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Rate hike on agenda for council

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
 Staff Writer

The Big Spring City Council will meet Tuesday evening to discuss a number of agenda items, including an update on a settlement agreement between Atmos Energy Corporation's West Texas Division and the steering committee the city is currently participating in.

The council approved final reading of a resolution denying a rate increase requested by Atmos Energy estimated at \$11.6 million, a move City Finance Director Peggy Walker said would likely force the issue before the Texas Railroad Commission.

The denial handed down by the city came after months of negotiations between Atmos and the municipality, according to Walker.

"The company is requesting an \$11.6 million increase. Our consultant found there is actually a decrease that could be substantiated," Walker said following the council's denial, which was finalized in May. "As part of the steering committee, our city has been working diligently with the company to negotiate a settlement. However, for some reason the company does not seem to be willing to settle this case."

"A lot of that deals with the fact that Amarillo and

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HOLY TRINITY PARISH FESTIVAL

Noel Rosa Jr. loads the hopper with Bingo numbers during Holy Trinity Catholic Parish's annual Fall Festival Saturday evening. Below, Sandra Paniagua, left, and Olga Billalba prepare brisket burritos. Below left, Janie Garcia, left, adds some decorative touches to Andrea Sotelo's face. And far left, Adam Rubio, 3, tries his hand at miniature golf during the annual Holy Trinity Catholic Parish Fall Festival on Saturday evening.

HERALD photos/Steve Reagan



Depressed? Here's how to get help

By **VALERIE AVERY**
 Special to the Herald

Big Spring State Hospital and West Texas Centers will offer free and confidential depression screenings, Thursday, Oct. 11, on National Depression Screening Day.

Big Spring State Hospital and West Texas Centers began offering the screenings



Smith

The screenings will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the

fourth floor at SMMC, 1601 W. 11th Place.

Screenings are free and are open to people of any age, said West Texas Centers CEO Shelley Smith, LMSW. Upon arrival, attendees are provided with a short questionnaire and will visit with a mental health professional to review the answers.

"These are questions pro-

vided by the National Depression Screening Day organization," Smith said. "The answers to this set of questions give us good insight and a good starting-off point for dialogue."

The clinicians and attendees review the responses together, which gives the

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Gasoline prices fall slightly in Texas

Special to the Herald

Average retail gasoline prices in Texas have fallen 0.4 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.52/g Sunday.

This compares with the national average that has increased 0.6 cents per gallon in the last week to \$3.80/g, according to gasoline price website TexasGasPrices.com.

Including the change in

gas prices in Texas during the past week, prices Sunday were 32.5 cents per gallon higher than the same day one year ago and are 12.7 cents per gallon lower than a month ago. The national average has decreased 1.3 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 37.2 cents per gallon higher than this day one year ago.

"Thanks largely due to the situation in California, the national average rose slight-

ly in the last week," said GasBuddy.com Senior Petroleum Analyst Patrick DeHaan. "The good news for Californians is to expect relief this week. Around the rest of the nation I expect a mixed bag, with prices not moving significantly in either direction from what I can see at this time. Nationally, prices remain much higher than last year, especially in California, where the average now stands 88c/gal higher than a

year ago," DeHaan said.



For the third straight day today, the statewide average price for a gallon of regular in California rose to an all-time high, hitting \$4.668, according to AAA.

That topped Sunday's price of \$4.655 and Saturday's price of \$4.6140, which broke the previous record high of \$4.6096 per gallon set on June 19, 2008.

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Obituaries

Ellen Marie 'Honey' Nicholson Smoot



Ellen Marie "Honey" Nicholson Smoot passed away Friday, Oct. 5, 2012, in Waco. She was born July 1, 1924, in Spokane, Wash., to Carl and Marguerite Nicholson. She graduated from Louis and Clark High School in 1942. She attended Washington State University and was a member of Alpha Chi Omega sorority.

While at WSU, she met a soldier from Texas, Joseph Henry (Joe) Smoot. When he returned from Europe at the end of WWII, they were married in Spokane on Feb. 9, 1942. After a honeymoon to San Francisco, the couple moved to Austin in order for Joe to continue his studies in engineering at the University of Texas.

While in Austin, their daughter Mary was born. A few years later her sons Hank and Carl joined the family. Honey lived in Colorado City and Big Spring during the next 60 years. She had been a member of St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Big Spring for the past 50 years.

Honey volunteered at Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center in Big Spring for many years. She loved traveling to many different places in the U.S., but her favorite destinations were Las Vegas and Hawaii.

In addition to raising her three children, she loved to read, work in her garden, make apricot preserves from the apricots grown in her yard, shell pecans (also grown in her yard), shop with her grandchildren, play bridge, paint and crochet.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joe, in 2006; and son, Hank, in 2010; as well as her parents and two brothers.

She is survived by her daughter, Mary Gingerich (husband Tom) of Waco; and her son, Carl Smoot (wife Olga) of Midland. She is also survived by nine grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews in Texas and Washington.

Graveside funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2012, at Colorado City Cemetery. Services are under the care and direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, please give to a charity of your choice.

Paid obituary

Iris M. Phillips

Iris M. Phillips, 82, of Big Spring died Saturday, Oct. 6, 2012, in a Midland hospital. Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 10, 2012, at the Lone Wolf Cemetery in Mitchell County with the Rev. Terry Moffett officiating.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2012, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Iris was born March 25, 1930, in Mart, Texas, to the late James Robert and Levie Clara (Tomascik) Isbell. She married Willie Phillips on Sept. 1, 1948, in Stanton. He preceded her in death Nov. 2, 1994.

Iris was a loving mother and grandmother. She loved serving wherever she could at church and was known for the candy wreaths she made each Christmas for the West Side Community Day Care Center.

Survivors include two sons, John Phillips and wife Carol of Decatur, Ala., and Ray Phillips of Big Spring; two daughters, Beth Peters and Martha Watson, both of Big Spring; nine grandchildren, Tammy Roberts, Cherish Delgado and husband Mario, Lacey Phillips, Tyler Phillips and fiancée Kristy Arseneaux, Joshua Peters and wife Kathleen, John Peters and wife Tiffany, Jeremiah Peters, Sean Peters and wife Valerie and Brandy Watson; nine great-grandchildren; one sister, Mildred Mitchell and husband Walter of Colorado City; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by one daughter, Nancy Phillips; and one brother, W.D. Isbell.

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

Paid obituary

Edna Hughes

Edna Hughes, 78, of Big Spring died Sunday, Oct. 7, 2012, in a Midland hospital. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Michael Yanez

Michael Yanez, 39, of Big Spring died Sunday, Oct. 7, 2012, at his residence. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Charles R. Campanella

Charles R. Campanella, 68, of Big Spring died Thursday, Oct. 4, 2012, at his residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 9 a.m. Saturday and 7 a.m. today:

- JOSIE RODRIGUEZ, 28, of 5010 Wasson Rd., was arrested Sunday on a charge of public intoxication.
- ROY GUERRERO CERVANTES JR., 33, of 1304 Nolan, was arrested Sunday on a charge of public intoxication.
- ANTONIO MARCOS, 27, of 800 W. Marcy, was arrested Sunday on a warrant from another agency.
- ADAM LEE GUZMAN, 19, of 700 Douglas, was arrested Sunday on a warrant for no driver's license – when unlicensed.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported: In the 1200 block of Harding. In the 2900 block of E. Interstate Highway 20.
- ASSAULT was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Blvd.
- THEFT was reported: In the 2300 block of Wasson. In the 2900 block of E. Interstate Highway 20. In the 3600 block of W. Highway 80. In the 1200 block of E. 11th Place.

Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 77 inmates at the time of this report.

- LEONA JEAN RADASA, 30, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- JOEY EUGENE MATA, 25, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on charges of failure to appear – burglary of a habitation, evading arrest or detention, possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- KYLE WADE GUTHRIE, 28, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for online solicitation of a minor.
- RICHARD TREIGO MARTINEZ, 33, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a bench warrant.
- RODOLFO GONZALES JR., 51, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for driving while intoxicated – third or more offense.
- TORY PETE MARTINEZ, 18, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on charges of driving while intoxicated and driving while license invalid.
- JESUS FLORES, 34, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on charges of driving while license invalid and failure to appear – driving while intoxicated.
- MONICA NICOLE RIVERA, 21, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on charges of theft, failure to identify as a fugitive from justice – giving false information, failure to appear – driving while intoxicated and possession of a controlled substance.
- ANTHONY RODRIGUEZ, 18, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of theft.
- BILLY BOB ALVARADO, 33, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of theft.
- ZZACKRAY ALLEN RHODES, 19, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on charges of no driver's license (two counts), violation of a promise to appear (three counts), operating an unregistered motor vehicle and failure to maintain financial responsibility.
- DOMINIQUE NAVARRO STONE, 23, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the Martin County Sheriff's Office on *capias pro fines* (four counts).
- LEONA JEAN RADASA, 30, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- ENRIQUE R. CALDERON, 32, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on a charge of disorderly conduct – fighting.
- RAFAEL RIVAS, 31, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on a charge of disorderly conduct – fighting.
- JOSIE RODRIGUEZ, 28, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- ROY G. CERVANTES, 33, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- KYLE ERIC DECKER, 33, was arrested Sunday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- ANTONIO MARCOS, 27, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of making a false report to police.
- ADAM LEE GUZMAN, 19, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a *capias* warrant for no driver's license.
- TONYA JANNESE LOPEZ, 17, was booked into the county detention center Monday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana – two ounces or less.
- CRISTOVAL MOREN CORRALEZ, 52, was booked into the county detention center Monday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- JACOB RAY ALBARADO, 19, was booked into the county detention center Monday by the BSPD on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and resisting arrest, search or transportation.
- ALYXANDRIA MUNOZ, 18, was booked into the county detention center Monday by the BSPD on a charge of minor in consumption of alcoholic beverage.

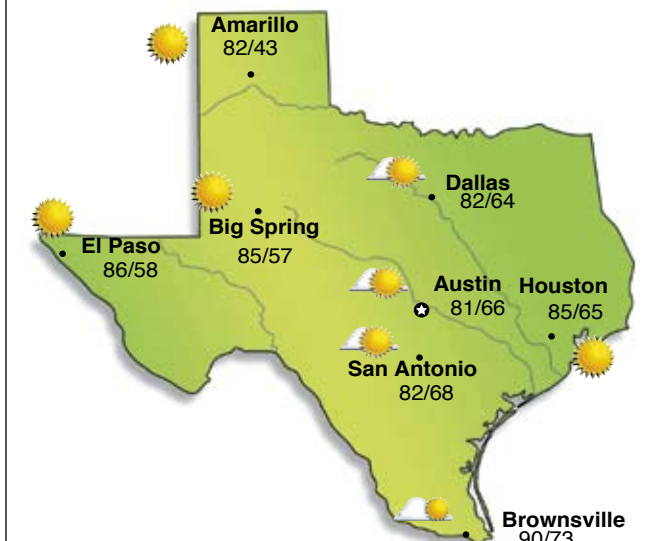
Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast

Wed 10/10	Thu 10/11	Fri 10/12	Sat 10/13	Sun 10/14
85/57 Mainly sunny. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the upper 50s.	75/65 Mostly cloudy. Highs in the mid 70s and lows in the mid 60s.	81/64 Morning clouds followed by afternoon sun.	81/64 Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the mid 60s.	81/60 Isolated thunderstorms. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the low 60s.
Sunrise: 7:46 AM Sunset: 7:20 PM	Sunrise: 7:46 AM Sunset: 7:19 PM	Sunrise: 7:47 AM Sunset: 7:18 PM	Sunrise: 7:48 AM Sunset: 7:16 PM	Sunrise: 7:49 AM Sunset: 7:15 PM



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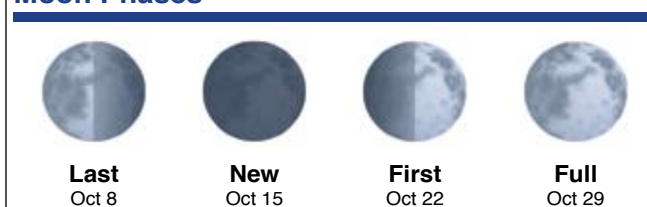
Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	83	58	sunny	Kingsville	90	71	mst sunny
Amarillo	82	43	sunny	Livingston	84	60	sunny
Austin	81	66	mst sunny	Longview	79	63	pt sunny
Beaumont	82	63	sunny	Lubbock	88	48	sunny
Brownsville	90	73	pt sunny	Lufkin	83	63	pt sunny
Brownwood	85	62	windy	Midland	87	57	sunny
Corpus Christi	86	73	mst sunny	Raymondville	92	70	mst sunny
Corsicana	82	62	pt sunny	Rosenberg	86	65	sunny
Dallas	82	64	mst sunny	San Antonio	82	68	mst sunny
Del Rio	86	69	pt sunny	San Marcos	82	66	mst sunny
El Paso	86	58	sunny	Sulphur Springs	80	63	windy
Fort Stockton	90	58	sunny	Sweetwater	84	57	windy
Gainesville	81	59	sunny	Tyler	80	63	pt sunny
Greenville	80	61	pt sunny	Weatherford	81	59	sunny
Houston	85	65	sunny	Wichita Falls	82	55	sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	71	50	pt sunny	Minneapolis	53	34	pt sunny
Boston	58	51	rain	New York	61	56	rain
Chicago	65	38	windy	Phoenix	88	67	sunny
Dallas	82	64	mst sunny	San Francisco	64	54	pt sunny
Denver	59	37	sunny	Seattle	69	47	sunny
Houston	85	65	sunny	St. Louis	70	46	sunny
Los Angeles	72	57	pt sunny	Washington, DC	63	50	pt sunny
Miami	88	75	t-storm				

Moon Phases



UV Index

Wed 10/10	Thu 10/11	Fri 10/12	Sat 10/13	Sun 10/14
7	7	7	7	7
High	High	High	High	High

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale. 0 is the lowest and 11 is the highest. A higher UV Index shows the need for greater skin protection.

Support Groups

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

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

• VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

• Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) TX 0021 meets at First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad, in the dining hall on the east side of the building. Weigh-in starts at 5 p.m. and meeting starts at 5:30 p.m. We have a different program each week. For more information, please call 213-1342 or 263-6819.

• Circle of Hope, a Celebrate Recovery group, meets at 6:30-8 p.m. at Spring Creek Fellowship, located in the College Park Shopping Center. Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery program dealing with life's hang-ups, hurts and habits, covering many areas. Circle of Hope group is a ministry of Spring Creek Fellowship. For further information, contact Dale at 432-270-8462.

TUESDAY

• Big Spring and Snyder 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 all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.

• 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

Texas Briefs

Mom who glued kid's hands to wall faces life term

DALLAS (AP) — A Texas woman who admitted to beating her 2-year-old daughter and gluing her hands to a wall is to be sentenced. Elizabeth Escalona pleaded guilty July 12 to injury to a child. The young mother is scheduled to be sentenced Monday and faces up to life in prison. Her daughter was in a coma for two days after the Sept. 7, 2011, incident. The girl and her siblings have since been taken into state custody. Police records show the toddler's siblings told investigators their mother kicked the girl in the stomach repeatedly and hit her with various objects before gluing her hands to the wall. She was in a hospital for a week. Dallas police say Escalona was mad about potty training problems.

Man kills wife, self at residence

DALLAS (AP) — Investigators say a man fatally shot his wife then killed himself while dropping off his children at a Dallas residence. Police on Monday did not immediately identify the couple. No youngsters were hurt in the attack Sunday night. Police say officers responded to reports of gunfire at a home where the woman has relatives. Witnesses say the man and the woman got into an argument before he shot her and then turned the gun on himself. Both were dead at the scene. Police are trying to determine what sparked the argument. Further details were not immediately available Monday.

Texan charged in La. fatal crash

VINTON, La. (AP) — Calcasieu Parish sheriff's deputies have booked a 23-year-old Texas woman with vehicular homicide and DWI following a traffic fatality in Vinton. Commander James McGee tells the American Press (<http://bit.ly/cseYHv>) deputies responded to the single-vehicle crash at around 4:15 a.m. Sunday. McGee says deputies spoke with the driver, Devon D. Courmier, of Orange, Texas, and they detected a strong odor of alcohol. He says Courmier and her passenger, 24-year-old David Kurdupski, Vidor, Texas, were transported to a local hospital, where Kurdupski died as a result of his injuries. It was unclear whether Courmier had an attorney.

Funeral Tuesday for trooper who collapsed

ROWLETT, Texas (AP) — Services will be held Tuesday in the Dallas area for a 67-year-old Texas trooper who collapsed and died during a physical readiness test. The Department of Public Safety says Sgt. Paul Hernandez died Thursday in San Antonio. The

highway patrol officer was stationed in nearby Universal City. No cause of death was immediately released for Hernandez, who'd been with DPS for nearly 36 years. His funeral will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at First Rowlett United Methodist Church. Burial will be at Lakeview Cemetery in Lavon. DPS says donations in memory of Hernandez may be made to the American Heart Association.

Suspect in Texas double slaying found dead

LEAKEY, Texas (AP) — Investigators say a suspect in a South Texas double slaying and the wounding of a girl has been found dead in an apparent suicide. The Real County Sheriff's Office says the body of 52-year-old Robert Bryan Jones was discovered Sunday in a ravine on his property near Leakey. County Judge Garry Merritt says Jones apparently shot himself. Authorities say a man and a woman were fatally shot and a girl was wounded Saturday afternoon in an area near where Jones was found dead. The sheriff's office on Monday did not immediately provide names of the slain adults and the injured child or any relationships. Further details were not immediately available. Leakey is about 120 miles northwest of San Antonio.

Socorro mayor quits, questions election dates

SOCORRO, Texas (AP) — A West Texas mayor facing questions about his business dealings has resigned in a dispute he says involves election dates. Socorro Mayor Trini Lopez quit Sunday night. He was elected last November. Mayor Pro Tem Mary Garcia says Lopez faced a special council meeting Wednesday and possible sanctions over his alleged financial interest in a city contract. Lopez says he's the target of retaliation for trying to stop alleged corruption in the El Paso-area city of about 32,000. Socorro council members last year changed city elections from May 2012 to November 2013 and extended terms to four years without voter approval. The El Paso Times reported Monday that such home-rule cities must hold an election to change term lengths. Lopez says Socorro should have held municipal elections this spring.

Texas Senators analyze virtual learning statewide

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Education leaders in the Texas Senate will hold a hearing on the growing demand for virtual learning statewide. Democratic Sen. Leticia Van de Putte of San Antonio will serve as acting chairwoman for Monday's

Seliger to tour Big Spring area

State Senator Kel Seliger continues his tour through the counties of Senate District 31, meeting with the citizens of the Panhandle, South Plains, and Permian Basin to discuss the upcoming 83rd Legislative Session convening in January.

- Tuesday, Oct. 9**
9:30-10:30 a.m. — Glasscock County Town Hall Meeting
Location: Glasscock County Community Center, 117 South Myrl, Garden City
- 1:30-2:30 p.m. — Howard County Town Hall Meeting
Location: Howard College, Hall Center for the Arts, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring
- 4-5 p.m. — Martin County Town Hall Meeting
Location: Martin County Hospital, 600 East Interstate 20, Stanton

hearing, which will include testimony on successful virtual learning programs and analyzing what hinders those not working so well. The committee's outgoing chairwoman, Republican Sen. Florence Shapiro, is retiring and has allowed members to run recent hearings while the Legislature is out of session. Last week, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst promoted tea party favorite Sen. Dan Patrick of Houston to replace Shapiro as committee chairman. Patrick is one of the Senate's most-conservative members and a strong advocate of charter schools and a system allowing parents to use public money to send children to private schools.

Defense continues in pastor slaying trial

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — The defense considers whether to produce more evidence as the capital murder trial of North Texas man moves closer to being handed to the jury. Testimony resumes Monday in state district court in Fort Worth after Steven Lawayne Nelson testified in his own defense. He denied killing the Rev. Clint Dobson at his Arlington church in March 2011. Rather, he insisted that he remained outside the NorthPointe Baptist Church while two friends went inside and committed the deed. However, he admitted that he entered the church and stepped around the bodies of the victims, who were still breathing, to steal a laptop computer. Prosecutors are seeking the death penalty.

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Lubbock have stand-alone rates, which are considerably lower rates than what our citizens pay. They are trying to maintain that stand-alone status." The council is expected to get an update on the proposed rate in-

crease during Tuesday's meeting. Also on Tuesday's agenda:

- First reading of resolutions amending and authorizing representatives empowered to transmit and withdraw funds from TexPool and TexSTAR.
- Emergency reading of a resolution adopting a citizen complaint

procedure and citizen participation plan as part of the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program application.

- Award contract for engineering services as part of the Texas Department of Agriculture Grant Application for water system improvements.
- First reading of an

ordinance granting Atmos Energy certain franchise rights.

- Approval of an agreement between the city and Parkhill, Smith & Cooper Inc. for professional services for the 2013 water distribution systems improvement project.

 Tuesday's meeting is to get under way at 5:30 p.m. in the City Coun-

cil Chambers, located at 307 E. Fourth Street. For more information call 264-2401. Also, a complete copy of the meeting agenda can be found online at www.mybigspring.com

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

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

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Joe Vera, 55, died Thursday. Graveside services were at 10 a.m. today at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Jeremy Acuff, 36, died Wednesday. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. today at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial.

Charles R. Campanella, 68, died Thursday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

SCREENING

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mental health experts a good idea if follow-up care for depression is necessary or if the person is only experiencing a sad period in his or her life. "The screening tool has really been very helpful in determining whether the attendees need to be seen for follow-up care either as an outpatient or an inpatient," said Robin Riha, Big Spring State Hos-

pital director of social work services. "We have seen people at our depression screenings who have lived with depression for years and needed professional help for their illness. They have been so thankful for these screenings." Mental health professionals do not diagnose depression, but following the screening and interview, they may suggest avenues in which participants can pursue. Depression affects

more than 15 million Americans each year, according to the National Mental Health Association. Clinical depression is treatable through a variety of methods, including medications and psychotherapy or a combination of the two. Other people may be living with periods of sadness or have experienced a difficult time and are feeling that they will never be happy again. "Many of the people we see every year are those

who are just not sure if they are clinically depressed or if they just need to work through a particular issue that they may be experiencing," Smith said. Each attendee is given educational literature and the names and phone numbers of community resources. West Texas Centers also operates a 24-hour mental health crisis hotline, 1-800-375-4357. The line is available for those who are in a crisis or need mental health services, Smith

said. For more information on National Depression Screening Day, call Valerie Avery at (432) 816-9257.

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PRICES

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Due to a temporary reduction in supply, California gas prices in recent days have surpassed those in Hawaii to become the highest in the nation. Brown on Sunday ordered state smog regulators to allow winter-blend gasoline to be sold in California earlier than usual to bring down prices. Winter-blend gas typically isn't sold until after October 31. Few

refineries outside the state are currently making summer-blend gas, putting the pressure on already-taxed California manufacturers. In some locations, fuming motorists paid \$5 or more per gallon while station owners had to shut down pumps in others. A station in Long Beach had California's priciest gas at \$6.65 for a gallon of regular, according to GasBuddy.com. Meanwhile customers at an outlet in San Pablo paid just \$3.49, the lowest price in the state.

The average for a gallon of regular was \$4.69 in Los Angeles, \$4.71 in San Diego and San Francisco, \$4.55 in Sacramento and \$4.90 in Santa Barbara, according to GasBuddy.com. The dramatic surge came after a power outage Monday at a Southern California refinery that reduced supply in an already fragile and volatile market, analysts said. The refinery came back online Friday and prices were expected to stabilize in the coming days. Patrick DeHaan, se-

nior petroleum analyst at GasBuddy.com, predicted the average price could peak as high as \$4.85 before coming back down.

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ANSWERS

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7	2	8	1	4	3	5	6	9
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Freeze, drought take bite out of fall tourism

INDIANAPOLIS (AP)—Devastating spring freezes and a historic drought have stripped some charm from rustic fall destinations, leaving some corn too short to create mazes, orchards virtually devoid of apples and fall colors muted.

Extreme weather has forced agritourism ventures in the heart of the country to scramble to hold onto their share of an industry that generates hundreds of millions of dollars each year.

Pat Schaefer, who runs Schaefer's Corn Maze near Lollie, Ark., hopes visitors to the farm's two mazes won't

mind that the corn is just 6 to 8 feet this fall — up to 4 feet shorter than the wall of corn families and school groups normally pay to get lost and turned-around in.

"It's just not up to par," she said of the corn in her two mazes. "It's not anything like it's been in past years."

Yet Schaefer was one of the lucky ones. Even though the corn in her 30 acres of mazes is shorter than normal, she was able to open them for a seventh year thanks to a summerlong irrigation effort at the 1,000-acre farm she owns with her husband, Bob.

Sam Brown, who owns A-Maizeing-Farms in Mayfield, Ky., said the summer drought and 100-degree days ruined his farm's 20-acre corn maze, leaving stalks knee- to waist-high — far too short for use as a maze. Instead, he's offering a petting zoo, pedal cart races and hay rides.

"The object of our maze is to find hidden checkpoints, and our checkpoints literally would have been taller than the corn in some of the fields," he said. "It would have pretty much been pointless."

For many farms and orchards, autumn is the peak agritourism sea-

son as families seek out a taste of rural life with outings to explore corn mazes, take hay rides and pick their own apples or pumpkins. Tourism generated about \$566 million for more than 23,000 U.S. farms in 2007, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's most recent agriculture census — a survey conducted every five years.

At Crane Orchards, a 120-acre top U-pick tourist destination in Fenville, Mich., co-owner Rob Crane said just 5 percent of his apple crop survived the icy nights on his family's farm a few miles from Lake Michigan.

World Briefs

Presidential race rumbles into final 4 weeks

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Rumbling into its final four weeks, the presidential campaign is playing out on both coasts and multiple fronts, with Republican Mitt Romney seeking stature on foreign affairs and President Barack Obama raising political cash by the millions.

Negative ads, charges of dishonesty and dwindling time are all setting the tone.

Joining celebrities for fundraising in Los Angeles on Sunday, Obama for the first time needled himself over a poor debate performance. But he declared he had the right focus and "I intend to win."

Romney was in Virginia, trying to bury the memories of his fumbled trip abroad this summer and knock Obama back on national security. "Hope is not a strategy," he said in excerpts of a Monday speech at the Virginia Military Institute.

The campaigns already had eyes on the next debate, the sole faceoff between Vice President Joe Biden and Wisconsin Rep. Paul Ryan, which will grab attention as the Thursday night showdown nears. The election hangs as ever on persuadable voters in fewer than 10 states, with Iowa, Ohio, Virginia and Florida all set for candidate visits this week.

'Fearless Felix' set to skydive from 23 miles up, breaking record

ROSWELL, N.M. (AP) — Experienced skydiver and extreme athlete Felix Baumgartner hopes to take the leap of his life on Tuesday, attempting the highest, fastest free fall in history.

If he survives, the man dubbed "Fearless Felix" could be the first skydiver to break the sound barrier. If he doesn't, a tragic fall could be live-streamed on the Internet for the world to see.

Rigged with cameras, the 43-year-old former military parachutist from Austria is scheduled to jump from a balloon-hoisted capsule 23 miles near Roswell on Tuesday morning. He wants to break the record set in 1960 by Joe Kittinger, who jumped from an open gondola at an altitude of 19.5 miles. Kittinger's speed of 614 mph was just shy of breaking the sound barrier at that height.

Baumgartner, who has been preparing for the jump for five years, has made two practice runs from the Roswell area, from 15 miles high in March and 18 miles in July.

And while he and his team of experts recognize the worst-case scenarios — including "boiling" blood and exploding lungs — they have confidence in their built-in solutions. Those solutions are something NASA is watching closely. The space agency is interested in the potential for escape sys-

tems on future rocket ships.

10 years after Bali, Indonesian terror attacks on rise, but militants showing less skill

BALI, Indonesia (AP) — Ten years after terrorist attacks at two Bali nightclubs killed more than 200 people, mostly foreign tourists, Indonesia has won international praise for its counterterrorism efforts. Militant organizations have been fractured and many of their charismatic leaders have been killed or jailed.

But an Associated Press analysis shows the number of strikes within the country has actually gone up, especially since 2010, when radical imams called on their followers to focus on domestic targets rather than Westerners. The more recent attacks have been conducted with less expertise, and the vast majority of victims have been Indonesians.

"It turns out that the terrorism problem in Indonesia is not finished yet," said Maj. Gen. Tito Karnavian, a former counterterrorism official recently appointed police chief of Papua province. "The quality of their attacks has decreased, but the quantity has increased."

Since Oct. 12, 2002, when the Bali attacks killed 202 people — including 88 Australians and seven Americans — there have been four major terror strikes targeting Westerners in Indonesia, resulting in 45 deaths. The last was in 2009, when attacks on the J.W. Marriott and Ritz-Carlton hotels in Jakarta killed seven people.

That compares to 15 attacks against security forces, local authorities, Christians and some moderate Muslims in just the past two years. Those have left at least 10 police officers dead.

Ryan exceedingly polite on VP quest, apologizes to voters for inconveniencing them

DUBUQUE, Iowa (AP) — Paul Ryan is sorry you couldn't get into his event here. He feels badly you had to wait for him to arrive at the county fairgrounds in Virginia. He wants to meet you but he promises he won't disrupt business by staying too long at your New Hampshire restaurant.

Oh, and please, he says, take a seat.

Ryan, a congressman from Wisconsin and Mitt Romney's vice presidential pick, is a model of unassuming, Midwestern courtesy, and that will be on display later this week when Ryan debates Vice President Joe Biden.

With a relaxed and polite style, Ryan easily does what the top of the GOP ticket — Romney — struggles to do: connect with voters on a personal level while engaging in retail politicking.

When Romney campaigns alongside the No. 2 on the ticket, Ryan's casual attitude and, well, simple tone seem to soften Romney's sometimes awkward stature and bracingly formal approach. It's a dynamic that would probably play out if the pair won the White House. Should Romney lose the race this year, the ease at which Ryan works a crowd would be an asset if he chose to seek the presidency

himself someday.

Advocates bash cities in tourist mecca of Orange County for laws they say target homeless

COSTA MESA, Calif. (AP) — Army veteran Don Matyja was getting by alright on the streets of this city tucked in Southern California suburbia until he got ticketed for smoking in the park. Matyja, who has been homeless since he was evicted nearly two years ago, had trouble paying the fine and getting to court — and now a \$25 penalty has ballooned to \$600.

The ticket is just one of myriad new challenges facing Matyja and others living on the streets in Orange County, where a number of cities have recently passed ordinances that ban everything from smoking in the park to sleeping in cars to leaning bikes against trees in a region better known for its beaches than its 30,000 homeless people.

Cities have long struggled with how to deal with the homeless, but the new ordinances here echo what homeless advocates say is a rash of regulations nationwide as municipalities grapple with how to address those living on their streets within the constraints of ever-tightening budgets. The rules may go unnoticed by most, but the homeless say they are a thinly veiled attempt to push them out of one city and into another by criminalizing the daily activities they cannot avoid.

There's been a sharp uptick in the past year in the number of cities passing ordinances against doing things on public property such as sitting, lying down, sleeping, standing in a public street, loitering, public urination, jaywalking and panhandling, said Neil Donovan, the executive director of the National Coalition for the Homeless.

"It definitely is more pervasive and it is more adversarial. I think in the past we found examples of it but it's not simply just growing, but it's growing in its severity and in its targeted approach to America's un-housed," said Donovan, who compared it to a civil rights issue.

Union chief: US. border agent apparently opened fire on fellow agents, killed in return fire

PHOENIX (AP) — The head of the U.S. Border Patrol agents' union says the agent killed last week in a shooting in southern Arizona apparently opened fire on two colleagues thinking they were armed smugglers and was killed when they returned fire.

The two sets of agents approached an area where a sensor had been activated early Tuesday from different directions and encountered each other in an area of heavy brush, National Border Patrol Council president George McCubbin said.

Agent Nicholas Ivie apparently opened fire first and wounded one of the other agents but was killed in the return fire.

"I don't know what it was he saw or heard that triggered this whole event," McCubbin said. "Unfortunately it resulted in his death and another agent injured."

Acting Cochise County Sheriff Rod Rothrock confirmed the scenario but would not say if Ivie was the first to shoot, saying that was up to the federal agencies involved.

Hugo Chavez's socialist rule endorsed by re-election


CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — President Hugo Chavez put to rest any doubts about his masterful political touch in winning a third consecutive six-year term after a bitterly fought race against a youthful rival who has galvanized Venezuela's opposition.

The state governor who lost Sunday's presidential vote, Henrique Capriles, had accused the flamboyant incumbent of unfairly leveraging to his advantage Venezuela's oil wealth to finance his campaign as well as flaunting his near total control of state institutions.

Capriles also narrowed Chavez's margin of victory to his smallest yet in a presidential contest. This time, the former army paratroop commander who led a failed 1992 coup won 55 percent of the vote against 45 percent for Capriles, with 98 percent of the vote counted.

In 2006, Chavez's margin of victory was 27 points.

Nevertheless, the populace endorsed once again Chavez's stated aim of converting Venezuela into a socialist state.



Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Famous Hand

West dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

<p>NORTH</p> <p>♠ 7 6 5 2 ♥ K 6 2 ♦ J 6 3 ♣ K Q 3</p>	<p>EAST</p> <p>♠ 8 3 ♥ 10 8 ♦ 5 2 ♣ A J 9 8 7 6 4</p>
<p>WEST</p> <p>♠ K J 9 4 ♥ Q J 5 4 ♦ 10 4 ♣ 10 5 2</p>	<p>SOUTH</p> <p>♠ A Q 10 ♥ A 9 7 3 ♦ A K Q 9 8 7 ♣ —</p>

The bidding:
West Pass North Pass East 4♣ South 5♣
Pass Pass 5 NT Pass 6♦

Opening lead — two of clubs.

This extraordinary hand was played in a team-of-four match many years ago by the great Italian star, Giorgio Belladonna. The bidding went as shown, and West led the deuce of clubs against six diamonds.

There were many different lines of play available to Belladonna, including the one that had been chosen by the declarer at the first table, who also reached six diamonds and got a club lead.

At that table, declarer ruffed East's ace of clubs, cashed the A-K

of trumps, led a trump to dummy's jack, finessed the queen of spades, losing to West's king, and eventually finished down one.

But Belladonna, after ruffing East's club ace at trick one, cashed the A-K-J of trumps and then discarded the ten of spades on dummy's king of clubs. Next he ruffed dummy's last club, producing this seven-card position:

<p>North</p> <p>♠ 7 6 5 2 ♥ K 6 2</p>	<p>West</p> <p>♠ K J 9 ♥ Q J 5 4</p>
<p>East</p> <p>♠ 8 3 ♥ 10 8 ♦ 10 8 ♣ J 9 8</p>	<p>South</p> <p>♠ A Q ♥ A 9 7 3 ♦ Q</p>

Belladonna now cashed the queen of diamonds, placing West in an untenable position. Had he discarded a spade, Belladonna would have thrown a heart from dummy and then played the A-Q of spades to bring home the slam, scoring two tricks with dummy's 7-6 of spades. When West elected to discard a heart instead, Belladonna played the A-K and another heart, establishing his fourth heart while at the same time forcing West to return a spade into the A-Q for the slam-going trick.

Tomorrow: A stitch in time saves nine.
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Tannehill, Dolphins outlast Bengals 17-13

JOE KAY

AP Sports Writer

CINCINNATI — Back-to-back losses in overtime were starting to play on the Miami Dolphins' minds.

Sure, they could point out that they'd played well, only to give those games away. And they could try to look at them as flukes, two weeks of last-minute disappointments that couldn't possibly be repeated.

Could they?

With a third straight game on the line Sunday at Paul Brown Stadium, the Dolphins answered their own question with an interception.

Reshad Jones picked off Andy Dalton's overthrown pass at midfield with 1:22 left, preserving a 17-13 victory over the Cincinnati Bengals that ended those two weeks of Miami misery.

"In the back of your mind, you hope that it doesn't show up again," receiver Brian Hartline

said. "With that being said, we got over that hump."

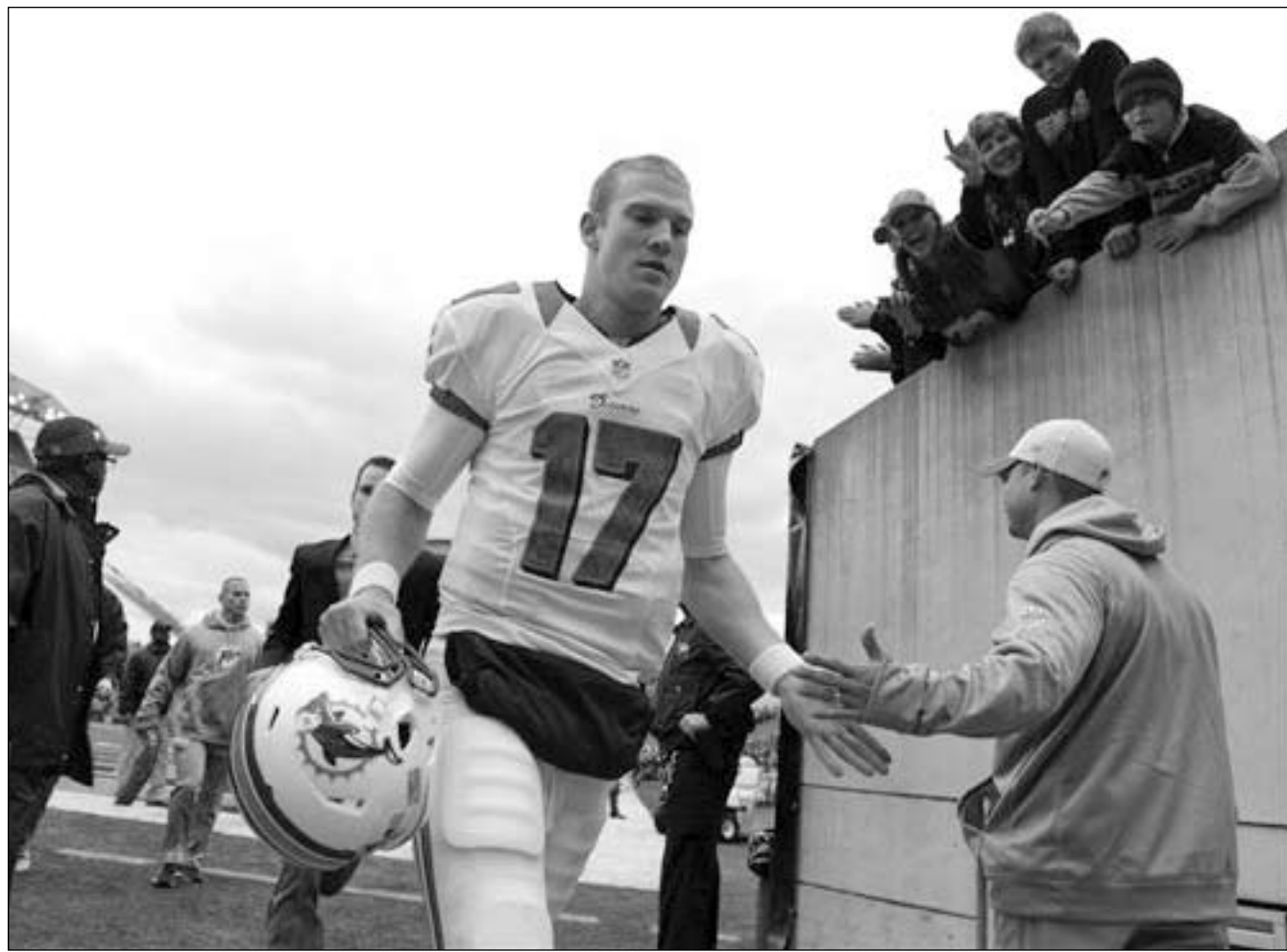
Miami (2-3) had led at halftime before losing to the New York Jets and Arizona in overtime. The last one really stung — rookie quarterback Ryan Tannehill had a fumble that helped the Cardinals tie it, then an interception in overtime that set up a 24-21 defeat.

"We had two tough weeks leading up to this one," Tannehill said. "Guys really talked all week about how we've got to finish. We were two plays away from having a winning record."

The Bengals (3-2) had a chance to make them sweat another one out, but blew it.

Mike Nugent missed a 42-yard field goal try with 3 minutes left, his first miss of the season. After the Dolphins

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Big Spring native and Miami quarterback Ryan Tannehill exits the stadium after a 17-13 victory over the Cincinnati Bengals on Sunday. The Dolphins are 2-3, with two of three losses coming in overtime. AP photo



HERALD photo/Brian McCormack

The 20th ever DiscOver Big Spring disc golf tournament — one of two major tournaments held in Big Spring each year — took place yesterday at Birdwell Park. Despite the gloomy skies and threat of precipitation, more than 50 participants from the region showed up to compete for fun, cash and prizes in all skill levels.

With Revis out, it's Cromartie vs. Johnson

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Antonio Cromartie knows exactly how to shut down Andre Johnson.

It's all right there on film from two years ago. That's when Darrelle Revis held the Houston Texans wide receiver to just one catch for 7 measly yards in the New York Jets' 30-27 victory.

Easy enough, right? Well, with Revis out for the season, it will be Cromartie's job Monday night to cover Johnson when the Jets (2-2) and Texans (4-0) tangle at MetLife Stadium. And, he's hoping for similar results.

"I'm just studying," said the Jets cornerback, who has closely reviewed how Revis defended Johnson the last time the teams played. "He's one of the best receivers in the game. He's a big, physical receiver that can get in and out of his breaks. He knows how to use his body very well."

Johnson has shown that over and over throughout his impressive career. He has five seasons of 1,000 yards receiving or more, and is 76 yards shy of 10,000 for his career. If Johnson does it Monday night, he will become the sixth-fastest player in NFL history to accomplish the feat, doing it in his 127th game.

"He reminds me of two great, great players that I was around: Jerry Rice and Rod Smith," Texans coach Gary Kubiak

said. "The biggest comparison there is work habits, but I think the thing that I'm most impressed with Andre for is when I came here, I think Andre might have been in year three. Just to watch, in year and time, for a player to stay the course with an expansion franchise like he did through some very tough times, tells you what he's all about as a person."

The stats also show that Johnson has been one of the game's elite receivers — except against the Jets. In the 2009 season opener, he was also matched against Revis and managed four catches for 35 yards.

"Of course, you know what type of player Darrelle Revis is, so you know that it's going to be a great challenge," Johnson said. "I don't change my preparation just because he's not playing. I'm going to prepare like I always prepare for anybody. That doesn't change anything, just because he's not playing."

Maybe not for Johnson, but for the Jets, Revis' absence is a major hurdle to overcome. Coach Rex Ryan considers Cromartie a No. 1-type cornerback, and the veteran has a chance to prove his coach right. Cromartie's style is very different from Revis' in that he relies on his speed and athleticism to make plays and isn't

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TCU coach meets with chancellor, AD about QB

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — TCU coach Gary Patterson met Sunday with the school's chancellor and athletic director about suspended quarterback Casey Pachall.

Patterson said he couldn't say anything more about Pachall until after some other things got done. He wouldn't elaborate.

Pachall was indefinitely suspended after being arrested early Thursday on suspicion of driving while intoxicated. That came eight months after

the junior quarterback admitted to police that he smoked marijuana and failed a team-administered drug test.

Asked if there was any change in Pachall's status with the team, Patterson said, "not at this point."

Redshirt freshman Trevone Boykin threw for 270 yards and had three interceptions Saturday in a 37-23 home loss to Iowa State.

TCU (4-1), which plays Saturday at Baylor, dropped from 15th to out of the latest AP Top 25.

Brees breaks Unitas' record

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Drew Brees threw a long touchdown pass to take ownership of another prestigious NFL passing record, hit three more scoring passes in an emotional victory, and then spoke hopefully of salvaging a season that had looked lost.

"While you never want to start 0-4, if you do, you've got the right guys in the locker room to turn that thing around and certainly not turn on each other," Brees said. "We understand we have a little bit of a mountain to climb here."

Brees broke Hall of Fame quarterback Johnny Unitas' half-century-old record by throwing a touchdown pass in his 48th straight game, and the Saints beat the San Diego Chargers, Brees' former team, 31-24 on Sunday night.

Brees' 40-yard pass to Devery Henderson eclipsed the mark of 47 consecutive games with a touchdown pass Unitas set from

1956-60. At Brees' request, the NFL allowed head coach Sean Payton, assistant head coach Joe Vitt and general manager Mickey Loomis — all serving various suspensions in connection with the NFL's bounty investigation — to attend the game.

They and Unitas' son, Joe, saw Brees pass for 370 yards, enough to put him over 30,000 yards passing as a Saint in his 100th game with the club.

LGA News

George and Betty Murphy and Ron and Daury Booth were the winners of the Comanche Trail Golf Course Ladies Golf Association's weekly couple's play Thursday after shooting 3-under par for the day.

Coming in second place was Ray and Sue Russell and Jim and Deanna Foresyth with a 2-under par score and rounding out the top three was Max and Betty and Donnie and Shirley Long by shooting 1-under par.

Landing closest to the pin on Hole No. 3 was George Murphy while Bobbie Holden took the honors on Hole No. 6.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). You'll be getting used to a new environment, one that seems suspiciously familiar. Maybe this won't be such a stretch, after all. It's almost like you're operating in the same scene, but the characters have changed.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). When the options seem limited, you'll be reminded that the best kind of opportunity is the one you

create for yourself. The planets favor you when you take the initiative.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). It is not always a physical transformation that enhances your image. In fact, the most remarkable changes will come from feeling spiritually lighter.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). There is strong competition in the workplace. If you can't be the first, try to be the best. It will benefit you to observe without risk for a while before jumping into the mix.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Boldness has its own scoring system. Dare to break the silence. You'll earn a degree of respect. You'll also find out that others were thinking the same thing, but were too afraid to speak up.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). A day spent doing little other than getting organized will be most productive, saving you time in the weeks to come. Systems and practices that can be repeated until they are automatic will serve you well.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Since knowing what not to do will be every bit as valuable as knowing what to do, you'll be grateful for the bad examples that pepper your world today.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Throughout time, many a friendship has been ended by a minor dispute. Knowing how foolish people can be, you'll make a point not to take offense where none was intended.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You would love to go where you've never been

before, and yet in some ways you'll feel tied to your current location. The answer — a means of escape and adventure — is found in a book.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Though at times it has helped you to maintain a strong point of view, right now your willingness to see things differently will allow you to glimpse a world you didn't know existed.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). When given the choice between being right and being kind, you'll always choose kindness. Usually, you can't help but do this. But occasionally, it's a difficult and conscious choice.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Loving a person and needing a person are not the same things, and confusing the two only leads to disappointment. You'll get very clear about the particulars of a special relationship.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 8). You'll love the company you keep this year, new and old faces alike. A special connection leads to creative work. November brings a worthy ambition. You'll figure out who is in charge, and you'll learn all you need to know until you know enough to be in charge yourself. A December investment pays in March. Aquarius and Libra people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 25, 48, 39 and 19.

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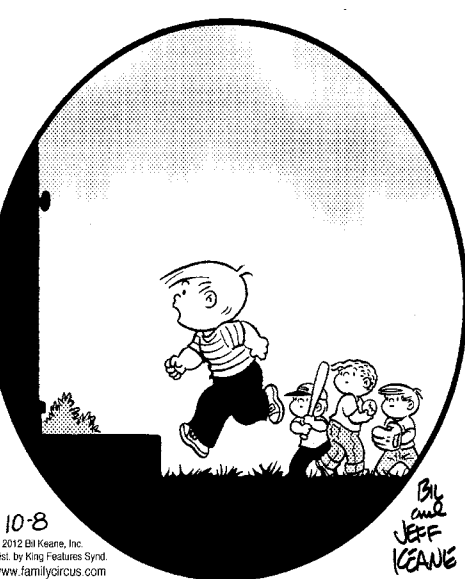
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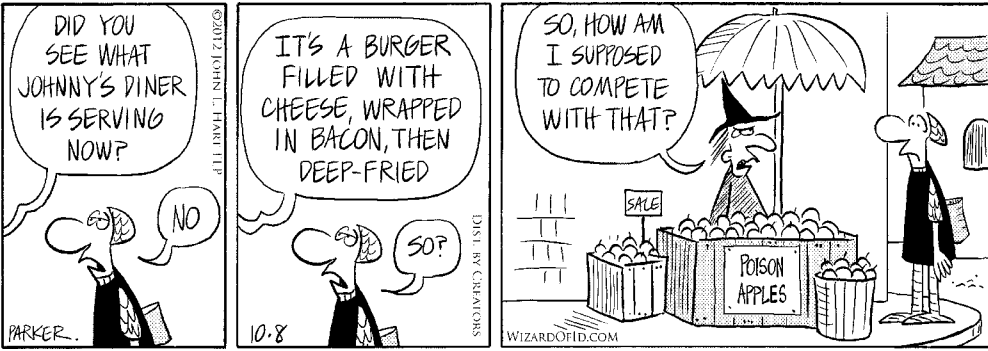
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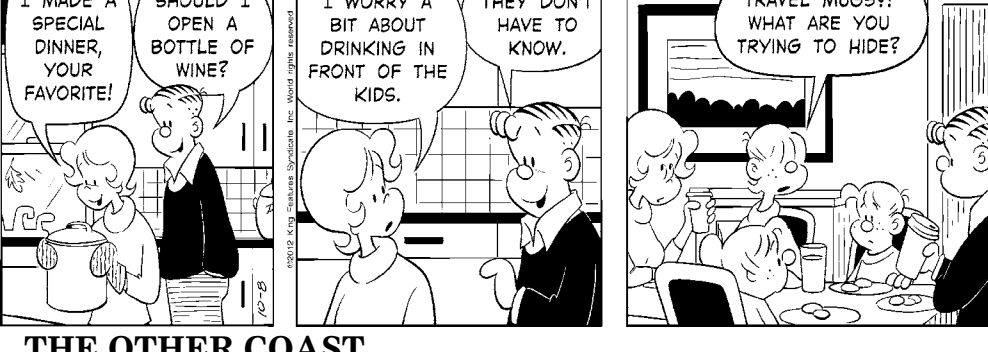
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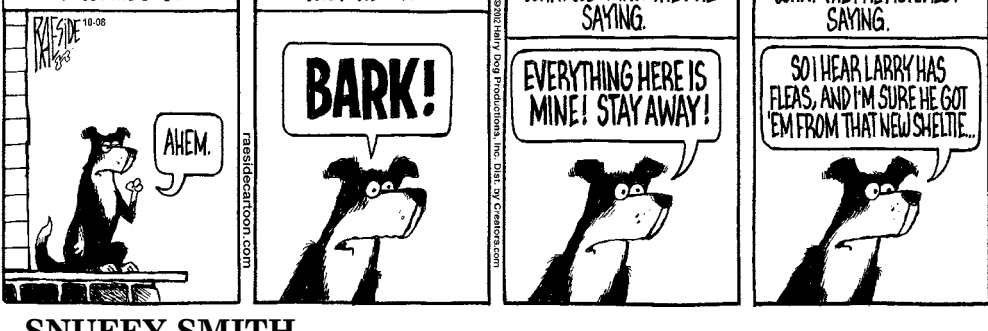
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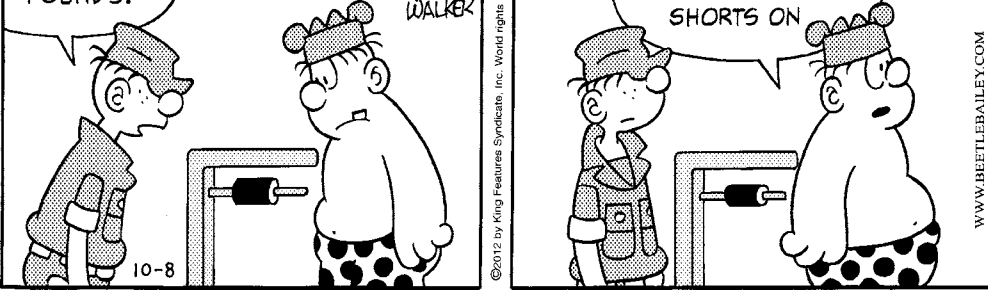
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This Date In History

Today is Monday, Oct. 8, the 282nd day of 2012. There are 84 days left in the year. This is the Columbus Day observance in the United States, as well as Thanksgiving Day in Canada.

Today's Highlight in History:

- On Oct. 8, 1871, the Great Chicago Fire erupted; fires also broke out in Peshtigo, Wis., and in several communities in Michigan.
- On this date: In 1869, the 14th president of the United States, Franklin Pierce (puhrs), died in Concord, N.H.
- In 1918, U.S. Army Cpl. Alvin C. York led an attack that killed 25 German soldiers and captured 132 others in the Argonne Forest in France.
- In 1934, Bruno Hauptmann was indicted by a grand jury in New Jersey for murder in the death of the son of Charles A. Lindbergh.
- In 1944, "The Adventures of Ozzie and Harriet," starring

Ozzie and Harriet Nelson, made its debut on CBS Radio.

- In 1945, President Harry S. Truman announced that the secret of the atomic bomb would be shared only with Britain and Canada.
- In 1956, Don Larsen pitched the only perfect game in a World Series to date as the New York Yankees beat the Brooklyn Dodgers in Game 5, 2-0.
- In 1957, the Brooklyn Baseball Club announced it was accepting an offer to move the Dodgers from New York to Los Angeles.
- In 1962, Chuck Hiller of the San Francisco Giants became the first National Leaguer to hit a World Series grand slam; the shot came in Game 4 against New York Yankees pitcher Marshall Bridges. (The final score of the game was Giants 7, Yankees 3.)
- In 1967, former British Prime Minister Clement Attlee died in London at age 84.
- In 1970, Soviet author Alexander Solzhenitsyn was named winner of the Nobel Prize for literature.
- In 1982, all labor organizations in Poland, including Solidarity, were banned.
- In 1992, former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt died

in Unkel, Germany, at age 78.

Today's Birthdays:

Entertainment reporter Rona Barrett is 76. Actor Paul Hogan is 73. Rhythm-and-blues singer Fred Cash (The Impressions) is 72. Civil rights activist Rev. Jesse Jackson is 69. Comedian Chevy Chase is 69. Author R.L. Stine is 69. Actor Dale Dye is 68. Country singer Susan Raye is 68. TV personality Sarah Purcell is 64. Actress Sigourney Weaver is 63. Rhythm-and-blues singer Robert "Kool" Bell (Kool & the Gang) is 62. Producer-director Edward Zwick is 60. Country singer-musician Ricky Lee Phelps is 59. Actor Michael Dudikoff is 58. Comedian Darrell Hammond is 57.

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Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

MEATY MENU by Gail Grabowski

- Edited by Stanley Newman
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- ACROSS
 - 1 Top-billed performer
 - 5 Frighten
 - 10 "Shoo!"
 - 14 Use a vegetable peeler
 - 15 Unit of gem weight
 - 16 Toothpaste holder
 - 17 Desertlike
 - 18 44th President
 - 19 Eases off
 - 20 Barbecue servings
 - 22 Dog's reward
 - 23 Unseals
 - 24 Metallic rocks
 - 25 Takes the role of
 - 28 Howling Southwestern canines
 - 31 Hint
 - 32 Mouse-catching devices
 - 34 CPR pro
 - 35 That woman
 - 36 Opposed to
 - 38 Top playing card
 - 39 Tree with acorns
 - 40 Big drinks of water
 - 41 Veer off-course
 - 42 Distance for a runner
 - 44 Makes laugh
 - 46 Holler
 - 47 Conductor's stick
 - 49 Untrue
 - 51 Servings similar to mutton
 - 55 Pub brews
 - 56 Moisten, as a pot roast
 - 57 Share a border with
 - 58 Theater area
 - 59 "So long, amigo"
 - 60 Pulled apart
 - 61 Smaller in quantity
 - 62 Fancy knotted scarf
 - 63 Appear to be
 - DOWN
 - 1 Fitness centers
 - 2 Waterproof covering
 - 3 Opera solo
 - 4 Item in a Valentine bouquet
 - 5 Gets a touchdown
 - 6 Log house
 - 7 Most Jordanians
 - 8 Hits head-on
 - 9 When a plane is expected: Abbr.
 - 10 Two-channel sound system
 - 11 Tenderized beef servings
 - 12 "Mamma Mia!" band
 - 13 Exam
 - 21 Air-quality org.
 - 22 Secret rendezvous
 - 24 "Clumsy me!"
 - 25 Sound of a sneeze
 - 26 Spotless
 - 27 Thanksgiving Day servings
 - 28 Metallic soda containers
 - 29 Talk-show host
 - 30 One-pot meals
 - 32 A ___ of Two Cities
 - 33 Pull apart
 - 36 Well-coordinated
 - 37 Shore bird
 - 41 Beach toppers
 - 43 Piles of clutter
 - 44 If all goes right
 - 45 Soft-soled shoe, for short
 - 47 Fundamental
 - 48 Response to "Are not!"
 - 49 Harvest season
 - 50 Hand-cream ingredient
 - 51 Young boys
 - 52 Woodwind instrument
 - 53 Untainted
 - 54 Flower stalk
 - 56 Sheep's sound

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Kenseth wins when Stewart gets knocked upside down at Talladega

TALLADEGA, Ala. (AP) — The championship contenders said Talladega Super-speedway would be the wild-card race in the Chase for the Sprint Cup. That was an understatement. Talladega delivered yet another “big one” Sunday, when defending NASCAR champion Tony Stewart triggered a 25-car pileup as he tried to

protect the lead. His bid to block a long line of traffic on the last lap backfired, and his car was sent sailing through the air in a chaotic crash that collected 10 of the 12 title contenders. Daytona 500 winner Matt Kenseth won under caution, and everyone else was left wondering when NASCAR will do something dramatic to alter the dangerous racing

at restrictor-plate tracks. “It’s not safe. It’s not. It’s bloodthirsty,” Dale Earnhardt Jr. said. “If that’s what people want, that’s ridiculous.” Stewart, who assailed the wreckfests at Talladega with a sarcastic diatribe in May, took full responsibility for creating the latest carnage. He had charged to the lead on the first lap of a two-lap sprint to the finish, but got too

far ahead of the pack to hang on to any drafting partners. Kenseth was charging on the outside of him and Michael Waltrip was leading a line of traffic on the inside. Stewart was blocking all over the track, and said he mistakenly chopped across the front of Waltrip’s car to trigger the accident. The contact hooked Stewart to send him into a spin, and

his car lifted into the air and sailed on its roof and then on its side over several other cars. It created chaos through the pack, which was running three-wide in a frantic dash to the finish. “I just screwed up. I turned down and cut across Michael and crashed the whole field,” Stewart said. “It was my fault, blocking and trying to stay where I was at.”

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MATCHUP

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considered as physical as his All-Pro teammate.

But Cromartie sizes up perfectly from a height standpoint: Johnson is 6-foot-3, while Cromartie is 6-2.

“Playing against bigger receivers, it matches up very well for me,” Cromartie said. “I can use my length and things like that. I’m really looking forward to it. This is my third time playing the Texans in my career and I’ve never faced up against Andre. This is my first time facing him, so I’m definitely looking forward to it.”

With 16 catches this season, Johnson is actually second to tight end Owen Daniels (19) in receptions on a Texans team that sets things up with Arian Foster and the running game. Foster has already carried the ball 103 times for 380 yards, and that makes things a lot easier for

Matt Schaub.

Schaub has thrown for 953 yards and seven touchdowns and one interception. He has also been sacked just three times.

“You have to do both, eliminate the running game and turn a team into a one-dimensional team,” Cromartie said. “You have to try and make sure they throw the ball more than run the ball.”

That’s because the Texans use a zone-blocking scheme that has helped them average more than 136 yards rushing a game. The more Houston runs and starts rolling, the more the Jets will have to stack the box to stuff Foster and backup Ben Tate — and that will potentially leave Cromartie and fellow cornerback Kyle Wilson in some one-on-one situations.

“I know he’s looking forward to the challenge,” defensive coordinator Mike Pettine said of Cromartie. “He’s prepared well for it all week. The back end’s going to have to step

up. This is a much better passing attack than what we’ve faced.”

The Jets, on the other hand, are scrambling to replace top receiver Antonio Holmes, who suffered a season-ending foot injury last week against San Francisco. Rookie Stephen Hill, New York’s second-round pick, is listed as doubtful with a hamstring injury — as is tight end Dustin Keller.

That means three of Mark Sanchez’s primary targets will likely not be out there Monday night. The Jets will need second-year receiver Jeremy Kerley, veteran Chaz Schilens, inexperienced Clyde Gates and newly signed Jason Hill to perform in a big way — or it could be yet another long night for Sanchez and the Jets’ struggling offense.

“They’re good players,” offensive coordinator Tony Sparano said. “They’re just getting different opportunities now. I think that’s part of this game. Part of this game is all about opportunity. I’ve watched

some players along the way here make the most of those opportunities when their number is called. Here’s an opportunity for players to step up and that’s what we have to do.”

Holmes leads the Jets with 20 receptions, while backup tight end Jeff Cumberland is second with 11.

Add in a lousy stretch by Sanchez and a running game that’s averaging just 3.2 yards a carry, and the Jets’ offense has hardly resembled the one that was clicking all game in the opener when New York beat Buffalo 48-28.

Kerley, who has 10 catches, is confident he and his fellow receivers can not only help make up for the loss of Holmes but silence the critics who think Sanchez has no one to throw to anymore.

“We just go out there and do what we can do and handle what we can handle,” Kerley said. “At the end of the game, we’ll let the score talk for itself and the stats talk for themselves.”

TANNEHILL

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ran down the clock and forced the Bengals to spend their timeouts, Cincinnati took over at its 20-yard line following a punt.

Dalton was under pressure when he sailed a pass intended for Andrew Hawkins, giving Jones an easy interception.

“I have to give it to the front line,” Jones said. “They got the pressure on the quarterback. I just needed to make a play.”

anything going consistently on offense. Dalton was only 26 of 43 for 234 yards with two interceptions and three sacks against a defense that came in ranked No. 1 in the league against the run.

Miami had one advantage: Defensive coordinator Kevin Coyle was a Bengals assistant for the past 11 seasons and knew a few things about how their offense operates.

“He’s never had a problem motivating guys,” Bengals safety Chris Crocker said. “You’ll definitely play hard if you’re in one of his defenses. Their front seven really played a heck of a ballgame.”

So did their rookie quarterback.

The Bengals are in the midst of a stretch of five consecutive

games against teams starting rookie or second-year quarterbacks. They’d won the first three by turning up the pressure — Cincinnati led the NFL in sacks coming into Sunday’s game.

They couldn’t rattle Tannehill, who was coming off his best game — 431 yards in the overtime loss at Arizona, the most by a rookie NFL quarterback on the road. He followed it with a mistake-free showing.

Michael Johnson sacked Tannehill the first time he tried to throw, but the Bengals got to him only once more. Tannehill finished 17 of 26 for 223 yards without an interception. His passer rating of 92.3 was his best yet.

“It’s fun,” Tannehill said. “When the pressure mounts, I think that’s what brings the best out of a quarterback.”

“The last couple of weeks, we had a good game, but we just weren’t able to make that play at the end.”

The Dolphins wasted a chance when fullback Jorvorskie Lane fumbled on a carry from the Cincinnati 11-yard line in the first half.

The 17 points was enough for a defense that contained the Dalton-to-Green passing combo. Pro Bowl receiver A.J. Green finished with nine catches for only 65 yards, including a 2-yard touchdown.

Cincinnati had to settle for a pair of field goals in the first half, when Miami’s defense held on a first-and-goal from the 4-yard line.

“The offense didn’t play well across the board,” Dalton said. “It’s tough sitting here where we are. We had our chances, but we couldn’t get it done.”

Tackle Randy Starks reached up and picked off Dalton’s pass early in the second half, a two-handed grab as the ball reached the line. The interception set up the drive that ended in Reggie Bush’s 13-yard touchdown run.

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