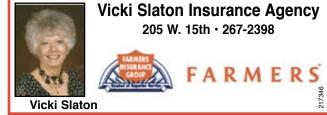


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Emergency responders with the Big Spring Fire Department and EMS prepare to transport a person to Scenic Mountain Medical Center following a traffic accident near the intersection of FM 700 and Birdwell Lane shortly before 3 p.m. Monday. Details on the accident — including the condition of the man being transported — were not available at the scene.

CISD trustees to sign off on state testing resolution

By STEVE REAGAN

COAHOMA — School trustees here are expected to join with a majority of Texas public school districts in supporting a resolution calling for changes in the state's high-stakes testing sys-

Coahoma Independent School District trustees will consider the



meeting at 7 p.m. today in the administration building board room.

CISD Superintendent Amy Jacobs said the current testing system, which evaluates student learning

resolution when they science and social studies, does hold their monthly not adequately gauge how effectively modern students are being taught in schools today.

> "The tests gives a good measure of the four core subject areas, but they don't take into account other areas," Jacobs said. "There's just so many minute areas we're

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Man faces drug, theft allegations

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

An Odessa man has been arrested and charged with theft and drug possession following the search of a local property where a number of stolen items — including a large quantity of oilfield equipment — were recovered.

Robert Allen Pasquale, 28, of 133 Aztec Ave. in Odessa, was arrested Friday on charges of

possession of a controlled substance and the ft after investigators discovered more than \$40,000 in stolen property at a residence located northeast of Big Spring.

"Deputies the Howard County Sheriff's Office responded to 101 Broken Bow Rd. in Howard County at approximately 11:36 a.m. Friday in reference to a fire," Howard County Sheriff Stan Parker said. "Upon arrival, discovdeputies ered the fire was contained in a large pit in the ground.

Robert Allen Pasquale, 28, of 133 Aztec Ave. in Odessa, was arrested Friday on charges of possession of a controlled substance and theft after investigators dismore covered than \$40,000 in stolen property at a residence located northeast of Big Spring.

Upon further investigation, it was discovered that two large spools of copper wire were burn-

ing in the pit." Parker said firefighters with the Big Spring Fire Department and Howard County Volun-

teer Fire Department were called to the scene. "Firefighters responded to the scene and extinguished the fire," Parker said. "Upon further investigation, several items were discovered on the property that were reported stolen

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Make safety top treat this Halloween

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Before the first goblins and ghouls can make an appearance this Halloween season,

parents and children alike will have to pick out a costume, a decision local officials say buyers should look at closely when it comes to safety.

According to Big Spring Fire

Marshal Carl Condray, the desire to wow friends and family with a great costume – whether it's bought from a store, online or made at home - should always take a back seat to how safe the attire is. "You want it to be a fantas-

Condray

forget about safety," said Condray. "One of the most overlooked issues, especially with homemade costumes, is whether or not the costume is flammable. You need to make sure that the costume will not catch fire if the material comes in contact with a flame, even for a very brief period.

"Keep in mind that your

"Having an authentic-looking costume is nice, but it's never worth it to sacrifice the safety of our children."

> Carl Condray Big Spring Fire Marshal

tic costume, but you shouldn't children will be going up on porches with pumpkins that have a lit candle. Children can brush against a pumpkin with long, flowing costumes. Using a non-flammable material is really essential." Ease of movement and visibility should be two major concerns when choosing a

costume, according to Con-"Make absolutely sure that

the child can move freely and see well. Remember that children will be climbing steps and walking through yards," said Condray. "Make sure your child can be seen. Select costumes that are bright colored. If that is not possible be sure to decorate the costume with reflective tape or reflective fabric paint.

"Reflective tape can be incorporated into the costume.

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BIG SPRING HERALD LOCAL Tuesday, October 16, 2012

Police blotter

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

- MARK D. MEYERS, 48, of 1800 S. Monticello, was arrested Monday on a warrant from another agency.
- SANDRO SANDOVAL, 34, of Rio Grande City, Texas, was arrested Monday on a charge of driving while license invalid – DWI related. • JOHN FLORES JR., 48, of 1517 Sycamore, was
- arrested Monday on charges of public intoxication and theft – more than \$50 and less than \$500. • RONALD EDWARD WILKINS, 44, of 3101 Navajo, was arrested Monday on a warrant for assault –
- family violence. • RALPH ALLEN WHITE, 42, of 1902 Alabama, was arrested Monday on charges of unlawfully carrying a weapon, possession of marijuana – two ounces or less and failure to maintain financial
- JOHN WEST RUSK, 43, of 1315 Mesquite, was arrested Monday on a charge of driving while license invalid.

responsibility.

- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 2600 block of Dow. • THEFT was reported in the area four miles west
- of Big Spring on Highway 176.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1100 block of Nolan.

Sheriff

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

- Note Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 73 inmates at the time of this • JOHN FLORES JR., 48, was booked into the
- county detention center Monday by the BSPD on charges of theft of property – more than \$50 and less than \$500 and public intoxication. • SANDRO SANDOVAL, 34, was booked into the

county detention center Monday by the BSPD on a

- charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension. • RONALD EDWARD WILKINS, 45, was booked into the county detention center Tuesday by the BSPD on a municipal warrant for assault – family
- violence. • JOHN WEST RUSK, 43, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of driving while license

Fire/EMS

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

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1600 block of Bluebird. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1900 block of Simler. One person was transported to SMMC. • TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near the
- intersection of FM 700 and Birdwell Lane. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1700 block of S. Runnels. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near the intersection of Fourth Street and Goliad. One person was transported to SMMC.

Take Note

- The Yellow Rose Café, located inside Scenic Mountain Medical Center, is the featured Dine Out Day sponsor for United Way through Sunday. The café is open from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. As a Dine Out Day sponsor, a portion of the proceeds will be donated to the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County 2013 campaign.
- Church Women United will meet from 11 a.m. to noon Saturday at First United Methodist Church, 400 Scurry St. Kay Crites will present a program on Big Brothers and Big Sisters. For more information, call 432-267-2844.
- An account has been set up at Western Bank for Kristen Lasater and family, who lost their home to a house fire Monday afternoon. The account number, for those wanting to make a donation, is 1004597.
- Jo Anna Bailey, an aide for many years at Washington Elementary School, has been diagnosed with cancer. A medical donation account has been established for her at the Big Spring Education Credit Union, located at 1110 Benton. Your generosity will enable her to have much-needed tests and treatment.
- The Howard County Humane Society and Sierra Animal Clinic have teamed up for a fundraiser to benefit the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County. October 13, from 8 a.m. until noon, your dog or cat can have a parvo, distemper shot for a donation of \$10 or a rabies shot for a donation of \$5 or both for a donation of \$15. Dogs must be on leashes and cats in carriers. The benefit will be held at the Humane Society, 5710 IH 20 West.
- Compass Hospice is in need of your help. If you would be interested in offering your love and God's comfort to those who are suffering, or to their families, contact Michelle Coutermarsh at 263-5999 or come by 602 S. Main.

Volunteers are needed in many categories includ-

ing patient care. You may give as much or as little time as you wish. Any amount of time is greatly appreciated. Training is offered free of charge.

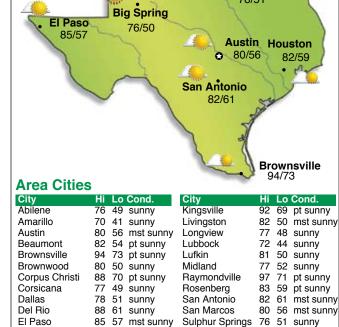
- An account has been established at Big Spring Community Federal Credit Union in the name of Glenda Berger, who was recently diagnosed with inoperable lung cancer. Donations will be used to help defer medical costs and mounting bills. All donations are greatly appreciated. Call Big Spring Community Federal Credit Union at 800-299-6761.
- The Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Council needs assistance in The Chalet Resale Shoppe, 115 East Second St. The Chalet Resale Shoppe is a fast-paced retail shop specializing in gently worn clothing and small household appliance. Volunteers are needed to sort, price, check out and stock donated items. Volunteer hours are flexible. The Chalet is open 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday. For more information, contact Jamey Stegall at james.stegall@dshs.state.tx.us or 432 268-
- Every Friday night from 7:30 p.m. until 10 p.m. is dance night at the Senior Citizen Center. The cost is \$8 per person.
- · An account has been established at American State Bank to help defray medical expense for Brad "Ghost" Ugstad, a local resident who was severely injured in a motorcycle accident. All donations will be appreciated.
- Mobile Meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you can donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Macaria Cantu at 263-4016.

• Spring Tabernacle Ministries, 1209 Wright St.,

has a brief, inspirational message before giving

- away food and clothing on Thursday mornings. It's a great way to work off community service and get help, too. Be there at 9 a.m.-11 a.m. and get two for one plus a rehab meeting. Home Hospice is seeking volunteers. Volunteers
- are needed for in office duties as well as sitters, deliveries and crafts. To find out more information or to volunteer contact Sherry Hodnett at Home Hospice by calling 264-7599.
- Hangar 25 Air Museum needs your help. We are in need of volunteers to fill a variety of positions such as tour guides, front desk, clerical, events, and many others. Set your hours and days of the week you are available. Meet new people and enjoy a rewarding experience. For more information, contact Emma Bogard at 432-267-2963.
- The Salvation Army is holding its annual fan drive and is in need of fans. Community members can donate new or used fans. Monetary donations are also welcomed. Donations can be made at the main office, located at 811 W. Fifth St., Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.
- The Homeownership Preservation Foundation (HPF) is an independent national nonprofit dedicated to helping distressed homeowners navigate financial challenges and avoid mortgage foreclosure. If you want to stop foreclosure and are in need of foreclosure help, the time to call 888-995-HOPE is now. The Homeowner's HOPE hotline is a counseling service provided by HPF to work with you to find a solution to your problem. HPF can provide counseling free of charge, in English and 170 other languages, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Free free foreclosure help, call the hotline.
- The Salvation Army has funding for Texas Military Personnel now serving or has served in Iraq or Afghanistan. The military member or their family member may apply at 811 W. Fifth St. or call 267-8239. The grant is funded by the TRIAD Fund of Permian Basin Area Foundation.
- Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. Thursdays at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.
- The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nurturing and permanent home. We need your help. If you're interested in volunteering, please contact Suzy Milliken at 1-877-316-8346 or visit www. BecomeaCASA.org or www.casawtx.org.
- Legal Aid of Northwest Texas is accepting appointments from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of each month. Individuals seeking legal advice for matters concerning family law, divorce, custody and child support issues, social security cases, employment and housing may contact the office to schedule an appointment. Criminal cases are not accepted. Anyone recently served with legal documents should call the office immediately at 800-926-5630 or 432-686-0647.
- Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 263-9669.
- New Life Ministries Church of God In Christ is holding a soup kitchen every second and fourth Tuesday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at 204 N.W. 10th. The meal is free. Call 264-0771 for more information.

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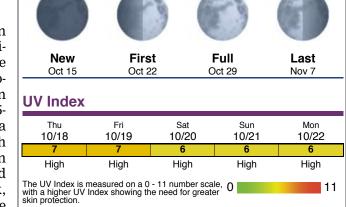
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Support Groups

- 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-
- Special Parents for Special Children support group meets the first Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m.atElbowElementary.ContactKerriRosenbaum at 432-816-3320 or kerrirosenbaum9488@msn.com
- VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

- RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy, a chronic pain disease), a new support and informative group meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207 for more information.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 & 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at the Gold Rush Tobacco Shop, 800 E. Third Street. Open meeting at 7 p.m.

THURSDAY

 Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

Texas news in brief

Cruz outraises Sadler

ten-fold in senate race AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Republican and rising na-

tional tea party star Ted Cruz said Monday that he raised \$3.5 million between July and September, or about 10 times the amount of donations secured by his Democratic opponent for Texas' open U.S. Sen-Cruz, a former state solicitor general, said Mon-

day that he had \$2 million cash-on-hand after raising \$3.5 million in the third fundraising quarter between July 1 and Sept. 30.

He is the prohibitive favorite against ex-Democratic state Rep. Paul Sadler to replace retiring Republican U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison. Sadler, an attorney who represented the East

Texas town of Henderson from 1991 until 2003 in the Texas House, said he raised nearly \$359,000 over the same period and had about \$134,000 cashon-hand as of Sept. 30. He said that was nearly three times the amount he had raised prior to securing the Democratic senatorial nomination during a July 31 runoff election. But that paled in comparison to Cruz, who turned

heads across the country when he upset Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, the choice of most of the mainstream Texas GOP, in a runoff for the Republican senatorial nomination. Cruz said that \$2 million of what he raised last

now raised about \$11.8 million overall and gotten donations from all but 10 of Texas' 254 counties. Sadler reports raising more than \$497,000 overall from nearly 5,000 total contributions.

quarter came after his primary victory. He has

Operator missing after boat sinks in Texas lake

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Authorities are searching a North Texas lake for a boat operator missing since his 26-foot cabin cruiser was hit by a large wave and sank.

A spokesman for the Tarrant Regional Water District says the search resumed Tuesday at Eagle Mountain Lake.

Officials say about a dozen passengers were plucked from the lake following the accident Sunday afternoon near the Fort Worth Boat Club. All were rescued by nearby vessels.

Searchers by Sunday night located the sunken cruiser. Emergency personnel continued the search Monday for the missing man, whose name hasn't been released.

Driver's license of missing Texas woman found

LAFAYETTE, La. (AP) — A search of Brandon Scott Lavergne's home in the investigation of Mickey Shunick's death uncovered the driver's license of a Texas woman whose whereabouts remain unknown. That's according to a review of a case file released Monday.

The case file documents what Lafayette Police Chief Jim Craft characterized Monday as "the biggest and most complicated and involved investigation that I am aware of in the history of the Police Department." Lavergne is serving a life sentence after pleading

guilty in August to two counts of first-degree murder in the slayings of Shunick, 21, and Lisa Pate, Lavergne, 33, admitted to killing Shunick after

abducting the University of Louisiana at Lafayette student on May 19. Pate's remains were discovered in rural Acadia

The Advocate reports detectives found the wal-

let and driver's license of Madeline Aumiller in a search of Lavergne's home on July 5.

Texas inmate set to die Thursday loses appeal HOUSTON (AP) - A federal appeals court has

refused to stop this week's execution of a Houston man for gunning down a police sergeant more than 12 years ago. A three-judge panel of the 5th U.S. Circuit Court

of Appeals ruled 2-1 late Monday against an ap-

peal from lawyers for condemned killer Anthony Haynes. Haynes faces lethal injection Thursday evening in Huntsville. Attorneys contend Haynes had poor legal help at

his trial. They argue his lawyers didn't show jurors there were mitigating factors that led to the shooting of Houston police Sgt. Kent Kincaid and Haynes shouldn't be put to death. Haynes still can appeal to the U.S. Supreme

Court.

Prosecutors say Haynes opened fire at Kincaid's car. The officer was shot when he stopped Haynes to ask about the gunfire.

Lawsuit filed over noose at South Texas school

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A black South Texas family has filed a racial harassment lawsuit over a noose found near their daughter's car at school. The lawsuit filed in San Antonio names the Mari-

on Independent School District and several former employees. The lawsuit says three African-American sisters were harassed before recently withdrawing from the district.

A noose and menacing note were found Feb. 6 near a car driven by the oldest girl and parked outside Marion High School. Police and the FBI investigated but dropped the inquiry at the request of the family, which cited health issues.

Family attorney Chris Pittard also says one of the girls received a text showing a noose.

Superintendent Mario Sotello said Monday the district has yet to receive notice of the Oct. 4 lawsuit and declined comment.

Human remains found on rural East Texas land PALESTINE, Texas (AP) — Investigators say an

autopsy has been ordered on human remains found on some rural East Texas property. The Anderson County Sheriff's Office says the owners of the land near Palestine discovered the

remains late Sunday. Chief Deputy Troy Black said Monday that Texas Rangers have been summoned to help with the investigation. Black says the remains are so decomposed that authorities could not immediately identify the person's race, sex or age.

Further details haven't been released.

Palestine is 105 miles southeast of Dallas.

Tyler police seek woman claiming to be officer TYLER, Texas (AP) — Police in East Texas are

investigating at least two cases in which a woman flashed a badge, lied about being an officer and robbed someone. Tyler police have appealed to the public for help in

identifying the suspect, who was not in uniform. Police say the latest incident happened Sunday night at a car wash. A woman showed a badge and

demanded to search a man's car. The woman stole his wallet and cellphone from the vehicle. The first robbery happened Oct. 7. Grocery store surveillance video shows a woman in shorts and a

shirt making a purchase. Police believe the woman later approached a man outside and asked for \$10. He refused. The suspect showed a badge, said she was a police officer and

Texas mom could get more prison in girl's abuse

took the victim's wallet.

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — A West Texas woman sentenced to life in prison for the fatal beating of her 3-year-old daughter could get another 99 years for not protecting the girl.

Closing arguments are scheduled Tuesday in El Paso in the penalty phase for Yara Belen Perez on an injury to a child conviction.

Jurors on Friday also convicted Perez of capital murder in the 2007 death of Jacqueline Gonzalez. Prosecutors did not seek the death penalty so Perez received an automatic life prison term for capital

Two neighbors testified Monday about Perez abusing the girl, such as hitting and kicking her.

SAFETY

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For instance, if your child wants to be a witch with a black cape, cut stars out of reflective tape and put them all over the cape. Having an authentic-looking costume is nice, but it's never worth it to sacrifice the safety of our children.'

ber. The U.S. Consumer

Product Safety Commission suggests these guidelines for avoiding problems during the Halloween evening:

For greater visibility during dusk and darkness, decorate or

Condray also suggests trim costumes with resewing a name tag into flective tape that will your child's costume, glow in the beam of a giving their name, ad- car's headlights. Bags dress and phone num- or sacks should also be light colored or decorated with reflective tape. Reflective tape is usually available in hardware, bicycle and sporting goods stores.

• To easily see and be seen, children should also carry flashlights.

Costumes should be

short enough to prevent children from tripping and falling.

shoes. Mother's high heels are not a good idea for safe walking. Hats and scarfs

should be tied securely to prevent them from slipping over children's

 Apply a natural mask of cosmetics rather than

have a child wear a 7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail might restrict breath- erald.com Children should ing or obscure vision. If wear well-fitting, sturdy a mask is used, however, make sure it fits securely and has eyeholes large enough to allow full vision.

 Swords, knives and similar costume accessories should be of soft and flexible material.

For more from the USCPSC on Halloween safety, visit http:// www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/pubs/100.html

Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-

loose-fitting mask that at citydesk@bigspringh-

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288 Carolyn "Susie" Jones, 58, died Saturday Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. today at North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church.

Dennis Brehm, 59, died Sunday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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focusing on that we're missing other important areas, like technology."

The resolution was drafted by the Texas As-

sociation of School Administrators and signed off on by more than 80 percent of school districts in the state.

Jacobs said she expects trustees to vote in favor of the resolution.

"I think this is a great resolution for us to join

gators also recovered

a quantity of metham-

phetamines, as well as

a rifle that had been re-

ported stolen in a bur-

glary being investigated

by the Big Spring Police

"All items were seized

by the Howard County

Sheriff's Office," Parker

said. "The items seized

are believed to have

a value of more than

\$40,000. Pasquale was

Department.

with," she said. Also tonight, Jacobs

will discuss enrollment trends with trustees. CISD's latest figures show 855 students enrolled in classes, a jump slightly more than 40 from this time last year.

• In other business,

trustees will consider: Legal and local poli-

cy updates. 2012-2013 board goals.

Personnel matters.

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from Ector County. A search warrant was executed on the property and deputies recovered a 20-feet tandem axle trailer, oil field valves and equipment, electrical parts and several spools of copper and aluminum wire."

Parker said investi-

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arrested at the scene. investigation is currently ongoing and more arrests are expected in this case."

According to officials with the Howard County Detention Center, Pasquale's bond was set at \$2,500, with the Odessa man bonding out Sat-

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OTHER VIEWS

Budgetary **Immickry**

multibillion-dollar stack of IOUs awaits state lawmakers when they return to Austin next year, and it's a pile of their own making, the fruit of budget tricks that would leave Penn and Teller both speechless.

Gov. Rick Perry has a righteous gripe when it comes to the Legislature's fiscal gymnastics. That part of his stepped-up "truth in budgeting" campaign has merit, but other parts we have a major problem with.

When lawmakers adjourned their session last year, they left a nearly \$5 billion Medicaid tab uncovered and scheduled a late aid payment to schools to balance the books. Then there is their slippery practice of siphoning off taxes dedicated for one purpose and pouring them into the general fund.

The granddaddy of all diversions is the big grab out of the highway fund, where fuel taxes and fees are supposed to go for road- and bridgebuilding. More than \$1 billion of that money will be spent this budget cycle on other uses. North Texas, meanwhile, is forced to build ma-

jor highways with toll financing.

Last week, Talmadge Heflin, budget specialist with the Texas Public Policy Foundation, testified to lawmakers that "even people with advanced degrees have trouble tracking funds in the budget, let alone the average taxpayer or legislator."

In this light, Perry's truth-in-budgeting call ful debate but also is a good one, yet we wonder why his mind blanked when he signed the state's current smoke-and-mirrors budget 16 months ago, saying, "I am proud Texas will continue to live within its means."

The governor now is talking up a push for a constitutional amendment on spending to bind lawmakers' hands in future sessions, and he has legislative leaders, including Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, climbing on his bandwagon. The idea is to limit spending to a measure of population growth and inflation, but that strikes us as putting important decisions on auto-pilot instead of relying on elected lawmakers for judgment calls. Irresponsible is one way to put it. Political gimmickry is another.

Support for artificial checks on spending assumes the state is at an optimum level now, but it's not. Ask principals who had to lay off teachers. Or drivers who feel gouged by monthly toll bills for their daily commutes.

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eave the driving to it

riverless cars are on the horizon, and we can all start feeling ancient now. The youngest among us will remem-

ber the days when we had to keep our hands on the steering wheel and foot near the brake. Joining "icebox" and "fire stable" will be such terms as "behind the wheel," "pedal to the metal" and "in the driver's seat." Hipsters yet to



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be born will laugh at worried talk of "blind spots" and complaints of "backseat drivers." Windshields with suction-cup marks from primitive GPS devices may become wall art, just as those old blue-glass Delco batteries now hold sunflowers.

I can't wait. The notion of dropping into some soft leather seat, saying, "Take me to the movie theater" (if there still are movie theaters), then pouring a nice glass of cabernet is most appealing. There will be no such thing anymore as drunken drivers because there will be no drivers. Drunken passengers, sure.

Radar will detect objects, including pedestrians and brick walls. Cameras will record lane lines, and infrared versions will see better at night than a raccoon. Some of the newer driverless models go 70 miles an hour. There will be fewer traffic

jams because the computer-run cars will know not to smash into their neighbors. Most accidents

are caused by human error, explains traffic expert Tom Vanderbilt in Wired magazine. The driverless car's computer "is better than human in every

Driverless cars will reduce the need for new pavement. Did you know that vehicles take up only 5 percent of the road surface on even the most congested highways? "Hyperalert and algorithmically optimized" cars should be able to safely cruise bumper to bumper, according to Vander-

I keep using the future tense, but actually, some driverless cars are already on the roads. A fleet of Google driverless cars now ply the byways of the San Francisco Bay area. They have signs on them saying "self-driving car," lest a shocked driver think he's encountered a vehicular headless horseman.

California recently legalized driverless cars, following the lead of Nevada and Florida. Bear in mind that driverless cars were never officially banned for obvious reasons.

A legal question for the 21st century: If your driverless car does get in an accident, whom is to blame, you or the software developer?

A philosophical question: Are driverless cars computerized vehicles or computers on wheels? Clearly, Google believes in the latter. But the auto industry is hard at work making its case. Traditional cars are already highly computerized. Some advanced features, such as automatic parallel parking, involve driverless movement. Several

major carmakers have research centers in Silicon Valley.

So go forth, motorists: Write text messages till your thumbs turn blue. Gesticulate wildly as you argue on the phone. Play around with your 2,000 stations. Neck in the backseat — or the front seat, for that matter. You are no longer in charge, which means the driving time is all

Ooooh. But what's going to happen to that time????? The utopian side says the hours our eyes were glued to the road will be spent in leisure or intellectual pursuits. The dystopian side says that the effort the technology saves us will create more time for work. Have smartphones freed up your day?

The possibilities are endless. Children will take themselves to clarinet lessons. The elderly will no longer worry about losing their ability to drive.

On a sour note, computer hackers will be able to commit crimes against passengers yet unimag-But this part of our future is

inevitable: Everyone will have a chauffeur and leave the driving

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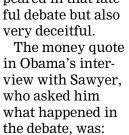
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Reverse Bush's failed third term

fter reading transcripts of Obama's recent campaign stump speeches and watching his interview with ABC News' Diane

Sawyer, I am even more convinced he is every bit as clueless as he appeared in that fate-



"It's not the first time I've had a bad night. But I think what's important is that the fundamentals of what this race is about haven't changed. You know, Gov. Romney went to a lot of trouble to try to hide what his positions are, because he knows that those ideas have been rejected. They won't work."

DAVID

Limbaugh

This is just more of the same. Obama is saying that our ongoing economic problems are still President Bush's fault and that Romney wants to go back to the Bush policies that caused all this — as if the four years we've just experienced never occurred and as if he and his party weren't more responsible than Republicans for the policies that led to the housing and financial collapse.

It is true that the fundamentals of the race haven't changed. Obama wants to stay on the course of his failed policies, and Romney wants to reverse course. But Romney is not trying to hide his positions; Obama is lying about what those positions are. Indeed, it's not just Democratic

operative Stephanie Cutter who is making the embarrassingly false claim that Romney's tax cuts would cost \$5 trillion. With this administration,

almost everything, including Benghazi-gate, starts at the top. Obama repeated the claim to Sawyer and added that Romney's cuts would be skewed toward the

No, the rich, by losing exemptions and deductions, would benefit less than lower-income

groups, something that I, as a supply-sider, am not too pleased about, but it's nevertheless true. And the cuts would not cost \$5 trillion, because those cuts would be offset by the elimination of the exemptions and by the economic growth the cuts would help generate.

But where Romney would most substantially deviate from the Bush policies is that he would severely cut spending, both in the short and long term — in the latter with comprehensive, structural entitlement reform. And he would roll back Obama's unprecedented regulations that, along with Obama's taxing and spending policies, are smothering the private sector.

So let's summarize Obama's main argument for his re-elec-

• Republicans caused the policies that led to our economic problems.

 Obama has put us on a path to recovery, and he would continue on that exact path, whereas Romney would reinstate the Bush policies that caused the problems.

He's wrong on every count.

After Bush's tax cuts, his economy was mostly strong until the final year of his second term sustained economic growth, low unemployment and negligible inflation.

Bush spent too much, though less than Democrats would have if they'd gotten their way (including on education and prescription drugs), but his deficits were still only a fraction of what Obama's have been — despite Iraq and Afghanistan. Democratic policies (affordable housing, etc.) led to the economic collapse.

Bush tried to get Democrats to roll these back, but he was ridiculed and rebuffed by the likes of Democratic Rep. Barney Frank. Obama also rails against Wall

Street bailouts in his stump speech, but he became a key player in the TARP bailouts, not to mention the auto industry bailout or Dodd-Frank, which could someday lead to big bank bailouts on steroids.

putting us on a path to recovery, has implemented recklessly wasteful spending policies, oppressive regulatory policies and punitive tax policies, which have led to the worst recovery and longest period of high unemployment in 50 years.

He has blocked GOP entitlement reform proposals and has submitted none himself.

He is by far the biggest-spending president in American history by any rational measure.

We will be in national bankruptcy and financial collapse if he wins re-election and stays the course, which he is promising to do.

He and his Justice Department have also shaken down banks to pressure them to start making the very types of uncreditworthy loans that caused the housing collapse in the first place.

Romney would, like Bush, cut taxes (with modifications on deductions), but he would implement spending and entitlement reform, including repealing Obamacare.

His administration would be a friend to businesses and not an outright enemy as the Obama administration has been.

So yes, President Obama, the choice couldn't be clearer.

You would continue your failed policies of growing the government and killing the private sector, ensuring the perpetuation of an anemic economy and ultimately national bankruptcy, and Mitt Romney would dramatically roll back the government to let the American people and their businesses unleash a robust recovery, the likes of which we've rarely seen.

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Further, Obama, instead of

ith Halloween just around

With a thesaurus, she lived in a big, scary house

forboding mansion. Nice!

transforms into she

CREEPY

dwelled in a gigantic,

Standards Link: Vocabulary: Use a

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Kid Scoop Together:

Ask a friend to give you each type of word to fill in the blanks. Then read your silly story

Dr. Alexander de Cay has

performed a lot of



Edgar Allan Poe (1809 - 1849) wrote many creepy poems and stories that are still popular today. They've been made 20000 into movies and inspired countless other writers.

> How many words can you think of to rhyme with each of the things shown here? Use them to write a great Halloween poem to read to your class.

Standards Link: Vocabulary: Identify words that rhyme.

ADJECTIVE experiments in his

> ADJECTIVE and brought it to life one very

He once combined a pumpkin

ADJECTIVE

_crashed, he laughed and exclaimed, "I have

done it! I have created the

world's first **ADJECTIVE**

NOUN

But soon his creature escaped

and began to VERB

towards town. All of the town's

were terrified PLURAL NOUN

creature.

The creature began to make

with people and PLURAL NOUN before long, the creature

became quite happy.



The creature now works at the

local school as a ADJECTIVE

. The kids are

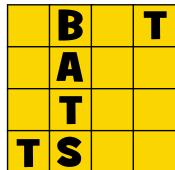
very glad about that and they

bring the creature a lot of

PLURAL NOUN

Standards Link: Language Arts: Use nouns, adjectives and verbs correctly.

Complete the grid by using all the letters in the word BATS in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.



the corner and a chill in the air, it's the perfect time to write a funny, spooky tale by letting your imagination run wild! How many bats can you find on

Read each sentence. Then draw a line to ven though it sounds the word that has the same meaning as like some kind of each of these circled words. If you get stuck, dinosaur, a thesaurus is use a thesaurus for help! filled with lots of great words to spice up your As the sun rose, The creature

> knocked down the old castle wall. The full

moon was

covered by

dark clouds.

The werewolf had a loud howl.

Having a hard time coming up with a silly, scary story idea? Use this awesome device

to choose a **character**, **location** and **plot**. Mix and match to create lots of story ideas!

LOCATION

on another planet

in a spooky swamp

in a fancy hotel

in a crumbling castle

in a frozen forest

next door to you

The mummy began to walk towards me.

the vampire looked

angry.







builds a cheese-powered rocket.

digs a tunnel to a distant city.

becomes principal of your school.

discovers how to turn invisible.

wins a motorcycle stunt competition.

explores the ocean in a submarine.

becomes a country music star.



Find the two identical jack-o-lanterns.

Story Starts in the Newspaper

Look through the newspaper for:

- five nouns
- five verbs • ten adjectives
- a rhyme
- a vehicle · a food

Use all of these words in a spooky story.

Standards Link: newspaper to locate information.

A zombie duck in a chilly cave SCOOD PUZZ A Ghostly Mildred is planning a Halloween party but she got a bit

THE PROPERTY OF THE PARTY OF TH

CHARACTER

A dancing dinosaur

A seasick werewolf

A powerful penguin

A sleepy vampire

An unraveling mummy

A very nervous spider



CHARACTER THESAURUS SENTENCE **WRITERS** DEVICE **CREEPY POEMS SPICE RHYME EDGAR DUSKY** WILD **PLOT TALE**

READ

Find the words in the puzzle. Then look for each word in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

E C I P S C V S S S CLILERRLLU IYAONEHSCR V D A T T E Y R D U ELYIEPMAUA DIRDNYESS TWGOCRRIKE EASMEOPSYH RETCARAHCT

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns

Guess My Costume Look at the ads in the Classified Ad section of the newspaper. Write an ad about who or what you are going to be for Halloween. Give your ad to a pal and see if he or she can guess what

your ad represents. Standards Link: Writing: Describe and summarize concepts.





was haunted, but it looked okay to me. So ... Finish this story!

The bird who came in from the cold

ometime during the night, cold, blustery winds heralded the arrival of the first "blue norther." By dawn, gray skies had cast a pall on any outdoor plans.

Having hurried to



McCasland

get her morning paper, the woman was glad to be back inside and away from the

piercing winds. After walking through the house

to a back window, she opened the drapes. Once again, her bird feeder had been emptied by migrating flocks of birds.

As she opened the door leading to her back porch and yard, a noisy flurry of wings carried both large and small travelers to the trees above. The discordant harmony of their mass exodus was deafening.

Having taken care of their needs, she hurried toward the house and its promised warmth. As she glanced back to see how quickly the birds descended from her trees, she noticed a small, brownish-gray bird underneath her towering yaupon.

After closing the door against the northeast wind, she continued to watch the huddled mass of feathers. She detected no movement.

Promising herself that she would check on the bird after a few sips of coffee, she sat down to read her paper. Distracted by her husband and their

need for breakfast, she forgot about the little bird until he noticed its presence under the shrub.

By noon, the couple's concern prompted a phone call. Accustomed to having several different species of doves at their feeder, the woman related how this dovelike bird was much smaller than the white wings and mourning doves. "It still hasn't moved," she added.

Since the bird may have flown into something and could be stunned, the woman agreed to wait a little longer for it to recover. Two hours later, she called again.

Since the bird was still passive and had made no effort to move, the woman had decided to get it off the ground. As quietly as possible. she had started to crawl toward the bird. Getting under the lower branches of the large plant had been harder than she expected.

Even with her exertion and crunching of the mulch surrounding the shrub, the bird didn't move. Extending her arm through the trunks at the base of the plant, she was able to grab the bird. There was little resistance as she brought it through the woody maze and wrapped it in her apron.

In a deep, narrow cardboard box, the woman had placed an Inca dove.

The dark edges of its perfectly layered feathers gave it a scaly appearance.

Extending its wings to check for any fractures exposed the distinctive rust color that is one of its identifying features.

As I spread its tail, its outer white tail feathers were highlighted. On such a slender and petite Inca, its coloration and size were expected.

After driving home, the woman continued to watch for any other Inca doves in her yard. Later in the day, she called. "That's the only one. I even checked with the neighbors, and they don't have any."

Having seen this specie feeding and traveling in flocks made us wonder why this Inca was suddenly a solitary figure. Its need for social interaction with others of its specie was enviable.

In previous years, we had watched Incas as they sought shelter in our live oak trees and on the sills of our back porch windows. In both places, the small birds had started a feathery pyramid. Four or five Incas on the bottom supported the next row of three, topped off by one or two as they shared body heat and huddled against the cold of a wintry day.

Resting with its head pulled in against its breast, this bird ignored the food and water we offered. Only the lowest roost was finally accessed.

Late on the second day, it stood beside the food dishes.

At least if it drank it would ingest the food supplement I had added to its water.

Around noon of the third day, we noticed it kept repositioning its feet on one of the roosts.

Then it jumped down to the floor and walked about with the rhythmic bobbing back and forth of its head. Scat-



About eight inches long and weighing less than two ounces, the Inca is one of our smallest doves. Often called a scaled dove, the bird builds a cup-like structure for a nest

tered seeds at least indicated its interest in the available food.

To access the highest roost at the end of the container, the bird had to fly.

Late that afternoon we found it perched at that elevation. We also noticed the ample supply of grains had been depleted.

For the next two days, the bird ate, drank, flew and perched. Droppings

were normal and it was displaying the anxious avoidance of people whenever present.

The woman who had recognized a problem with the bird's behavior had removed it from any danger until it could recover.

Releasing it in a known area frequented by Incas and mourning doves, we felt comfortable knowing that our neighborhood would be supportive of the needs of this bird and others.

Although we, and the woman, would never know what had brought about such an encounter, we had all benefited from the Inca's unexpected visit.

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What we have not as important as what we leave behind

recently spent the weekend visiting my 91-year-old aunt who lives in Bryan, Texas, and as we visited, I was reminded just how short our time on this earth really is.

Ninety years seems to be a long time and yet, as she said, looking back it seems like yesterday and that final day may be much closer than we would like to

It's sad to think when our days come to a close there will be no more sunrises or sunsets; no more blue skies or

cloudy days.



have collected will pass to someone else. Our wealth, fame and power

All the

things we

PARENT'S will **C**ORNER shrivel DARRELL RYAN into ir-

relevance. It will not matter what we owe or what we are

Our plans, hopes and ambitions will disappear, but so will our

grudges, resentments, frustrations and jealousies. The wins and losses that once seemed so important will fade away. Those things just won't matter anymore.

What will matter is how the value of our days will be measured. It won't matter what we bought, but it will matter what we build.

It won't matter what we've got, but it will

matter what we gave. It won't matter what we learned, but it will

matter what we taught. Our successes will no longer matter, but our

significance will live on, as will our integrity, compassions and sacrifices that enriched, empowered or encouraged others to emulate our example.

Our competence will no longer matter, but our character will.

The number of people we have known will no longer matter, but the people who will feel a lasting loss at our passing will.

Our memories will no longer matter, but the memories we gave to those that remain will change lives.

ROSWELL, N.M. (AP)

stood poised in the open

hatch of a capsule sus-

pended above Earth,

wondering if he would

make it back alive.

Twenty four miles be-

Felix Baumgartner

Living a life that matters doesn't happen by accident; it is not a matter of circumstance but a matter of choice. Our life will soon pass but the choices we make that touch the lives of others will continue to bless or haunt those we leave behind.

I would choose to be remembered, as will my aunt, as one who enriched and blessed the lives of those whom my path crossed and I would hope that those I leave behind would smile each time they thought of me instead

of being complacent or glad that I'm gone.

Now I'd like to change the atmosphere of this writing to a lighter

A friend of mine once told me something I still can't figure out. He said: I feel more like I do today than I ever

I wonder if he still feels that way and, if so, I wish he'd explain it to

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low him, millions of people were right there with him, watching on the Internet and marveling at the wonder of the

moment. A second later, he stepped off the capsule and barreled toward the New Mexico desert as a tiny white speck against a darkly-tinted sky. Millions watched him breathlessly as he shattered the sound barrier and then landed safely about nine minutes later, becoming the world's first supersonic skydiver.

"When I was standing there on top of the world, you become so

Record jump provides collective moment think about breaking records anymore, you do not think about gainscientific data," Baumgartner said after Sunday's jump. "The only thing you want is to come back alive."

The tightly-orchestrated jump meant to break records became much more in the dizzying, breathtaking moment — a collectively shared cross between Neil Armstrong's moon landing and Evel Knievel's famed motorcycle jumps on ABC's "Wide World of Sports."

It was part scientific wonder, part daredevil

humble, you do not See **JUMP**. Page 7

News in brief

Pressure on Obama to find right balance in next debate — come on strong but not overdo it

WASHINGTON (AP) — The pressure is on President Barack Obama to deliver a Goldilocks performance in the second debate: Not too cool, as he was in his first, listless encounter with Mitt Romney. And not too hot, as some critics styled Vice President Joe Biden in his faceoff with Paul Ryan.

With the race extremely tight and little time left for a breakout moment, Obama is intent on getting the porridge just right in a 90-minute, one-onone faceoff Tuesday at Hofstra University on New York's Long Island. The candidates will take questions on domestic

and foreign policy from an audience of about 80 of the coveted uncommitted voters whom both campaigns are so furiously courting with just three weeks left until Election Day. The town hall-style format makes it especially tricky for Obama to strike the right balance in coming on strong against Romney without turning off the audience — and tens of millions of television viewers — by going too negative. The importance attached to this year's debates

is reflected in the significant chunks of time that both candidates have spent preparing. Obama, faulted for being ill-prepared for the first faceoff with Romney, largely dropped out of sight for the last three days to attend "debate camp" at a resort in Williamsburg, Va. And Romney, the clear victor in Round One, has devoted big blocks of time to rehearsals over the last several days as well. The Campaign 2012 juggernaut has raced ahead

nonetheless: Both sides have unfurled new ads. hustled at the grassroots level to lock down every possible voter, dispatched surrogates to rev up enthusiasm and kept the running mates busy raising cash and campaigning in the most hotly contested

Clinton says Benghazi consulate security was her responsibility LIMA, Peru (AP) — U.S. Secretary of State Hil-

lary Rodham Clinton is answering Republican criticism of the Obama administration's handling of last month's attack at the U.S. consulate in Benghazi, Libya, saying she — not the White House — is responsible for security at all of America's diplomatic missions.

"I take responsibility," Clinton told CNN. "I'm in charge of the State Department's 60,000-plus people all over the world (at) 275 posts."

With only weeks before the presidential election, outrage has crystallized around Vice President Joe Biden's claim in last week's debate with Republican vice presidential nominee Paul Ryan that "we weren't told" about requests for extra security at the consulate where assailants killed U.S. Ambassador Chris Stevens and three other Americans. Congressional hearings revealed that the State

Department was aware of, and rejected, several requests for increased security in Benghazi. Spokesmen for both the State Department and the White House took pains Friday to make clear that Biden's "we" referred to the White House, where such requests would not go.

White House wrestles with how, where to strike back if Libya consulate attackers can be found WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House, un-

der political pressure to respond forcefully to the Sept. 11 attack on the U.S. Consulate in Benghazi, is readying strike forces and drones but first has to find a target. And if the administration does find a target, of-

ficials say it still has to weigh whether the shortterm payoff of exacting retribution on al-Qaida is worth the risk that such strikes could elevate the group's profile in the region, alienate governments the U.S. needs to fight the group in the future and do little to slow the growing terror threat in North Africa. Details on the administration's position and on its

search for a possible target were provided by three current and one former administration official, as well as an analyst who was approached by the White House for help. All four spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss the high-level debates publicly. In another effort to bolster Libyan security, the

Pentagon and State Department have been developing a plan to train and equip a special operations force in Libya, according to a senior defense offi-

Guantanamo prisoners charged in 9/11 case could be no-shows from hearing with judge's OK GUANTANAMO BAY NAVAL BASE, Cuba (AP)

 A military tribunal reconvenes Tuesday for five men charged in the Sept. 11, 2001 terror attacks, but the defendants may sit this session out. The judge presiding over the case has ruled, over the objections of prosecutors, that the defendants have the right to be absent from a weeklong pre-

trial hearing in a case considered to be one of the most significant terrorism cases in U.S. history. A lawyer for one of the five says he expects his client will not be there, while attorneys for the other men said they weren't sure what would happen, and that the men would likely wait until the last-

"They have the right to come to court or they have the right not to come to court, that's what the judge decided," James Connell, a lawyer for defendant Ali Abd al-Aziz Ali, said after Monday's ruling.

minute to decide as the judge has given them the

Daughter of Mexico drug lord held in San Diego on immigration charge SAN DIEGO (AP) — The daughter of one of the

world's most sought-after drug lords has been charged with trying to enter the United States on someone else's passport, U.S. officials said, becoming the latest family member to become ensnared in U.S. courts.

Alejandrina Gisselle Guzman Salazar, 31, was arrested Friday at San Diego's San Ysidro port of

Two U.S. officials said Monday that she told authorities her father was Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman, the elusive leader of Mexico's Sinaloa cartel. The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss the arrest publicly. The significance of the arrest will depend on what

Guzman Salazar can tell authorities about her father, like whether she can provide phone numbers, said David Shirk, director of the University of San Diego's Trans-Border Institute.

JUMP

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reality show, with the live-streamed event instantly capturing the world's attention on a sleepy Sunday at the same time seven NFL football games were being played in the U.S. It proved, once again,

the power of the Internet in a world where news travels as fast as Twitter. The event happened

without a network broadcast in the United States, though organizers said more than 40 television stations in 50 countries — including cable's Discovery Channel in the U.S. — carried the live feed.

Instead, millions flocked online, drawing more than 8 million simultaneous views to a YouTube live stream at its peak, YouTube officials said.

More than 130 digital outlets carried the feed, organizers said. The privately funded

feat came during a lull in human space exploration. As the jump unfolded,

the space shuttle Endeavour crept toward a Los Angeles museum,

where it will spend its retirement on display. Baumgartner, 43-year-old Austrian, hit

Mach 1.24, or 833.9 mph, according to preliminary data, and became the first person to go faster than the speed of sound without traveling in a jet or a spacecraft. The capsule he jumped from had reached an altitude of 128,100 feet above Earth, carried by

lium balloon. Landing on his feet in the desert, the man known as "Fearless Felix" lifted his arms in victory to the cheers of jubilant friends and

spectators who closely

a 55-story ultra-thin he-

followed at a command center.

Among them was his mother, Eva Baumgartner, who was overcome with emotion, crying. "Sometimes we have

to get really high to see how small we are," an exuberant Baumgartner told reporters outside mission control after the jump. About half of Baum-

gartner's nine-minute descent was a free fall of 119.846 feet, according to Brian Utley, a jump observer from the FAI, an international group that works to determine and maintain the integrity of aviation records. During the first part

of Baumgartner's free fall, anxious onlookers at the command center held their breath as he spun uncontrollably. He said he felt pres-

sure building in his head, but did not feel as though he was close to passing out. "When I was spinning first 10, 20 seconds, I

never thought I was going to lose my life but I was disappointed because I'm going to lose my record. I put seven years of my life into this," he said. He added: "In that sit-

uation, when you spin around, it's like hell and you don't know if you can get out of that spin or not. Of course, it was terrifying. I was fighting all the way down because I knew that there must be a moment where I can handle it." Baumgartner said

traveling faster than sound is "hard to describe because you don't feel it." The pressurized suit prevented him from feeling the rushing air or even the loud noise he made when breaking the sound barrier.

With no reference points, "you don't know how fast you travel," he said.

Coincidentally, Baumaccomplishgartner's

ment came on the 65th anniversary of the day that U.S. test pilot Chuck Yeager became the first man to officially break the sound barrier in a jet. Yeager, in fact, commemorated that feat on Sunday, flying in the back seat of an F-15 Eagle as it broke the sound barrier at more than 30,000 feet above California's Mojave Desert.

At Baumgartner's insistence, some 30 cameras recorded his stunt. Shortly after launch early Sunday, screens at mission control showed the capsule, dangling from the massive balloon, as it rose gracefully above the New Mexico desert. Baumgartner could be seen on video, calmly checking instruments inside the capsule. The dive was more

than just a stunt. NASA, an onlooker in this case with no involvement, is eager to improve its spacecraft and spacesuits for emergency escape.

Baumgartner's team included Joe Kittinger, who first tried to break the sound barrier from 19.5 miles up in 1960, reaching speeds of 614 mph. With Kittinger inside mission control. the two men could be heard going over technical details during the ascension. "Our guardian angel

will take care of you," Kittinger radioed to Baumgartner around the 100,000-foot mark. After Baumgartner

landed, his sponsor, Red Bull, posted a picture to Facebook of him kneeling on the ground. It generated nearly 216,000 likes, 10,000 comments and more than 29,000 shares in less than 40 minutes. On Twitter, half the

worldwide trending topics had something to do with the jump, pushing past seven NFL football games. This attempt marked

the end of a long road Baumgartner, a record-setting high-alti-

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tude jumper. He already made two preparation jumps in the area, one from 15 miles high and another from 18 miles high. He has said that this was his final jump. Red Bull has never

said how much the longrunning, complex project cost. Although he broke

the sound barrier, the highest manned-balloon flight record and became the man to jump from the highest altitude, he failed to break Kittinger's 4 minutes and 36 second longest free fall record. Baumgartner's was timed at 4 minutes and 20 seconds in free fall.

He said he opened his parachute at 5,000 feet because that was the plan.

"I was putting everything out there, and hope for the best and if we left one record for Joe — hey it's fine," he said when asked if he intentionally left the record for Kittinger to hold. "We needed Joe Kittinger to help us break his own record, and that tells the story of how difficult it was and how smart they were in the '60s. He is 84 years old, and he is still so bright and intelligent and enthusiastic".

Baumgartner has said he plans to settle down with his girlfriend and fly helicopters on mountain rescue and firefighting missions in the U.S. and Austria.

Before that, though, he said, "I'll go back to LA to chill out for a few days."



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HERALD photo/Tony Claxton Big Spring Team Captains (from left) Carl Green, Diamond Bailey, Joseph Morelion and Max Pappajohn walk to the center of the field for the coin toss Friday prior to the start of the Abilene Wylie game at Memorial Stadium. The Steers (5-1), lost for the first time this season, 42-24, to the No. 2 ranked Bulldogs and will travel to Snyder on Friday to resume district play.

Time management cause for CONCERN for Cowboys after loss spot while Ogletree and Austin had time management issues at

AP Sports Writer

IRVING, Texas — For all the Dallas Cowboys did right, they botched the ending.

After recovering an onside kick and benefiting from a pass interference call, the Cowboys were at the Baltimore 34 with 26 seconds left and a timeout remaining

From there, they managed only a 1-yard pass play before Dan Bailey missed a 51-yard field goal at-

"We left too much meat on the bone there. We needed to get more than 1 yard when we had one timeout and 26 seconds," coach Jason Garrett said Monday after reviewing the 31-29 road loss against the Ravens.

"It starts with the play call that I had and then it really goes from there."

There should have been plenty of time to try to get a few extra

Instead, on a play when Miles Austin and Kevin Ogletree had vertical routes on opposite sides of the field, Tony Romo threw a 1-yard pass to Dez Bryant.

With precious seconds ticking away, Bryant appeared to be urging the referee for a better showed no apparent urgency with only slow jogs to get back to the line for another play.

"I know Miles and I both feel bad about what happened, because we know the outcome," Ogletree said. "We know we missed the field goal and how close that was and how precious yardage was at the end of the day. So getting back to the line of scrimmage, maybe getting the play called, I think this will all be great for us going forward in learning a les-

Austin declined to talk to reporters in the locker room Monday, refusing even when asked to offer any explanation about what happened.

Garrett said the receivers have to understand the situation and get back to the line as quickly as possible. But Garrett said coaches also have to communicate things better, and it has to be communicated better in the huddle as well.

"This is not an excuse. It's not an explanation. But crowd noise can be a factor in that," Garrett

said. "It starts with me." This was the third time in the

past 10 games that the Cowboys

the end of games that were loss-

With everything out of whack in Baltimore, the timeout was finally called with 6 seconds left to set up the field goal attempt. Bailey's kick had enough distance, but drifted just left of the upright.

Garrett spent more than 11 minutes Monday, the first portion of his media briefing, discussing how the final half-minute played out in Baltimore.

The Cowboys (2-3) scored on Romo's 4-yard touchdown to Bryant with 36 seconds left. But Bryant, who had 13 catches for 95 yards and two scores, couldn't make the play for a tying 2-point con-

Dallas recovered an onside kick, and Ogletree drew a pass interference penalty on first play. That stopped the clock and moved the ball 20 yards to the Ravens 34 before the 1-yard gain to Bryant.

"We had tried to work on these situations a number of different times with our team (in practice)," Garrett said. "We didn't

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Defense: making a comeback in the Big XII?

LUKE MEREDITH

AP Sports Writer

DES MOINES, Iowa - Few teams in the Big 12 go into a league game expecting a defensive slugfest.

But old-school defense is making a comeback, at least among teams with realistic shots at the league title.

All five Big 12 teams that won Saturday held their opponents far below their season average for points. In fact, none of them allowed the opposition to score more than 21 points.

That includes Texas Tech, which grabbed everyone's attention and jumped back into the rankings by stuffing high-powered West Virginia in a 49-14 blowout win.

"We play hard. (Defensive coordinator) Art Kaufman and his coaches have done a

good job of sticking with fundamentals," Texas Tech coach Tommy Tuberville said. "For the first six games we haven't done anything exotic. We just teach the same things each week and we've

gotten better at it." The 18th-ranked Red Raiders (5-1, 2-1) are flourishing under Kaufman, a newcomer to the coaching staff who has worked wonders with a unit previously marked

by instability. Kaufman is the fourth defensive coordinator in four years at Texas Tech and the third new one in a row for Tuberville. But the Red Raiders have been strong on defense all season, and on Saturday they held quarterback Geno Smith to a completion percentage of 52.7 nearly 30 points lower

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Sports Calendar

TODAY

Volleyball

 Sweetwater at Big Spring, Freshmen, J.V., 5 p.m.; Varsity, 6 p.m.

FRIDAY

- Big Spring (5-1) at Snyder (2-4), 7:30 p.m.
- Stamford (6-1) at Forsan (5-2), 7:30 p.m. Coahoma (1-5) at Sonora (4-2), 7:30 p.m.
- Stanton (3-3) at Crane (4-2), 7:30 p.m.

Open — Grady (5-2), Sands (4-3), Garden City (1-6).

Volleyball

Football

 Big Spring at Snyder, Freshmen, Varsity, 5 p.m.; J.V., 6 p.m.

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Local golf news

Comanche Trail G.C. LGA news

The Comanche Trail Ladies Golf Association held its weekly couples playday Thursday. Taking first place at the event with 5-under par were Joe and Patsy Sharpnack and Linda and Nick Dewaters. Coming in second were Forrest and Gayle West, Ron and Daury Booth and Trish Gabbard with 4-under par and rounding of the top three were John and Gus Leonardi and Ray and Sue Russell with

3-under par. Landing closest to the pin on

Hole No. 6 was Gayle West. The Ladies Golf Associattion is always looking for more

members. Interested couples

may simply show up at Comanche Trail Golf Course any Thursday — weather permitting — at 4 p.m. to join the

WGA to host Guys and Gals Scramble

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be available Friday. Field

will be flighted by first round

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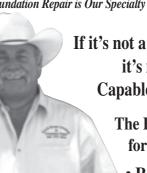
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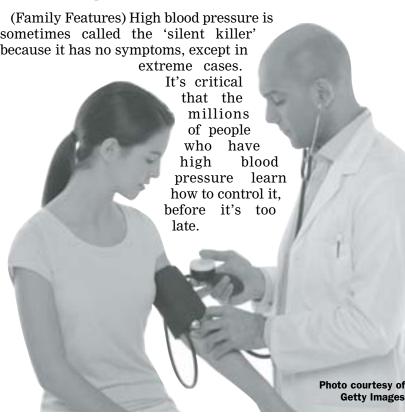
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Maintain a hoolthy weight Being

Maintain a healthy weight. Being overweight raises your blood pressure and blood cholesterol and triglyceride levels, as well as lowering the amount of good cholesterol, according to the AHA. So losing even a little weight can reduce blood pressure in many overweight people. The best ways to do that are to modify your diet and get moving.

moving.

The Surgeon General recommends that adults engage in moderate physical activities for at least 30 minutes on most days of the week. These activi-

- Can be performed in episodes of at least 10 minutes, and can be spread throughout the week.
- Include flexibility and stretching exercises.
 Include muscle strengthening activity at least two days each week.

Talk to your doctor or healthcare provider about

how you can increase your physical activity safely and modify your diet to help you get to a healthy weight. Don't smoke. Smoking damages blood vessels and speeds up the hardening of the arteries, mak-

ing it a major risk for heart disease and stroke. If you don't smoke, don't start. If you do smoke, talk to your doctor about programs to help you quit.

If you've been diagnosed with high blood pres-

If you've been diagnosed with high blood pressure, don't wait to get it under control. Take action now so you can have a healthier future.

According to the American Heart Association (AHA), more than 76 million U.S. adults have been diagnosed with high blood pressure. The high force of blood flow can damage arteries, the heart, kidneys, eyes and the brain. If uncontrolled, high blood pressure increases your risk of heart disease and stroke, which are the leading causes of death in the U.S., according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Fortunately, there are steps you can take to get your high blood pressure under control. These include eating healthfully, maintaining a healthy weight and not smoking.

Eat healthfully. When it comes to eating healthfully to help keep blood pressure down, it's not just about what to avoid — such as lowering your intake of saturated and trans fats, sodium, and added sugars — but about what to add to your diet so that it is rich in nutrients and fiber. In fact, many experts believe that antioxidants show great promise for reducing high blood pressure and supporting heart health.

To help keep blood pressure down, make sure your diet includes plenty of:

- Fruits and vegetables
- Whole grains
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messages to disrupt the online dynamic. In fairy

tales, a troll lives under a bridge and snacks on

passersby. In life, a troll is any toxic person or situ-

ation you suspect should be avoided, especially

Annie's Mailbox ®

Dear Annie: I am a 64-year-old man in excellent health. The problem is, I never have had much luck with the ladies. I adore all kinds of women: tall ones, short ones, average ones and even plump ones. The only ladies I do not find attractive are the grossly fat ones and those who smoke, drink too much or use drugs.

But, Annie, women don't seem

to like me at all, and I don't know why. I am well read and easy to get along with and try to help people when I can.

I don't drink or smoke. I exercise a lot and eat healthy food. I am mostly bald, and so I shave off the few hairs that still grow on top of my fully functional solar cell.

I am not a sports nut. I don't go to bars because the music is too loud, and most of the women I meet there like their booze too much.

My brother has always been popular with the ladies. I don't know what he has that I don't. I've tried online dating sites, but they haven't worked for me. I would like to meet some decent women. What am I doing wrong? — Lonely in Nova Scotia

Dear Lonely: We don't know. A well-read, helpful, decent guy who is in excellent health and interested in nearly all kinds of women should be a catch for someone. Are you looking for women in the right age bracket? Do you lecture them on their exercise, smoking or drinking habits? Are you clean and decently dressed?

Join an organization or do an activity that you enjoy. It's a good way to meet people with similar interests. Tell your friends and relatives that you



KATHY MITCHELL
MARCY SUGAR

looking. Ask your brother what he thinks the problem might be — and pay attention to his answer.

Dear Annie: Our son graduated from college more than two years ago. He has not looked for a job, nor does he have a resume. He claims that he can't put a resume together because he didn't participate in any school activities and has no job experience, although he has done quite a bit of volunteer work at his church.

He spends much of his time playing video games. Currently, he plays all night. He goes to bed when other people are just waking up and then sleeps until late afternoon.

We have never pushed him hard. He helps some around the house, but my wife and I like to do things ourselves.

Our son is intelligent and moral, does not drink or smoke, and is well liked. But I worry about his lack of ambition. He refuses to talk to a counselor to determine whether something is holding him back.

I've told him that unless he shows some initiative, he even-

tually will be too old for anyone to want to hire him. He doesn't want any of the part-time jobs that are easily available, because he says he cannot learn anything from them. I've said he should at least show he is willing to work. Do you have any suggestions? — Frustrated Dad

Dear Dad: Stop waiting for your son to show initiative and give him some motivation. Tell him he has three weeks to get a job because you will be charging him rent. And make the amount large enough to require an income. Don't back down. If he doesn't like it, he can mooch off of someone else. Offer to help him put together a resume. Two years of lazing around playing video games is not going to inspire confidence in his work ethic, but the longer he waits the harder it will be.

Dear Annie: I'd like to respond to the letter from "Fleas a Crowd in Hawaii," whose friend gave her a great massage, but afterward she was covered in fleabites. It may be that these are not bug bites of any kind, but rather an allergic reaction to the lotion or oil used during the massage. -C.

Dear C.: You could be right. Itching can result from a great many things. But if she saw actual bite marks, as opposed to irritation, itching or a rash, the assumption is that something

bit her.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

body.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your spending tells a story. Your bank statements paint a picture of you. You may not agree with the image it paints, though, and if you want to make changes to your budget, now is an excellent time to do so.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Whether you are meeting with colleagues, fixing a meal or driving in traffic, there is a correct way to execute the action. You will refine your character by being thorough in every activity.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You don't have to look for followers. Those who want your leadership will come to you because they see what you do and recognize that it's exactly what they need.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). There are times to challenge authority and times to submit. Being strictly one way or the other won't help matters. Respond fluidly, taking each scene as it comes and playing it by ear. **AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You have mental

clarity and can lead others out of murky thought patterns. Work toward your own goals first, though, and you'll have more to contribute to the group. **PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). Your financial luck

is strong today, although it shows up in the form of a steady stream, or even a trickle, of good fortune. Cash flow is sometimes more like "change" flow, but the pennies and dimes add up!

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 16). You'll break old

habits and broaden your horizons this year. In November, you'll swing between solitude and popularity, enjoying each state equally. December brings the start of a business or a restructuring of your work. In January, you begin a good karma cycle by volunteering and doing charity work. Cancer and Virgo people adore you. Your lucky

numbers are: 3, 24, 39, 19 and 20. **ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS:** "I lost my wife

in January and have had a terrible time of it this year. It may seem too soon to be curious about the future, but I am terribly lonely and wondering whether there is someone else coming into my life

anytime soon? I'm a Capricorn born in 1949." I'm so sorry for your loss and understand why you would want to know about your future romantic prospects. The idea that you could love again will help you get through this hard time. The void in your heart will probably always be there, but it doesn't mean you won't love again. In fact, 2013 is quite promising in matters of romance. I believe your wife will help you from the beyond if you call on her to do so. True love wants for the other person's happiness, however it might be generated. In the weeks to come, your grieving process can be helped along by exploring your interests in three categories: professional, recreational and intellectual. Set goals in those three areas. Capricorns are always at their most attractive while in pursuit of a challenge. Virgo and Pisces people are the most attuned to your relationship needs.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: The dating habits of John Mayer have been a subject of tabloid interest, as the musician tends to bond with the most beautiful of the Hollywood A-list. Venus-ruled Libra has a soft spot for loveliness in all forms, including musical, visual and physical. Mayer was born when the sun, Mercury, Venus and Pluto were all in the sign of the scales.

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given the current square of Venus and Jupiter. ARIES (March 21-April 19). You'll be reminded that many do not possess the depth of character you seek in a partner. In a sense, you'll qualify people before you invite friendship or allow yourself to get close in any way. TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Even though real stability can't come from

every cell of your body that it is true.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Knowing
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when you can say that you're finan-

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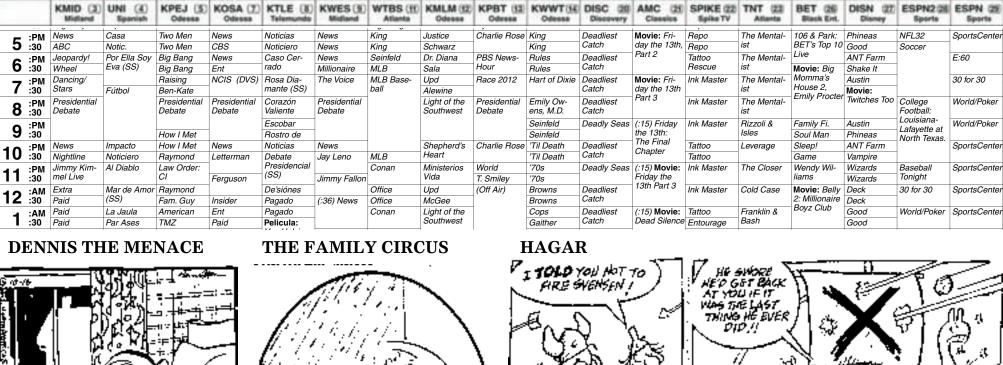
you might search, you'll be hard-pressed to find a reason to agonize. Whatever doesn't work out can be attempted again later. In order to do your best, you must first relax.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You never know how peo-

ple are going to react when you present yourself and your ideas. But if you take enough risks, you'll lose your fear of their reaction. The response of others will either educate or motivate you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You've reached a point where thinking more won't halp matters. There's

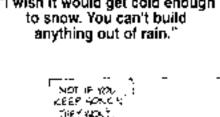
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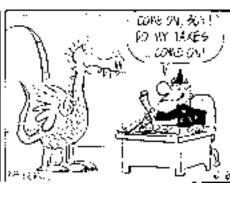




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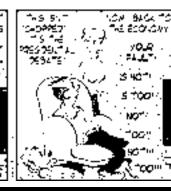












This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, Oct. 16, the 290th day of 2012. There are 76 days left in the year. Today's Highlight

History: On Oct. 16, 1962, President John F. Kennedy was informed by national security adviser McGeorge Bundy that recon-

naissance photographs had revealed the presence of missile bases in Cuba. On this date:

In 1793, during the French

Revolution, Marie Antoinette, the queen of France, was beheaded. In 1859, radical abolitionist John Brown led a group of 21

men in a raid on Harpers Ferry in western Virginia. (Ten of Brown's men were killed and five escaped. Brown and six followers ended up being captured; all were executed.) In 1901, Booker T. Washington

dined at the White House as the guest of President Theodore Roosevelt, whose invitation to the black educator sparked

In 1912, the Boston Red Sox

won the World Series, defeating the New York Giants in Game 8, 3-2 (Game 2 had ended in a tie on account of darkness). In 1942, the ballet "Rodeo" (roh-DAY'-oh), with music by

phy by Agnes de Mille, premiered at New York's Metropolitan Opera House. In 1943, Chicago Mayor Edward J. Kelly officially opened the city's new subway

system during a ceremony at

the State and Madison street

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In 1952, the Charles Chaplin film "Limelight" premiered in London.

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In 1962, the New York Yankees won the World Series, defeating the San Francisco Giants in Game 7 at Candlestick Park. 1-0. In 1972, a twin-engine plane

carrying U.S. House Majority Leader Hale Boggs, D-La., and U.S. Rep. Nick Begich, D-Alaska, disappeared while flying over a remote region of Alaska; the aircraft was never found.

In 1978, the College of Cardinals of the Roman

Catholic Church chose Cardinal Karol Wojtyla (voy-TEE'-wah) to be the new pope; he took the name John Paul II.

in Midland, Texas, ended happily as rescuers freed Jessica McClure, an 18-month-old girl trapped in an abandoned well. In 1991, a deadly shooting rampage took place in Killeen,

Texas, as George Hennard

In 1987, a 58-1/2-hour drama

opened fire at a Luby's Cafeteria, killing 23 people before taking his own life. Today's Birthdays: Actress Angela Lansbury is 87. Author Gunter Grass is 85. Actorproducer Tony Anthony is 75. Actor Barry Corbin is 72.

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Humbled texans look to improve after first loss

HOUSTON (AP) — After sailing through five games with a perfect record, the first setback for the Houston Texans came in stunning fashion.

The Green Bay Packers controlled every aspect of a 42-24 blowout win that exposed a bevy of problems Houston has to fix quickly before Sunday's game against Baltimore, a team that has beaten the Texans three times in the past two seasons.

Coach Gary Kubiak said the Texans have to be better if they expect to beat the Ravens, who improved to 6-0 against Houston with a win in the second round of the playoffs last season.

"Some undisciplined things that we did, that's our biggest concern today," he said. "But I think across the board all three phases wasn't good enough. Today we've got a lot

of corrections to make and lots of soul searching to do, especially with this team we've got coming in here this week. It wasn't one thing. It was a bunch of things."

Though Kubiak has challenged every member of the team to improve this week, his biggest concerns are special teams, the running game and protecting quarterback Matt Schaub. He's been disap-

pointed with the play of the special teams for a while and Sunday performance night's was no different. The unit gave the Packers a first down twice because of penalties on fourth down plays, which both eventually led to touchdowns.

"We gave them two possessions with a couple of penalties, lack of discipline type penalties," Kubiak said. "Something's got to get better. If our football team is going to get better, (special teams are) going to have to get a (whole) a lot better."

The Texans weren't able to establish their running game on Sunday and Arian Foster and Ben Tate combined for just 76 yards on 20 carries. Kubiak acknowledged that those numbers were partly because Houston got down early and had to throw more, but didn't want to use that as an excuse. "The end result is

we're not running the ball very good at all," he said. "It's not going to change how we believe and what we think we have to do to win ... we've just got to look really hard at it and hopefully change it this week." The Ravens are also

5-1, but their defense has struggled this season and is giving up more than 136 yards rushing a game.

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than his average over his first five games.

Texas Tech is second in the Big 12 at 16.3 points allowed per game, an astounding 23 points better than last "One thing that he's brought to the

table is just a sense of patience and understanding of you can only go so far in a short period of time," Tuberville said of Kaufman. "He teaches hand placement. He

teaches how to play with our eyes and he teaches gap control. And we haven't gone beyond that." TCU (5-1, 2-1) has the league's top defense. It bounced back Saturday from a home loss to Iowa State with a surpris-

ingly easy road victory over Baylor

and its explosive offense. The Bears racked up 432 yards in just over 18 minutes of possession. But the Horned Frogs forced six Baylor turnovers, including four interceptions of Bears senior Nick Florence, in a 49-21

victory. The Red Raiders and Horned Frogs are among five Big 12 teams allowing fewer than 18 points per game.

It's no surprise that league leader Kansas State (6-0, 3-0) is also on that

The Wildcats have allowed just 21 points in their last six quarters. After shutting out rival Kansas in the second half of a 56-16 thrashing, Kansas State held Iowa State to just seven points in the second half on Saturday and stuffed the Cyclones on fourth-down tries twice in the final five minutes.

Kansas State also held the ball for more than 40 minutes against Iowa State. Such a discrepancy in time of possession might be the key to slowing down Heisman Trophy hopeful Smith and the Mountaineers when they host the Wildcats this weekend.

"Their offense was productive as well, and consequently West Virginia didn't get its hands on the ball as much as they had in previous ballgames," Kansas State coach Bill Snyder said about Texas Tech's performance against West Virginia. Oklahoma fell off the national radar

a bit after it lost at home to Kansas State a few weeks back. The Sooners seem to have sorted things out in part because of a defense strengthened by the arrival of defensive coordinator Mike Stoops.

Oklahoma (4-1, 2-1) allowed just 20 and 21 points respectively in wins over Tech and Texas, and that includes three touchdowns let up by the Sooners backups in garbage time.

West Virginia has put up some dizzying numbers, but there was always going to come a day when the Mountaineers would need to lean on their defense. It came Saturday — and West Virginia let up 676 yards.

"I don't think anybody across the country in the history of football is able to put up the kind of numbers that we were on a very, very, very consistent basis," coach Dana Holgorsen said. "We've got to be able to win some games on other areas of the field as well, such as special teams and defense."



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that situation, getting back quickly enough or using the timeout and changing the circumstances in dealing with that type of situation."



Ogletree said the team matching the most in a has rehearsed similar scenarios and that they are "a major emphasis right now just because of how that went."

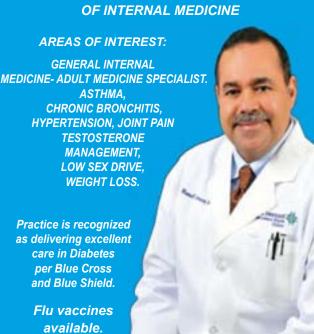
The ending spoiled what had been a solid performance for the team, and what Garrett called a lot of positive things to build on moving on in the season.

The Cowboys rolled up 481 total yards, their most in two years, including 227 yards on 42 rushing attempts. They ran 79 offensive plays, single game in franchise history.

And still, they lost for the third time in four games since their season-opening win at the defending Super Bowl champion New York Giants. Dallas plays Sunday at Carolina.

"We make it abundantly clear that there are no such things as moral victories," Garrett said. "This is a bottom-line business and we need to win ball games."

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