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Howard County election clerks Lori Duffer, left, and Jodi Duck help area residents prepare to cast their ballots during early voting at the county courthouse. According to election officials, voter turnout — likely driven by the fierce presidential contest — has been very high. Early voting continues through Friday with polls open each day from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

## Locally, early balloting said to be going at a rapid pace

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
 Staff Writer

Averaging approximately 500 ballots a day so far during early voting, election officials say Howard County is on track to collect upwards of 10,000 voters in this year's general election.

According to Howard County Election Administrator Saundra Bloom, her office has averaged approximately 500 in-office voters a day since early voting opened

Monday — a whopping 617 Monday, 580 on Tuesday and 491 recorded Wednesday — with no signs of slowing.

"The voters have definitely kept us busy this week," Bloom said with a laugh. "However, we expected a turnout somewhat like this. We knew going into early voting it was going to be a heavy turnout, especially with a presidential election in the mix."

Bloom said she expects to have collected approximately 10,000

ballots by the time the polls close Nov. 6.

"Things have been going smoothly," she said. "We haven't had any problems with the voting machines, although I imagine they are getting pretty tired, right along with the election workers. I'm very pleased with the way things are going. We hope the turnout will stay strong next week, as well."

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## Warrant issued in gun death

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
 Staff Writer

An arrest warrant has been issued for a Big Spring man believed to have been involved in the shooting death of a 33-year-old man early Saturday morning.



Marquez

According to investigators with the Howard County Sheriff's Office, an arrest warrant on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon has been issued for 19-year-old Chris Daniel Marquez of Big Spring.

The warrant was issued by Justice of the Peace Kathryn Wiseman, according to a press release issued Monday morning by Sheriff Stan Parker.

"More charges are expected as the case continues to develop," Parker said Monday.

Marquez is described as a Hispanic male, 5 feet 7 inches tall and 130 pounds.

Monday's arrest warrant isn't Marquez's

See **WARRANT**, Page 3

## Halloween hosts for area children

Here is a list of churches, schools and businesses that will be handing out candy or other goodies on Wednesday, Halloween night.

There may be other locations, but these are ones that have confirmed they will be conducting a festival, "trunk or treat" or other activity.

- First United Methodist Church trunk or treat, Fourth and Scurry. West parking lot, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- First Christian Church and St. Mary's Episcopal trunk or treat, 6-7 p.m., 911 Goliad.
- First Baptist Church Fall Festival, 6 p.m. 705 W. FM 700.
- Forsan Baptist Church, Forsan, 5:30 p.m.-7 p.m. treats and a hot dog supper.
- Paul's Custom PC's, at 2515 Ent Drive in the base housing area, is offering safe trick or treating Wednesday from 6 p.m. to midnight. There will be lots of decorations and plenty of candy for kids.
- Big Spring Herald, 710 Scurry, 6 p.m.-8 p.m.
- Howard College Women's Dorm, 6 p.m.-8 p.m.
- SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf haunted house, 6 p.m.-10:30 p.m. (Children under age 12 should to from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. only). Diagnostic Center behind the senior citizens center. Adults \$8, children \$3.

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## Jaramillo case affirmed by 11th court of appeals

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
 Staff Writer

A Big Spring man sentenced to 60 years in prison for his part in the June 2010 home invasion of a local family had his case affirmed last week by the state's 11<sup>th</sup> District Court of Appeals.

Felix Jaramillo, 33, was found guilty of aggravated robbery and assessed 60 years in a state prison and a \$10,000 fine following the one-day trial in 118<sup>th</sup> District Court held in September 2010.

According to court records, the Big Spring man challenged the legal and factual sufficiency of the evidence supporting his conviction for aggravated robbery.

Jaramillo and his attorney claimed the evidence in the case — specifi-



Jaramillo

cally, the testimony of the victims — was so insufficient that no rational trier of fact could find every element of the offense beyond a reasonable doubt.

"Appellant argues that the inconsistent testimony as to clothing, injuries and precise location of the child renders the evidence insufficient to support the conviction," the memorandum opinion issued by the court reads. "We disagree. The weight to be given to conflicting testimony is within the sole province of the jury because it turns on an evaluation of credibility

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## Obituaries

### Luis Adolfo Pena Jr.



Luis Adolfo Pena Jr., 33, of Big Spring, died Saturday, Oct. 27, 2012, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. A prayer service will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 30, 2012, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel, with Robert Rivera officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born Dec. 29, 1978, in Nicaragua to Olga (Portocarrero) and Luis Adolfo Pena Sr. He moved to Big Spring with his family in 1989 from Nicaragua. He was a self-employed home improvement contractor. He was a member of Templo Centro De Alabanza.

He is survived by his wife, Jeanette Gonzales Pena of Seminole; two sons, Aaron Pena of Big Spring and Luis Pena of Seminole; a daughter: Fey Pena of Big Spring; his parents, Luis and Olga Pena of Big Spring; two brothers, Luis Pena and Josue Pena, both of Big Spring; and one sister, Olga Leal of Big Spring; and five nieces and nephews.

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

### David Rosales Marquez

David Rosales Marquez, 90, of Big Spring died Sunday, Oct. 28, 2012, at his residence. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 31, 2012, at the Holy Trinity Catholic Parish. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

A vigil service will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 30, 2012, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel.

David was born Oct. 29, 1922, in Big Spring and married Juanita Ramirez on June 26, 1988, in Big Spring. He worked in the street maintenance department for the city of Big Spring for 40 years, retiring in 1988.

He was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Parish.

Survivors include his wife, Juanita Marquez of Big Spring; one son, Marcelino Chavez and wife Norma of Lenorah; one daughter, Mary Arguello and husband David of Big Spring; six grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; one sister, Aurelia Paredes, of Big Spring; and several nieces and nephews.

David was preceded in death by his parents, Chon and Guadalupe Marquez; and three brothers, Chon II, Arturo and Ricardo Marquez.

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

### Dennis Ausbie

Dennis Ausbie, 52, of Lubbock, formerly of Big Spring, died Monday, Oct. 29, 2012, at his residence in Lubbock. Arrangements are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

## Police blotter

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

- JUSTIN DELAGARZA, 27, of Midland, was arrested Sunday on a charge of theft – more than \$500 and less than \$500.
- DANIEL WAYNE MCKNIGHT, 35, of 1114 Mulberry, was arrested Sunday on two warrants from other agencies.
- MARY ELIZABETH RODRIGUEZ, 45, of 104 N.E. Ninth St., was arrested Sunday on a warrant from another agency and a charge of failure to identify as a fugitive – giving false information.
- GLEN ALLEN DANIELS, 54, of 8415 N. Service Rd. in Sand Springs, was arrested Sunday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- ASSAULT was reported in the 1900 block of N. Highway 87.
- THEFT was reported in the 200 block of W. FM 700.

## Sheriff

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

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 62 inmates at the time of this report.

• ANGELA ANN MCGEE, 29, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a municipal capias warrant for possession of drug paraphernalia.

• JOSHUA DON RICHTER, 27, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of theft of materials – aluminum/copper/bronze/brass less than \$20,000.

• TIFFANY ANN ELDER, 30, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

• LATOSHA WILBERT, 34, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on municipal capias warrants for disorderly conduct – vulgar language, driving while license invalid and running a red light.

• BOBBY LEE AGUERO JR., 30, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

• BRYAN ALAN FUSTON, 45, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

• BRIAN KEITH FREEMAN, 33, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on a charge of burglary of a vehicle.

• DAVID RIOS, 26, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by DPS on charges of driving while license invalid and violation of a promise to appear.

• JOHNNY ANCHONDO, 28, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

• LARRY DALE KING, 29, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of terroristic threats.

• GLEN ALLEN DANIELS, 54, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• JUSTIN DELAGARZA, 27, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of theft – more than \$50 and less than \$500.

• DANIEL WAYNE MCKNIGHT, 35, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on charges of no valid vehicle inspection certificate and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

• MARY LUCIO RODRIGUEZ, 45, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on charges of theft of service – more than \$20 and less than \$500 and failure to identify as a fugitive – giving false information.

## Fire/EMS

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

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1700 block of S. Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 700 block of Edwards. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 300 block of E. Third Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1400 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported in the 300 block of Tulane. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 3900 block of W. Highway 80. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1700 block of Yale. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 700 block of E. 13<sup>th</sup> Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported near the intersection of Fourth Street and Birdwell. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 200 block of S. Main Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- AUTOMOBILE FIRE was reported near the intersection of Nolan and 11<sup>th</sup> Street.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near the intersection of State and Stadium. Three people were transported to SMMC.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near the intersection of Jeffery Road and Kyle Road. One person was evacuated by air.

## Support Groups

### TUESDAY

• Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month. This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.

• Special Parents for Special Children support group meets the first Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at Elbow Elementary. Contact Kerri Rosenbaum at 432-816-3320 or [kerriroosenbaum9488@msn.com](mailto:kerriroosenbaum9488@msn.com)

• VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

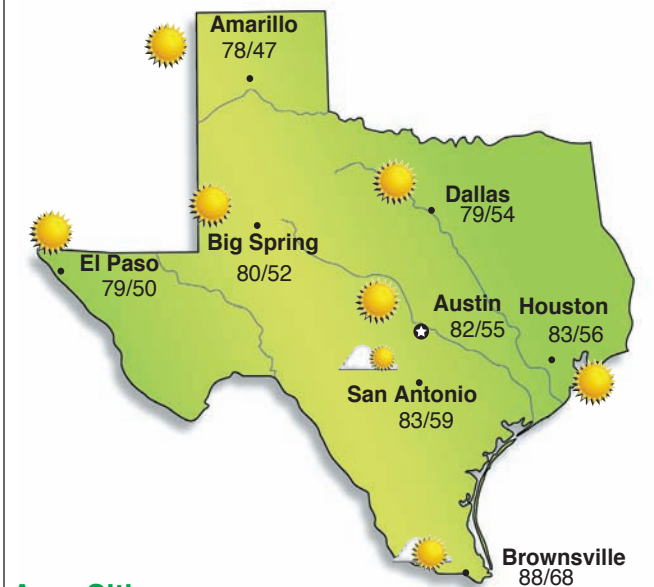
## Today's Weather

### Local 5-Day Forecast

Thu 11/1	Fri 11/2	Sat 11/3	Sun 11/4	Mon 11/5
<b>80/52</b> Sunshine. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the low 50s.	<b>82/56</b> Sunny. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the mid 50s.	<b>84/58</b> Abundant sunshine. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the upper 50s.	<b>77/57</b> A few clouds. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the upper 50s.	<b>70/50</b> Partly cloudy with a stray thunderstorm.
<b>Sunrise:</b> 8:03 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 6:56 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 8:03 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 6:55 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 8:04 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 6:55 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 8:05 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 6:54 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 8:06 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 6:53 PM

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## Texas At A Glance



### Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	80	55	sunny	Kingsville	88	65	sunny
Amarillo	78	47	sunny	Livingston	82	49	sunny
Austin	82	55	sunny	Longview	77	49	sunny
Beaumont	82	54	sunny	Lubbock	79	48	sunny
Brownsville	88	68	mst sunny	Lufkin	82	49	sunny
Brownwood	83	54	sunny	Midland	81	54	sunny
Corpus Christi	84	67	sunny	Raymondville	89	65	sunny
Corsicana	79	52	sunny	Rosenberg	83	56	sunny
Dallas	79	54	sunny	San Antonio	83	59	pt sunny
Del Rio	85	62	sunny	San Marcos	83	55	sunny
El Paso	79	50	sunny	Sulphur Springs	77	52	sunny
Fort Stockton	81	53	sunny	Sweetwater	80	54	sunny
Gainesville	77	51	sunny	Tyler	79	50	sunny
Greenville	77	50	sunny	Weatherford	78	50	sunny
Houston	83	56	sunny	Wichita Falls	77	51	sunny

### National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	62	38	windy	Minneapolis	49	34	pt sunny
Boston	61	45	rain	New York	54	45	rain
Chicago	49	30	sunny	Phoenix	85	57	sunny
Dallas	79	54	sunny	San Francisco	66	59	cloudy
Denver	68	41	sunny	Seattle	57	52	rain
Houston	83	56	sunny	St. Louis	57	40	sunny
Los Angeles	74	57	pt sunny	Washington, DC	58	44	pt sunny
Miami	78	61	sunny				

### Moon Phases



### UV Index

Thu 11/1	Fri 11/2	Sat 11/3	Sun 11/4	Mon 11/5
6	5	5	5	5
High	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate

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

• 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.

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# State briefs

## “Handsome Guy Bandit” gets 35-year prison term

DALLAS (AP) — A judge has sentenced to 35 years in federal prison a man who admitted to being the “Handsome Guy Bandit” responsible for 11 North Texas bank holdups.

Steven Ray Milam pleaded guilty in Dallas last May to 11 federal counts of bank robbery. U.S. District Judge Sam Lindsay sentenced the 45-year-old Richardson, Texas, man on Monday.

The “Handsome Guy Bandit” got his name from tellers at the banks he robbed, who described the mask he wore. Milam was arrested Jan. 3 in Mississippi after a chase on Interstate 10 in which a sheriff shot out a tire on the vehicle Milam was driving.

Prosecutors had said Milam could have received from 32 years to life in prison.

## Panels look at school discipline

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Texas Senate Education and Criminal Justice committees are meeting jointly to discuss how schools treat troublesome students.

Members meeting in Austin will attempt a com-

prehensive review of school disciplinary practices. They’ll also cover the disproportionate treatment of some groups of children and how often they’re referred to law enforcement for prosecution.

The meeting comes a day after the monitoring group Texas Applesed released results of a survey of 11 public school districts that serve a quarter of the state’s public school students. The survey found officials spend \$227 million a year on disciplinary programs and school security.

## Expert: Schools need \$8B in extra funding per year

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas will need to spend at least an additional \$8 billion per year to ensure its students meet the tough new academic standards imposed by state lawmakers, a top school finance expert testified Monday.

Lynn Moak, a leading education analyst in Texas for nearly 5 decades, told state District Judge John Dietz that nearly half of Texas’ ninth-graders — about 150,000 — aren’t on track to graduate because they failed at least one of the state’s new, more rigorous standardized tests, known as STAAR, last school year.

Moak said paying for programs to help students catch up and ensure others pass — thus meeting the state’s existing college and career-readiness goals — would require restoring the two-year, \$5.4 billion in cuts to public schools and grant programs passed by the Texas Legislature in 2011. But it would also mean state funding for public education should increase overall by about another \$6 billion annually.

That’s a staggering \$8.7 billion per year in additional funding, though it wasn’t clear if Moak was including restoring all cuts to grant programs in his estimates. In 2010-11, Moak said that total spending on school operations in Texas was \$43 billion.

When asked about the figure after the hearing, Moak told reporters, “I contend we can’t do it without more money.”

“We are in a current crisis,” he added. “The crisis gets worse in the future but it is significantly bad now.”

After last year’s budget cuts, six lawsuits were filed on behalf of more than 600 school districts, which educate about three-quarters of Texas’ more than 5 million students. All contended that the way Texas funds its public schools is inefficient and unfair and violates the state Constitution.

# WARRANT

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first brush with the law, as the Big Spring teen was arrested in 2010 on a charge of theft — more than \$1,500 and less than \$20,000 and in 2011 on charges of possession of a controlled substance — a misdemeanor charge — theft of a firearm and unlawfully carrying a weapon.

According to court records, Marquez received deferred adjudication

for the theft charge in 2011, however, in September 2011 he faced a motion to adjudicate on the same charge. Marquez would go on to serve 14 months in state prison for the theft charge.

Luis Adolfo Pena, 33, was pronounced dead at Scenic Mountain Medical Center shortly after 2:30 a.m. Saturday from what investigators say appeared to be a gunshot wound.

According to Parker, HCSO deputies were dispatched to a location on Driver Road at approximately 2:33 a.m. Saturday in reference to a possible shooting.

“Deputies were dispatched to 500 Driver Road, which is the old VFW building,” Parker said. “Upon arrival, deputies found Pena in the parking lot suffering from what appeared to be a gunshot wound. Pena was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center by emergency medical services, where he was later pronounced dead.”

Also injured in the altercation was Raul Mendez, 33, who was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center by private vehicle, according to Parker. Mendez was treated for his

wounds at the emergency room and later released.

Anyone with information on the location of Marquez is being asked to contact the HCSO at 432-264-2244 or Crimestoppers at 263-TIPS (8477). Tips can be made to Crimestoppers anonymously, no caller ID is ever used and tipsters could receive a reward of up to \$1,000.

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

# VOTE

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Polls will be located in the elections office — located on the third floor of the county courthouse — and will be open from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., this week.

In addition to the regularly scheduled poll hours, Bloom said her office will be offering several days with extended hours in hopes of giving everyone in the community a chance to cast their ballot early.

“Early voting polls will be open until 8 p.m. today and Thursday”

Bloom said. “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 breaks.”

Voters will have only one local race to decide the fate of, as the Precinct 1 seat on the Howard County Commissioners is up for grabs with long-time Democratic incumbent Emma Brown taking on Republican challenger Oscar Garcia.

Brown defeated Howard County Jailer Larry Torres in the May primary, while Garcia defeated local resident Edwin Ware for the Republican nomination for the seat.

The only other local issue on the ballot is aimed at Big Spring ballots, as the municipal government looks to give voters an opportunity to do away with the existing 4A economic development in favor of a new 4B economic development corporation.

The council approved to send the issue to voters during its Aug. 14 meeting, doing so on a

unanimous vote.

The EDC sales tax was adopted by Big Spring voters May 5, 1990, and designated solely for use on Type A projects, which is restricted mainly to attracting employers and businesses to the Crossroads area and retaining jobs with existing employers.

However, a Type B corporation has much looser restrictions placed on its spending, allowing for several other project types, including quality of life improvements such as professional and amateur sports and athletic facilities, related street, water and sewer

facilities and affordable housing.

According to Texas law, however, Type A corporations can still approve Type B projects; however, they are required to get the voters approval to do so. With a Type B corporation, no such vote is required.

The move to change the corporation to a 4B comes on the heels of a Type B project to revamp the city’s water treatment and wastewater facilities, approved in May.

For more information on early voting, contact Bloom at 264-2273.

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# AFFIRMED

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and demeanor. In *Bowden v. State*, the court held that the evidence was sufficient to sustain the defendant’s conviction of aggravated robbery, despite inconsistencies between a witness’ trial testimony and the description he gave police of the robber.

“It was within the jury’s province to resolve any inconsistencies in the (victims’) testimony. After reviewing all the evidence, we hold that it was sufficient to support the jury’s verdict. Appellant’s sole issue is overruled.”

The affirmation came in the form of a memorandum opinion issued by Chief Justice Jim Wright from a panel including Wright, Justice Terry McCall and Justice John Hill.

According to police reports, numerous suspects — witnesses stated there were between five and seven suspects involved — stormed the home of a Big Spring family living in the 600

block of State Street during the June 2010 robbery, kicking in the side and front doors of the house shortly before midnight.

The suspects were armed with handguns, according to police reports, while one suspect was armed with a shotgun. All were wearing bandanas or masks to conceal their identities, according to investigators.

“The suspects demanded money, and holding the family at gunpoint, ransacked the house,” Big Spring Police Department Public Information Officer Tony Everett said, following Jaramillo’s arrest in late June 2010. “The suspects threatened the adults, and pointed their weapons

at the couple’s children, who are two and three years old. One suspect pistol whipped the male victim in the head while his children were present.”

No life threatening injuries were sustained during the attack, according to police records.

Everett said moments after the suspects fled the victim’s home police officers noticed a vehicle driving without its headlights on. Once the vehicle was pulled over, several suspects exited the car, fleeing on foot.

Jaramillo and a 16-year-old juvenile

suspect were taken into custody moments later. According to police officials, items stolen during the invasion were recovered from the vehicle. Both were charged with aggravated robbery.

District Judge Robert H. Moore III heard the case, which was prosecuted by District Attorney Hardy Wilkerson. Jaramillo was represented by local attorney Tim Yeats.

Jaramillo wasn’t the only defendant to receive a stiff sentence for his part in the home invasion, as Clifford Leon Anglin, 26, was also found guilty of a charge

of aggravated robbery. Anglin also received a 60-year sentence.

Anglin’s conviction was affirmed by the same appellate court in August, also on a memorandum opinion.

A third suspect in the case was also convicted in 118<sup>th</sup> District Court, as Phillip G. Martinez, 23, also of Big Spring, was found guilty by a jury Feb. 2, 2011, and sentenced to 14 years in a TDCJ facility.

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## Don't give up your right to vote

This whole 4A, 4B thing has me perplexed. I cannot for the life of me understand why people in this town who have railed on in the past about their right to vote are now standing in line to give up that right.

At least two of our recent letter-to-the-editor writers were vocally upset and angry when they did not get to vote on city council actions such as the smoking ordinance or water park. But today, those same folks are asking you to switch to a 4B EDC and give up your right to vote.



**BILL McCLELLAN**

Amazing, isn't it? Here's reality: If you have voted in favor of the Economic Development Corporation switching to a 4B corporation — in other words FOR Proposition 1 on the ballot — you have voted yourself out of an opportunity to vote on any and all 4B projects in the future. That's because once the corporation is 4B, the board can do what it wants.

There is no vote except by the seven board members. Yes, you'll be able to speak your mind in a public forum, but that's it. You've given up your right to vote on 4B projects.

However, if the corporation stays 4A, you'll be able to vote on any and all 4B projects that come up, such as the one recently approved by voters that directs 40 percent of the EDC's funds to water treatment for the next 20 years. Keep in mind, that was a 4A corporation taking on a 4B project with voter approval. How difficult was that?

Don't let anyone tell you that a 4B corporation can do more than a 4A corporation. It's not true. The difference is, that under a 4B corporation, the EDC board does not need your vote to begin a 4B project — any 4B project. Under a 4A corporation, your vote — not just board approval — is necessary.

If you haven't voted yet, I encourage you not to give up the control you currently have. Don't put your faith in government — any government. Frankly, that's just silly. Make sure you still have more than a voice no one may listen to. Make sure you still have a vote.

Vote against Proposition 1.

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we remain diligent about reading  
Your word, Lord, for our life.

Amen

# 'Access' to birth control doesn't count

Mitt Romney is running ads explaining that he does not object to birth control.

But no one questions his stance that women should have, as the ads say, "access" to contraception. They already do. They also have access to Coach handbags and flights to Acapulco. And that's where the Romney smokescreen, intended to close a gender gap favoring Democrats, needs clearing.

Most women of childbearing age would consider birth control an essential part of their health care. But of the medical services employers must provide under the new health care law, Romney singles out birth control as one thing that should be optional.

Sure, most women can afford birth control. Women who lead disciplined lives would move heaven and earth to manage their fertility. From a practical standpoint, these women can be counted on to take care of business. To them, this exclusion in coverage is merely insulting.

But they are not the concern. The concern is women scraping by. Some live paycheck to paycheck, or don't have one. Some are high school kids with no income stream. Some are strangers to the larger world of responsibility or lack the mental capacity to make sound decisions about unprotected sex.

These are the women who

may not dig into their empty or messy pockets for the \$120 to \$1,000 a year needed to buy contraception. Also, to obtain the pill, one must first visit a doctor and get a prescription. Organized women do what they must. Disorganized women don't get around to it.

Consider the low-income 24-year-old wanting to have sex with her boyfriend and not wanting to get pregnant. She knows where she can find birth control pills, but rather than spend a week's pay to get there, she rationalizes: "This the 'safe' part of my monthly cycle. I probably won't get pregnant, and so I'll take the risk."

Next thing you know, she's pregnant.

She'll either have an abortion or join the growing armies of unmarried women who have babies out of wedlock.

The first scenario, an abortion, is anathema to social conservatives. The second scenario, another potentially dysfunctional family headed by a single parent, worries thinking Americans of most political persuasions. Not providing this mainstream pharmaceutical — free! — to the women who need it most is crazy social policy.

We know the politics. We know that the Catholic Church, being theologically opposed to birth control, has pushed for this exclusion. We know that the health care reforms make an exception for churches, but not for the hospitals, schools and other entities they run. But that should be exception enough.

Romney wants to ban abortion

except in cases of rape, incest and to save the life of the mother. I think early abortions should be easy to get but that abortion is a complex issue with strong views on all sides. Arguing over whether birth control should be basic of health care coverage is something else entirely and hard to fathom. The vast majority of American Catholics use birth control without apology.

The Gates Foundation runs a program providing contraceptives in impoverished countries. Melinda Gates, a practicing Catholic, staunchly defends it. By being able to control their fertility, she argues, women can begin a "virtuous economic cycle."

Rich America has a poor country expanding within its borders. We, too, must help women in the poor America start a "virtuous economic cycle."

Yes, all women have "access" to birth control. But with effective contraception costing hundreds a year, otherwise responsible low-income women might take their chances and have sex without it. We can't afford not to ensure that those who want birth control, get it.

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## If not 'apologizing,' Mr. President, what would you call it?

OK, President Obama, if you and your defenders insist on denying that you've repeatedly apologized for America, then let's quit mincing words and acknowledge you've done worse than apologize.

That works for me.

Maybe it is technically inaccurate to attribute the word apology to you, because you would have to identify with America more before you could apologize on its behalf. Besides, I suppose we should not be surprised

in this Clinton-inspired age of word meaninglessness — an age in which the simple word "is" no longer feels comfortable in its own skin — that you would deny you have apologized because you didn't use the precise word "apology" in any of your shameful outings.

You didn't say you were sorry, either, come to think of it. But what you did do is harshly criticize America, not just to Americans on our soil but to other nations and their leaders on their soil. From the time you became a liberal activist, you've exhibited a grudge against America as originally founded, and since becoming president, you've made clear on numerous occasions that you still harbor that sentiment.

Indeed, it seems rather obvious based on your statements and policies that your principal motivation for running for president was to "fundamentally transform America" — your words. Perhaps you could remake it into something you could be proud of and truly love.

You showed genuine contempt for America's conduct before you ascended to the presidency and hastened to add that you had nothing to do with it and would change it. In other words, on our behalf — your fellow Americans — you've presumptuously expressed contrition and promised repentance under any reasonable construction of language.

From your condemnation of our enhanced interrogation techniques, which you scornfully call "torture" and which gave us the essential intelligence that led to our elimination of Osama bin Laden, to your denunciation of America's attack on Iraq to your promise to close Gitmo, you have done more than distance yourself from your predecessors on policy. You've rendered a guilty verdict against America and painted it as the international outlaw and bully and vowed to turn things around by adopting an entirely new approach to the war on terror. And you've fulfilled that promise, which goes a long way toward explaining how the Fort Hood shooter was able to succeed in his mass murder and we lost four American lives in Benghazi, Libya.

Seeing as you reject the term "apology" to describe your overtures, perhaps you could help us better characterize them. May I suggest "slam, dis, knock, reproach, blame, criticize, condemn, ridicule or denounce"? Let's review:

You scoffed at the idea of American exceptionalism.

You want to increase our deference to international bodies that obviously don't have our best interests at heart, and many of whose members reject our values. You have strongly criticized America's record on civil and human rights to the United Nations Commission on Human Rights.

You said at the G-20 meeting in London that you believed your election would lead to a restoration of America's positive image in the world, thereby implying it had a richly deserved negative image. You said America needs to account for "inadequacies" in its "regulatory system," and you accepted blame and responsibility for the economic crisis having begun in the United States — "even if" you weren't "president at the time."

You told the Al-Arabiya television network that America "dictates" without knowing "all the factors involved."

At the Summit of the Americas, you sat through Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega's

50-minute harangue against the United States without registering a word of protest and then thanked him for not blaming you "for things that happened when" you were "3 months old." You told the French that America failed to appreciate Europe's leading role in the world and that we've been "arrogant," "dismissive" and "derisive."

In Trinidad, you said we'd been "disengaged" and "dictatorial." In Prague, you said America has a moral responsibility to act on arms control because we are the only nation to have used a nuclear weapon. You tried to visit Japan to personally apologize for our bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, and when the Japanese rejected your offer as "a non-starter," you sent Ambassador John Roos to do the job the following year.

You apologized to the Communist Chinese for Arizona's immigration law, a law that Mexican President Felipe Calderon condemned in the Rose Garden while you remained silent. In Mumbai, you told Indians that Americans think of India as but a land of call centers that cost Americans jobs.

You told the Congressional Hispanic Caucus that Mexicans were here "long before America was even an idea," apparently unaware that Mexico declared its independence in 1810.

But do you ever talk about America's benevolence and philanthropy in the world? Do you ever praise America for liberating other nations and preventing the enslavement of the Western world by communism?

Love and praise for America don't roll off your lips. Censure and disparagement do. If "apology" doesn't fit, please tell us what does.

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**Kid Scoop Together:**

## Honoring Veterans

Here are just some of the ways you can honor military veterans on Veterans Day, courtesy of [www.va.gov/kids](http://www.va.gov/kids)

- ★ Draw a picture about Veterans Day and send it to your newspaper. Maybe it will be published!
- ★ Make a card to thank veterans. You can send your card to a local VA Medical Center.
- ★ Ask your teacher to invite veterans to your classroom. You can learn a lot from your guests!
- ★ Have your school make a poster with the names (and pictures) of relatives and friends who are veterans.
- ★ Write an acrostic poem using the words “THANK YOU.” Begin each line with a word that starts with the letter shown and give it to a friend or family member who is a veteran.

# VETERANS DAY

From the mid-1950s through 1975, nearly 3 million Americans served in the Vietnam War. The Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. permanently displays the names of the 58,195 men and women who gave their \_\_\_\_\_ in service to our country.

Sometimes called “The Wall,” the Vietnam Veterans Memorial is a very \_\_\_\_\_ monument. It is a place for friends, family members and people from around the country and the world to \_\_\_\_\_ to remember the sacrifice of those who died.

Many visitors use paper and a \_\_\_\_\_ or chalk to make rubbings of some of the names as a keepsake and reminder of their \_\_\_\_\_ to the memorial.

**Standards Link:** Civics: Students know how Veterans Day reflects the shared values, principles and beliefs of Americans.

Replace these words missing from the article.  
GATHER VISIT LIVES THINKING PENCIL POWERFUL



The Memorial was designed by a Yale University student named Maya Ying Lin.

### See ‘The Wall’

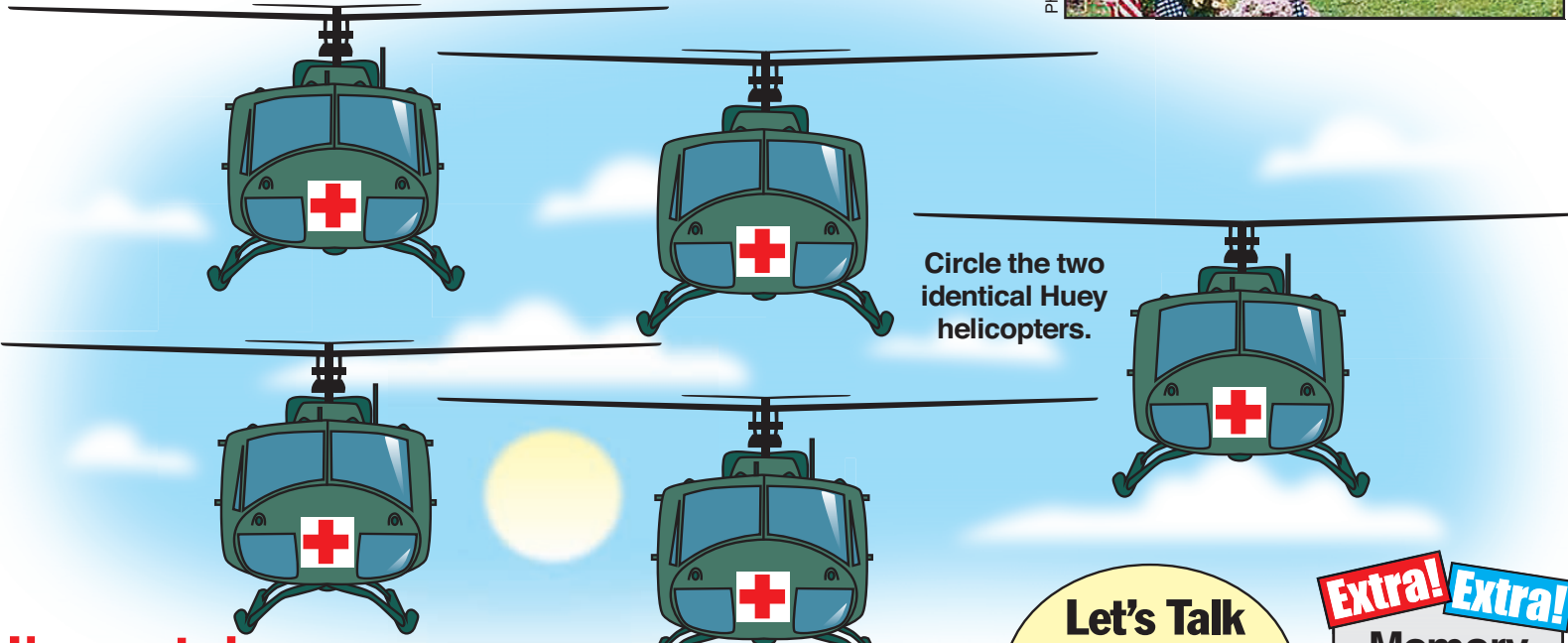
Can’t travel to Washington, D.C. to see the wall? There is a traveling replica of The Wall that visits cities across America throughout the year. You can see the schedule at [www.vvmf.org](http://www.vvmf.org) to find out where it can be seen.

The replica is 80% the size of the actual Vietnam Veterans Memorial, but it includes every one of the names.

Families can make rubbings of the names or spend time \_\_\_\_\_ about those who served in Vietnam and other wars.



Photo by Hu Toya  
Photo courtesy VFW Post 1943



Circle the two identical Huey helicopters.

### Unexpected

When Maya Ying Lin’s design for the Vietnam Veterans Memorial was first selected, some people were upset by the unusual monument.

People were used to seeing statues of men on horseback and other powerful tributes to military heroes. Maya Ying Lin’s design was unlike any other monument and not at all what people expected.

But over time, The Wall has become one of the most powerful and beloved tributes in America, visited by over three million people each year.

### Let’s Talk

Ask a parent about a time they changed their opinion about something.

**Extra! Extra!**

### Memory Page

Create a page so that in the future you can remember your life today. Look through the newspaper and select pictures and words that describe you and your life today.

Use these to decorate a page all about you!

**Standards Link:** Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

### How to Create a Rubbing

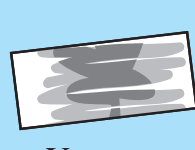
Many people make rubbings at The Wall.



Place a piece of paper over an object.



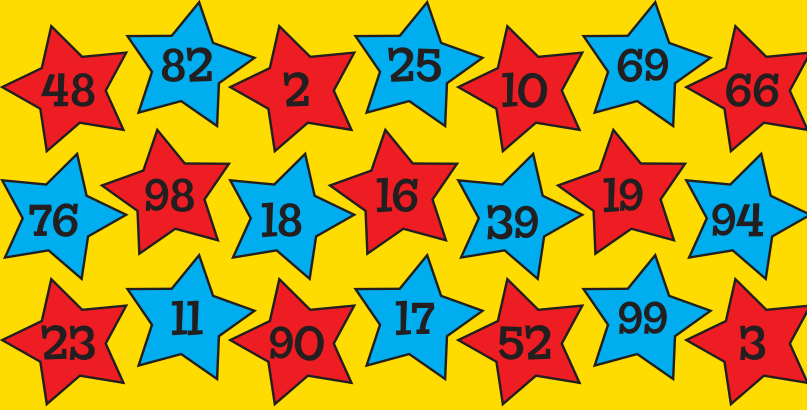
Scribble back and forth gently with a pencil.



You can make rubbings of plaques, leaves and more. Create a whole book of the rubbings you create as a keepsake.

### Kid Scoop Puzzler

Can you pick three stars that add up to exactly 100?



HINT: There is more than one answer.

**Standards Link:** Number Sense: Calculate sums to 100.

### Double Double Word Search

MEMORIAL  
VETERANS  
KEEPSAKE  
VIETNAM  
COUNTRY  
DISPLAY  
SERVED  
NAMES  
WORLD  
CHALK  
PAPER  
HUEY  
MAYA  
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Find the words in the puzzle. Then look for each word in this week’s Kid Scoop stories and activities.

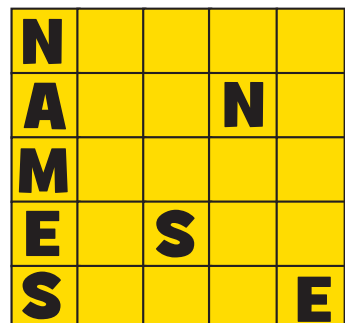


**Standards Link:** Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

**Standards Link:** Visual Arts: Know how different media techniques communicate ideas.

### Kid Scoop-doku™

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



Wearing a red poppy on November 11 is a way to honor veterans. Go to [www.kidscoop.com/kids](http://www.kidscoop.com/kids) to find instructions to make a poppy.

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### Heroes

Look through the newspaper and clip pictures and articles about heroes, past and present. Make a “Heroes” poster. Tell the reason why each person is considered a hero.

**Standards Link:** Civics: Understand how participation in civic responsibilities helps preserve democracy.

### Have you thanked a veteran today?

On the 11th month, the 11th day, at the 11th hour, take a moment to stop for two minutes and remember those who served.

### Write On!

#### What is a Hero?

Write a poem or short story describing what you think defines a hero. Include examples using people you know or have read about.

# Bird Poop: A raptor regains its strength

Awakened by a sound far behind it, the large bird struggled to rise from the dirt and weeds along a fence line. As a cold breeze ruffled its feathers, the raptor eased back down to the comforting earth.

Another, closer sound startled the bird of prey. With its wings suddenly pressed firmly against its body, the hawk lashed outward with its talons at the empty air.

Little strength could be called forth as it continued to struggle while being carried to a truck. After being laid on the front floor mat, it closed its eyes. The weariness of its journey had finally overcome it.

With the rush of daylight from the opposite side of the truck came a cold surge of an October morning's wind. Papers on the dash blew about the cab as the driver hoisted himself into the seat and under the steering wheel.

Exhausted and depleted of energy, the large brown bird could only wait for the next indignity to happen.

Most of the driver's days were uneventful. Traveling the endless roads of West Texas for the Department of Transportation, the man covered some of the most barren reaches of the state. Aside from endless fences, occasional windmills, and desert scrubs, the land had become a monotonous routine, until today.

Glancing down at his newly acquired passenger, he called the dispatcher. "Get me the game warden. I've got a passenger."

The startled employee

asked, "A what?" Laughing, the driver said, "Trick or treat!"

Since the next day was Halloween, he had enjoyed changing the pace of their usual conversations.

A few minutes later, he received a callback. Because of a training session, the game warden was out of the area for the rest of the week.

"You did leave word that I had a hawk?" The dispatcher reassured him that she had left a notice that he had found a hawk.

With no other alternative, he proceeded to finish his route. Finally, after having checked every hour to make sure the bird was still alive, he headed for home.

When his wife saw him carrying a hawk, she was shocked but not surprised. Whenever he had brought any critters home, together they had nursed them back to health. Seeing animals return to the wild had always proved rewarding.

Instead of serving the steak she had planned to grill for dinner, his wife cut the raw beef into what she considered "bite sized bits." After wrapping the hawk in a large towel, she held it while her husband pried open its mouth and stuffed it back in the throat.

After tasting the juicy morsels, the bird readily accepted the remaining part of their meal from a pair of salad tongs. "Do we have anything else to give it?" asked the man.

From the refrigerator she took a package of raw chicken. "Will this do?"

Halfway through the tender breasts, the hawk slowed in gorging itself. "Guess it's full," thought his wife. Obvious to both of them was the bulge in its crop.

Readily eating on its own the next day, the hawk seemed contented in an old



Courtesy photo

**Weighing two-and-a-half to three pounds and almost 23 inches in length, the red-tailed hawk is an awesome raptor. The bird of prey is a skilled hunter of rabbits, ground squirrels, rats, mice and snakes.**

chicken coop in the back yard. Since it had made no attempt at flying, it could at least regain its strength. Soon, it was using a lower roost.

After a week and a half, the game warden finally called. In addition to his training conference, a family matter had delayed him.

"Do you know if it can fly?" he asked. The man said neither he nor his wife had seen it make any effort to fly. However, it was now using a higher perch he had installed.

Saying he had just the place for the bird, the officer arrived an hour later. Walking out with the couple to

the chicken coop, he readily appreciated the stately bearing of a mature red-tailed hawk. Its brown upper parts, creamy under parts, streaked belly, and rusty tail were typical of its species.

The game warden said he, and a public school science teacher, were using a fenced area at the city's water treatment plant as a place for recovering raptors. Unable to find enough game to sustain migrations, hawks could rest and feed before continuing. Some owls could also benefit from the R&R that was offered.

A six-foot, chain-link fence with barbed wire on top surrounded the property. Not

having to be challenged by either starvation or an attack from another predator, a hawk or owl could exercise in the enclosed area and leave when ready by simply flying over the fence. He and the teacher supplied natural food and could utilize this stopgap facility that was in a protected area not accessible to the public.

Broken wings, electrical mishaps, or gunshot wounds were more serious injuries. They required delivery of the birds to the closest rehabilitator, who was over a hundred miles to the east.

When the gate of his large carrier was opened, the game warden watched as the red-tailed hawk half-walked, half-hopped out onto a grassy expanse. After looking around, the raptor flapped its wings. Slowly, it allowed every feather to settle back in place.

Then it used its broad wings to coast across the fenced area. In the ensuing days, the game warden and teacher watched as it gained in strength and elevation. Its recovery was impressive.

Shortly before the arrival of an arctic front, the hawk took an opportunity to continue its southerly journey. Accepting the lift provided by winds that preceded this early November weather event, the bird of prey easily cleared the top of the fence as the officer drove up to check on its progress once again.

Having seen it rise and escape the clouds of swirling, stinging dust forecast for that evening, the warden watched as its rose gracefully to soaring heights and out of sight.

*Bebe McCasland is author of "The Scoop from Bird Poop." She is federally and state licensed to rehabilitate wild birds.*

## ODDS AND ENDS

### Man charged for decorating with street signs

BRISTOL, Tenn. (AP) — A Bristol man is free on bond after police found 30 stolen street signs, two traffic barrels and two traffic cones in his house.

The Kingsport Times-News reports police spotted street signs nailed to the walls of Daniel Cross' home when they responded to a call about a domestic incident Saturday morning.

According to the arrest report, police saw an orange traffic barrel and traffic cone in a corner and found more signs in a pile under a child's bed.

Cross told officers the signs were given to him by a friend. He said he was going to decorate with them.

Transportation officials still are determining their value.

Cross was charged with receiving or concealing stolen property.

### Toy company donates 'knight' to store

BEAVER, Pa. (AP) — A toy company has donated a new four-foot-tall knight statue to accompany one stolen from the front of a western Pennsylvania toy shop before it was also returned by pranksters.

Workers at Castle Toy and Games

in Beaver have dubbed the new Playmobil knight Sir Veillance (surveillance, get it?).

The shop's other knight, nicknamed "Dude," was stolen from in front of the store Oct. 15 by two men who planned to let a third friend put it in his apartment bathroom as a prank to scare people.

The Beaver County Times reports the men have returned the first knight, apologized and have agreed to perform community service. If they do that, they'll be cited for the incident and face a small fine.

The Playmobil company, which makes both figures, donated Sir Veillance.

### Pickup with 4 flat tires targeted by Mich. thieves

WHITE PIGEON, Mich. (AP) — Authorities say a pickup truck with four flat tires that hadn't run for five or six years was reportedly targeted by thieves in Michigan.

The truck was taken during the last two to four weeks in White Pigeon.

The St. Joseph County sheriff's department says the red, 2000 Dodge had a 100-gallon aluminum fuel tank in its bed along with an aluminum toolbox.

A witness reported seeing a flat-bed wrecker take the pickup truck as a second tow truck followed behind.

## PARENTS CORNER:

# It's not what happens to us that matters

My grandfather used to tell me that sometimes life hands us a bitter pill and we don't really want to accept it. It's at times like this we would prefer to give up and quit trying but it is only through the continued trying that we succeed.

The things we are trying for are the goals of our lives — the dreams that keep us alive — for without these things in our lives we begin to die. Then he would tell me to always remember that without a dream, we perish! My grandfa-

ther's words came back to me recently when I was asked if there was ever a time when everything seemed to be going wrong and I felt like giving up.

I guess everyone goes through times like this and it is always good to know we are not alone in our struggles. I found an account that was written about such a situation that I'd like to share with you. The author is unknown but the message is clear:

"Several times in the past few years I have found myself in a situation where everything just seemed to be bad and getting worse and worse. I had people who were close to me telling me not to worry, that everything happens for a reason and that sooner or later I would find out what it was.

"Of course, as depressed as I could be, I doubted it. When it's you, the whole world can tell you it will get better, but you don't believe it until you see it with your own eyes. So time went by and I kept on feeling the same way. Then one day, right out of the blue, I knew the reason why I had to go through all the things I did. It's part

of life.

"It's necessary for us to grow and learn. It's these lessons that teach us to appreciate what we have every day; all those little things that we take for granted sometimes. Now I believe that all of the things that happened to me in my life have made me a stronger person than I was before. I appreciate all those little things that I took for granted before. I got to know my real friends for the very first time; the ones who stuck by me no matter what. I know I'll have more bad times in my life, but next time someone says 'Don't forget that everything happens for a reason,' I'll know it is true."

We must keep in mind that we all go through bad times in life but the important thing is to know that sooner or later we will understand the reason and we will find ourselves better off than we were before.

A good thought to remember is: It's not what happens to us but it's what we do about what happens that matters!

*Darrell Ryan is director of federal programs for the Big Spring Independent School District.*



DARRELL RYAN

## sudoku

ANSWERS

2	7	9	1	4	5	8	3	6
5	8	4	3	6	2	7	9	1
1	6	3	9	8	7	2	5	4
3	9	2	8	5	1	4	6	7
6	5	7	2	9	4	3	1	8
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9	4	1	5	3	8	6	7	2
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## News in brief

### Then and now, gaffe-prone candidates hurt GOP's chances of retaking Senate

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republicans hopeful of taking over the Senate should be measuring the drapes. But a series of blown opportunities two years ago and again this year has cost Republicans dearly in their quest for a Senate majority.

Flawed, gaffe-prone nominees may have cost them the chance to win three seats in the 2010 GOP wave. Now, an easy pickup in Missouri and a long-time GOP seat in Indiana are in question after high-profile stumbles on rape and abortion.

Democrats presently control the Senate with 53 votes, including two independents who usually vote with them. By any measure, Republicans should hold more seats if it had not been for losses two years ago in Delaware, Colorado and Nevada, where tea party-backed candidates stormed to wins in GOP primaries but fell short in the general election.

The biggest flameout of 2010 came in Delaware, where longtime Rep. Mike Castle had been considered a sure bet to take over a longtime Democratic seat despite the state's strong Democratic lean. But Castle was upended in the GOP primary by tea party favorite Christine O'Donnell, who in turn got crushed by 17 points in the general election by Chris Coons.

In Colorado, tea partier Ken Buck defeated GOP establishment favorite Jane Norton in the primary, only to lose by 2 points to appointed Democratic Sen. Michael Bennet. And in Nevada, gaffe-prone tea party candidate Sharron Angle lost to Democratic Majority Leader Harry Reid, who entered the race with high unfavorable ratings and would probably have been an underdog to a more mainstream Republican candidate.

### As Egyptians affirm their faith on hajj, questions over how much faith should be in politics

MECCA, Saudi Arabia (AP) — Now that she has finished the hajj and is returning home to Egypt, Magda Bagnied says her family will no doubt try to convince her to put on the headscarf to demonstrate her religiosity after a pilgrimage meant to cleanse her of sin and bring her closer to God.

She fully expects that from her parents. But she doesn't want that kind of pressure from her government or leaders.

"Leave religion to the people," said Bagnied, a media professor at Ahram Canadian University, in Cairo's suburbs.

The annual pilgrimage to Islam's holiest sites offers Muslims a chance to reaffirm their faith and root themselves more firmly in their beliefs. It comes at a time when several Arab nations are facing a similar issue on a political level after uprisings that toppled longtime leaders and brought Islamists to greater power: The question of how much a government should be rooted in Islam.

### Bahrain bans all protest gatherings amid growing violence

MANAMA, Bahrain (AP) — Bahrain imposed emergency-style rules Tuesday banning all protest gatherings and threatening legal action against groups considered backing escalating demonstrations and clashes in the strategic Gulf kingdom.

The order, announced by the Interior Ministry, is the most sweeping attempt to quash the kingdom's anti-government uprising since martial law rules were in effect during the early months of unrest last year. It sharply increases pressure on political groups from Bahrain's Shiite Muslim majority, which has led the protests seeking a greater political voice in the Sunni Muslim-ruled nation.

Tougher steps against opposition groups could raise complications for Washington and other Western allies that have stood by Bahrain's monarchy during more than 20 months of unrest. The U.S. has important military bonds with Bahrain, which hosts the U.S. Navy's 5th Fleet, but it also has called for increased efforts at dialogue to ease the tensions.

Shiites comprise about 70 percent of Bahrain's 525,000 citizens, but claim they face systematic discrimination such as being denied top political and security posts.

The Sunni monarchy has made a series of concessions — including giving more powers to the elected parliament — but opposition groups say the reforms do little to loosen the ruling family's hold on power.

### Sandy forces political pause, but campaigns still look for an edge with 7 days left

WASHINGTON (AP) — The havoc unleashed by Superstorm Sandy is bringing an unnerving pause to the presidential campaigning as President Barack Obama and rival Mitt Romney adjust the breakneck pace of the contest's final days to the anxieties and escalating emergency demands sweeping the Eastern Seaboard.

Seven days before the election, both men and their running mates tempered their campaigns for Tuesday, eager not to appear out of sync with more immediate worries over flooding, power outages, economic calamity and personal safety. Neither Obama nor Vice President Joe Biden planned to campaign Tuesday. Romney was going forward with a planned event in Ohio, but his campaign said its focus would be storm relief.

Obama shifted promptly from campaign mode to governing, abandoning a Florida event to return to Washington.

# Slain pastor 'man of integrity'

FOREST HILL, Texas (AP) — The Rev. Danny Kirk Sr. greeted everyone walking into his Texas church on Sundays with a big hug and an "I love you." His weekdays were spent visiting folks in the hospital or mowing lawns and doing household repairs for members in need.

Parishioners, who described Kirk as a dedicated minister with a bubbly personality and a knack for remembering the names of his church's 800 members, are now looking for answers following his violent death.

Police in the Fort Worth suburb of Forest Hill said Kirk was killed Monday by a man who rammied a car into a wall at his Greater Sweethome Missionary Baptist Church, then chased Kirk and fatally beat him with an electric guitar.

Investigators said they don't know the motive or if Kirk knew his attacker, who police subdued by using a Taser but who died after being taken into custody. His name hasn't been released.

Hundreds of people gathered outside the church, where crime-scene tape was wrapped around a small statue of Jesus near the wrecked car.

Some hugged each other and cried, while others shared mem-

ories of Kirk.

"He really was concerned about our souls," Montoya McNeil, a church member for eight years, said as she wiped away tears. "You looked forward to being here. ... I'm not asking God why, because I know where he (Kirk) is, but we won't get those big bear hugs and those great sermons anymore."

Claudie Loftin, an associate minister, called Kirk a hands-on pastor who "didn't run around wearing a suit."

"He would wear jeans or a sweatsuit because he said he never knew how he would be needed to help, and that's what a pastor does. He was a man of integrity."

Forest Hill Police Chief Dan Dennis said the suspect drove his car into a church wall before noon Monday, apparently on purpose.

The suspect got out of the car and began to attack the pastor in the parking lot before chasing him into the church, while the secretary hid and called 911, Dennis said.

Police arrived to find the suspect assaulting Kirk with an electric guitar from inside the church, Dennis said. An officer used a Taser on the suspect,

handcuffed him and put him in the back of a patrol car.

By then, Kirk had died, Dennis said. A maintenance worker who tried to help Kirk was injured and taken to an area hospital. His condition was unknown.

Dennis said the suspect was found unresponsive shortly after being detained and was pronounced dead at a local hospital. Kirk fought back during the attack, Dennis said, but it's unclear if that played any role in the suspect's death. An autopsy was being performed on the suspect to determine the cause of death.

Dennis said he didn't know if the suspect knew Kirk, attended the church or why he might have attacked the pastor.

Former Forest Hill Mayor James Gosey said Kirk started the church in 1995 in a strip mall before building the red-brick church.

Kirk was also an unofficial volunteer chaplain who occasionally counseled members of a local high school football team, Fort Worth school district spokesman Clint Bond said.

Loftin, the associate minister, said that church members were grieving but would recover from the loss "with the help of God."

# After Sandy: Water, fire and darkness

NEW YORK (AP) — New York City awakened Tuesday to a flooded subway system, shuttered financial markets and hundreds of thousands of people without power a day after a wall of seawater and high winds slammed into the city, destroying buildings and flooding tunnels.

Scenes of the damage were everywhere. At least 50 flooded homes in Queens caught fire and were destroyed. A hospital removed patients on stretchers and 20 babies from neonatal intensive care, some on respirators operating on battery power.

Where usually bustling crowds and traffic jams streamed through sidewalks, streets and subways, they were largely empty. And high above midtown, the broken boom of a crane continued to dangle precariously over a neighborhood.

"We knew that this was going to be a very dangerous storm, and the storm has met our expectations," Mayor Michael Bloomberg said. "This is a once-in-a-long-time storm."

The storm was once Hurricane Sandy but combined with two win-

try systems to become a huge hybrid storm whose center smashed ashore late Monday in New Jersey. New York City was perfectly positioned to absorb the worst of its storm surge — a record 13 feet.

Water lapped over the seawall in Battery Park City, flooding rail yards, subway tracks, tunnels and roads.

Rescue workers floated bright orange rafts down flooded downtown streets, while police officers rolled slowly down the street with loudspeakers telling people to go home.

In Queens, nearly 200 firefighters tried to contain an enormous blaze that consumed 50 homes in the Breezy Point neighborhood. They had to use a boat to make rescues, firefighters told WABC-TV. They climbed an awning to reach about 25 trapped people and take them down to a boat.

Officials weren't immediately able to pin down the cause of the blaze.

The rains and howling winds left a crane hanging off a luxury high-rise in midtown Manhattan, causing the evacuation of hundreds from a posh hotel and other build-

ings. Inspectors were climbing 74 flights of stairs to examine the crane hanging from the \$1.5 billion building.

After a backup generator failed, New York University's Tisch Hospital began evacuating more than 200 patients to other facilities, including 20 babies from neonatal intensive care, some of them on respirators operating on battery power.

Without power, the hospital had no elevator service, meaning patients had to be carefully carried down staircases and outside into the weather. Gusts of wind blew their blankets as nurses held IVs and other equipment.

About 670,000 homes and businesses were without power late Monday in the city and suburban Westchester County.

"This will be one for the record books," said John Miksad, senior vice president for electric operations at

Consolidated Edison. "This will be the largest storm-related outage in our history."

The facade of a four-story Manhattan building in the Chelsea neighborhood crumbled and collapsed suddenly, leaving the lights, couches, cabinets and desks inside visible from the street. No one was hurt, although some of the falling debris hit a car.

The city shut all three of its airports, its subways, schools, stock exchanges, Broadway theaters and closed several bridges and tunnels Monday as the weather worsened.

By evening, a record 13-foot storm surge was threatening Manhattan's southern tip and utilities deliberately darkened part of the borough to avoid storm damage.

"It's really a complete ghost town now," said Stephen Weisbrot, from a powerless 10th-floor apartment.

## sudoku

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	6			8				4
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## Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

### Playing the Waiting Game

South dealer. Neither side vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
 ♠ J 5  
 ♥ 10 2  
 ♦ K 8 7 4  
 ♣ J 10 9 7 3

**WEST**  
 ♠ A 9  
 ♥ Q 8 4  
 ♦ Q J 10 5  
 ♣ A 6 4 2

**EAST**  
 ♠ K 8 3  
 ♥ 9 7  
 ♦ A 9 6 3 2  
 ♣ Q 8 5

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

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

Opening lead — queen of diamonds.

Consider this deal from a team-of-four match. The final contract at both tables was four spades, and the opening lead by West in each case was the queen of diamonds. However, the declarer at the first table made the contract, while the declarer at the second table went down one.

At the first table, declarer ruffed the queen of diamonds, cashed the A-K of hearts and played a third heart,

West following with the queen. When South ruffed with dummy's jack, East returned a low club.

West took South's king of clubs with the ace and returned the jack of diamonds. Declarer ruffed and played the queen of trumps, won by West with the ace. Back came another diamond, ruffed by South. Declarer then cashed the ten of trumps, and when both defenders followed, South had the rest of the tricks and his game.

At the second table, after ruffing West's diamond lead and cashing the A-K of hearts, declarer also played a third heart and ruffed it with the jack. But here East discarded a diamond instead of overruffing the jack with the king.

As a result of this play, declarer could not avoid going down one. Regardless of how he continued, he had to lose three trump tricks as well as a club.

East's refusal to overruff the jack with the king at trick four was based on his realization that it was almost impossible for him to gain a trick by overruffing, while he might gain a trick by discarding instead. So East bided his time and was ultimately rewarded for his thoughtful play.

Tomorrow: Sherlock Holmes.  
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- Cross only at corners. Never dart between parked cars or in the middle of the block. Don't forget to look both ways.
- Don't share your chocolate candy with pets — it may make them ill.
- Don't go to the homes that have the porch light off.
- DON'T EAT ALL YOUR TREATS AT ONCE!







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**Big Spring's Julianna Rodriguez puts it over the net during a game earlier this season. The No. 17 ranked Lady Steers open postseason play today against Fabens in Alpine at 6:30 p.m.**

### Sports Calendar

#### TODAY

##### Volleyball

• Big Spring vs. Fabens, bi-district match, at Alpine, 6:30 p.m.

#### FRIDAY

##### Football

- Greenwood (5-3) at Big Spring (5-3), Memorial Stadium, 7:30 p.m.
- Coahoma (2-6) at Reagan County (4-4), 7:30 p.m.
- Forsan (5-3) at Anson (8-0), 7:30 p.m.
- Stanton (3-5) at Sonora (5-3), 7:30 p.m.
- Sands (4-4) at Dawson (1-7), 7:30 p.m.
- Borden (7-2) at Grady (6-2), 7:30 p.m.
- Fort Davis (3-5) at Garden City (2-6), 7:30 p.m.

#### SATURDAY

##### Cross Country

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## Cowboys don't want season to slip away

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys now must try to keep their season from slipping out of reach.

They were so close — by the length of Dez Bryant's fingertips — to being within a half-game of the NFC East lead and having a vital tiebreaker with a season sweep of the division-leading New York Giants.

But the receiver's touchdown catch in the closing seconds was overturned on a replay review.

Dallas (3-4) hits the halfway mark of its schedule Sunday night at Atlanta (7-0), the NFL's only undefeated team. The Cowboys then go to Philadelphia for the first of two meetings in four weeks against their division foe.

"There is a tremendous amount of urgency," coach Jason Garrett said Monday. "Every game is critical. This is a big game."

The Cowboys overcame an early 23-0 deficit and led going into the fourth quarter Sunday in what would have been the biggest comeback victory in team history.

But New York won 29-24 after regaining the lead with two field goals, the go-ahead points coming after Felix Jones fumbled. The Gi-

ants held on after replay showed Bryant's fingers hit out of bounds before he landed on a leaping 37-yard grab with 10 seconds left.

Tight end Jason Witten's franchise-record 18 catches and Tony Romo's career-high 437 yards passing on a record 62 attempts (with 36 completions) weren't enough to help the Cowboys overcome six turnovers, including four interceptions.

New York (6-2) now has a firm grasp on the NFC East lead because no other team in the division has a winning record. Philadelphia (3-4) and Washington (3-5) both lost Sunday.

"It's to that point in the season where you don't have time," Witten said. "Nobody cares about battling. They don't, they want to see you win. ... The clock's ticking. You have to be able to find a way to get on top here a little bit."

Romo has already thrown an NFL-high 13 interceptions in 283 attempts, after having only 10 picks in 522 throws last season. The Cowboys have 19 total giveaways and a minus-11 turnover margin.

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## Record low ratings for World Series

NEW YORK (AP) — The San Francisco Giants' sweep of the Detroit Tigers set a record low for the World Series' television ratings.

The four games on Fox and 12 share, a Nielsen Media Research said Monday. The previous low was an 8.4 for the 2008 Phillies-Rays and 2010 Giants-Rangers series, which each went five games.

Last year's Cardinals-Rangers World Series

went the full seven games and built momentum to average a 10.0/16.

San Francisco's 2-0 win in Game 3 on Saturday night earned a 6.1/11, down from a 6.6/12 for St. Louis' 16-7 win over Texas in the third game last year and matching the lowest for any World Series game. Philadelphia's 5-4 win in Game 3 in 2008 also had a 6.1 rating on a night a rain delay pushed the start after 10 p.m. on the East Coast and the

game didn't end until 1:47 a.m.

The Giants' 4-3, 10-inning victory in the finale Sunday night drew an 8.9/14, up slightly from the 9.2/14 for the Rangers' 4-0 win over the Cardinals in 2011.

Ratings represent the percentage of all homes with TVs tuned into a program.

Shares represent the percentage watching among all homes with TVs in use at the time.

## Big 12 picture clearing up at midway point

The Big 12 season is halfway done, with every team having played at least four league games, and this Saturday shapes up as a big one for teams across the conference.

There have been plenty of surprises so far, none bigger than Kansas State being picked to finish sixth in the preseason poll and instead standing third in the country and second in the BCS.

Here's a glimpse at what's ahead, starting with the meaningful games this weekend:

### CANKANSASSTATE CLOSE IT OUT?

Bill Snyder's Wildcats (8-0, 5-0 Big 12) can eliminate nearly all the drama in the conference title race by winning at home against Oklahoma State (5-2, 3-1).

With a victory Saturday night, K-State would then have to lose two of its remaining three games against TCU, Baylor and Texas to fall short of the conference championship.

Every game is huge at

this point for any team in the national title chase but while this one may not get the same billing as the last two — against West Virginia and Texas Tech — the defending champion Cowboys pose the most direct threat to Kansas State claiming the conference crown. OSU doesn't need help from anyone else, but would have to win four straight games against ranked teams.

"I think they know that we have the opportunity to control our own destiny but they also feel like we're certainly not in any position to look beyond the next game," coach Mike Gundy said Monday.

"We're getting ready to play the second-ranked team in the country and we'll have our hands full just traveling up to Manhattan."

None of the teams left on the Wildcats' schedule are currently in the Top 25.

"They've got a great chance to run the table. They're definitely one of the better teams in the country," Texas Tech

coach Tommy Tuberville said, having lost 55-24 at K-State on Saturday.

"They're more like an SEC team than a Big 12 team, ho they play defense, how they play offense, so I think they've got a great chance."

### WILL WEST VIRGINIA REBOUND?

Not long ago, the Mountaineers (5-2) were preseason favorites and quarterback Geno Smith was the Heisman Trophy front-runner. Now, they're practically afterthoughts.

Dana Holgorsen and Co. had an off week to pick up the pieces and will host fellow Big 12 newcomer TCU on Saturday.

"There was a pretty good sense of urgency last week. The attention to detail tends to pick up when you get beat, if the makeup of your team is what you want it to be," Holgorsen said.

Holgorsen said he thinks players can forget their fundamentals during the grind of the season and the off week

was a good chance to refocus.

"There's a whole bunch of good 5-2 football teams out there. Just because we've dropped the last two doesn't mean that we're a bad football team," he said.

### WHO'S PLAYING QUARTERBACK?

While there has been steady play at the top from the likes of Klein, Texas Tech's Seth Doege and Oklahoma's Landry Jones, there's been more shuffling than usual at the quarterback position in the Big 12.

Injuries forced Oklahoma State to replace Wes Lunt with J.W. Walsh and then bring Lunt back last week. TCU went with Trevone Boykin after Casey Pachall was arrested and suspended indefinitely.

And then there were the changes related to effectiveness: Kansas switched from Notre Dame transfer Dayne Crist to Michael Cummings and a run-based

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## AFC-leading Texans back to work after bye

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Texans secured the AFC's best record before using their bye for a long break to rest and recharge. Now they chase their goal of reaching the Super Bowl.

The first task comes when they host Buffalo on Sunday.

The biggest concern for the Texans (6-1) coming out of the bye week is depth at running back with Ben Tate hampered by a hamstring injury. Coach Gary Kubiak hoped the break would give Tate time to get healthy.

Instead Tate missed practice Monday, and Kubiak said he's still "a few days away" from getting back on the field.

The Texans look to Tate to help ease the load of Arian Foster, whose 168 rushes lead the NFL.

"We need him," Kubiak said of Tate. "He's very important to getting Arian rest, and

our success as a football team."

Kubiak doesn't feel comfortable having just two healthy running backs on the active roster and said the Texans may consider signing practice squad player Davin Megett to the roster if Tate doesn't improve.

Tate said he's feeling better and believes he's improving, but he isn't sure how long he'll be out.

Foster feels fresh after the break and thinks too much is made of his workload. He hopes to have Tate back this week, but is also comfortable with Forsett.

"He's an important part of what we do. I can't wait until he gets back healthy, but until then, Justin Forsett is a very capable back," Foster said.

"We've seen what he can do already. That's just the nature of the business. Somebody goes down, the next guy has to step up."

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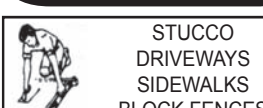
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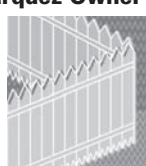
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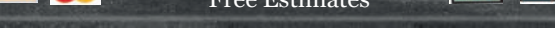
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A plate filled with seafood, especially Norwegian Salmon, is a hallmark of New Nordic Cuisine. "I love how this cuisine is inspired by the sea," Geagan said. "The ocean provides some of nature's most perfect proteins that deliver whole body benefits."

For example, a serving of Norwegian Salmon is an excellent source of high quality protein and omega 3 fats. It also contains key nutrients, including selenium (thyroid and cell health), iodine (thyroid and hormonal health), vitamin D (bone and immune health) and vitamin B12 (red blood cell and neurological health).

Norwegian Salmon is available fresh year-round, so it's easy to incorporate into your everyday meal planning. For more deliciously healthy recipes, visit [www.salmonfromnorway.com](http://www.salmonfromnorway.com).

### Smoked Norwegian Salmon and Pearl Barley Salad

Serves: 4

- 3/4 pound smoked Norwegian Salmon
- 1/2 cup pearl barley, soaked in cold water overnight
- 4 1/2 cups water, divided
- 1/2 cup olive oil
- 2 tablespoons wine vinegar
- 3 tablespoons fresh orange juice
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 1 cup broccoli florets
- 1 carrot, cut into small cubes or strips
- 1/2 onion, chopped
- 1 red bell pepper, cut into small cubes or strips
- 1 cucumber, cut into large cubes
- 2 tablespoons chives, chopped
- 1 tablespoon parsley, chopped

Dice salmon into 1/2 x 1/2-inch cubes (or if already sliced, cut in strips) and set aside in refrigerator.

Drain water from barley. Simmer on low heat in 1 cup water with sprinkle of salt for approximately 30 minutes or until soft.

Drain barley and transfer to bowl. Immediately add oil, vinegar, orange juice, salt and pepper, mix well and set aside to cool.

Bring remaining 3 1/2 cups water to boil and add plenty of salt. When water boils vigorously, add broccoli and carrots and let cook for 30 seconds. Remove vegetables immediately with slotted spoon, plunge into ice water, and then take out of water to drain.

When barley is cold, gently mix all ingredients together and serve with whole-grain bread or sprinkling of bread croutons on top. Vegetables and herbs can be varied according to your own preferences.

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- Cabbage and other cruciferous vegetables
- Berries, apples and pears
- Root vegetables

### Norwegian Salmon in Aluminum Foil

Serves: 4

- 4 sheets aluminum foil (12 x 18 inches, slightly larger than yellow legal pad)
- 2 tablespoons canola oil
- 2 medium carrots, cut into thin strips
- 1 small leek, cut into thin slices
- 1 onion, cut into thin slices
- 1 head iceberg lettuce, cut into 8 wedges
- 1 1/2 pounds Norwegian Salmon fillet, boneless, skin removed, cut into 8 portions
- 1 tablespoon water for each package
- 4 tablespoons crème fraîche or sour cream
- Salt and pepper, to taste

Preheat oven to 350°F.

Place aluminum foil on table with shortest side facing you. All food will be placed in middle of bottom half of foil. Top half of foil will eventually be folded over food. Brush center of bottom half with oil.

Mix all vegetables and spread 1/4 of them over oil. Arrange 2 portions of salmon with vegetables. Add water. Season with salt and pepper. Repeat with remaining three sheets of foil.

To seal pouches, fold top section of foil over. Fold and squeeze edges together to form well-sealed pouch. Place packages on large baking sheet and place in preheated oven. When packages enlarge, they're ready to serve — usually after about 6 to 8 minutes.

To serve, carefully place each package on plate and open at table with pair of scissors or knife. Spoon crème fraîche or sour cream onto fish and sprinkle with lemon juice. Fresh herbs can be added before or after cooking. Eat straight from package.



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### Poached Norwegian Salmon with Stewed Vegetables and Cucumber Salad

Serves: 4

- 3/4 pound Norwegian Salmon fillet, boneless, skin removed
- 4 1/2 cups water
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 1 lemon
- Stewed Vegetables**
- 1 1/4 cups water
- 4 potatoes, cut into cubes
- 3 carrots, cut into cubes
- 1 medium size leek, cut into cubes
- 2 onions, cut into cubes
- 1 medium size leek, cut into cubes
- 2 tablespoons fresh parsley or chives, chopped
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 3/4 cup milk
- Cornstarch, to thicken sauce

### Cucumber Salad

- 1 pound cucumber
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 2 tablespoons white wine vinegar
- 2 tablespoons olive oil

Cut salmon into 4 even pieces and rinse well under cold water.

In large pot, bring water to boil, add salt and then salmon. Immediately remove from heat and let stand to poach for 4 to 6 minutes, depending on thickness of fillet. Be careful not to overcook — the flavors and texture of salmon is at its best when served opaque throughout. Remove from pot with slotted spoon and let water drain off on towel before arranging salmon on plate.

For vegetables, sprinkle water with salt and bring to boil in a large pot. When water is boiling, add potatoes, carrots, celeriac root and onions. Lower heat and simmer until soft.

Add leeks and fresh herbs and simmer for 2 more minutes. Drain vegetables carefully in colander and make sure you keep cooking water.

In same pot, bring milk and cooking water to boil; season with salt and pepper.

Dilute cornstarch in small amount of cold water and add to boiling liquid until you have thick sauce. Add vegetables to milk mixture to reheat before serving.

For cucumber salad, peel cucumber, split lengthwise and remove seeds with small spoon. Cut at an angle in thick slices and mix with sugar, vinegar and oil.

Serve salmon with stewed vegetables and cucumber salad on the side.

**Serving Suggestion:** A few drops of lemon juice on the salmon is a must.

## Annie's Mailbox®

**Dear Annie:** I was with my ex-husband for 18 years before I divorced him. We have three children, and he hasn't been the best father or husband. Lately, however, he has been nice and comes around to visit the kids.

I appreciate the fact that he is doing this, but he is now saying things to me that make me uncomfortable.

He slept on my couch a couple of nights because he stayed late with the kids when I was out. But now he is coming every day and staying over every night. We often end up sleeping together.

I told him to stop coming around

with the expectation that we are getting back together, because we are not. But he refuses to listen, and now he has asked me to marry him again. He won't take "no" for an answer. What should I do? — *Think I've Been Too Nice*

**Dear Think:** For starters, stop sleeping with him. By allowing him to spend the night in your bed, you are leading him on, encouraging him to believe there is hope. If you are serious about keeping him as an ex-husband, you must put an end to the couch sleepovers. When you return home, insist that he leave the prem-

ises. If you don't have the backbone for that, drop the kids at his place instead of letting him come to yours. Or hire a babysitter. You are creating this problem. You can stop it.

**Dear Annie:** How do you handle someone who constantly interrupts? She always knows more about the story and makes me feel inadequate. She's loud, abrasive and obnoxious.

We had a good group of friends, and this person ingratiated herself into our clique.

Only one of the other women likes her, but it's enough to keep her around. I'd love to put her in her

place, but don't want to cause a rift with my friends. — *Annoyed*

**Dear Annoyed:** Does she do this with everyone, or only you? If it's just you, it could be that you take a long time to get to the point, or you monopolize conversations more than you realize. However, if she does it to everyone, you can say, "I'm sure you have something to add, but I'd appreciate it if you would let me finish first." Many people who interrupt do not realize they are doing it and need to be reminded, nicely, when they overstep.

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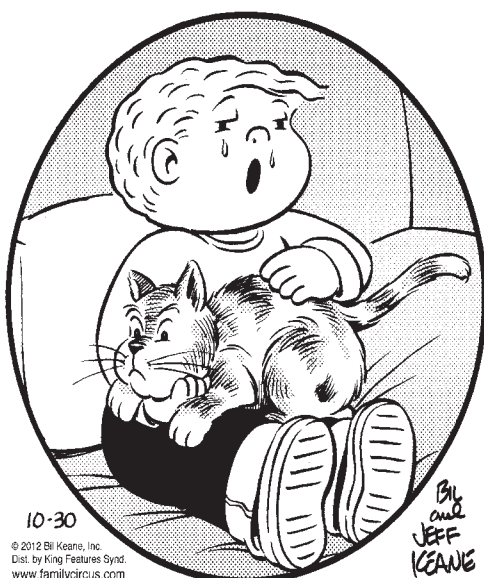
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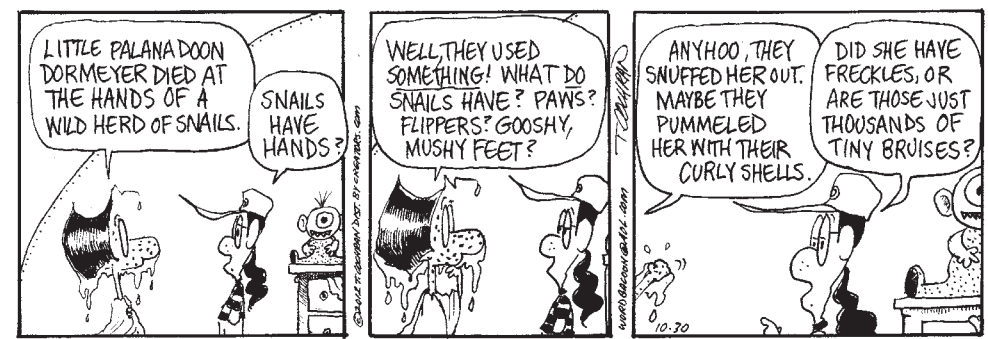
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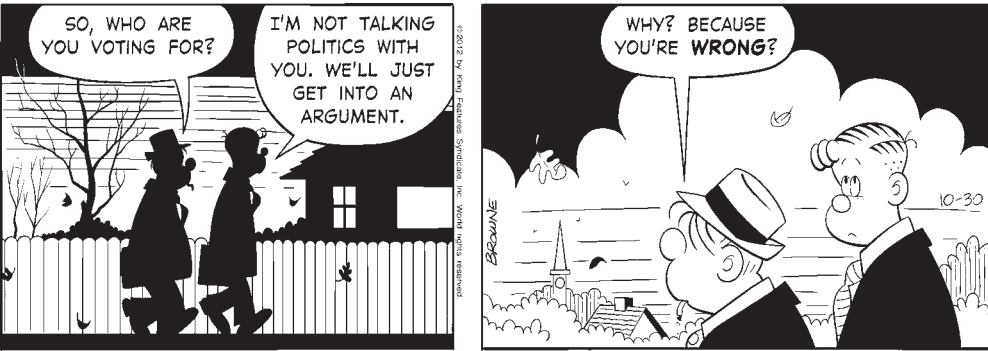
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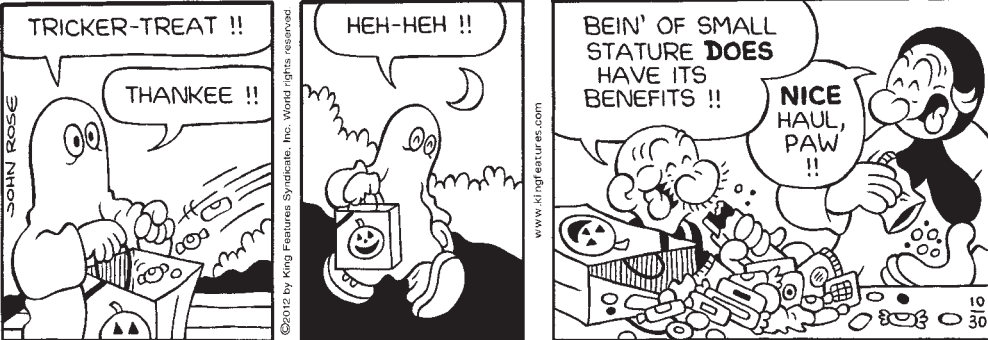
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This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, Oct. 30, the 304th day of 2012. There are 62 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 30, 1912, Vice President James S. Sherman, running for a second term of office with President William Howard Taft, died six days before Election Day. (Sherman was replaced with Nicholas Murray Butler, but Taft, the Republican candidate, ended up losing in an Electoral College landslide to Democrat Woodrow Wilson.)

On this date: In 1735, the second president of the United States, John Adams, was born in Braintree, Mass.

In 1893, the U.S. Senate gave final congressional approval to repealing the Sherman Silver Purchase Act of 1890.

In 1921, the silent film classic "The Sheik," starring Rudolph Valentino, premiered in Los Angeles.

In 1938, the radio play "The War of the Worlds," starring Orson Welles, aired on CBS.

In 1944, the Martha Graham ballet "Appalachian Spring," with music by Aaron Copland, premiered at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C., with Graham in a leading role.

In 1945, the U.S. government announced the end of shoe rationing, effective at midnight.

In 1953, Gen. George C. Marshall was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. Dr. Albert Schweitzer received the Peace Prize for 1952.

In 1961, the Soviet Union tested a hydrogen bomb, the "Tsar Bomba," with a force estimated at about 50 megatons. The Soviet Party Congress unanimously approved a resolution ordering the removal of Josef Stalin's body from Lenin's tomb.

In 1972, 45 people were killed when an Illinois Central Gulf commuter train was struck from behind by another train in Chicago's South Side.

In 1974, Muhammad Ali knocked out George Foreman in the eighth round of a 15-round bout in Kinshasa, Zaire (zah-EER'), known as the

"Rumble in the Jungle," to regain his world heavyweight title.

In 1985, schoolteacher-astronaut Christa McAuliffe witnessed the launch of the space shuttle Challenger, the same craft that carried her and six other crew members to their deaths in January 1986.

In 1997, a jury in Cambridge, Mass., convicted British au pair Louise Woodward of second-degree murder in the death of eight-month-old Matthew Eappen. (The judge, Hiller B. Zobel, later reduced the verdict to manslaughter and set Woodward free.)

Today's Birthdays: Actor Dick Gautier is 75. Movie director Claude Lelouch is 75.

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Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS
- 1 Be boastful
- 5 Rapid
- 9 Fit for a king
- 14 Money in Spain
- 15 Greasy
- 16 Wipe off a blackboard
- 17 Smooth-talking
- 18 Hold tightly
- 19 Eiffel Tower locale
- 20 Sign a contract, perhaps
- 23 Public prosecutors: Abbr.
- 24 Wear away
- 25 Don't throw out
- 27 Become an expert in
- 30 Hot pepper
- 33 Toward the back of a boat
- 34 Grab quickly
- 37 The one close by
- 38 With 40 and 41 Across, does overly creative accounting
- 40 See 38 Across
- 41 See 38 Across
- 42 Olden days
- 43 "I'm stumped!"
- 45 Realize
- 46 Substitute performer
- 48 Evaluate
- 50 Ultimate objective
- 51 Not exactly, informally
- 53 Uplifting poem
- 55 Cool off successfully
- 60 Shish \_\_\_ (meat on a skewer)
- 62 "So long!"
- 63 Bullets or cannonballs
- 64 Select group
- 65 More than
- 66 Fissure
- 67 Had a fine meal
- 68 Fresh-mouthed
- 69 24-hr. cash sources
- DOWN
- 1 Beseeches
- 2 Regulation
- 3 Opera solo
- 4 Wine glass
- 5 Loud seaside signal
- 6 Shown on TV
- 7 Ride a sled downhill
- 8 Use a word processor
- 9 Sportscast's second showing
- 10 Historical period
- 11 Plant-watering aid
- 12 Region east of Europe
- 13 Not as much
- 21 Lock of hair
- 22 Right away, in a memo
- 26 Presidential rejection
- 27 Thanksgiving Day parade sponsor
- 28 In progress
- 29 Attic container
- 30 Gave a signal to
- 31 Rivals of Reeboks
- 32 Curved letters
- 35 Like \_\_\_ of bricks
- 36 \_\_\_ Beta Kappa
- 39 Casino game
- 41 Moisture, as a turkey
- 43 Longest African river
- 44 Aviator Amelia
- 47 Patted gently
- 49 Largest African desert
- 51 \_\_\_ off (forestall)
- 52 Playful river mammal
- 53 Approved
- 54 Sandwich shop
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- 57 Give off
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- 59 Two-year-olds
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**COWBOYS**

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Asked how much turnovers have contributed to the Cowboys' losses, Garrett responded, "I think it's probably been the biggest single factor."

Dallas keeps turning it over despite a continued emphasis to correct that problem, a fact that led to a rare public admission by Garrett of being frustrated.

While Bryant almost had a decisive play, and finished with five catches for 110 yards, he contributed to two early turnovers that helped the Giants lead 23-0 only 2 minutes into the second quarter.

Romo was trying to throw deep when Bryant rounded his route instead of flattening out

across the middle. Stevie Brown cut in front of him for an interception.

Bryant later fielded a punt over his head. Even though he recovered after the ball went through his hands, Bryant was stripped and fumbled inside the Cowboys 20.

"Certainly, the play he had (Sunday) was not a good play for our football team," Garrett said. "We've got to take care of the football on offense, we've got to get the ball on defense, and we certainly have to do that on special teams as well."

Cowboys leading rusher DeMarco Murray could be back against Atlanta after missing the last two games with a sprained right foot. When Murray walked in the locker room briefly Monday while it was open to the media, he wouldn't directly answer if he thought he would play Sunday night.

"We'll just have to wait and see. It seems like he's moving around a little bit better," Garrett said. "That's an injury you have to be patient with. We don't want to rush him back, then take any backward steps."

It could be a big boost if Murray can play, considering Jones had 13 carries for 19 yards against the Giants. Phillip Tanner gained nothing on two carries on consecutive plays after Dallas had first-and-goal from the New York 1 early in the third quarter.

When the Cowboys were driving in the final minutes with all three timeouts left, they didn't even try to run after second-and-1 from the 19. Instead, Romo threw consecutive incompletions before an interception.

"They were pretty committed to stopping the run," Garrett said when asked about the play-calling. "Certainly whenever the play doesn't work, it's easy for us as coaches to look back afterward and say we should have done something different."

**BIG 12**

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attack, and Iowa State started with Steele Jantz, then turned to Jared Barnett and then back to Jantz in time for him to set career-highs with 381 yards passing and five TDs in a win over Baylor.

"He was not doing some things effective enough, and that's why we made a change at one point this season, but 4-1 as a starter is pretty dang good," coach Paul Rhoads said. "I think it's overshadowed by the fact that he had his best game as an Iowa State Cyclone this Saturday night."

Texas coach Mack Brown announced Monday that he was sticking with David Ash, even after Case McCoy replaced him for the game-winning drive against Kansas.

**WHO'S HEADED WHERE IN THE POSTSEASON?**

Kansas State, Texas and Texas Tech are already bowl eligible and another five teams are sitting on five wins, hoping to qualify for the postseason this week — Iowa State, Oklahoma, Oklahoma State, TCU and West Virginia.

It's all but impossible at this point to project who will

end up where among the league's six bowl partners, with the potential for two to make the BCS.

"We're trying to get one more ballgame so that we can get the extra practices and get to a bowl game," TCU's Gary Patterson said. "And if you can get to six, then you're going to try to get to seven. If you get to seven, then you try to get to eight."

**WHO WILL FINISH LAST?**


Kansas dropped its 16th straight conference game Saturday, falling just short when Texas scored with 12 seconds left for a 21-17 win. But the Jayhawks (1-7, 0-5) can climb out of the cellar this week at winless Baylor (3-4, 0-4), which has reverted to its pre-Robert Griffin III ways.

"There's definitely things you can look at and say you're getting better here, you're getting better here, you're getting better here. But still at the end of the day, it's still about winning," Weis said. "Regardless of whether you played tough, played close,

"Are there silver linings? Yes, there are. But it still comes down to you've lost 100 in a row in the Big 12, at home and on the road, and you need to beat somebody."

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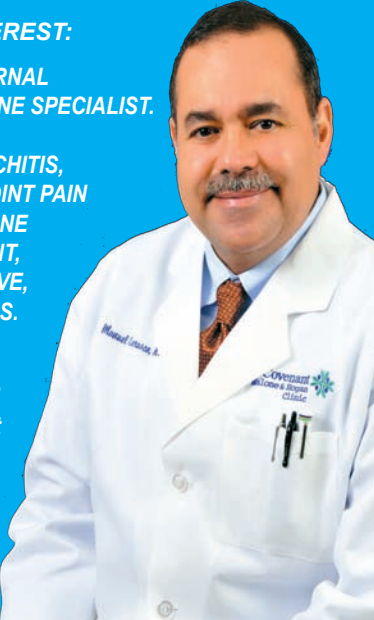
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