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## City OKs pact with Western Container

**By THOMAS JENKINS**  
 Staff Writer  
 The Big Spring City Council gave the go ahead Tuesday night to contract with engineering firm Parkhill, Smith & Cooper to develop plans for an expansion of the building currently housing Western Container, estimated at 1,500

to 2,000 square feet. The council approved the contract with Parkhill, Smith & Cooper for engineering and architectural services for the expansion on a unanimous vote. According to City Attorney Linda Sjogren, the expansion will benefit both Western Container and the city of Big

Spring. "Western Container had approached us and they want to expand their building," Sjogren told the council. "Their lease is coming up for renewal soon and they are asking to expand the building by approximately 1,500 to 2,000 square feet. "The purpose of these two

items is to have Parkhill, Smith & Cooper prepare bid specifications and calculate a probable cost for us. Once that is done — and it would be done between the city and Parkhill, Smith & Cooper — and we've put it out for bids, we'll negotiate a lease extension with Western Container so they can pay back the cost

of this expansion over a few extra years. So this will allow us to extend the lease, somewhat, and give us some additional space out there." The council also approved a measure to allow the city to negotiate a new lease with Western Container, which See **CITY**, Page 3

## Flags at half mast to honor former mayor's passing

City flags are at half mast today, in respect and memoriam for former mayor Russ McEwen, who died Sunday. "Furthermore, during the memorial and interment services city offices will either close completely or remain open with partial staffing so that many of the employees who wish to attend may do so to pay their respects to the family," announced City Manager Gary Fuqua. Services were held at 10 this morning. McEwen served as Big Spring's mayor from 2000 to 2010. Fuqua assured that emergency services (police, fire and EMS) as well as utility repair services would continue normal operations.

## Not suprisingly, state EDC head lauds Type A set-up

**By STEVE REAGAN**  
 Staff Writer

If Big Spring wants to remain a player in the economic development arena, it needs to keep its Economic Development Corp. under the current Type A set-up.

That was the message delivered by Carlton Schwab, president and chief executive officer of the Texas Economic Development Council, during a town hall meeting Tuesday evening at the Hall Center for the Arts.

Big Spring voters will decide Nov. 6 whether to keep the the local EDC under Type A guidelines — in which sales tax money is used strictly for economic development purposes — or to change the corporation to a Type B entity, which would allow expenditures to be used for community improvement projects.



**HERALD photo/Steve Reagan**  
**Carlton Schwab, president and chief executive officer of the Texas Economic Development Council, addresses the audience during a town hall meeting at the Hall Center for the Arts Tuesday.**

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And Schwab, an unabashed and unashamed Type A advocate, said the community would be best served by leaving the EDC mandate unchanged. "I can't tell you how lucky we are to have the economic development tools we have here in Texas," he said. "The EDC sales tax is the most important difference-maker in the history of economic development in our state ... It has put us in the game. There are a lot of communities that don't have the ability to compete for businesses and jobs that you do." In its 20-plus-year



## Highway Department plans repairs to 1-20 bridge here

**Special to the Herald**

The Texas Department of Transportation is scheduling repairs to the eastbound I-20 bridge over FM 700 in Big Spring after a high load damaged several beams in an accident Oct. 20. One lane of northbound FM 700 under I-20 and one lane of eastbound I-20 over FM 700 have been reopened. The remaining lanes on both roads will be closed to traffic until repairs are made. Load restrictions are also in place for the duration of the repairs. No loads more than 10 feet wide or over 80,000 pounds will be permitted on northbound FM 700 or eastbound I-20 at FM 700. TxDOT will issue an emergency contract for repairs. The work is expected to be completed by early December.

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## Dunn case gathers new attention

**By THOMAS JENKINS**  
 Staff Writer

A letter from a woman previously jailed in Odessa on drug charges may shed light on the 2010 disappearance of Colorado City teen Hailey Dunn, say Abilene news outlets KTAB and KRBC.

According to the Abilene news agencies, a woman — Sonja Rene Callahan — allegedly sent letters to her family members living in the Abilene area while she was in the custody of a temporary holding facility in Odessa.

The letter paints a grim picture of what could be Dunn's kidnapping and death, claiming a girl matching her description was kidnapped and taken to a "drug house" in Odessa because the girl's mother, Billie Dunn, owed

money to drug dealers.

Dunn has been the focus of a region-wide search since her mother reported her missing to the Colorado City Police Department on Dec. 28, 2010. The teen was last seen walking from her home in northern Colorado City to a friend's house Dec. 27, 2010. According to police reports, the last person to see her was her mother's live-in boyfriend, Shawn Adkins, who told investigators the young girl told him she was going to walk to her father's house a block away, then spend the night with a friend.

According to information published by KRBC, a letter from Callahan was received by her younger sister, Jennifer Hope Harrell, "Rene basically confessed



to being a part of the disappearance of Hailey Dunn," Harrell said, according to a KRBC report. Callahan never mentions Dunn's name in the letter,

however, simply describing the teen as a "little kid," 15 years old. Callahan describes the scene at the Odessa residence as involving five males and three females and writes that the girl was given drugs that resulted in an accidental overdose, according to KRBC.

Mitchell County Sheriff Patrick Tombs confirmed this week that his office is assisting the Colorado City Police Department in following up on the information provided by Callahan and her family. According to the Abilene news outlets, the Federal Bureau of Investigation is also assisting with the new information. However, attempts to confirm this information with the FBI office in Midland have been unsuccessful.

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# Support Groups

## 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.

• Spring Tabernacle Ministries has a faith-based support group for those who need help finding and continuing to walk down the path God has for each of us. Meetings are at 11 a.m. until noon and again at 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.. The classes take place at Spring Tabernacle Ministries, located at 1209 Wright St.

• 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.

• Tables are available for the holiday craft and bake sale at Christ Community Fellowship to occur Saturday, Nov. 3. Call Jean Vande Weerd for more information at 432-556-4603. Rental fee is \$10. Space is limited.

• Crispy's Cafe is the featured Dine Out Day sponsor for United Way through Saturday. 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. Other sponsors for this year have included, Papa Chons, Carlos, KC Steakhouse, Yellow Rose Café at Scenic Mountain and Cowboys. Next week's Dine Out Days sponsor will be Chicken Express. To find out how to contribute to the campaign, call Sandy Stewart at 267-5201.

• Dr. Barbara Matthews will be the guest speaker for the next Visual Awareness Support Group meeting set for 5:30 p.m. Thursday at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 S. Goliad. Dr. Matthews will speak about depression as it relates to vision loss. VASG is a support group to help to individuals that have poor or deteriorating vision. The meeting is open to everyone but will be focused on people who have significant vision problems, their family members, friends and care givers. It is the goal of this group to provide, through education, a sense of hope to people that have vision problems and help them and their care givers cope with vision loss. Please call 263-2501 for more information or email us at: eyeassocone@crcom.net.

• Adopt a Military Hero, Howard County's Christmas for the Troops, is now accepting APO addresses for military members deployed to Afghanistan. Send APOs adoptmilitaryhero@sbcglobal.net. All APOs should be turned in by Nov. 10. If you would like to "Adopt a Military Hero," boxes are available at 1606 E. Third or call 432-270-8554 for more information. All donations must be turned in by Nov. 21.

• 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.

• An account has been set up at Citizen's Credit

• Visual Awareness Support Group (VASG) is open to the public but specifically aimed for people who suffer from vision problems and their caregivers. For more information, call 263-2501.

## FRIDAY

• AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

• Celebrate Recovery, a Christ-centered recovery program, is held at Cornerstone Covenant Church, 706 E. 12th St. at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call at 264-0015 or visit www.ccbig-spring.org

• Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at the Gold Rush Tobacco Shop, 800 E. Third Street. Open meeting at 7 p.m.

## SATURDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. Covered dish supper at 7 p.m.

## SUNDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous closed meeting from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 7 p.m. until 8 p.m.

## 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.

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## 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.

# Take Note

Union for Emma Leos, who was recently diagnosed with colon cancer.

• 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.

• 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 including 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 432 268-7535.

• Every Friday night from 7:30 p.m. until 10 p.m. is dance night at the Senior Citizen Center.

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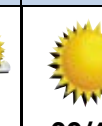
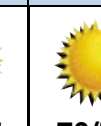
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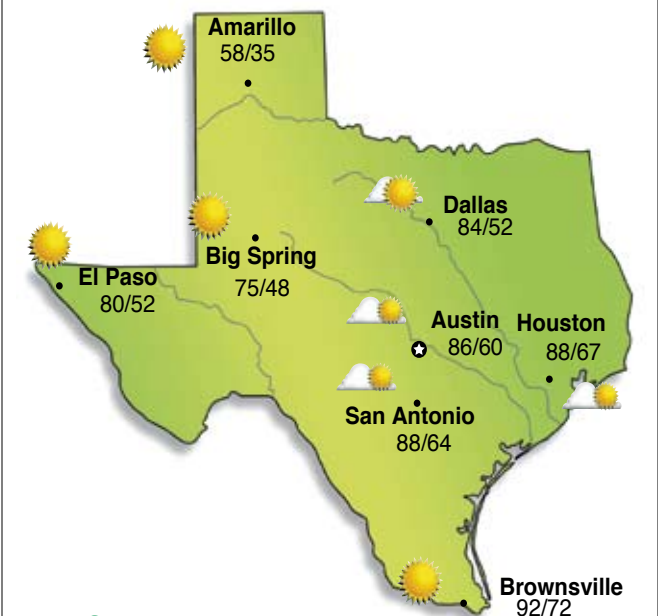
## Today's Weather

### Local 5-Day Forecast

Fri 10/26	Sat 10/27	Sun 10/28	Mon 10/29	Tue 10/30
 <b>75/48</b> Abundant sunshine. Highs in the mid 70s and lows in the upper 40s.	 <b>54/45</b> Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 50s and lows in the mid 40s.	 <b>60/44</b> Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the mid 40s.	 <b>69/47</b> Sunshine. Highs in the upper 60s and lows in the upper 40s.	 <b>76/52</b> Abundant sunshine. Highs in the mid 70s and lows in the low 50s.
<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:58 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 7:02 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:58 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 7:01 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:59 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 7:00 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 8:00 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 6:59 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 8:01 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 6:58 PM



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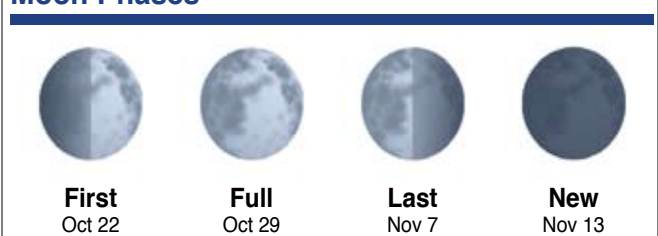
### Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Ablene	77	47	pt sunny	Kingsville	94	70	mst sunny
Amarillo	58	35	sunny	Livingston	87	60	pt sunny
Austin	86	60	pt sunny	Longview	84	56	pt sunny
Beaumont	86	64	pt sunny	Lubbock	73	42	sunny
Brownsville	92	72	sunny	Lufkin	87	63	pt sunny
Brownwood	85	52	mst sunny	Midland	79	48	sunny
Corpus Christi	90	72	mst sunny	Raymondville	94	69	mst sunny
Corsicana	84	52	pt sunny	Rosenberg	88	66	pt sunny
Dallas	84	52	mst sunny	San Antonio	88	64	pt sunny
Del Rio	89	67	pt sunny	San Marcos	87	61	mst sunny
El Paso	80	52	sunny	Sulphur Springs	83	50	pt sunny
Fort Stockton	84	49	sunny	Sweetwater	74	47	mst sunny
Gainesville	78	47	pt sunny	Tyler	85	56	pt sunny
Greenville	83	49	pt sunny	Weatherford	80	47	pt sunny
Houston	88	67	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	73	46	pt sunny

### National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	80	58	pt sunny	Minneapolis	45	30	rain
Boston	61	47	sunny	New York	62	57	cloudy
Chicago	74	40	t-storm	Phoenix	80	57	sunny
Dallas	84	52	mst sunny	San Francisco	63	53	cloudy
Denver	38	25	sn shower	Seattle	51	42	mst sunny
Houston	88	67	pt sunny	St. Louis	82	44	mst sunny
Los Angeles	82	59	sunny	Washington, DC	75	62	pt sunny
Miami	81	74	rain				

### Moon Phases



### UV Index

Fri 10/26	Sat 10/27	Sun 10/28	Mon 10/29	Tue 10/30
6	5	6	6	6
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The library has a valuable resource that is sadly underused, I am afraid. It is the TexShare Databases that is provided by the Texas State Library and Archives Commission (although we do pay our share of the cost). You can access it from our website: [wtls.tsl.state.tx.us/howard-county](http://wtls.tsl.state.tx.us/howard-county) and there is a large icon in red, white and blue that says "TexShare Database, then just up to the right is where you click to get to the log in spot. The login is RMN 1037 and the password is TX 79720.



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There are areas of general information, homework and education, business resources, genealogy and history, books and literature, health and medicine and science and technology. Under each subject are even more areas that you can access. For instance, under genealogy and history, if you are doing research on your family history, you are able to access U.S. Census records for years from 1790 to 1940, the latest year that has been released. If you need to research

medical information, then you would go into the health and medicine area and look up what you need. For instance, I looked up Alzheimer's disease in Consumers Health and an article from Johns Hopkins Memory Medletter, dated Jan. 1, 2011 popped up.

Now sometimes, you will only get an abstract, a summary of the article, but many times, you will get the full text of the article and you can print it off at home (if that is where you are or here at the library for minimal cost). It contained a great deal of important information that I needed. You may access this valuable commodity at home; indeed you may spend hours looking at everything it has to offer.

Another great section that the library has is the Large Print area. We have a small non-fiction and biography section, but mostly we have fiction, mystery and westerns for those of you who have vision problems or just prefer the larger print. In fact, sometimes, the only way we can sometimes get a copy of a book is in the large print version.

Are you more of a movie person than a reader? That's OK, I won't tell. We have a great selection of movies for you to check out, too. They

range from some of the old Westerns to some of the newer releases. I have also invested in some "intellectual" DVDs, those that speak of Alexander the Great, Ramses, what would happen to our cities if man disappeared and the like; there are also some Discovery Channel films and perhaps some exercise DVDs — just look among the cases and look beyond the feature films.

Our staff is in the process of weeding out some of the older fiction and mysteries so that you can find some of the gems of the collection. Sometimes the "good stuff" is hidden by the older materials and just gets overlooked. We are careful to examine what we are discarding, checking the date of publication and checkout history. If something is published in 1989 and has only checked out two or three times, then it is likely the storyline is dated and no longer popular.

Newspapers are available for you to read, also. We have the Wall St. Journal, Midland Reporter Telegram, USA Today and the Big Spring Herald. The subscriptions have become so expensive and readership was low, plus there are some newspapers we cannot even get, that this was finally the mix that we decided on.

Magazines are also available for you to read. There is a good mix also, ranging from "Arthritis Today" to "Texas Highways."

We are always interested in doing programs.

Donna is our children's librarian and she has "Story Time" every Wednesday at 10:15 a.m.

She prepares a monthly theme — one month it was the alphabet, October has been about autumn and, of course, December will be about Christmas. We are thankful for Eunice Thixton, the story time lady who reads to the kiddos while Donna prepares the crafty activity that accompanies the story.

Beginning the first of June, we will have Summer Reading Program.

This is when the kids sign a pledge to read a certain number of books, and whoever reads the most books in their age/grade group wins a super-duper prize.

Past prizes have included a bicycle, an MP3 player and neat things like that.

Our Friends of the Library group helps us with funds to help purchase supplies and prizes to run the summer program.

We have superb volunteers who helped Donna; she couldn't do it by herself.

Our volunteers were Donna Menges, Kaci and Memory Dunn, Becky Letz and her mother, Robbie Jean Downing, Charlie Correa and Rowan Collette.

We are very grateful to all and I apologize if I have left anyone off the list.

For the first time, we were invited to the Fall Festival at Marcy Elementary by Amber Hansen. We passed out bags filled with information about the library, signed up nearly 25 new library card holders and registered students for a book drawing.

About 15 students at Marcy received books from the library and their school library received a set of books about why things worked. Donna and I had a great time watching all the fun the kids (and teachers) had flitting around in their Halloween costumes.

The library is open Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. On Saturday, the library opens its doors at 10 a.m. and closes at 2 p.m. The Internet/Video room closes a half-hour earlier.

The library is located at 500 S. Main St. Our phone number is 264-2260. The website is [www.howard-county.lib.tx.us](http://www.howard-county.lib.tx.us)

*Hollis McCright is Howard County Librarian.*

## CITY

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will include adjustments related to the expansion. The measure was approved on a unanimous vote.

Also during the meeting, the council gave final approval of a franchise agreement with Atmos Energy Corporation.

The council approved first reading of the agreement during its Oct. 9 meeting on a unanimous vote.

The agreement — which expires at the end of October — is for 10 years and will net the city \$170,000 annu-

ally, according to City Finance Director Peggy Walker.

Walker said approval of the franchise agreement with Atmos will not cause a change in rates for Big Spring customers.

"The city has the option to come back at a specific interval and renegotiate the franchise fee," Walker said. "However, Atmos has made it clear that any increase in the franchise fee will be passed on to the customers, which are the citizens of Big Spring."

Also during the meeting, the council approved first reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 6 of the city code

entitled "Cemeteries, Parks and Recreations" to permit concessions stands to be locked with keys provided by the city and providing a \$100 fee for failure to return the keys.

The council also appointed local resident Peggy Hopper to its planning and zoning commission and reappointed Debra Wallace to the Howard County 911 Communications District board of directors.

Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at [citydesk@bigspringherald.com](mailto:citydesk@bigspringherald.com)

## State briefs

### 2 soldiers in Texas charged in child porn case

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Two Texas soldiers who once dated are facing child pornography charges in the alleged recorded molestation of a 3-year-old boy.

Investigators in San Antonio say Sgt. Wade Allen Perkins and Sgt. Kimberly Epperson have a detention hearing Thursday. Both were arrested Tuesday as part of an investigation involving the military, local officials and the FBI.

The abuse allegedly happened while the soldiers were at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston. A criminal complaint says images of the boy being abused and other activities were as part of the couple's sexual activity.

### Vroom! Nation's fastest road to open in Texas

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Motorists, start your engines. It's opening day for the last leg of a Texas toll road with the nation's fastest speed limit.

The final 41-mile stretch of Texas Highway 130 will open today. The speed limit will be 85 mph.

The toll road is intended to help alleviate the increasingly crowded Interstate 35 corridor between Austin and San Antonio, which are two of the state's largest metropolitan areas.

The new stretch will be from Mustang Ridge, about 10 miles south of Austin's international airport, to Interstate 10 just east of Seguin.

## EDC

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history, the local EDC is credited with creating hundreds of jobs and adding millions of dollars to the local economy, Schwab said.

"Big Spring's EDC is well-run and well-respected ... for its programs and its efforts in economic development," he said.

Since the EDC sales tax was enacted in 1989, more than 700 Texas communities have established economic development efforts. Since that time, Schwab conceded, many have reverted to Type B operations. With few exceptions, however, he said those communities which have switched their EDC mandates

have seen economic development efforts suffer as a result.

The problem, he said, is that the pressure to finance all sorts of community development projects become too great to ignore, leaving little if any money for attracting or growing businesses.

"What would happen is that with a Type B corporation, the playing field would be broadened so much," he said. "You're going to be undated by funding re-

quests. For example, the Little League is going to come in and say, 'We need some new lights on our fields,' or the local softball association is going to say, 'You know, we really need some new fields' and all the other non-profits around town are going to come in, as well.

"Now, do you in local government want to be put in the position to say 'yes' to the Little League and 'no' to the softball association and so on?" Schwab added. "There

are cities in Texas that have successful economic development under Type B, but they're very rare."

And with the Texas economy recovering, now is the perfect time for a Type A EDC, he noted.

"You've got a real opportunity here, and that's all the more reason to have a strong economic development in place to give emerging businesses a helping hand," Schwab said. "The United States is

the place to be, and Texas is the place to be in the United States ... I can't help but be bullish on the future."

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## OUR VIEW

# Let's make sure Halloween is safe for children

While minor stomach aches from eating too much candy may be the most common hazard on Halloween, we should all remember that emergency physicians say they treat way too many children for serious injuries that could have been prevented.

The most common injuries on Halloween are eye injuries from sharp objects, burns from flammable costumes and injuries from collisions with motor vehicles, according to the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP).

To ensure a safer Halloween, parents and caregivers should follow important safety measures.

The list of things parents and children should follow are mostly common sense measures, but bear reminding:

- Make sure you see all the candy before your child consumes it. Avoid candy not wrapped in its original wrapper, as well as all fruit.
- Make sure your child stays on the sidewalks as much as possible (off the streets) and obeys all traffic signals.
- Discuss the importance of staying together in a group. Require at least one adult to serve as chaperone during candy gathering and forbid children from accepting rides from strangers or visiting unfamiliar homes.
- Avoid costumes that could cause children to trip, such as baggy pants, long hems, high heels and over-sized shoes.
- Avoid costume contact lenses.
- Avoid masks, but if your child must wear one, make sure it is well ventilated and does not impair his or her vision.
- Make sure that costume fabric, wigs and beards are made of flame-resistant materials, such as nylon or polyester.
- Make sure that costumes are visible at night; avoid dark colors. Add reflective tape to the costume to help make your child more visible to motor vehicles.
- Check that accessories such as swords, knives, wands and other pointed objects are made from flexible materials and have dulled edges.

Becoming more and more popular are "safe" Halloween events, sponsored primarily by churches and schools. There, children can get a ton of treats and participate in games and other activities. These can be a good alternative to door-to-door trick or treating.

But don't forget that children who "trick-or-treat" at so-called safe, community sponsored events still need to do so with adult supervision.

And while we are speaking of safety, motorists need to take extra caution this Halloween and watch out for little spooks, witches and angels.

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we go Your way, Lord.

Amen

# Lies I am expected to believe

My column today is not about sports or television programming but this past Monday evening featured the concurrent airing of an NFL game and the deciding game seven in the National League Championship series between the Giants and the Cards of good old St. Louie. Interestingly, those are the same two teams that have defeated our Rangers in the last two World Series, so starting today I am joining my granddaughter in being a Detroit Tiger fan.

Oh, incidentally, there was also another program airing on about a thousand channels featuring a couple of guys in a competition of a different nature, a so-called debate vying for our votes in the rapidly approaching Presidential election.

For the record, I didn't watch the debate because I am exposed to enough propaganda and lies without wasting 90 minutes of my precious time listening to two guys bend the facts and flower up their version of the facts to try to persuade me to vote for them.

I'm skeptical about the whole process of these debates and their validity anyway. Basically, I consider it Washington's version of "reality television." My wife and I watched part of a black and white movie from 1941, which I considered to be a more productive way to spend my evening.

Thankfully, no more debates. Mercifully, just a few days left to endure the endless ads and spin doctors expounding the splendorous virtues of one candidate and the unforgivable deficiencies of the scoundrel who dares to oppose them.

However, lest you think me apathetic or unconcerned about the election and our nation's

future, let me assure you of my very serious concern about who will be crowned less than two weeks from now.

Just a thought, but wouldn't it be great if we could do something sensible like designate the gazillions of tax payer dollars spent on these elections to the national debt or some worthy cause?

Listening to the excerpts from this last debate, I got pretty stirred up because I was reminded once again of the vile nature of politicians. When I heard Mr. Obama pledging his unwavering support of Israel I almost came off the couch because he was obviously playing to the crowd, knowing that millions of true patriotic Americans are going to support the candidate most committed to Israel's sovereignty and safety and our alliance with them.

Someone must have helped him realize how strongly many voters feel about this issue and his passion for standing with Israel was an obvious attempt to deceive the millions who have watched him basically spit in their face for the last four years. But now understanding those votes are so critical, he is willing to change his rhetoric.

Somebody needs to tell him we Americans aren't a bunch of mindless robots who are simple minded enough to just believe him because he is the President and can make smooth speeches.

Politicians are easy targets for criticism. They have authority and power over a lot of people, and as luck would have it, quite a few of them are really bad. In the end, politicians who lie for a living do so because a lot of the time, they get away with it.

Sure some lose their positions of authority, but many others stay in power and in a few years their trespasses have been forgiven and forgotten. Marion Barry, while serving as mayor of Washington, D.C., was caught on tape using crack cocaine and, after a six-month prison sentence, was unbelievably re-elected as their mayor. If only the world



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# Obama vs. Romney, the Peacemaker

President Barack Obama won the final presidential debate because it was on foreign policy, and the president's foreign policy — unlike his domestic spending — is popular with the American people.

Mitt Romney didn't win the debate, but he did undercut Team Obama. Obama-land spent the day hitting Romney for being too war-like, too much like George W. Bush. Operatives warned of Romney's "bluster."

Romney changed the game as he talked up peace and said he wanted to be a partner with China. He graciously congratulated Obama for killing Osama bin Laden and then added, "We can't kill our way out of this mess." He did everything but slip a flower into Obama's gun barrel.

Team Romney clearly understands that a Republican cannot over-criticize Obama the way Democrats whacked Republicans in 2008 when Obama argued that Guantanamo was a top recruitment tool for al-Qaida and that the Iraq War was an unworthy "war of choice."

Only the left can — and only the left should — hit Obama for

his overuse of drones; they have become a top recruitment tool for Islamic extremists. Ditto Libya as a "war of choice."

Romney also seems to understand that as a Republican, he shouldn't hang all the world's problems on the White House as Democrats did in 2008. Hence, Romney frequently acknowledged what Obama has done right in the world.

Sadly, the Benghazi attack that left four Americans dead has proved that terrorist organizations do not respect Washington — nor do they fear this president.

Is it Obama's fault? I don't think so. Foreign policy is an oxymoron. When U.S. presidents deal with countries such as Libya, Syria and Iran, whatever they do is a roll of the dice.

I credit the president for consistency in opposing the war in Iraq and (if not according to plan, nonetheless) marshaling U.S. troops out of that war. Obama, however, did not stick to his guns (pun intended) when he undermined his own troop surge in Afghanistan by announcing a withdrawal timetable; he told the enemy that they'll own Afghanistan if they can just hang on through 2014.

Romney was right to point out that Obama was wrong to nudge Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak out of office when the president must have known that

the anti-Israel and anti-American Muslim Brotherhood would move in. Obama countered, "In Egypt, we stood on the side of democracy."

Alas, the Muslim Brotherhood doesn't stand on the side of democracy.

I am not under the illusion that if elected to the Oval Office, Romney would be so muscular diplomatically that Syrian President Bashar Assad would crumble. I also never was under the illusion that Obama would charm strongmen into a strategic alliance.

In 2008, candidate Obama warned, "We are less respected now than we were eight years ago or even four years ago." On Monday night, Obama returned to that theme when he said, "When I came into office, the world was divided."

Today the world is even more fractured and more dangerous than it was four years ago. It may be that there is no right side of history.

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## I COLUMN AS I SEE 'EM

was as forgiving towards the rest of us.

From the famous finger-pointing "I did not..." speech from President Clinton to John Edwards saying, "The story is false. It's completely untrue, ridiculous...made up" when confronted with the charge of his affair with a campaign assistant we have been lied to by politicians so many times it's impossible to enumerate them all.

I am by nature a very compassionate and forgiving person and I fully understand, and deeply appreciate, the biblical teachings about forgiveness and I wish we could all be more like God and learn to forgive people's mistakes, forget them and move on.

I don't intend to be an unfair critic or a judge of politicians and I understand that genuine repentance creates the opportunity for any and all to start afresh and that we have all been blessed by this gift at some point in our lives, some of us many times over.

But, by definition, if one really repents, there is a definitive change that takes place in word and deed. It's more than just verbally expressing sorrow over a mistake or sin. It involves talking differently, doing differently and actually being different.

Regardless of who gets elected, I am interested to see who will make good on their campaign promises in the days and months ahead, but I am far more interested in what lies I will be expected to believe.

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

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## News in brief

### Displaying late-campaign urgency, Obama sets out on busiest day yet; Romney also picks up pace

WASHINGTON (AP) — Locked in a stubbornly tight race, President Barack Obama and Republican Mitt Romney are demonstrating the urgency of the campaign's final stretch, with the incumbent alone set to cover 5,300 miles in the busiest single day of his re-election bid. Both men claimed a growing edge even as voters showed little give.

From Colorado to Iowa to ever-important Ohio, bigger crowds and late October scenery offered the feel of a campaign starting to finally crackle. Obama centered on a closing theme that voters simply cannot trust Romney, while the challenger warned of the bleak times that four more Obama years would bring.

At the majestic Red Rocks Amphitheatre in Colorado late Tuesday, Romney said Obama's promise of more of the same is "why he's slipping and it's why we're gaining."

He cast the race as moving his way during a rally of up to 10,000 at the amphitheater, a stunning setting cut into mountain rocks outside Denver. Blue lights and the Romney "R" logo lit the rocks rising on either side of the venue, and the crowd wore colored T-shirts that, viewed from afar, formed the Colorado state flag.

Romney wasn't staying in Colorado long. With just two weeks left and all three of their debates behind them, the candidates turned to travel — a lot of it.

### Return to sender? Presidential campaigns, allies hit swing-state voters with mail ad barrage

MANITOWOC, Wis. (AP) — Around lunchtime each day, the latest missives promoting or pillorying Democratic President Barack Obama and Republican nominee Mitt Romney arrive in Diane Ouradnik's mailbox. Before long, they're in her trash.

Tearing and tossing has become routine for battleground-state voters drenched in caustic mail ads from the presidential candidates, political parties and their allied groups.

Television commercials may be king, but millions of dollars a week are fueling the pinpointed mail ads: Gun owners are told Obama is a threat and Romney is "the clear choice." Bilingual ads going to Latino voters are questioning Romney's commitment to opportunities for "regular people." Senior citizens are getting dueling pieces from Obama and Romney casting the other as detrimental to Medicare.

"I don't even read it. It's just too overwhelming. It's too much — from all sides," says Ouradnik, a customer service representative in this lakeside Wisconsin city. She voted for Obama four years ago but is leaning toward Romney this time.

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To help voters, the Herald presents the following sample ballot.

Early voting polls are located in the elections office — located on the third floor of the

Howard County Courthouse — which is open from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, until early voting wraps up Nov. 2.

Early voting polls will be also be open from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 30 and Thursday, Nov. 1, said Elections Administrator Saura Bloom. "We'll also be opening the polls Saturday, Oct. 27, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. We're hoping these extended hours will give

residents who work from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. a chance to vote early and avoid the lines and waiting on Election Day. There are a lot of folks out there who can't leave work to vote, or don't have enough time on their lunch break."

Bloom said the deadline to request a ballot by mail is Friday, Oct. 26.

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Big Spring's Haley Dimidjian goes for the ball during Tuesday's road loss against Monahans to close out the regular season. The Lady Steers earned a 7-3 district record and a playoff berth.

## Lady Steers fall to Monahans, must play again to determine seeding

By BRIAN MCCORMACK

Sports Editor

MONAHANS — The Lady Steers volleyball squad wrapped up regular season play on the road Tuesday, falling to the Monahans Lady Lobos in four sets by scores of 22-25, 25-21, 21-25 and 25-15. Big Spring finished with an overall record of 26-14, while posting a 7-3 District 4-3A record.

The Lady Steers lost only to state-ranked Wylie and Monahans during district play. Big Spring will meet the Lady Lobos

once again to determine the No. 2 and No. 3 seeds for the postseason. Abilene Wylie is the No. 1 seed.

Tentatively, the match is slated for 4:30 p.m. at Midland Christian on Friday.

### Individual statistics:

**Setters:** Julianna Rodriguez: 20 assists, 4 digs; Morgan Seaton: 14 assists, 11 kills, 3 blocks, 5 digs.

**Offense:** Haley Dimidjian: 9 kills, 2 blocks, 2 digs; Kelsie Guinn: 8 kills, 3 blocks.

**Defense:** Carson Reibe: 11 digs, 2 aces; Clara Benavides: 7 digs, 4 kills, 1 ace.

## Sports Calendar

### FRIDAY

#### Football

- Sweetwater (3-4) at Big Spring (5-2), Memorial Stadium, 7:30 p.m.
- Stamford (7-1) at Forsan (5-2), 7:30 p.m.
- Crane (5-2) at Coahoma (2-5), 7:30 p.m.
- Alpine (6-1) at Stanton (3-4), 7:30 p.m.
- Sands (4-3) at Loop (5-2), 7:30 p.m.
- Grady (5-2) at O'Donnell (1-6), 7:30 p.m.
- Garden City (1-6) at Marfa (3-4), 7:30 p.m.

#### Volleyball

- Big Spring vs. Monahans (to determine No. 2 and No. 3 playoff seed (Abilene Wylie No. 1), Midland Christian, 4:30 (tentative).

To submit a calendar item, please call 263-7331, ext. 237, or e-mail sports@bigspringherald.com

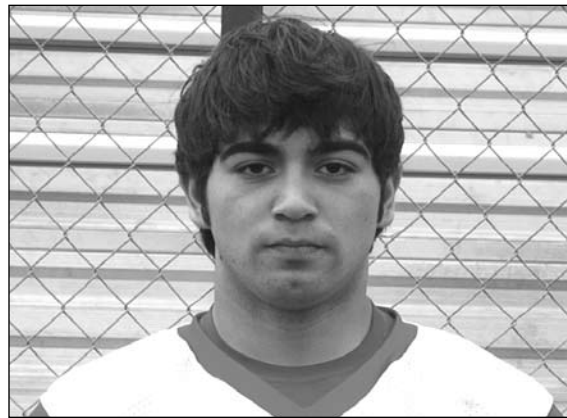
## Howard County Players of the Week

### Big Spring



Tate Kennedy

### Coahoma



Peyton Rodriguez

## Sandoval, Cain, Cabrera earned home series start

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The World Series starts in San Francisco because the All-Star game was a Giant blowout. Pablo Sandoval, Matt Cain and Melky Cabrera made sure of it.

"I don't think you really think about it that much," Cain said, "but it is kind of cool when you do."

Cain pitched two shutout innings, Sandoval connected off Detroit's Justin Verlander for the first bases-loaded triple in All-Star history and Cabrera hit a two-run home run in the NL's 8-0 rout on that July night at Kansas City's Kauffman Stadium.

Since 2003, the All-Star-winning league has gained homefield advantage for the World Series. The Giants host the opener Wednesday night.

"When you go to the All-Star game, you have to take that thing serious," Sandoval said. "That's what we do. Cain, our guys, do our thing to try to bring this to the National League."

Verlander, the first pitcher in 19 years to sweep the Cy Young Award and MVP, admitted he didn't treat that start like a normal outing. That's part of the reason he'll be starting the Series opener at AT&T Park instead of at his own Comerica Park.

"Do I wish it would have worked out a little bit better and we'd be at home right now?" he said Tuesday. "Absolutely, but it didn't, and we're here."

Verlander allowed five runs and four hits in a 35-pitch first inning. He threw five pitches clocked at 100 mph and another at 101.

"But I had fun," he said then. "That's why I don't try to throw 100 in the first inning. But this is for the fans. It doesn't usually work out too well for me."

He has a slightly different take now.

"Normally I'm not just pitching one inning, two innings at the most," he said. "I treated it almost like I was coming out of the bullpen, knowing I could go one or two innings. It was just a different scenario altogether."

Barry Zito, the 2002 AL Cy Young winner, starts for San Francisco after being bypassed for the postseason two years ago when the Giants won their first title since 1954 — before the franchise left New York.

Seeking its first championship since 1984, Detroit is back in the Series for the first time since 2006. Once again, the Tigers have had nearly a week off after winning the pennant. Last time, their rust showed and they lost to St. Louis in five games.

"This time they stayed busy by working on bunts, playing against their instructional league team and letting Verlander throw to hitters."

"Well, we just tried to come up with something," manager Jim Leyland said. "It wasn't like in 2006, where some people would indicate we sat around happy to get there, not doing anything, eating bonbons."

"That wasn't the case. We ran into bad weather problems in Detroit, so we were really handicapped," the manager said. "So

## Guillen fired as manager of last-place Marlins

MIAMI (AP) — The lingering backlash caused by Ozzie Guillen's praise of Fidel Castro contributed to another Miami Marlins managerial shakeup Tuesday.

Guillen was fired after only one year with the team, undone by too many losses and one too many ill-advised remarks.

A promising season began to derail in April with his laudatory comments about Cuba's former leader. Six months later, the episode was a factor in the decision to fire Guillen, Marlins officials said.

"Let's face it. It was not a positive for the team; it was not a positive for Ozzie," president of baseball operations Larry Beinfest said. "It was a disappointment, no doubt about it."

A lousy team didn't help, either. The Marlins took high hopes into their new ballpark following an offseason spending spree but finished last in the NL East at 69-93, their worst record since 1999.

Miami's next manager will be the fifth for owner Jeffrey Loria since early 2010. The latest change comes

even though Marlins still owe Guillen \$7.5 million for the three years remaining on his contract.

"We all felt we had a pretty good ballclub coming out of spring training, and we just didn't play well," Beinfest said.

"We all share in this. This is not a fun day for me, certainly not for Ozzie or Jeffrey or anybody involved. This is an organizational failure. But we felt like we needed to make this change so we could move forward."

There had speculation that Beinfest's job might also be in jeopardy, but he'll continue in his current role. The search for a new manager has just begun, he said.

"We could definitely use some stability in the dugout," said Beinfest, who has been with the Marlins since Loria bought the team in 2002. "We're looking for a winner. At times we've done a better job of identifying that individual. Other times we haven't. We're going to try to find the right guy this time."

On Twitter, Guillen said the firing left him with "my head held up

high, real high."

"To the fans that support me and for those who are happy as well my love and respect to you," Guillen tweeted. "In life there are worse things and I have experienced them. I have lived through bad moments and I will get through this with support."

In spring training, Guillen touted his team as well balanced and ready to win.

But a dismal June took the Marlins out of contention for good, and management dismantled the roster in July.

The season went sour from the start. Guillen's comments praising Castro in a magazine interview angered Cuban Americans, who make up a large segment of the Marlins' fan base. The Venezuelan manager apologized repeatedly at a news conference for his remarks, then began serving a five-game suspension only five games into his stay with the team.

"That was a very, very hard situation for me and the people around me," Guillen said in

September. "It was maybe the worst thing I ever did."

Marlins officials believe the damage was lasting. They blame disappointing attendance at the new ballpark in part over lingering fan resentment about the Castro comments.

The decision to fire Guillen came on the eve of the World Series, nearly three weeks after the Marlins' final game, following a lengthy assessment of what went wrong this year.

"Everybody wanted to take a step back," Beinfest said. "It was really an organizational decision."

Guillen was returning Tuesday from a vacation in Spain and was informed of his dismissal by phone by Beinfest in a brief conversation.

Guillen left the Chicago White Sox a year ago after eight seasons. Some 24 hours later he sealed a four-year deal with the Marlins, where he was a third-base coach for the 2003 World Series championship team.

"I feel like I'm back home," he said at the time.



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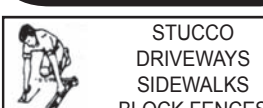
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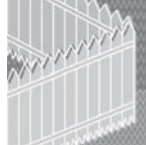
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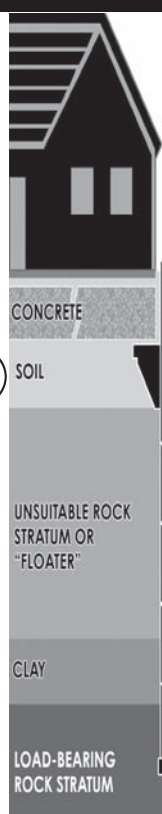
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score what they need. Your problems are bigger than whether or not Hank slept with another woman. He may love his children, but he is a terrible role model. Until he gets clean and sober, he is no good to any of you. Please contact Al-Anon (al-anon.alateen.org) and Nar-Anon (nar-anon.org) and ask for help.

**Dear Annie:** I had to respond to "Not a Meanie," whose sister misinterprets everything she says. I could have written that. My sister hears only what she wants to hear. When making plans for anything, large or small, "Ellen" would hear something entirely different from what I said. She would then complain to our middle sister, and it could take weeks to fix the misunderstanding.

My solution was to email all plans to Ellen and copy our other sister. Then there was a written record and no chance of my looking like the bad guy. "Meanie" should try this. It will save her a lot of frustration. — *Been There in Hamden, Conn.*

**Dear Hamden:** This is a great idea — as long as you communicate only in writing.

*Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please email your questions to anniesmailbox@comcast.net, or write to: Annie's Mailbox, c/o Creators Syndicate, 737 3rd Street, Hermosa Beach, CA 90254. To find out more about Annie's Mailbox and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com.*  
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Until this situation is resolved, it may not be possible to forgive the woman for her unconscionable behavior. Please find a way to get out of there as soon as possible.

**Dear Annie:** I've been with "Hank" for what seems like a hundred years. He is an alcoholic and a drug user. Last year, in an effort to save our marriage, he was in and out of several rehabs. None worked.

Here's the real problem. While in rehab, he relapsed and was kicked out, along with several others.

I refused to pick him up, so all of them stayed in a hotel room together. While there, Hank used one of the other addicts (a female) to get drugs and alcohol. He promised her that they were going to be together.

Hank is a great father to our children, but I cannot find it in my heart to let this go. He claims there was no affair, but I don't believe it. It is weighing heavily on my heart. How can I forgive him? — *Lost*

**Dear Lost:** Addicts say and do whatever they have to in order to

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#7549 October 24 & 31, 2012

Legals

NO. P-14110  
ESTATE OF NATHANIEL WILLIAM MEYER, DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF NATHANIEL WILLIAM MEYER.  
Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of Nathaniel William Meyer, Deceased, were granted to Laura Ruth Long, in her capacity as Independent Administrator of the Estate of Nathaniel William Meyer, Deceased, on October 16, 2012, by the County Court of Howard County, Texas. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby requested to present same to within the time prescribed by law. The post office address for these purposes is:  
Estate of Nathaniel William Meyer, Deceased  
c/o Crenshaw, Dupree & Milam, L.L.P.  
P.O. Box 1499  
Lubbock, Texas 79408  
Attention: Sara Junkes  
Laura Ruth Long, Independent Administrator of the Estate of Nathaniel William Meyer, Deceased.  
#7550 October 24, 2012

Legals

Notice of Application for Fluid Injection Well Permit  
Quantum Resources Management, LLC 1401 McKinney St. Ste 2400 Houston, TX 77010 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas.  
The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the San Andres, Clay, H.R. -C- Lease, Well Number 8. The proposed injection well is located 12 miles NW of Big Spring, in the Howard Glasscock (Consolidated) Field, in Howard County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 1510 to 3100 feet.  
LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.  
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"Classic" Ann Landers®: Learning the subtle differences

*Editor's Note: Hundreds of Ann Landers' loyal readers have requested that newspapers continue to publish her columns. These letters originally appeared in 1999.*



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**Dear Ann Landers:** A few years ago, you printed a poem in your column. I do not remember the name of it, but some of the lines were: "Kisses aren't promises" and

"Even sunshine burns if you get too much."

I would dearly love to have another copy of that poem because it touched me deeply. I hope you can find it and print it again. — *L.B. in Cordova, Tenn.*

**Dear L.B.:** That poem is one of the most requested by my readers. I am pleased to print it again for you and others who have asked. Here it is:

**After a While**  
*by Veronica A. Shoffstall*  
After a while, you learn the subtle difference  
Between holding a hand  
and chaining a soul,

And you learn that love doesn't mean leaning  
And company doesn't mean security,  
And you begin to learn that kisses aren't contracts  
And presents aren't promises,  
And you begin to accept your defeats  
With your head up and your eyes open  
With the grace of a woman, not the grief of a child,  
And you learn to build all your roads on today  
Because tomorrow's ground is too uncertain for plans.  
And futures have a way of falling down in

midflight.  
After a while, you learn That even sunshine burns if you get too much.  
So you plant your own garden and decorate your own soul,  
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

The Pisces moon promotes unreality. These days many find their favorite unreality on the Internet, where the social ties are never double knots and perception can be relatively easily manipulated. Try not to let the virtual world swallow your real world. "Oh wow I just looked up — it's so great — try it!" — *Tweet by Sarah Silverman, Sagittarius*

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19).

Your perception of yourself will be colored by the reaction you see on the faces of others. That's why it will be important to seek like-minded peers who share your brand of humor.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Difficult people will choose the opposite point of view from yours whether or not it's how they really feel. Their objections might be ridiculous, but their willingness to object will be constant. Avoid these types now.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). It's your turn to be effortlessly loveable. No amount of trying or not trying to fit in will matter; you're simply magnetic. You will be embraced, both metaphorically and actually.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). You're ready for adventure, but the adventure isn't quite ready for you yet. Arrangements are still coming together. Trust that

things are moving in the right direction while you wait.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). No matter what you know, there are always deeper levels of knowledge to reach. This applies to your work today. It's like you're understanding something for the first time all over again.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Being right is not as important to you as being happy. In this regard, you're not like the others around you. You'll be off having a good time while they fight to prove their rightness.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). When what you're doing looks wonderful, others may be tempted to copy you. You can prevent anyone from stealing your thunder by keeping your work under wraps.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Avoid routinely wasting time. New technology or services will help you simplify the processes of your daily life. What was once difficult suddenly will be easy.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Let people know what you're up to and the timeframe for your plan. There are many distractions around now, and without specific markers of time to keep you on track, you could drift off course.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You probably don't remember last night's dreams, but they were healing in some way. So what was difficult yesterday will be better today because your mind was made fresh.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Being a giver, you're always

pleased when what's needed is exactly what you can supply. This happens today. You'll sense a strong emotional need in another person, and you'll know you can help.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). What looks like individual success is often the effort of an entire team. You could handle a task alone, but it won't be much fun that way. Be on the lookout for new sources of support.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Oct. 24). The next three months feature an enlivening challenge. You may have to coax yourself along at points, but once you get in the spirit of it, you'll be unstoppable. December features an upgrade of your home, wardrobe or vehicle. January is romantic. March shows you in a different part of the world. Cancer and Leo people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 40, 1, 24, 13 and 19.

**ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS:** "I just started a new, very exciting business venture. It's also a bit daunting. I don't want to take it on alone. Who should be a part of my dream team?"

As the king, some Leos mistakenly think that because they can outperform any other animal in the jungle they are invulnerable. What they fail to take into account is the power of a herd or the ferocity of a pack. You are wise indeed for making efforts to gather a bright group around you. However mighty a single person may be, a well-aligned team will always

outperform an individual. To figure out what types of people you will need on your team, take into account your own strengths, and look for people with different talents. For instance,

since you are so creative, you'll need someone who is a strong organizer to make sure your efforts are consistently aimed toward one goal. A Virgo or Taurus could fit the bill nicely. Also, since you have a knack for performing under pressure and executing short-term efforts, you will do well to have a big-picture thinker to help you with the long-term planning. Consider a Sagittarius or a Capricorn.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** Scorpio Aubrey Drake Graham became known for playing Jimmy Brooks on the television series "Degrassi: The Next Generation," a role that led him to success as a rapper and singer, as well. Graham, a.k.a. "Drake," was born when the sun, Mercury, Venus and Pluto were all in Scorpio, indicating a strong need to know and express life's grittier truths.

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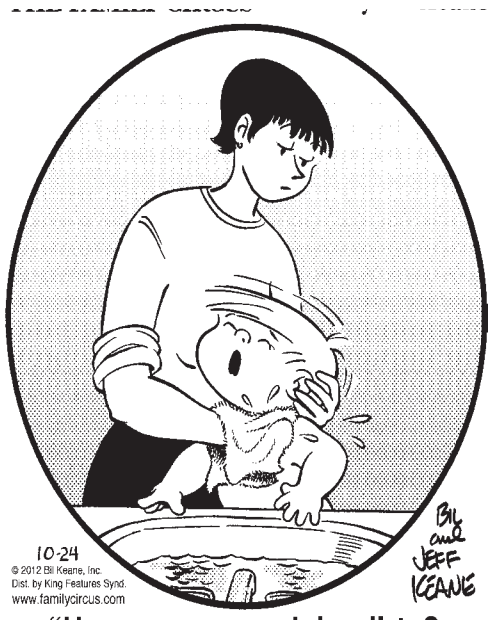
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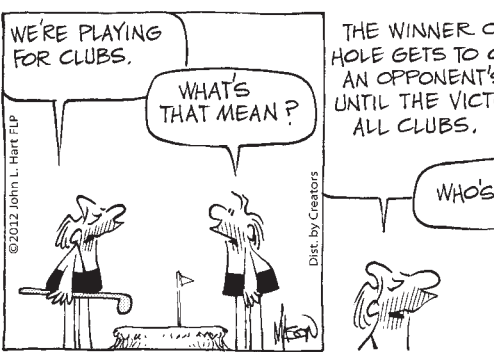
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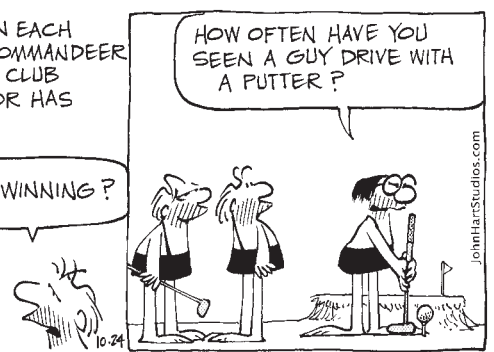
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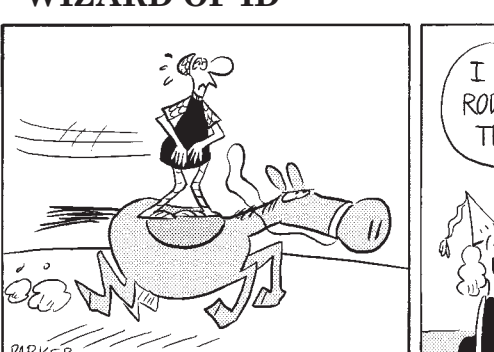
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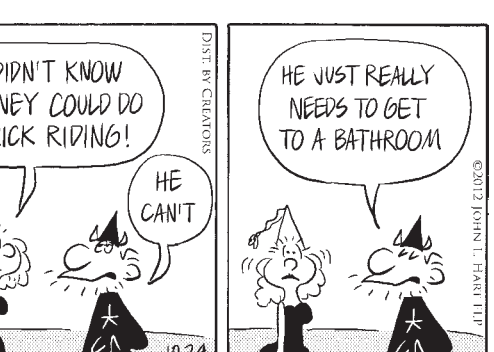
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 62 601, to Caesar

**This Date In History**

Today is Wednesday, Oct. 24, the 298th day of 2012. There are 68 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**  
 On Oct. 24, 1962, a naval quarantine of Cuba ordered by President John F. Kennedy went into effect during the missile crisis; the blockade was aimed at interdicting the delivery of offensive weapons to the island.

**On this date:**  
 In 1537, Jane Seymour, the third wife of England's King Henry VIII, died 12 days after giving birth to Prince Edward, later King Edward VI.  
 In 1648, the Peace of Westphalia (west-FAY-lee-uh) ended the Thirty Years War and effectively destroyed the Holy Roman Empire.  
 In 1861, the first transcontinental telegraph message was sent by Chief Justice Stephen J. Field of California from San Francisco to President Abraham Lincoln in

Washington, D.C., over a line built by the Western Union Telegraph Co.  
 In 1901, widow Anna Edson (correct) Taylor became the first person to go over Niagara Falls in a barrel.  
 In 1939, Benny Goodman and his orchestra recorded their signature theme, "Let's Dance," for Columbia Records in New York. Nylon stockings were first sold publicly in Wilmington, Del.  
 In 1940, the 40-hour work week went into effect under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938.  
 In 1945, the United Nations officially came into existence as its charter took effect.  
 In 1952, Republican presidential candidate Dwight D. Eisenhower declared in Detroit, "I shall go to Korea" as he promised to end the conflict. (He made the visit over a month later.)  
 In 1962, "The Manchurian Candidate," a Cold War thriller starring Frank Sinatra, was first released.  
 In 1972, Hall of Famer Jackie Robinson, who'd broken Major League Baseball's color barrier in 1947, died in Stamford, Conn., at age 53.

In 1987, 30 years after it was expelled, the Teamsters union was welcomed back into the AFL-CIO. (However, the Teamsters disaffiliated themselves from the AFL-CIO in 2005.)  
 In 1992, the Toronto Blue Jays became the first non-U.S. team to win the World Series as they defeated the Atlanta Braves, 4-3, in Game 6.  
**Today's Birthdays:** Football Hall-of-Famer Y.A. Tittle is 86. Rock musician Bill Wyman is 76. Actor F. Murray Abraham is 73. Movie director-screenwriter David S. Ward is 67. Actor Kevin Kline is 65. Former NAACP President Kweisi Mfume (kwah-EE'-see oom-FOO'-may) is 64. Actor B.D. Wong is 52.

**Answer to previous puzzle**

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this time we've done some things to try to keep us from being idle for four or five days. I definitely think it affected the last World Series."

Detroit swept the Yankees in the AL championship series while San Francisco overcame a 3-1 deficit against the Cardinals. That followed a historic division series in which they lost the first two games at home against Cincinnati and then became the first major league team in a best-of-five series to rebound from an 0-2 deficit by winning

three in a row on the road. "You have to throw it all away because it could work in either team's favor," Giants shortstop Brandon Crawford said. "We've been playing every day, so guys might be a little more tired, whereas they've got more rest. Then again, we've been playing, so we've got our timing, where they might not."

And this little fact: Three times in the past, the World Series has matched a team that went to Game 7 in the LCS against a club that swept its series. In all three instances, the team coming off a Game 7 win breezed: Boston swept Colorado in 2007, St. Louis topped the Tigers in

2006 and the Los Angeles Dodgers beat Oakland in five games in 1988.

"We're fine. I think we're in the groove and feeling good," Cain said.

Triple Crown winner Miguel Cabrera was a rookie with the Marlins in 2003 when they rallied past the Chicago Cubs to win the seven-game NLCS and went on to beat the Yankees in six games for the title.

This time, the Tigers gave themselves five off days.

"We can't focus on, 'OK we haven't played, we're going to get down,'" Cabrera said. "It's tough. We have to be ready to play tomorrow and we'll see what happens."

These longtime franchises have never met in the post-season, and have played only 12 times since interleague action began in 1997. San Francisco holds a 7-5 edge from games in 2003, '05, '08 and '11.

"I don't really know the Giants that well," Leyland said. "I'm kind of getting a crash course."

Madison Bumgarner will pitch Game 2 against Doug Fister. When the Series shifts to Detroit on Saturday, Anibal Sanchez starts for the Tigers in Game 3 versus Ryan Vogelsong and Cain goes in Game 4 against Max Scherzer.

Giants manager Bruce Bochy could have flip-flopped,

starting Cain on full rest in Game 3.

"Well, I like the way Vogelsong is throwing, too," Bochy said. "He's throwing the ball as well as anybody on the staff, so we just kept it in order. If Vogelsong gets the last start, we have no problem with that. I know Matt has worked hard, he's got a lot of innings. I didn't think we needed to flip-flop the two, to be honest."

NOTES: Bochy repeated the Giants had no intention of activating Cabrera, who finished serving his 50-game suspension at the end of the division series.

Cabrera was the All-Star game MVP.

**NHL rejects union bid**

NEW YORK (AP) — Forget about a deal to save a full hockey season: the NHL and the players' association can't even agree to get together to talk.

The union wants anything and everything open for discussion. The league says if the players aren't willing to discuss the offer the NHL presented last week, and has no interest in presenting something new with that proposal as a framework, then there really is nothing to talk about.

It didn't take long for the NHL to fire that message back Tuesday night after the union tried to convince the league to return to the bargaining table on Wednesday.

"I don't anticipate any (talks) taking place for the balance of the week," NHL deputy commissioner Bill Daly said in an email to The Associated Press. "The union has rejected the proposal we made last Tuesday and is not offering another one. We see nothing to be gained at this point by meet-

ing just to meet."

If that is the case, then there is no reasonable hope that a deal will be struck by Thursday — the deadline Commissioner Gary Bettman set in order to preserve a full 82-game season. Games have already been called off through Nov. 1, and those contests soon could be wiped off the schedule for good.

Following a conference call held by the union's executive board on Tuesday night, the players' association informed the NHL it is willing to meet on Wednesday "or any other date, without preconditions, to try to reach an agreement," the union said in a statement.

The NHL's response wasn't what the union had hoped to hear.

The sides haven't met since the league turned down three counterproposals from the union on Thursday, two days after the NHL's offer that included a 50-50 split.

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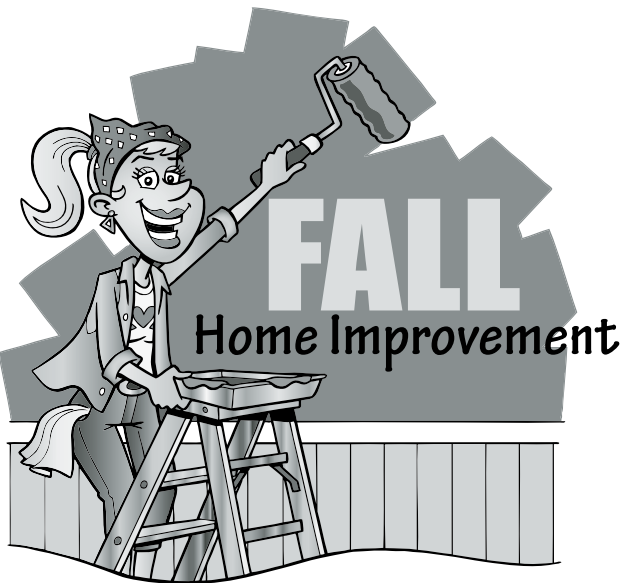
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 ♥ 9 8 5  
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 ♣ 9 7 4 2

**WEST**  
 ♠ 8  
 ♥ J 6 2  
 ♦ 8 7 5 4 3  
 ♣ 10 6 5 3

**EAST**  
 ♠ Q J 10 9 4 3  
 ♥ A  
 ♦ Q J 9  
 ♣ K Q J

**SOUTH**  
 ♠ A 7 5  
 ♥ K Q 10 7 4 3  
 ♦ 6 2  
 ♣ A 8

The bidding:  
 East South West North  
 1 ♠ 2 ♥ Pass 3 ♥  
 3 ♠ 4 ♥

Opening lead — eight of spades.

Declarer frequently has a choice of whether to win a trick in his own hand or in dummy. Obviously, no uniform rule can be applied to these situations — the right play depends strictly on the circumstances.

Consider the present case, where West led a spade that South could win in either hand. His potential losers were a spade, a club and either one or two hearts. It was clear that he could hold himself to one trump loser by leading trumps from dummy

toward his K-Q-10, since the bidding had marked East with the ace.

So declarer took the opening spade lead with dummy's king in order to lead a trump, taken by East with the ace. But when East now returned the queen of spades, South was in trouble. He played the ace, trumped by West, and declarer later lost a club and a spade and went down one.

South was certainly right in thinking that the first trump lead should come from dummy. But since it was almost certain from the bidding that East had six spades and West only one, declarer should have chosen his entries more carefully.

To protect against a 6-1 spade division, South should have won the spade lead in his hand, led a diamond to dummy's king and then led a trump. East would win and return a spade, but this would no longer pose a threat.

West could ruff, but in that case dummy would play low, and South would lose only a heart, a club and a spade ruff. And if West did not ruff the spade return, dummy's king would win, and South's only losers would be a spade, a heart and a club.

Declarer's choice of where to take the first trick made all the difference between winning and losing the contract.

Tomorrow: The secret of good defense.  
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# Hodge-podge group propels No. 4 K-State

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP) — The star quarterback used to be a wide receiver, and the top wide receiver used to be a quarterback.

There are junior college players from the most out-of-the-way places imaginable, and Division I transfers getting a fresh start. Small-town high school stars from the Heartland, and a motley collection of talent overlooked by most of college football's marquee programs.

This is No. 4 Kansas State, arguably the most diverse team in the country.

One of the best, too. Listening to quarterback Collin Klein describe the hodge-podge that makes up the only unbeaten team in the

Big 12, it's as if the Heisman Trophy candidate is likening sagely coach Bill Snyder to the Statue of Liberty — "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses," as the Emma Lazarus poem goes, only this time it's the overlooked and the underappreciated.

"We do come from pretty diverse parts of the country, diverse backgrounds, different roads that have brought us here," Klein said. "I mean, it goes back to his formula of taking whoever is here and bringing us in and molding us together and creating a true team to where it doesn't matter where you came from, how you got here, anything like that. What matters

is now."

Right now, the Wildcats are the hottest team in the country.

They've already won at Oklahoma and West Virginia.

They're 7-0 overall, 4-0 in the conference, and for once a favorite going into this weekend's game against No. 15 Texas Tech.

Poring over the roster, though, this isn't the kind of team that should be stacking up against top-ranked Alabama, high-flying Oregon or even high-profile Notre Dame.

The vast majority of these guys weren't five-star prospects coming out of high school. Heck, most of them didn't even arrive at Kansas State out of high school, instead going through a junior college for reasons ranging

from academics to lack of interest the first time around.

Eight of the 11 starters on defense went that route, including All-American candidate Nigel Malone, the team's top cornerback. Defensive tackle John Sua went to California's Allan Hancock College, hardly a pipeline to national prominence, and defensive ends Meshak Williams and Adam Davis formed quite the pass-rushing tandem during their days at Hutchinson Community College.

Then there are the guys who WERE high-profile recruits but opted to go elsewhere, such as linebacker Arthur Brown, a semifinalist for the Butkus Award.

He had his choice of schools coming out of Wichita, Kan., and opted for the sunshine and warm weather of Miami. When things didn't go how he foresaw, Brown headed back to the often-overcast, usually blustery and far more frigid life of Flint Hills.

The offensive side of the ball is a similar collection of castoffs, misfits and guys who were never expected to compete for a national championship — at least, by people on the outside.

Certainly not by Snyder, though. He welcomed them with open arms.

Klein has emerged as one of the nation's most valuable players — he had seven touchdowns in the 55-14 rout of West Virginia — after being largely overlooked coming out of high school in Loveland, Colo. His only other interest came from the likes of Colorado State and Utah.

Just how highly sought were his quarterback skills? Even the coaches at Kansas State turned him into a wide receiver when he first got on campus.

Chris Harper went precisely the opposite direction.

He was a coveted quarterback recruit coming out of high school, and ultimately chose the swagger of Oregon over the old-school approach of the Wildcats. He switched to wide receiver early in his career, and ultimately decided to transfer to Kansas State for his sophomore season.

Now, he's an NFL prospect and the team's leading receiver.

"We have guys from all over," fellow wide receiver Curry Sexton said. "That's something our coaching staff has

been able to do, bring in players from around the country that fit our program, what we do here, and I think that's been important to our success."

Wide receiver Tyler Lockett went to high school in Tulsa, Okla., but barely got a sniff from the Sooners. Running back John Hubert is from Waco, Texas, but the Longhorns didn't bite.

Tight end Travis Tannahill wasn't even among the top 10 players in Kansas coming out of high school, much less the country. Offensive linemen B.J. Finney is from tiny Andale, Kan., population 928. Fullback Braden Wilson is from Smith Center, a booming metropolis by comparison.


The one thread that ties them together? Their values, Snyder said — and their talent.

"The recruiting environment has turned upside down in regards to the timing. You look around right now and everybody has 25 commitments and the season's not half over," Snyder said. "You have to get to know them to see if they fit in."

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