diagnosed with prostate cancer this past Easter, Miller decided to have surgery in order to get rid of the cancer. As an extra precaution, he had to undergo 41 treatments of radiation to ensure all cancer cells were destroyed. The last of his treatments wrapped up right before Christmas. After almost a year, Miller can finally put the whole thing behind him.

"Looking back on it, the only thing I wish I could change is that I would have had the biopsy sooner. Maybe if I would have had the biopsy sooner I wouldn't have had to have the radiation," Miller said.

Everyday for 41 visits, Miller drove to and from Allison Cancer Treatment Center in Midland. Sometimes doubling up on treatments in order to finish the process faster.

"After awhile it can wear on you, especially having to drive there and back everyday," Miller said. "I did realize though there are good people out there and these people in the medical field are really prepared. They really have a great attitude."

He continued, "I watched a lot of people go through there and I don't know how they do it. The doctors and staff at Allison all have a smile on their face and you never know, maybe that's the only smile those patients see all day."

Miller's treatments included nine zaps, each lasting a little under a minute. A treatment session, from the moment he walked in the door until he could walk back out, was an estimated 10 minutes.

"The good thing is I never really had to wait. It wasn't like going to the doctor and sitting in the waiting room for awhile. They usually got me right in," Miller said.

Even though the time of each treatment was short, the effects were not. Eventually, after he made it about half way through his radiation treatment, Miller began feeling the side effects.

"The main thing was I was just worn out," he said. "I needed sleep, after all, you are destroying good cells along with the bad cells and I needed to build the good ones back up."

He added, "It wears on you." On top of the daily treatments, doctors would monitor Miller's insides to ensure no extra damage was being caused and that no abnormalities showed up. Some of the side effects he had to deal with due to the radiation were changes in his digestive system, bladder and bowel.

"It's been a few weeks since I finished radiation and I can tell things are getting back to normal. I'm not all the way back to the way I was before, but normal is returning," Miller said.

Since his last treatment, he has had his PSAs checked and the numbers are an improvement from almost a year ago.

"The numbers are very much in my favor. They are showing up at a .0005 which is a good sign. If the cancer had spread the number would be much higher," Miller said.

From the beginning, Miller has faced his fight against prostate cancer with a positive attitude. There were some rough times, but for the most part he pushed forward without too many bumps along the way.

"There were times I would get depressed, but it was those times I would talk to Mary about it," Miller said. "It's really important that those going through this talk about it and realize they don't have to go it alone."

Even when he was having a hard time, he said he would do his best to be upbeat and keep a positive

attitude. It was all about keeping the smile on his face, no matter what.

"You have to enjoy life while you can because you never know when something will sneak up on you," Miller said.

His choice to have the surgery isn't one he regrets.

"Really it's not anything to dread, you just do it. You think about all those people who have had other cancers, if it doesn't spread and you can take it out then it's gone," Miller said. "Once you take it out, it's gone."

There is still no rhyme or reason to the onset of prostate cancer, but the treatment options are immense. Several avenues exist for those who are diagnosed with prostate cancer.

"We are still treating the symptoms because we have never figured out the cause," Miller said. "However, I am healthy and I am sharing my story in order to educate people and let them know this isn't something to be ignored."

"There is no reason to be afraid, ashamed or embarrassed to talk about it. It is worse when you try and ignore it and keep it hidden or undiscovered."

Radiation is over and the surgery is behind him, but Miller will continue to have regular check-ups and monitor his PSAs. For now, his body will continue to find its way back to normal, but as far as he is concerned, this chapter is closed.

"I feel relief. I can go on with my life now," Miller said with a smile.

The biggest piece of advice he can offer is to know what to look for, recognize it and get support.

"Don't be afraid of it. If you have it doesn't mean you are dead," Miller said.

To find out more about prostate cancer talk to your doctor or visit the American Cancer Society website.

"There are several avenues out there that can provide information about prostate cancer, get educated and don't forget to have routine PSA checks." Miller said.

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ROBERT MILLER

Scouting News

Boy Scouts of America announce co-ed high adventure program — Venturing

Special to the Herald

Venturing is a youth development program of the Boy Scouts of America for young men and women who are 14 through 20 years of age and have completed the eighth grade.

Venturing's purpose is to provide positive experiences to help young people mature and to prepare them to become responsible and caring adults.

What a Venturing crew does is limited only by the imagination and involvement of the adult and youth members—sail the Caribbean, pro-

duce a play, climb a mountain, do target practice, or attend the Olympics.

All these adventures and many more are being done today by Venturing crews across the country.

Want to go mountain biking, hiking in the Davis Mountains, or Horseback Riding? Then why not give Venturing a try.

The First Baptist Church in Big Spring is looking to start a new Venturing Crew in town.

If you are interested, contact Brian Sweeney at 432-212-3577 for more information.

Scouting at a Glance — May

Sign-ups for Boy Scouts deemed success

By **Brian Sweeney**

The Lone Star District in Big Spring held a sign-up night last month at First Baptist Church and welcomed 20 new Cub Scouts to the scouting family.

With summer-time arriving, the Boy Scouts are getting ready to head off for a week of summer camp where they will earn different merit badges, such as rifle shooting, shotgun shooting and horsemanship merit badges.

We also have Troop 1 of First United Methodist Church attending the Philmont Scout Ranch to do a one week backpacking trek.

Philmont Scout Ranch is a large, rugged, mountainous ranch located near the town of Cimarron, N.M., covering approximately 137,500 acres of wilder-

ness in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains of the Rocky Mountains in northern New Mexico. The ranch, formerly the property of oil baron

Waite Phillips and now that of the Boy Scouts of America, is currently in use as a National High Adventure Base in which crews of Scouts and Venturers take part in backpacking expeditions and other outdoor activities.

It is the largest youth camp in the world by size and number of participants. Between June 8 and Aug. 22 around 22,800 scouts and adult leaders backpack across the Ranch's extensive backcountry while over 1,200 seasonal staff personnel maintain the Ranch's summer operations.

Cub Scout packs will be gearing up for a day camp, which will be

held on June 16 at Camp Thomas in town.

This year's theme will be Treasure Island, so everyone will be dressed up as pirates and have pirate themed activities.

At day camp Cub Scouts will be able to participate in shooting a BB gun, archery, and art belt loops. Belt loops are like merit badges for Cubs.

We will have a ton of water activities prepared as it is going to be really hot.

The West Texas Geocaching Association will be present to do a course on geocaching for the Cubs. The Howard County Volunteer Fire Department and Big Spring Fire Department will finish off the day with a tour of the trucks.

For more information or to sign up for Boy Scouts, contact District Executive Brian Sweeney at 432-212-3577.



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Moreno — Duforat



Amanda Fay Moreno of Big Spring, and Chris James Duforat of Fort Stockton, proudly announce their engagement.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Hilaria (Lolly) Moreno and the late David G. Moreno, of Big Spring. She is the granddaughter of the late, Magdaleno and Irene Moreno and the late Abel Sr. and Emma Cruz.

The prospective groom is the son of Jean-Michel Duforat and Vickie (Ringham) Duforat, both of Fort Stockton.

Amanda is a 2004 graduate of Forsan High School. She received her bachelor of arts degree in mass communications/print media from West Texas A&M University in Canyon. She is employed by the *Big Spring Herald*.

The couple will exchange wedding vows in a 6 p.m. ceremony at Kokopellis on July 14, 2012.



Schaefer — Marlow

Halie Dawn Schaefer of Garden City and James Thomas Marlow of Big Spring announce their engagement.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Douglas and Karen Schaefer of Garden City.

She is a 2008 graduate of Garden City High School and a 2012 graduate of Angelo State University.

The prospective groom is the son of Thomas Marlow Jr. and Theresa Marlow, both of Big Spring. He is a 2008 graduate of Forsan High School. He is employed at H-E-B.

The couple will exchange wedding vows Aug. 4, 2012, at St. Lawrence Catholic Church.

Logsdon — Childress



Mike and Ginger Logsdon and the late Vicky Logsdon, of Coahoma, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Sandy Logsdon to Randy Childress, of San Angelo.

Randy is the son of Susan Childress, of San Angelo and Kathleen and the late Dwain Childress of Grape Creek.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Bonnie and the late Bill Logsdon of Coahoma and the late Margaret Bonar of Big Spring.

She graduated from Coahoma High School in 1997. She attended Howard Junior College in Big Spring, San Antonio College in San Antonio and graduated from European Massage Therapy Institute in San Antonio in 2003. She is employed by Texas Financial Bank in San Angelo.

The prospective groom is the grandson of Mary and the late Harold Childress and the late Bonnie and Curtis Hall of Abilene.

He graduated from Grape Creek High School in 2000 and graduated from Dallas Institute of Funeral Services in 2003. He is employed by Pro Plumbing in Grape Creek.

The couple is planning an October 2012 wedding in San Angelo.

Wedding

Frances Clark and Jay Smith, both of Big Spring exchanged vows April 14, 2012, at a 4 p.m. ceremony at Trinity Baptist Church. Pastor Randy Cotton officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Bill Clark of Big Spring and Diann Armstrong of Dilley, Texas. She is the granddaughter of Howard and Pearl Armstrong of Ackerly and Julie Spencer of Oregon.

The groom is the son of Johnny Smith of Big Spring and Mendy Cother of Sierra Vista, Ariz. He is the grandson of Ela and Robert Reynolds of Childress, Texas and Venita and Chuck Houston of Amarillo.

The maid of honor was Ladonna Denson of Big Spring, sister of the bride. Honorary maid of honor and flower girl was Haylee Henderson, daughter of the bride.

Best man was Johnny Smith, father of the groom. Honorary best man and ring bearer was Greg Henderson, son of the bride.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the bride's mother's house in Big Spring.

The couple have made their home in Big Spring.



Mr. and Mrs. Jay Smith

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