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## Don't delay; plan to vote

*Deadline is April 11*

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
 Staff Writer

Time is running out for area residents looking to register to vote in the May municipal and school district elections. The deadline is April 11. According to Howard County Elections Administrator Saundra Bloom, area residents should avoid procrastinating when it comes to checking their voter preparedness. "The deadline to register in any election is always 30

days prior to the election," Bloom said. "It doesn't matter if you're voting in Forsan, Coahoma or Big Spring, the deadline is the same. Checking your voter preparedness is as easy as picking up the phone and calling our office. We can make sure you're registered, and if you're not, we can get the process started. "When we talk about an April 11 deadline, it sounds like we have plenty of time — at this point, around

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HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

**Workers attempt to extricate occupants of a vehicle which overturned shortly before 9 a.m. today on Interstate 20 near the Highway 87 overpass. No other vehicles were involved in the accident. No injury information was available at press time.**

### Less sleep Sunday

Don't forget to set clocks ahead one hour at 2 a.m. Sunday.

AP

## Texas AG wants to hold open meetings online

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott and Sen. Kirk Watson touted a bill introduced Thursday that would allow

elected bodies to hold open meetings online.

Abbott, who is responsible for enforcing open meeting laws, said the bill would catch the Open Meetings Act up with modern technology. Watson, a former Austin mayor, said allowing elected officials to use an Internet chat room to publicly hammer out new measures will speed up decision-making.

"This will create the opportunity for a virtual work session, the city council, the commissioner's court, the school board, or any other public entity will have the opportunity to ask questions of one another," Watson said. The Democratic lawmaker said it would open those meetings to anyone who wants to monitor them online, and the conversations would be posted for 30 days and then archived for two years.

Abbott, a Republican, said



Abbott

the bill does not force public officials to adopt the technology, but allows a new option for holding public meetings. Officials would still have to hear public testimony and vote on measures at an official in-person meeting.

"Texas has had some of the strongest open government laws in the nation. Though these laws continue to protect the transparency that is so vital to democracy, the public always benefits when modern technology is harnessed to make government more accessible," Abbott said. "It will allow these public officials to be more productive, they won't have to wait for the next meeting to communicate with each other."

Under the Open Meetings Act, a quorum of elected officials cannot meet and discuss public business without posting notice of an official meeting and inviting the public. Watson said the rule slows down decision-making, but

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HERALD file photo

**Ann Duncan takes her turn at the griddle during the Big Spring Kiwanis Club's annual pancake supper. This year's flapjack feast, which helps the club finance various projects throughout the year, will be held from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Howard College cafeteria.**

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## Obituaries

### David Hilario



David Hilario, 62, of Irving, formerly of Big Spring, died Thursday, March 7, 2013, at Baylor Medical Center in Irving. Prayer services will be held at 7 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

He was born Dec. 8, 1950, in Big Spring to Josephine and Abelardo Hilario. David married Maria Salazar on Nov. 28, 1970, in Big Spring. He was licensed to preach in 1974 and was ordained as a deacon in 1974 at Primera Iglesia Bautista in Big Spring.

David was a member of La Ciudad of Irving. He was a lifetime resident of Big Spring until moving to Irving in 1980. He was an optician at Sterling Jewelry.

David is survived by his wife, Maria of Irving; three sons, David Hilario Jr. and wife Trish of Keller, Demetrius Hilario and wife Teresa of Keller and Dominic Hilario of Irving; two daughters, Deidra Banda and husband Daniel of Fort Worth and Danniell Harris and husband Kenneth of Post; seven grandchildren, Isaiah, Debbie, Ty, Leah, Elizabeth, Evelyn and Zoey; one brother, Abelardo Hilario and wife Christina of Big Spring; and three sisters, Olga Viera, Sylvia Rodriguez and husband Johnny and Elba Pina and husband Lorenzo, all of Big Spring.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Ruben.

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

*Paid obituary*

### Betty Valiquette



Betty Valiquette, 71, of Midland, died Wednesday, March 6, 2013, at Midland Memorial Hospital. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m., Friday, March 8, 2013, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel with Danny Bisvee officiating. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

She was born Feb. 21, 1942, in Stanton and grew up in Big Spring and attended school there. She met and married Harland in 1958 and they were married for 40 years until his passing in 1998.

Survivors include one daughter, Cecilia Ann Valiquette Pontremoli; one son, Harland Joseph Valiquette, both of Midland; two sisters, Media Cunningham of Big Spring and Jolene Trolinder Starrak of Coleman; a brother-in-law, Bob Kennedy of Big Spring; a sister-in-law, Carol Meek of Odessa; three grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Betty was also preceded in death by her parents; a brother, James Hollis Meek; and a sister, Reba Kennedy.

The family suggests memorials be made to the National West Texas Chapter for Multiple Sclerosis Society, 1031 Andrews Hwy, Midland TX 79701

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

### David 'Shorty' Barr



David "Shorty" Barr died at his home in Vincent, Texas, on Thursday, March 7, 2013. Funeral services will be held at Vincent Baptist Church on Monday, March 11, 2013, at 3 p.m. with the Rev. Walter McCall, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at Vincent Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 3 p.m. until 5 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

He was born in Snyder, Texas, on Feb. 26, 1940. He married Patricia Lilly on June 15, 1963.

David lived in Vincent all his life, where he farmed and ranched in Howard and Borden Counties. He graduated from Coahoma High School and attended Howard College before going to Texas Tech. He served as a Howard County commissioner for 12 years, representing Precinct 4. He also served on the Coahoma School Board, Vincent Cooperative Gin Board and Big Spring Cooperative Gin Board.

David was a member and deacon of Vincent Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia; a son, Dutch W. Barr of Lubbock; a daughter, Lindy White and husband David of Abilene; and two granddaughters. He is also survived by his brother, Col. (Ret.) Grady W. Barr of Tyler; and a sister, Nelda Thomas of San Antonio.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Vincent Cemetery in care of Sherry Hodnett, 1545 South FM 1611, Snyder, Texas 79549.

Arrangements are 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)

### Arnulfo Hernandez

Arnulfo Hernandez, 60, of Big Spring died Thursday, March 7, 2013, at Midland Memorial Hospital. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

## Police blotter

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

- DANIEL RIOS, 26, of 905 E. 16<sup>th</sup> St., was arrested Thursday on a warrant for theft – more than \$50 and less than \$500.
- TRACIE ANN LEE-MERCER, 29, of 616 Jill Rd., was arrested Thursday on warrants for failure to appear (two counts).
- FLOYD CHRISTIAN PRUITT, 37, of 3717 HC Airport Rd., was arrested Thursday on a charge of assault causing bodily injury – family violence.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported: In the 1200 block of Runnels. In the 1600 block of Runnels.
- THEFT was reported: In the 2500 block of S. Gregg Street. In the 1700 block of E. 15<sup>th</sup> Street. Near the intersection of Third Street and Owens.
- STOLEN VEHICLE was reported in the 100 block of N. Goliad.
- ABANDONED VEHICLE was reported in the 100 block of Nolan.

## Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 71 inmates at the time of this report.

- VICKIE CASTILLO, 40, was booked into the county detention center Thursday by DPS on a charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.
- FLOYD CHRISTIAN PRUITT, 37, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of assault causing bodily injury – family violence.
- TRACIE ANN LEE-MERCER, 29, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on an Ector County warrants for failure to appear – theft by check (two counts).
- DANIEL RIOS, 26, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a charge of theft of property – more than \$50 and less than \$500.

## Take Note

• My Redeemer Church, 1008 Birdwell Lane, will have a spring sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday to raise funds for missions.

• An account has been established at Wells Fargo on behalf of the Linda Rena Torres family, whose vehicle was destroyed in a fire. A purse lost in the fire contained the family's income tax returns and child support. The vehicle, which was the family's only means of transportation, was not insured except for liability. To help, contact Wells Fargo at 268-6216 and mention account 2266054432.

• The City of Big Spring and Howard County Emergency Management departments will co-host a community-wide Sky Warn Spotter class on Thursday, March 21, from 7-9 p.m. in the Big Spring City Council Chambers. The speaker will be Pat Vesper, Meteorologist-in-Charge of the National Weather Service. There is no cost for this class and it is open to the public.

• The annual Big Spring Kiwanis Club Pancake Supper will be held Friday, March 8, at the Howard College cafeteria. Serving is from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and to-go plates are available. Tickets are \$6 apiece and can be purchased at the door or from any Kiwanis Club member. For more information, contact Steve Reagan at 270-2218.

• An account has been established at Citizens Credit Union to help pay medical expenses for Jodi Schlipf Baird, who is being treated for Stage 4 cancer. For more information, contact the credit union at 267-6373 or Donna Whetsel at 432-466-9744.

• The Howard County A&M Club is accepting scholarship applications from high school students who are graduating this May and have been accepted at Texas A&M University for the Fall 2013 semester. Students must be Howard County residents and will enroll for at least 12 semester hours. Application deadline is April 1. More information and the application may be found on the club's web site: [www.westexags.com](http://www.westexags.com)

• Howard County Master Gardeners Club business meetings take place at 6 p.m. the third Tuesday of every month at 1604 W. Fourth St., between Brown and Jones streets. The meetings are open to the public. For more information, contact the county extension office at 432-264-2236.

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## Today's Weather

### Local 3-Day Forecast

Sat 3/9	Sun 3/10	Mon 3/11
 <b>78/56</b> A few showers early with isolated thunderstorms developing later in the day. High 78F.	 <b>73/43</b> Windy with morning thunderstorms. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the low 40s.	 <b>56/36</b> Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 50s and lows in the mid 30s.
<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:05 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 6:49 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:03 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 6:50 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:02 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 6:51 PM

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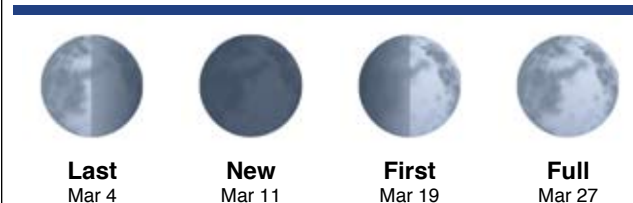
### Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	72	59	rain	Kingsville	80	65	rain
Amarillo	74	48	t-storm	Livingston	73	54	cloudy
Austin	69	59	rain	Longview	71	53	cloudy
Beaumont	71	56	pt sunny	Lubbock	76	50	t-storm
Brownsville	82	66	pt sunny	Lufkin	76	55	cloudy
Brownwood	72	60	rain	Midland	79	56	t-storm
Corpus Christi	74	65	rain	Raymondville	84	66	pt sunny
Corsicana	68	55	cloudy	Rosenberg	73	60	cloudy
Dallas	69	56	rain	San Antonio	70	61	rain
Del Rio	78	63	t-storm	San Marcos	72	59	rain
El Paso	74	44	windy	Sulphur Springs	68	53	cloudy
Fort Stockton	84	52	windy	Sweetwater	74	58	t-storm
Gainesville	64	52	rain	Tyler	71	53	cloudy
Greenville	67	52	rain	Weatherford	66	54	rain
Houston	73	60	cloudy	Wichita Falls	69	57	rain

### National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	63	37	sunny	Minneapolis	38	31	cloudy
Boston	37	29	mixed	New York	38	32	mixed
Chicago	40	27	sunny	Phoenix	55	44	rain
Dallas	69	56	rain	San Francisco	57	44	pt sunny
Denver	54	32	cloudy	Seattle	53	37	sunny
Houston	73	60	cloudy	St. Louis	55	39	mst sunny
Los Angeles	57	45	rain	Washington, DC	51	35	windy
Miami	77	54	sunny				

### Moon Phases



### UV Index

Sat 3/9	Sun 3/10	Mon 3/11
6	7	7
High	High	High

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

• Big Spring State Hospital patients are in need of warm clothing. Clean items should be taken to the Community Relations Office near the south entrance of the hospital, 1901 N. U.S. Highway 87. Clothing that cannot be used by the patients will be taken to the hospital's Chalet Resale Shop for sale to raise money for patient needs. Men's clothing and larger-sized clothing are always in need. For more information, call Melissa Adams, BSSH program coordinator, at 432 268-7730.

• The Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Council needs assistance in The Chalet Resale Shoppe, 115 East Second St. The Chalet Resale Shoppe is a fast-paced retail shop specializing in gently worn clothing and small household appliance. Volunteers are needed to sort, price, check out and stock donated items. Volunteer hours are flexible. The Chalet is open 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday. For more information, contact Jamey Stegall at [james.stegall@dshs.state.tx.us](mailto:james.stegall@dshs.state.tx.us) or 432 268-7535.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 8  
**Kiwanis Pancake Supper**  
Howard College  
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- March 22  
**Hoops, Goals and Dreams Basketball Game**  
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- March 23-24  
**Rattlesnake Round Up**  
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# ► Odds & Ends

## Florida company rewards workers with Beer Cart Friday

PORT ORANGE, Fla. (AP) — Employees at a Florida health care company are allowed to drink on the company's tab, on company time, thanks to a perk known as "Beer Cart Fridays."

Advance Medical CEO Jennifer Fuicelli told the Daytona Beach News-Journal she's been rolling out the beer cart for two years as part of an "unorthodox corporate culture" that rewards employees for hard work.

She says the company began in 2005 with four employees and now has 350 workers in two locations — Port Orange, Fla., and Broomfield, Colo.

The company also hosts costume days for Halloween, barbecues on the clock and a birthday "get out of jail free" card, which can be used for a paid day off.

Employees are restricted to one beer, which Fuicelli says is a small price that "pays huge dividends."

## Play ball! Team shovels snow to clear way for game

MUSKEGON, Mich. (AP) — A community college baseball team in West Michigan took to the field with snow shovels in attempt to clear the way for next week's home opener.

Under the direction of head coach Cap Pohlman, the 30-member Muskegon Community College team spent nearly two hours shoveling the infield Thursday. They took turns piling snow into the bed of a trailer pulled by Pohlman using a lawn tractor.

Team member Stephan Chandonnet tells The Muskegon Chronicle: "This is what we get for playing baseball in Michigan."

## Man taken to hospital with screwdriver in head

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Polish doctors say a 25-year-old man has undergone a three-hour opera-

tion to remove a screwdriver lodged about five centimeters (two inches) into his head.

Dr. Jan Kochanowicz, one of the doctors who treated the man in the Polish city of Bialystok, said the man apparently fell and lost consciousness, but does not remember that.

When he regained consciousness he was at first aware only of pain in a hand before realizing something else was wrong. He walked to his car, looked in a mirror and noticed the screwdriver, penetrating his forehead just above his right eye.

Kochanowicz told the station TVN24 the man smoked a cigarette before calling a neighbor who got him to the hospital.

The screwdriver did not damage the man's eyes or brain.

## Michigan LaughFest breaks record for fake mustaches

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (AP) — Magnum P.I., Ron Burgundy and Ron Swanson would be impressed.

Organizers of an annual laugh festival in Michigan say they've broken the world record for the most people wearing fake mustaches.

Gilda's LaughFest is reporting that 1,544 people donned various shapes and sizes of dark 'staches on Thursday, the Grand Rapids festival's opening day.

The record is awaiting Guinness World Record certification.

If it sticks, the record would be the third set at the festival in as many years. Last year the festival broke the record for the most people wearing fake animal noses. The year before, it was people tossing rubber chickens.

LaughFest officials say the previous fake mustache record of 648 participants was set in September at a St. Louis Rams event.

## Tree stolen from tiny park replaced

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — The world's smallest park is no longer treeless.

Portland Parks & Recreation spokesman Mark Ross says a Douglas Fir was planted Wednesday at Mill Ends Park to replace the lone tree that someone stole last week.

The 2-foot-diameter park lies in a median strip in downtown Portland near the Willamette River. It was established by newspaper columnist Dick Fagan in the 1940s and became an official city park in 1976.

Though the tiny park doesn't require much maintenance, the city does water, weed and trim when necessary.

## NY town OKs ban on booing at board meetings

RIVERHEAD, N.Y. (AP) — Cheers? Yes. Jeers? Not so much.

Officials in the New York town of Riverhead, in eastern Long Island, have adopted a code of public behavior for town hall meetings that bans booing.

Newsday reports the Riverhead Town Board voted 4-1 to approve the proposal earlier this week. Councilman James Wooten was the lone dissenter.

The town council deleted a measure that also would have banned applause.

There are no penalties for violators.

## Tubby tabby finds home with couple, fellow fat cat

ST. CHARLES, Mo. (AP) — A St. Louis-area animal shelter has found a home for a 37-pound cat named Biscuit. It even found him a sympathetic shoulder to meow on.

Operators of the St. Charles County shelter say recent news coverage of the tubby tabby's plight led to more than 100 adoption requests for him.

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch reports Biscuit will go to live with Ed and Lisa Pyatt next week. The Eureka couple adopted another fat cat, Max, several years ago, and Ed Pyatt says it'll be good for Max to have a buddy.

## VOTE

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a month — so there's no hurry or worry. However, life can sometimes hand us a little more than we can handle and that April deadline can sneak up on you. Regardless of which election — city, county, school board — you plan to cast your ballot in, now is the time to go ahead and check on your voter status and take care of anything that

needs to be handled before the deadline."

Bloom said early voting in municipal and school board elections is set to run from April 29 through May 7, with polls open from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. daily.

"On April 30 and May 2, we'll have extended hours at the early voting polls, which will be located at the elections administration office on the third floor of the Howard County Courthouse," bloom said. "The polls will be open

from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. — the same hours the polls are open on election day — on both dates. As always, our hope is the extended hours will give people who normally work during regular poll hours a chance to cast their ballots early."

Bloom said her office is also planning to hold branch voting in the Forsan area, as Forsan Independent School recently called for a bond election to fund a new elementary campus to replace

Elbow Elementary School and renovations at the secondary campus estimated at \$23.8 million.

According to the Texas Secretary of State's website, Tuesday is the first day residents can request a mail-in ballot, with May 3 the deadline to make the request.

"Voters who are 65 and older, disabled or will be out of the county and unavailable to vote during early voting or election day can apply for a ballot by mail," Bloom said.

"If you want to apply, you need to contact the elections office so we can mail out the form. Voters must request this application, it won't automatically be sent out."

For more information on registering to vote, contact Bloom at 432-264-2273.

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

## OPEN

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is necessary to ensure government transparency.

## Hundreds rally for Planned Parenthood

Hundreds rallied outside the Texas Capitol on Thursday for Planned Parenthood, an organization vilified by many conservatives who work inside the dome.

Activists, largely dressed in pink and waving blue-and-white signs declaring "Texas Needs Planned Parenthood," staged a flash mob to the Beyonce song "Run the World (Girls)" and then cheered as top Democratic lawmakers decried their Republican colleagues' "ideological assault" on the organization and women's health in general.

Following the demonstration, the crowd fanned out to legislative offices for meetings with

individual lawmakers as part of the group's annual lobbying day. But such efforts have rarely paid off, as many Texas legislators view Planned Parenthood as Public Enemy No. 1, claiming it promotes abortion in a state where the public overwhelmingly opposes the practice.

Their distaste for the group has been put into law. In 2011, the Legislature voted to bar all state funding to groups affiliated with abortion providers. That led to Planned Parenthood being booted from the Texas Women's Health Program, which provides care to about 130,000 low-income women, even though the organization was the initiative's largest provider.

In this session, a bill in the Senate would ban health educators linked to Planned Parenthood from providing sex edu-

cation in public schools. The group says it only does so in a handful of Texas school districts and only with the permission of the local community and school board officials.

Supporters of that bill have also targeted sex education materials on the Planned Parenthood website, claiming the group promotes teen sex as a way to increase abortions and generate more profits.

But those at the rally dismissed such measures as sexism and noted that tens of thousands of Texans rely on Planned Parenthood for family planning services, cancer screenings and other care that isn't related to abortions.

## Drought worsening in parts of Texas

Parts of Texas went without rain in February, deepening the state's inability to overcome a drought that began two years ago.

National Weather Service rainfall maps show that southwest Texas received no rain last month, while southern areas of the state saw no more than a tenth of an inch. Recent record snowfall in the Panhandle helped pull much of that region out of exceptional drought.

But the U.S. Drought Monitor map released Thursday shows portions of North, South and southwest Texas moving back into ex-

ceptional drought, the driest category. A few areas received near normal precipitation from December to February thanks to rain that fell in mid-January.

The state's driest year on record is 2011. The state climatologist says the chance of rain for March is scant.

Texas lawmakers are considering setting aside \$2 billion from the state's Rainy Day Fund to open a development fund to build new water projects. The continuing drought will likely weigh heavily on them

as they debate the measure.

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# EDITORIAL

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## OTHER VIEWS

# Perry needs to stay focused on State of Texas

Silly us.

We thought maybe this would be the first legislative session in the last half decade or so without a Rick Perry political campaign to muddy things up.

No such luck.

Supposedly, Perry's planning a second White House run in 2016. Really? After the pasting he took in the 2012 Republican primary, you'd think our veteran governor would know better but Rick Perry is, apparently, unbowed.

Like many Texans, we'd prefer it if the governor stayed focused on important matters at hand in Austin rather than plotting his next national campaign. Perry's fascination with things presidential four years in the future matters quite a lot in the here and now, the 83rd session of the Texas Legislature.

It just isn't helpful, especially when it comes to dealing with problems such as complying with federal law requiring health care for millions of Texans. It appears Perry would make his 2016 run on the backs of some 6 million Texans without health care insurance.

Austin insiders say he's likely to use his opposition to Texas' participation in federal registries required under Obamacare to show the national GOP who can run farthest to the political right in the 2016 presidential primaries.

This is getting old, Governor, especially if you happen to be poor and uninsured in Texas. Legislative sessions are held every two years so state lawmakers can take care of the business that's important to all Texans, not to give an overly ambitious governor a stage to try out for the Big Show in Washington, D.C. And particularly not when that means playing games with the lives of those millions across our state who have the least and are going without health care.

Why is it that Rick Perry refuses to see what is obvious to just about everyone else?

Surely, he understands the folly of refusing billions in federal funding to pay for universal care. Over 10 years, federal funding of expanded Medicaid in Texas could reach \$100 billion, much if not most of that sent to the federal Treasury by Texas taxpayers in the first place.

Perry argues that accepting the federal money would force Texas to participate in a system that runs contrary to Texas' needs and Texans' values. He has a point. Our state is younger, less educated, less insured and faster growing than most others.

But that's precisely why there is serious discussion of shaping a "middle way" for Texas on the terms of the state health care registry required under Obamacare, the Affordable Care Act. Ideally, it would be a plan that would meet the needs of Texans while passing muster with the rule makers in Washington.

Our governor would be making better use of his time and ours if he joined in the discussion to make this a reality instead of chasing his personal political fantasies.

—HOUSTON CHRONICLE

## DAILY PRAYER

Deliver us, dear Lord, from the abundant clutches of evil.

Amen

# The voters dribble in ...

As I write this, it is Election Day in the nation's second largest city. Ho hum. Worry not. It's not as if it were the Oscars or the Golden Globes, or even the Writers Guild Award (the punch line of every joke about dumb blondes in this town is that they made the mistake of sleeping with the writer). Believe me, there are no traffic jams. Nothing has been preempted.

No, this is just an election for Los Angeles mayor, school board, city council and a decision about whether to raise the sales tax to 9.5 percent. Just that.

And no one is paying attention. One poll worker described the traffic as "painfully slow."

According to Dan Schnur, who runs the Jesse Unruh Institute of Politics at USC and the USC/LA Times poll, "Voters don't appear to have very strong feelings about anyone who's running or anything they're talking about."

If all politics is local, and in so many ways it is, then what we have here is very simple. No politics.

Don't get me wrong: There is certainly "stuff" out there. I got stuck in traffic Saturday night, and spent more than an hour listening to the news/traffic station to try to figure out why. I didn't, but I heard endless political ads, many of which left me yearning for more news on traffic.

This is not, contrary to the im-

pression given by endless photos of politicians at Hollywood fundraisers, a very political city to begin with. It confused me when I got here twenty-something years ago from Boston, where sports and politics dominate every conversation. I worried about how long it would take to fit into the political network; after all, in Boston, people still ask you what you did in the '80 campaign. I needn't have worried. At the next mayoral inauguration, I found myself in the third row, behind the family. It would have taken decades to do that in Boston. Where is everyone, I asked myself.

On the freeway. The joke, I later learned, is that if you want anyone to pay attention to a civic event, you need to place it on a highway during rush hour, preferably as part of a car chase. None of the Los Angeles television stations have bureaus in Sacramento, the state capitol, which tells you the problem isn't just about City Hall. To be sure, this is a Democratic city, even though Richard Riordan, a Republican, is one of the most popular (and still active) mayors in recent history. On the usual ideological spectrum, you don't get the kind of partisan debate we're used to seeing on cable news. But there are issues, important ones, real and not manufactured for entertainment ones, about schools and jobs and the infrastructure that collapses on us periodically.

So why no politics?

Because we drive cars and don't get crammed together every day in buses and subways

like people do in other cities? Because we live in a sort of suburban sprawl where people only meet their neighbors when we all go outside in an earthquake? Because our celebrities are movie stars, not mere politicians who can no longer get free tickets to the big events? Because elected officials in this town have so few jobs to give away, thanks to the do-gooders in the last century who thought civil service would keep the city clean? Because we have a weak mayor, a parochial city council, and our major decision-making occurs in a county board of supervisors (a system of divided powers that defies explanation and undermines accountability)?

Sure. All of the above. But all those things have been true for a long time, even as interest in politics — low to begin with — has dropped even further. I hope I'm wrong, but it feels like the disgust at everything going on in Washington has trickled down to just plain apathy when it comes to what's happening closer to home. California leads the nation in so many things — from agriculture to style. My fear, lately, is that it is also leading the nation towards unmitigated apathy about politics.

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# Cabinet-level (Con) jobs

Back in November, when an overwhelming majority of Latino voters extended President Barack Obama's lease to remain in the White House four more years, no one would have believed what happened this week. Yet when Obama hosted the first Cabinet meeting of his second administration Monday, for the first time in recent history, a president headed a Cabinet that could soon be left without a single Latino.

Granted, Interior Secretary Ken Salazar is still on the job, but he resigned on Jan. 17, his replacement has been named, and he is expected to return home to Colorado next month. And the other Hispanic in Obama's first-term Cabinet, former Labor Secretary Hilda Solis, who resigned Jan 9., already has been replaced by an acting labor secretary.

This inexcusable underrepresentation of the Latino population and their interests has gone mostly unnoticed by today's highly partial news media because those on the left have been covering for the president and those on the right don't have a single Latino appointment to complain about.

Since the right-wing media demagogues normally claim that Obama panders to Latinos, you are not going to hear them complaining about a Latino-less Cabinet.

And yet following the most recent appointments Obama has made to his second-term Cabinet, some in the so-called mainstream media, as if they were

publicists for Obama, claim that the president is "potentially quelling criticism about the lack of diversity among his Cabinet nominations."

Really?

Amazingly that's what one news agency reported Monday because, after surrounding himself with a mostly white male inner circle, the president had named two more women to the Cabinet. Sylvia Burwell was nominated to head the Office of Management and Budget, and Gina McCarthy to run the Environmental Protection Agency. MIT physicist Ernest Moniz, whose grandparents were Portuguese and is not considered Hispanic, also was named to be Energy Secretary. Titled "More diversity among Obama's latest Cabinet nominees," the article didn't mention that when Salazar leaves his post next month, the Cabinet could be left without Latinos for the first time in more than two decades!

When Obama named a Latina, Edith Ramirez, as chairwoman of the Federal Trade Commission last week, some media outlets deceptively reported that her appointment "could calm some criticism of Obama, who was attacked after his first three cabinet appointments in his second term went to white men."

... And yet few of them explained that the FTC chair is not a Cabinet position!

Here's the scorecard: While various national Latino organizations have been calling on Obama to appoint three or at least two Latinos to the Cabinet — to match the average of recent administrations including Obama's first term — so far we have zero. Zilch. Nada!

"I would just suggest that everybody kind of wait until

they've seen all my appointment — who is in the White House staff and who is in my cabinet — before they rush to judgment," Obama said in a Jan. 14 news conference. And yet more than a month several nominations later, the new Cabinet already is meeting with many new faces, none of which are Hispanic.

Mind you, there are many Latinos qualified for the few Cabinet positions that still need to be filled — including Secretaries of Labor, Transportation, Commerce, and U.S. Trade Representative. And there are many names that have been suggested to the White House by Latino community leaders, including Assistant Attorney General Thomas E. Perez, Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa and Francisco J. Sanchez, the current under secretary of Commerce for International Trade.

But Obama is running out of Cabinet jobs to give out, and in the Hispanic community, his delay in selecting Latinos is becoming inexplicable. People know that by now, even Mitt Romney might have done better!

Does Obama think that just talking about immigration reform is enough to satisfy Latino voters — even if they get no seats at the Cabinet table?

Esta loco? Has he lost his mind? Has he forgotten his commitment to diversity? Who is the Latino advising the president?

Oh, that's right! He is going from few to none.

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## News in brief

### Chavez funeral a platform for Venezuela government's bid to bolster support for his legacy

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — The stage is set for President Hugo Chavez's last appearance on the world stage, with leaders from five continents in Venezuela's anxious capital for a funeral Friday to remember a man who captivated the attention of millions and polarized his nation during 14 tumultuous years in power.

The ceremony will mark a dramatic exit for a president who quarreled publicly with presidents and kings and ordered troops via live television to defend his country's borders. It promises to also give his successors a prime opportunity to rally public support for continuing his political legacy.

Yet with basic details about the event unknown just hours before its scheduled start, the funeral also reflected a leader who tightly controlled all aspects of his government. Government officials said it would begin at 11 a.m. local time, but didn't specify where it would take place or what would actually happen.

For nearly two years, and even after his death Tuesday, Chavez's government has been similarly tight-fisted with information about Chavez's cancer, not indicating exactly where or what it was.

More than 30 heads of government, including Cuban President Raul Castro and Iranian leader Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, were scheduled to attend. U.S. Rep. Gregory Meeks, a New York Democrat, and former Rep. William Delahunt, a Democrat from Massachusetts, represented the United States, which Chavez often portrayed as a great global evil even as he sent the country billions of dollars in oil each year.

### UN Security Council approves new sanctions against North Korea for latest nuclear test

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The U.N. Security Council responded swiftly to North Korea's latest nuclear test by punishing the reclusive regime Thursday with tough, new sanctions targeting its economy and leadership, despite Pyongyang's threat of a pre-emptive nuclear strike on the United States.

The penalties came in a unanimous resolution drafted by the U.S. along with China, which is North Korea's main benefactor. Beijing said the focus now should be to "defuse the tensions" by restarting negotiations.

The resolution sent a powerful message to North Korea's new young leader, Kim Jong Un, that the international community condemns his defiance of Security Council bans on nuclear and ballistic tests and is prepared to take even tougher action if he continues flouting international obligations.

"Taken together, these sanctions will bite, and bite hard," U.S. Ambassador Susan Rice said. "They increase North Korea's isolation and raise the cost to North Korea's leaders of defying the international community."

The new sanctions came in response to North Korea's underground nuclear test on Feb. 12 and were the fourth set imposed by the U.N. since the country's first test in 2006. They are aimed at reining in Pyongyang's nuclear and missile development by requiring all countries to freeze financial transactions or services that could contribute to the programs.

### New TSA policy allowing small knives and bats on airliners fuels growing protest

WASHINGTON (AP) — Flight attendants, pilots, federal air marshals and even insurance companies are part of a growing backlash to the Transportation Security Administration's new policy allowing passengers to carry small knives and sports equipment like souvenir baseball bats and golf clubs onto planes.

The Flight Attendants Union Coalition, which representing nearly 90,000 flight attendants, said it is coordinating a nationwide legislative and public education campaign to reverse the policy announced by TSA Administrator John Pistole this week. A petition posted by the flight attendants on the White House's "We the People" website had more than 9,300 signatures early Friday urging the administration to tell the TSA to keep knives off planes.

"Our nation's aviation system is the safest in the world thanks to multilayered security measures that include prohibition on many items that could pose a threat to the integrity of the aircraft cabin," the coalition, which is made up of five unions, said in a statement. "The continued ban on dangerous objects is an integral layer in aviation security and

must remain in place."

Jon Adler, national president of the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association, whose 26,000 members include federal air marshals, complained that he and other "stakeholders" weren't consulted by TSA before the "countersafety policy" was announced. He said the association will ask Congress to block the policy change.

The Coalition of Airline Pilot Associations, which represents 22,000 pilots, said it opposes allowing knives of any kind in airliner cabins.

### Bin Laden spokesman set to appear in N.Y. court to face charge he plotted to kill Americans

NEW YORK (AP) — A senior al-Qaida leader and member of Osama bin Laden's inner circle was due in court to face a charge he plotted against Americans in his role as the terror network's top propagandist who lauded the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, and warned there would be more.

Sulaiman Abu Ghaith, who was born in Kuwait and was bin Laden's son-in-law, was captured in Jordan over the last week, authorities said.

Abu Ghaith was to appear Friday morning in federal court in Manhattan to enter a plea to one count of conspiracy to kill Americans. There was no immediate response to phone and email messages left with his attorney.

Attorney General Eric Holder announced the capture of the international fugitive on Thursday, saying "no amount of distance or time will weaken our resolve to bring America's enemies to justice."

The case marks a legal victory for President Barack Obama's administration, which has long sought to charge senior al-Qaida suspects in American federal courts instead of military tribunals at the detention center at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. But it runs counter to demands by Republicans in Congress who do not want high-threat terror suspects brought into the United States.

### Furlough plans vary widely at federal agencies as \$85 billion in budget cuts begin

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal workers could face seven days of furloughs at the Housing and Urban Development Department, but Homeland Security personnel might see twice that number. At the Environmental Protection Agency, workers would get four-day holiday weekends with a catch — one day would be a furlough day.

Other agencies are avoiding furloughs altogether.

Government agencies vary widely in how they are dealing with \$85 billion in across-the-board budget cuts that went into effect last week, according to labor unions that represent federal workers.

"It just depends on their flexibility," said Patrick Lester, director of fiscal policy for the Center for Effective Government. "If they are largely personnel-driven, there's no way to avoid personnel-related cuts."

The American Federation of Government Employees, which represents more than 600,000 federal workers, is trying to keep track of all the different plans, as their members face the prospect of lost wages and growing frustration about getting their work done.

### Coroner: Lion broke woman's neck with paw after escaping cage

DUNLAP, Calif. (AP) — The investigation into a lion attack that killed a 24-year-old woman who loved big cats is focusing on a cage door that the 550-pound animal managed to escape through to reach the volunteer intern, officials say.

Authorities said Thursday they believe the 5-year-old male lion broke the neck of the woman at a Central California animal park after it got out of its feeding cage and attacked as she cleaned its bigger area.

The investigation is continuing into how the powerful beast and Dianna Hanson came tragically to be in the same place at the same time, Fresno County coroner David Hadden said.

"The lion had been fed, the young woman was cleaning the large enclosure, and the lion was in the small cage. The gate of the cage was partially open, which allowed the lion called Cous Cous to lift it up with his paw," Hadden said. "He ran at the young lady."

Hanson was talking with a co-worker on a cell phone in the moments before she was killed, the coroner said.

The co-worker became concerned when the conversation ended abruptly and Hanson failed to call back. The co-worker then called authorities when she went to check on Hanson.

### Forest Service may let more fires burn this year after coming in \$400M over budget last year

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — After coming in \$400 million over budget following last year's busy fire season, the Forest Service is altering its approach and may let more fires burn instead of attacking every one.

The move, quietly made in a letter late last month by Forest Service Chief Tom Tidwell, brings the agency more in line with the National Parks Service and back to what it had done until last year. It also answers critics who said the agency wasted money and endangered firefighters by battling fires in remote areas that posed little or no danger to property or critical habitat.

Tidwell played down the change, saying it's simply an "evolution of the science and the expertise" that has led to more emphasis on pre-fire planning and managed burns, which involve purposely setting fires to eliminate dead trees and other fuels that could help a wildfire quickly spread.

"We have to be able to structure (fire management) this way to help all of us," Tidwell told The Associated Press. "So that we're thinking about the right things when we make these decisions."

The more aggressive approach instituted last year was prompted by fears that fires left unchecked would quickly devour large swaths of the drought-stricken West, Tidwell said.

New Mexico and Colorado reported record fire seasons in 2012, and with dry conditions remaining in much of the region 2013 could be another bad year in the West.

### Tenn. police chief uses polygraph to weed out racist applicants for the force

COOPERTOWN, Tenn. (AP) — A police chief hired to rebuild a tiny Tennessee department dismantled by scandal is using a lie-detector test to keep racists off his force.

Coopertown Police Chief Shane Sullivan took over the department in November, becoming the 11th chief in as many years. He was hired on the heels of a series of police scandals that for a few months left Coopertown with no police at all. Years before that, a mayor was voted out of office after the local prosecutor accused him of racism and running a notorious speed trap.

Law enforcement experts say Sullivan's polygraph approach is unusual, though some departments use the devices for other purposes during the application process. Others try to root out bias in other ways.

One polygraph expert warned that lie detectors can't accurately predict racism for reasons that include people's inability to recognize their own racism.

Sullivan said he doubts racists will even apply for the force if they know about the tests.

"I think the polygraph will definitely keep these people from applying," the 39-year-old chief said.

### Report details flaws in Army's handling of PTSD

SEATTLE (AP) — The Army has more than doubled its number of military and civilian behavioral health workers in the past five years, but a litany of shortcomings still plagues the force when it comes to diagnosing and treating soldiers for post-traumatic stress disorder, according to an Army report being released Friday.

Confusing paperwork, inconsistent training and guidelines, and incompatible data systems have hindered the service as it tries to deal with behavioral health issues, the report said. It's a crucial issue: After a decade of war, soldier suicides outpace combat deaths.

Last May, the Army commissioned a task force to conduct a sweeping review of how it evaluates soldiers for mental health problems at all its facilities. The review came under pressure from Democratic Sen. Patty Murray, of Washington, who was upset to learn that hundreds of soldiers at Madigan Army Medical Center south of Seattle had had their PTSD diagnoses reversed by a forensic psychiatry team, resulting in a potential cut to their benefits and questions about whether the changes were made to save money.

About 150 of those soldiers eventually had their diagnoses restored.

The report noted that the Army had made strides in some areas, including cutting how long it takes soldiers to obtain a disability evaluation and publishing a guide to the process.

The task force interviewed 750 people stationed around the globe, conducted listening sessions with 6,400 others and reviewed more than 140,000 records.



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► Church News

# Do we really need failure?

Failure, that dreaded word we don't like to hear, is still in the dictionary. Webster defines it as a lack of success. But to many, failure is the final blow that kills ambition and slays hope. It finalizes defeat.

In spite of its negativity, I find it interesting that many famous quotes about failure also contain the word success. Always oppositional, failure and success struggle for victory in any endeavor. They are siblings walking hand in hand while vying for the spotlight.

Always the favored child, success often takes its bows without consideration for the part failure played in its achievement. It has been said that success sometimes comes on the heels of failure. Still, we prefer to think that success enters the stage on its own merits.

An interesting question has been raised by televangelist Robert H. Schuller. He once asked his listeners, "What great thing would you attempt if you knew you could not fail?"

With little thought, most of us could name at least one thing we would like to accomplish in our lifetimes if all the obstacles were removed from our paths. With the possibility of failure removed, we could achieve things we would never dare to attempt otherwise.

I suppose Dr. Schuller posed the question to encourage his listeners to try something they had been afraid to try before. Perhaps he was challenging them to reach for the unattainable. Whatever his motive was, the challenge seems unrealistic because the possibility of failure can seldom be removed.

Pondering the question further, how much satisfaction could we get from success that came without the threat of failure? Would success even be success without opposition? Would there be any intrinsic reward for winning a contest with only one contestant?

Ironically, Dr. Schuller answered his own question. He also is quoted as having said, "If there exists no possibility of failure, then victory is meaningless."

The apostle Paul was a successful follower of Christ who faced more opposition than most of us could ever imagine. He lived with some unidentified "thorn in the flesh" which God chose not to remove from him. (2 Corinthians 12:7-9)

In spite of this affliction, the apostle wrote, "Therefore I am well content with weaknesses, with insults, with distresses, with persecutions, with difficulties, for Christ's sake; for when I am weak, then I am strong" (2 Corinthians 12:10 NASB).

When we add faith in Christ to the ongoing war between failure and success, even the battles lost to failure have purpose. If we, like the apostle Paul, rely on the Lord for strength, then our failures become stepping stones to success.

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BONNIE WHEAT

10:50 service of worship.

Sunday school classes for all ages are held at 9:45 a.m. Our new infant and toddler nursery is open on the first floor, just off Garrett Hall.

Children ages 4 through fourth grade are reminded Little Church is held in Youth Hall following "Sermon in a Sack" at the late service. Their current study is "Getting Ready for Easter." This week's lesson is all about "Silence" — "If the Words I say are Not Nice, Then, I should Say Nothing At All."

There will be a church-wide pot luck lunch and pounding for Jim and Bri Anderson in Garrett Hall on Sunday, March 24 following the late service. Bring a covered dish for lunch and "a pound of something" for the pounding and have fun welcoming Jim and Bri to the staff family of First Methodist.

The order forms for Easter lilies are available. They can be purchased in memory or honor of someone special and are \$17.50 each.

There will be an Easter egg hunt for the children Easter Sunday morning as well as an all-congregation Easter brunch in Garrett Hall beginning at 9:30.

The children will continue a very special Easter observance in their Little Church.

The Bible Memory Verse for March is from First Peter, 3:18, "For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit."

First United Methodist Church is located in the very heart of downtown Big Spring at 4th and Scurry.

## Cornerstone Covenant Church

Cornerstone Covenant Church would like to invite you to join us Sunday at 10:30 a.m. for praise and worship, followed by the Word. Our 2013 vision focus is "Restoring Hope to the Hopeless." Last week, Pastor Willard continued in the series entitled The Church: Give No Place to the Devil! with title of "Hope for Unity in the Christian Community" taken from Ephesians 4:31-32. This week we will continue with the title "Spiritual Warfare: Hope of Victory," taken from Ephesians 6:10-20.

Discipleship 101 Bible Study will be Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the main sanctuary.

Overcomers: Recovery & Restoration class will meet Thursday from 6:30-8 p.m. in the Green Room of the east wing.

Friday, March 29, CCC Fine Arts Ministry invites you to a Night of Worship. This event will begin at 7 in the main sanctuary. There is no cost of admission, just come out and enjoy some amazing praise and worship time.

Sunday, March 31, CCC will have a special Easter message beginning at 10:30 a.m. Following service will be the dedication to our east wing (children and youth ministry.) We welcome you to come see the newly remodeled wing.

CCC offers ministries in the following areas: New Beginnings (Newborn to 18 months); Tiny Tots (19 months-kindergarten); Kovenant Kids (1st-6th grade); Chosen Generation (7th-12th grade); Covenant U - College Ministry (18-24 years); Men's & Women's Ministries; and Marriage Enrichment.

CCC meets Wednesdays at 7 p.m. for Discipleship 101 Bible Study and Sundays at 10:30 a.m. for worship. Sunday morning services are recorded, so if you'd like a free copy of a CD for those services, see our multimedia department. Mother's Lounge and Children's Church are offered for both mid-week and Sunday services.

CCC is located at 706 East 12th Street. For more information contact us at 264-0015, visit us on the web at [www.cccbigspring.org](http://www.cccbigspring.org) or check out Covenant Connect on Facebook, Twitter or Myspace.

## College Baptist Church News

Pastor Ken McMeans began a new series of sermons this past Sunday called "The Feet of the Faithful." Sunday's sermon began with the pastor wearing rubber boots to emphasize how many of us are afraid to "get our feet wet." When it comes to wading into God's work, we stand on the shore as we are afraid of the water. Thankfully, many others just wade in, knowing that God will be there for them as they throw out a life line to others.

In Isaiah 52:7, the Bible says, "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who proclaims peace, who brings glad tidings of good things, who proclaims salvation... What an incentive to "get our feet wet."

The Royal Ambassador boys are still collecting pennies for the Men's Disaster Relief Fund of Texas. They can turn your dollars into pennies to make the five miles of pennies they are aiming for. There are jars placed around the church to put your donations into.

There are still some openings on our Flower Calendar if anyone would like to pay for a bouquet of flowers to put on the alter in the sanctuary to honor someone or in memory of someone who is no longer with us. On the following Tuesday, those flowers will be taken and put into separate vases and carried to our home-bound members who are unable to attend church. Contact Lou Warren, our church secretary for more information on this at 432-267-7429.

Spring Break for many of the area schools begins today so think about attending church somewhere else if you are traveling. Take your Bibles with you and keep up on your daily Bible readings.

—submitted by Dean Priest

## First Church of the Nazarene

Get your hop ready! First Church of the Nazarene is hosting its annual Easter egg hunt March 30 at the Old Settler's Pavilion at Comanche Trail Park. The event will start at 11 a.m. We will also have hot dogs, drinks, inflatables, etc. This event is free to anyone wanting to attend. Tell your friends and family members to plan to make it a part of their Easter tradition.

You are also welcome to join us for all of our services, classes and groups:

Sunday service at 10 a.m. in the sanctuary.

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## Sudoku Answers on Page 14

# sudoku

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9 with no repeats. That means no number is repeated in any row, column or box.

					8	7		
			4	6		9		
7	3	6				1		
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	4						1	
	2		1		5			3
		5				6	2	1
		9		5	6			
		4	7					

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# Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

## Test Your Play

1. You are declarer with the West hand at Three Notrump, and North leads the four of spades. South wins with the king and returns the seven, which you cover with the ten. North takes the queen and shifts to the jack of hearts. How would you play so as to ensure the contract against any distribution of the North-South cards?

**West**  
♠ J 10 9 5 3  
♥ A 10 8  
♦ 7  
♣ 8 6 5 4

**East**  
♠ 6 2  
♥ K 9 5  
♦ A K J 10 3  
♣ A K Q

2. You are declarer with the West hand at the ambitious contract of Seven Hearts, and North leads the queen of spades. Assuming the trumps are divided 2-2, how would you play the hand?

**West**  
♠ A 10  
♥ A Q 10 7 4  
♦ A K J 10 9  
♣ A

**East**  
♠ 9 7 6 3  
♥ K J 9 8  
♦ 7 2  
♣ Q 10 5

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1. The only way you can be 100 percent certain of the contract is to play dummy's king and your ace on North's jack of hearts! Now lead the jack of spades to force out the ace, establishing two spade tricks in your hand.

Let's assume North wins and makes the neutral return of a club to dummy's queen. You next lead a low

heart to your eight. Regardless of how the opponents defend, they cannot stop you from reaching your hand with either the eight or ten of hearts, so you are certain to score two spades, two hearts, two diamonds and three clubs to come to nine tricks.

If you adopt any other line of play, you might make the contract, but you cannot be sure of it. The extraordinary play of the K-A of hearts at trick three removes all doubt about the outcome.

2. Take the ace of spades, cash the A-K of hearts, lead a diamond from dummy and finesse the nine. If the nine wins, enter dummy with a trump and repeat the finesse. If the diamonds are divided 3-3 or 4-2, you make the contract by discarding three spades from dummy and then ruffing the ten of spades.

It would be wrong to cash the A-K of diamonds, planning to ruff a diamond in dummy. Unless the queen fell under the A-K — less than a 20 percent chance — it would then be impossible to avoid a spade loser. As opposed to this, a first-round finesse against the queen offers nearly a 50 percent chance of success.

Note that it would also be wrong to cash the ace first and then try the finesse, since you could no longer make the slam if South started with four diamonds to the queen.

Tomorrow: The pressure principle.

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# Spring planting

In Minnesota March is greeted with snow-covered fields of frozen earth. April snowfall is not uncommon. When we lived there, I once planted our garden on May 1 only to have it freeze. But we are back in Texas where spring comes early. The first



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of March finds nurseries overflowing with flowers and vegetables begging for a place to grow. Whether in Minnesota or Texas, there is something about digging in the earth, sowing seed and burying plants in the freshly turned soil. It is an act of faith, of hope and expectation. It is an ancient ritual of believing. It is a way of interacting with life's mysterious miracle. When I was in Minnesota, I wrote a poem about the experience.

*I have bedded them,  
laid them down to  
sleep,  
dug shallow graves  
and buried them  
beneath soft soil,  
dark, moist, rich dirt,  
gently padded and  
patted.  
They have been accept-  
ed  
by the earth,  
their burial signified  
by stick-markers  
on which are written  
their names,  
not in remembrance  
but in expectation,  
waiting for them to  
wake,  
to spring from dor-  
mant death into full*

*flower:  
pink and red and lavender,  
yellow and white  
the funeral-ritual of  
spring.*

Cemeteries are like gardens, the name markers signifying the faith and hope with which the bodies of those who have gone on before were laid to rest. What is buried appears to be dead and lifeless. But is it?

Paul had this image in mind when he wrote, "When you sow, you do not plant the body that will be, but just a seed, perhaps of wheat or of something else. But God gives it a body as he has determined, and to each kind of seed he gives its own body. ...

So will it be with the resurrection of the dead. The body that is sown is perishable; it is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power; it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body.

I declare to you, brothers and sisters, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed—in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we

will be changed.

For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality.

When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: 'Death has been swallowed up in victory.' ... thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." (1 Corinthians 15:37-54).

*Bill Tinsley reflects on current events and life experience from a faith perspective. For more info visit [www.tinsleycenter.com](http://www.tinsleycenter.com). Email: [bill@tinsleycenter.com](mailto:bill@tinsleycenter.com).*

## CHURCH NEWS

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Sunday morning youth and children's classes at 9 a.m.

Sunday morning children's church at 10 a.m. in the fellowship hall.

Sunday evening youth activities at 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday night prayer at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Wednesday evening adult/children/youth classes at 6:30.

Unable to come to church on Sunday morning? Well, tune into KBST 95.7 at 10 a.m. and you can listen to a live broadcast of our service. You can also view streaming footage inside the sanctuary by going to our webpage at [www.nazfamily.org](http://www.nazfamily.org).

First Church of the Nazarene is located at 1400 Lancaster. For more information, contact the church office at 432-267-7015. We are also on Facebook and Twitter.

### Forsan Baptist Church

As we near Easter, we are continuing our study of Jesus' ministry as He marched toward His passion in Jerusalem. Sunday evenings, we are conducting a verse-by-verse survey of the Book of Romans, and on Wednes-

days we are drawing near the end of a study called, "The Seven Stages of Peter's Life."

We are nearing the point of setting a date for reentry into our newly-modeled sanctuary. The contractor is now finished and the pews are being reupholstered. Once that is done, we will be looking at a date for a dedication service. We are hoping to be back in the sanctuary before Easter. If we can make that a reality, we will have two baptisms and Lord's Supper observances that day. Check out our Facebook page for pictures of the progress.

Our church is located at 201 Main in Forsan. Sunday school begins at 9:50, with worship services at 10:50 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday youth activities will continue throughout the school year. We will provide a meal and refreshments for these activities.

Wednesday services begin at 6 p.m. Rides for all youth activities are available if arranged ahead of time. Call the church at 432-457-2342 or Pastor Darren Weaver at 432-213-2348.

### Spring Creek Fellowship

"Sewing Seeds of Hope" Connection group invites you to join us Saturday mornings from at 10 a.m. A different skill will be taught each week of the month with new skills added as re-

quested. Lessons will go from basic sewing and fiber arts to more complex skills as we progress in levels of experience. We will be focusing on quilting March 9, but you may work on any craft you prefer. Bring a project you are working on or come learn something new. Anyone with an interest is invited to come and learn or teach if you are so led. Bring a friend.

"The Cure Connection," our Relay For Life Team, will be hosting a Bowl-A-Thon on April 7 from 2-5 p.m. at Bowl-A-Rama. Contact John or Kim Cantrell.

Check out our Sunday School/Connection Groups with topic/subject-based studies ranging from six to nine weeks in length and relevant to today's Christian adventure. Classes are available for all ages and meet from 9:15-10:15 a.m.

Big Spring Classical Academy is in session with classes for Pre-K and kindergarten. Visit our website at <http://bigspringclassical.org> for more information.

The Big Spring Homeschool Educational Co-operative is offering classes for high school and junior high homeschool students. New classes have started for this semester.

The "Between the Lines" Women's Ministry Cookbooks are available. The cost is \$15. Call the church office to get a copy.

Weekly Happenings:

Sunday- 9:15-10:15 a.m.-Sunday School/Connection Groups; 10:15-10:45 a.m., "Holy Grounds Café" is open with snacks and fellowship; 10:45noon, worship service. You can listen to recent sermons on our web page at [www.springcreekfellowship.org](http://www.springcreekfellowship.org); 5 p.m., Girls Bible Study.

Monday- 6:30-8:30 p.m., "Celebrate Recovery," Women.

Tuesday- 1:45, Praying Effectively for the Lost; "Wings" Dance Academy meets for girls ages 4-12.

Wednesday- 5:30 p.m., Fellowship Meal; 6 p.m., Bible Study and youth and children's activities; 6 p.m., Boy Scouts.

Thursday- 6:30-8:30 p.m., "Celebrate Recovery," Men; 7 p.m., "Crazy Love" college age Bible study by Francis Chan.

Saturday- 7:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast and Fellowship.

If you would like any further information regarding any of our ministries or events, please contact the church office.

Spring Creek Fellowship meets at the College Park Shopping Center at 501 Birdwell Lane in Big Spring. (Across from Denny's). Contact us at (432)714-4584 or visit our website at [www.springcreekfellowship.org](http://www.springcreekfellowship.org)

"Every Member a Minister"-1 Peter 4:10 NKJV

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### First Presbyterian Church, Big Spring

The Lectionary Bible study, led by Craig Holstedt and Tom Koger, meets at 5:17 p.m. in the church library and the Chancel Choir practices at 6 p.m. Wednesday.

The Children's Choir practices Wednesday at 4:45 p.m.

The Youth Group will meet at 6:30 p.m. Sunday.

The Boy Scouts meet in the entrance

room of the fellowship hall at 6 p.m. Monday.

The Ecumenical Lenten Lunch, which we share with First Christian Church, St. Mary's Episcopal, the Church of the Nazarene and Catholic Trinity Parish, will be at First Christian Church on March 13, with Cal Calendar as speaker; and March 20 at Catholic Trinity Parish, Barbara Kirk-Norris as speaker.

The elementary children continue their Lent/Easter study "Garden of Gethsemane" through Easter Sunday with the following workshops and teachers: Art, Janie Conley; Video, Kay Kennemur; Games, Sarah Burch; and Cooking, Ellen Austin. Janie Conley has created a Western wall in the tent room for the children to close each session with prayers at the wall. Susan Dawes opens each session with music instruction to prepare the children to sing during worship Palm Sunday.

Craig Holstedt is teaching a confirmation class for the youth, who will be confirmed as members of the church on Palm Sunday, March 24.

Lucy Odom is in charge of this week's "Take Ten." Communion servers last Sunday were Susan Holstedt, Patti and Joe Horton, Danny Kennemur and Don Boling. Ushers for the month are Christine and Don Boling, Nancy Hale and Sarah Burch.

The lectionary for the Fourth Sunday in Lent is Joshua 5:9-12; Psalm 32; II Corinthians 5:16-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32.

The Chancel Choir will present "Treasures of the World" by Ruth Schram for the anthem and "Behold the Tabernacle of God" by William Harris for the offertory. The Rev. Craig Holstedt will deliver the sermon.

If you cannot attend worship, listen in on KBST 1490 AM., beginning at 11 a.m. If you wish to have a printed bulletin for Sunday services, call the church office at 263-4211. You may also see what's happening at the church by visiting our website: [www.fpcbs.org](http://www.fpcbs.org). On our website, you can find a link that will enable you to listen to several recent sermons.

### Alive in Christ Lutheran Church LCMS

Our pastor is the Rev. Lannon Martin.

Our motto is "Celebrating and Sharing God's Love and Grace in our lives."

We are located at 2805 Lynn Drive in the Kentwood Subdivision in Big Spring. The church phone number is 264-7818. Our website is <http://www.m2ctexas.org/chweb/aliveinchrist/>. Our e-mail address is [aliveinchrist@crcom.net](mailto:aliveinchrist@crcom.net).

Sunday service is at 9 a.m. with Bible study at 10:15 a.m.

Bobby Roever will present the readings this week. This week's sermon references "A Time to Rejoice."

Our Lenten services will be held Wednesday with the meal and fellowship following the Lenten Daniel Fast beginning at 5:30, Bible study classes at 6:15 and the Lenten service at 7 p.m.

Tune in to 106.3 FM or 1400 AM between 6:45 and 6:50 each morning for wonderful devotions: "Morning Meditation Thoughts."

A website offered by The Lutheran Hour Ministries is available. The site, [www.jcplayzone.com](http://www.jcplayzone.com), promises fun and Christian educational based games and videos. Fun for all ages and offered in several languages, this safe internet site is something to check out.



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# Hawks open with win over Temple



By BRIAN MCCORMACK

Sports Editor

LUBBOCK — Just two Howard College players — Cameron Forte and Ladon Carter — accounted for 60 points in a 97-74 rout of Temple College in the first round of the National Junior College Athletic Association Region V tournament opener Thursday at the Rip Griffin Center at Lubbock Christian University on Thursday.

The No. 11 Hawks outmatched the Owls offensively and defensively, making short work of their first opponents while taking the first step toward a national championship tourney appearance.

As a team, HC shot a 56 percent from the field goal range. Forte's game-high 32 points included 14-of-21 from the field and 100 percent of his free throws.

Carter sank 14-of-16 from the field, and nabbed 12 rebounds for the Hawks. Jacob Thomas — who had been suspended for undisclosed disciplinary reasons — returned to the court and registered 15 points for the Hawks. The seven-foot Goran Huskic put 11 points on the board and accounted for 12 rebounds.

HC Head Coach Mark Adams — who won a national title for the school in 2010 — was unavailable for comment, but prior to the tournament expressed confidence in his team's ability to score, though he said the squad's defensive play could use some improvement.

"I think we have more depth this year than the team that won it all," Adams said.

"I think we score just as well, but we aren't as solid on defense. We have to work on our defensive positions, get more rebounds and practice a lot of blocking out drills. That's been our Achilles' Heel all season — our inability to rebound."

Next up for Howard (27-4) will be a match against WJAC foe Odessa College (23-7). The Hawks dispatched the Wranglers 77-64 in their first meeting and 94-83 in their second bout. HC is on an eight-game win streak.

Odessa beat Hill College in the first round, 83-67.

Tip-off is slated for 7 p.m. today at the Rip Griffin Center on the Lubbock Christian University campus.

Contact Sports Editor Brian McCormack at 263-7331 ext. 237 or by e-mail at sports@bigspringherald.com

HERALD photo/Tony Claxton/visit www.claxtonphotography.com  
Howard College's Cameron Forte attempts a shot over defending Temple College players during the Region V Tournament on Thursday in Lubbock. The Hawks won 97-74 and will return to action today at 7 p.m. against conference foe Odessa College.

# Steers down Lake View 4-3

By BRIAN MCCORMACK  
Sports Editor

The Big Spring baseball tournament is under way. The Steers — whose bats were mostly quiet for the first five innings of play — came back in their final few plate appearances to nip San Angelo Lake View 4-3 Thursday at Steer Park.

The Chiefs opened up the offensive side of the game, taking a 2-0 lead in the top of the third inning on a two-run single.

In the same inning, starting pitcher Tate Kennedy walked the bases loaded with two outs, but pitched himself out of trouble, leaving three Lake View runners on base to stop the bleeding.

A RBI single in the fifth tacked on another Lake

View run as the Chiefs looked as if they may earn a shutout victory.

But then the Steers' grit kicked in.

"We faced a good Lake View team today," BSHS Head Coach Bert Otto said. "We just hung in there and battled, we found a way to get some runs and won it there in the end. We've been doing that for going on two years now. I guess it's expected."

With six outs left in the ball game, varsity newcomer Hunter Hill connected for a stand-up triple, kicking off a Big Spring rally. Matthew Yanez drew a walk — putting runners on the corners for lead-off hitter Karsten Knudson, who hit an infield chopper Lake View couldn't field. Hill crossed the plate

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Big Spring's Gunnar Kennedy fields a center field hit during Tuesday's game against Lubbock Estacado. The Steers opened the Big Spring Tournament on Thursday with a 4-3 win over San Angelo Lake View. They play again today against Jim Ned at 7 p.m. at Steer Park.

# Denny Hamlin fined \$25k by NASCAR for criticizing car

LAS VEGAS (AP) — A furious Denny Hamlin said he won't pay the \$25,000 fine leveled on him by NASCAR on Thursday after his criticism of the Gen-6 race car.

The fine also left many of his fellow drivers wondering what they can say about their new cars without incurring NASCAR's wrath.

Hamlin couldn't understand why he was at the center of NASCAR's latest tempest over its drivers' media comments. He compared the new race car unfavorably to last year's car, along with la-

menting the overall quality of racing last week in Phoenix.

Although Hamlin's brief comments were barely noticed last weekend, NASCAR — clearly concerned about the Gen-6 car's public perception — leveled a significant fine against him before Thursday's open test of the new car at Las Vegas Motor Speedway.

"Ultimately, I'm not OK with it," Hamlin said outside his hauler after the morning test. "This is the most upset and angry I've been in a really, really long time about

anything that relates to NASCAR."

He reiterated his position later Thursday in a lengthy Twitter post and said he'll appeal the fine.

"I believe I was severely disrespected by NASCAR by getting fined," he tweeted. "I believe that the simple fact of us not even having a conversation about this issue before I was hit with a fine has something to say about our relationship. What I said was 1 sentence taken completely out of context."

"I said today I would not pay

the fine," his tweet continued. "I stand by that and will go through the process of appealing. Trust me, this is not about the money. It's much deeper. I will now shift my focus on giving FedEx and my team what they deserve this weekend, a win."

Hamlin actually ran well last Sunday, the second race for NASCAR's new Gen-6 race car in Phoenix, finishing third in a fairly dull race that featured no passes for the lead in the final 189 laps of Carl Edwards' victory.

But when Hamlin was asked

on pit road how he liked the car, he said: "I don't want to be the pessimist, but it did not race as good as our generation five cars. This is more like what the generation five was at the beginning."

NASCAR deemed Hamlin's remarks as detrimental to stock car racing, saying that while drivers get "ample leeway in voicing their opinions when it comes to a wide range of aspects about the sport, the sanctioning body will not tolerate publicly made comments by its drivers that denigrate the racing product."

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19). Can you feel it? Your time is coming. Right now it may seem that the spotlight is taking its sweet time getting around to you, but take advantage of the extra moments. You still have some work to do to prepare.

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Legals

CITATION BY PUBLICATION CLERK OF THE COURT: PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY: George S. Bishop 401 Cypress Street, Suite 210 Abilene, Texas 79601

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TO: MIDSUN OIL CORPORATION, AND ITS SUCCESSORS, SHAREHOLDERS, ASSIGNS, AND/OR THEIR UNKNOWN HEIRS; AND MID-TEX OIL AND GAS COMPANY AND ITS SUCCESSORS, SHAREHOLDERS, ASSIGNS, AND/OR THEIR UNKNOWN HEIRS, Defendants in the cause herein described.

You and each of you are hereby commanded to appear and answer before the 118th Judicial District Court in the Glasscock County Courthouse located in Garden City, Glasscock County, Texas, at or before 10:00 a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from the date of issuance hereof, being at or before 10:00 a.m. on Monday the 1st day of April, 2013, then and there to answer the petition filed in Cause No. 1618, styled "ATHLON FE OPERATING LLC, Plaintiff, v. MIDSUN OIL CORPORATION, AND ITS SUCCESSORS, SHAREHOLDERS, ASSIGNS, AND/OR THEIR UNKNOWN HEIRS; AND MID-TEX OIL AND GAS COMPANY AND ITS SUCCESSORS, SHAREHOLDERS, ASSIGNS, AND/OR THEIR UNKNOWN HEIRS, Defendants". The said petition, filed on the 12th day of February, 2013, discloses that the nature of said suit is as follows: This suit is brought to have a receiver appointed under the provisions of Section 64.091 of the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code for undivided mineral interests owned by the Defendants in the North Half (N/2) of Section 14, Block 34, T-5-S, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, Glasscock County, Texas, containing 320 acres, more or less, and to execute oil, gas and mineral leases thereof to the Plaintiff and take such other action deemed necessary under the provisions of said statute.

ISSUED AND GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF SAID COURT on this the 12th day of February, 2013, at Garden City, Glasscock County, Texas. Rebecca Batla, District Clerk Court of Glasscock County, Texas By: Rebecca Batla, #7661 February 22 and March 1, 8 & 15, 2013

Legals

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION DISTRICT 08 DATE OF ISSUANCE: Feb 19, 2013 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Mar 26, 2013 Address: Railroad Commission of Texas ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit P.O. Box 12967 Austin, Texas 78711-2967 Fax: (512)463-6780 Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US Rule 37 Case No. 0280828 Status/Permit No. 756380

NOTICE OF APPLICATION NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE APACHE CORPORATION, [RRC Operator No. 027200] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 1, Bk. 31 T2N, T&P RR CO Survey, A-176, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 14.2 miles NW direction from COAHOMA, Texas. PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted WITHOUT A HEARING if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case.

The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 (512)463-6751.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY MAR 26, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

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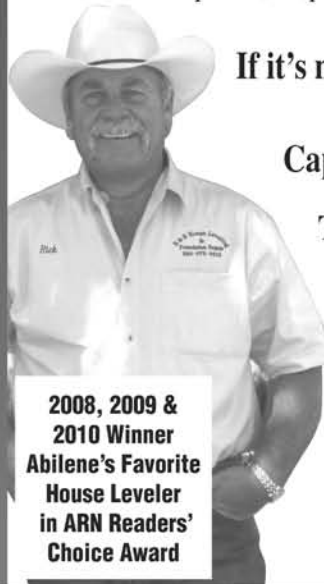
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5:30 PM	News ABC	Casa Notic.	Two Men	News CBS	Noticias Noticiero	News	King Seinfeld	The Dr. Denis	Charlie Rose	King '70s	Gold Rush	Ventura	Gangland	The Mentalist	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live	Good Jessie	Around Pardon	SportsCenter	
6:30 PM	Jeopardy!	Corona de Lagrimas	Big Bang	News Ent	Caso Cerado	News	Seinfeld	Israel	PBS News-Hour	Seinfeld Rules	Gold Rush	Movie: Constantine, Shia LaBeouf	Gangland	The Mentalist	A.N.T. Farm	College Basketball: Kent State at Akron.	NBA Basketball: Hawks at Boston Celtics.	NBA Basketball: Rockets at Warriors	
7:30 PM	Last Man Malibu	Por Ella Soy Eva (SS)	Kitchen Nightmares	Undercover Boss	Pasión Prohibida	Fashion Star	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Wash Hour	Nikita	Gold Rush	Movie: The Transporter 2	Movie: The Transporter 2	Movie: Inglourious Basterds, Christoph Waltz (DVS)	One Mic One Mic	Jessie	Boxing: Friday Night Fights.	NBA Basketball: Hawks at Boston Celtics.	
8:30 PM	Shark Tank		Touch	Golden Boy	La Patrona (SS)	Grimm	Movie: Failure to Launch (DVS)	Best of Light of the Southwest	Magical-Tour	Cops	Bering Sea Gold	The Walking Dead	Movie: Transporter 3, François Berléand	Dallas	Movie: He Got Game, Milla Jovovich	Dog	NBA Basketball: Hawks at Boston Celtics.	NBA Basketball: Rockets at Warriors	
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### DENNIS THE MENACE

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IS THIS A GOOD TIME TO DISCUSS YOUR UPCOMING PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCE?

### THE FAMILY CIRCUS

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Hold it! Daddy says all he wants today is a little piece of quiet.

### HAGAR

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NOW, THIS BEARSKIN HAS BEEN DRASTICALLY REDUCED!

ARE YOU SURE IT'S A BEARSKIN?

MADAM! YOU DOUBT THE WORD OF FRED THE FURRIER?!!

I THINK IT'S THAT WHITE STRIPE GOING DOWN THE BACK!

### BLONDIE

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WHOA! THIS MOVIE IS RIDICULOUSLY PHENOMENAL, DAD!!

I'VE NOTICED THAT TEENS USE THE WORD 'RIDICULOUSLY' A LOT THESE DAYS

WELL, I GUESS WE DO...LIKE: SHE'S 'RIDICULOUSLY HOT' OR... YOUR CAR IS 'RIDICULOUSLY AWESOME' OR...

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THE BEEF BOURGIGNON?

IT'S RIDICULOUSLY DELICIOUS!!!

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HELLO?! WHAT HAPPENS ON ZORPULON X STAYS ON ZORPULON X.

### This Date In History

Today is Friday, March 8, the 67th day of 2013. There are 298 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 8, 1917, Russia's "February Revolution" (so called because of the Old Style calendar used by Russians at the time) began with rioting and strikes in Petrograd; the result was the abdication of the Russian monarchy in favor of a provisional government.

On this date:

In 1702, England's Queen Anne acceded to the throne upon the death of King William III.

In 1854, U.S. Commodore Matthew C. Perry made his second landing in Japan; within a month, he concluded a treaty with the Japanese.

In 1862, during the Civil War, the ironclad CSS Virginia rammed and sank the USS Cumberland and heavily damaged the USS Congress, both frigates, off Newport News, Va.

In 1971, Joe Frazier defeated Muhammad Ali by decision in what was billed as "The Fight of the Century" at Madison Square Garden in New York.

In 1983, in a speech to the National Association of Evangelicals convention in Orlando, Fla., President Ronald Reagan referred to the Soviet Union as an "evil empire."

In 1874, the 13th president of the United States, Millard Fillmore, died in Buffalo, N.Y., at age 74.

In 1917, the U.S. Senate voted to limit filibusters by adopting the cloture rule.

In 1930, the 27th president of the United States, William Howard Taft, died in Washington at age 72.

In 1942, Imperial Japanese forces occupied Yangon in Burma during World War II.

In 1963, a military coup in Syria brought the Baath Party to power.

In 1965, the United States landed its first combat troops in South Vietnam as 3,500 Marines were brought in to defend the U.S. air base at Da Nang.

In 1988, 17 soldiers were killed when two Army helicopters from Fort Campbell, Ky., collided in mid-flight.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Sue Ane (correct) Langdon is 77. College Football Hall of Famer Pete Dawkins is 75. Baseball player-turned-author Jim Bouton is 74. Songwriter Carole Bayer Sager is 69. Actor-director Micky Dolenz is 68. Singer-musician Randy Meisner is 67. Pop singer Peggy March is 65. Baseball Hall-of-Famer Jim Rice is 60. Singer Gary Numan is 55. NBC News anchor Lester Holt is 54. Actor Aidan Quinn is 54. Country musician Jimmy Dormire is 53. Actress Camryn Manheim is 52.

Answer to previous puzzle

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### AGNES

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MY LITTLE BOY IS HAVING TROUBLE SLEEPING

CAN YOU STOP BY AND READ TO HIM BEFORE HE GOES TO BED?

I KNOW A NUMBER OF GOOD BEDTIME STORIES

JUST BRING ONE OF YOUR SPEECHES

### HI AND LOIS

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AN EFFECTS PEDAL FOR MY GUITAR COSTS \$229.

THAT'S CHEAP.

COMPARED TO WHAT?

ALL THE OTHER THINGS YOU WANT BUT CAN'T AFFORD.

### THE OTHER COAST

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THIS FLEA TREATMENT WILL KEEP YOU FLEA-FREE FOR A MONTH.

I DON'T MIND GETTING THE FLEA TREATMENT SO MUCH...

IT'S THEIR LITTLE FUNERALS THAT CREEP ME OUT.

### SNUFFY SMITH

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HOW'S TH' BIRFDAY BOY, GRAMPY?

OLD AGE AIN'T ALL IT'S CRACKED UP T'BE, SNUFFY !!

I WAKE UP FEELIN' BAD WIFOUT HAVIN' ENNY FUN TH' NIGHT B'FORE !!

### BEEBLE BAILEY

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YOU'RE IMPLYING THAT I'M A FAILURE AS A SOLDIER, A GENERAL, A HUSBAND AND A GOLFER

WHAT'S LEFT?

I FORGOT YOUR STATUS AS A GARBAGE CAN EMPTIER

### NEWSDAY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Mounted match

6 Bypass

10 Prima donna

14 Snap of a course

15 Extended

16 Prince William alma mater

17 Yankee Stadium locale

18 Oratorio piece

19 Set up, for short

20 Traffic ticket overseer

23 Bush spokesman

26 ShopNBC competitor

27 Tie score

28 Something important

31 Explorer or Pathfinder

32 Little squirt

33 Regional law enforcer

37 Vaporization result

38 Hard pull

39 Dishearten

42 One with veto power

45 Some degs.

47 Dreamliner, e.g.

48 Canadian \$1 coin

49 Tesla rival

51 Regulator of OTC drugs

53 Long time, for short

54 Presidential appointee

58 Sunblock additive

59 Benefit

60 Golden Fleece source

64 Connect

65 Carefree adventure

66 Two-time Banderas role

67 "I'm game"

68 Cuts off

69 Opinion piece

DOWN

1 W.'s younger brother

2 Crew team member

3 "Until Every One Comes Home" grp.

4 Harmony, informally

5 Bus alternative

6 Does in

7 Holy text

8 Still contending

9 FedEx Cup organizer

10 Harvester giant

11 "Stop laughing!"

12 Political advice of a sort

13 But

21 People in general

22 Available for streaming, maybe

23 Rudiments

24 Knee-slapper

25 Unsure "Uh-uh"

29 Tiny biter

30 Telecom exec in training

31 \_\_\_ lily (Utah state flower)

34 Mark on galleys

35 Warm greeting

36 Old West card game

40 Film genre

41 Very, in Verdun

43 Readily defended

44 Prince who inspired Dracula

45 Happen to

46 Antarctic penguin

50 Goes after

51 Bit of Greenland topography

52 Hoops crowd-pleasers

55 Student aid

56 Curious look

57 Youngest Olympian

61 Treasury Dept. agency

62 Historical stretch

63 Oil source

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**Area Sports Calendar**

**TODAY**

**Basketball**

• Howard College vs. Odessa College, Region V tourney (through Sunday), Rip Griffin Center, Lubbock Christian University, 7 p.m.

**Baseball**

• Howard College vs. Western Texas College (doubleheader), noon & 3 p.m., Snyder, four-game series.  
• Big Spring Tournament (through Saturday), vs. Jim Ned, 7 p.m.  
• Coahoma vs. Pecos, 3:15 at Greenwood Tournament (through Saturday).  
• Forsan vs. TBA at Greenwood Tournament (through Saturday).

**Softball**

• Howard College at El Paso (doubleheader), 1 p.m. & 3 p.m. (four-game series).  
• Big Spring at Snyder Tournament (through Saturday), vs. San Angelo Lake View, 1 p.m., vs. Pampa, 5:30 p.m.  
• Greenwood at Coahoma, 6:30 p.m.

**Tennis**

• Big Spring at Team State Meet, Abilene (through Saturday).

**Golf**

• Big Spring girls at Andrews (through Saturday), Big Spring boys at San Angelo Lake View (through Saturday).

**Track**

• Big Spring Invitational (through Saturday).

**Powerlifting**

• Regional meet (boys), Sundown.

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

**STEERS**

for BSBS to cut the Chiefs' lead to two.

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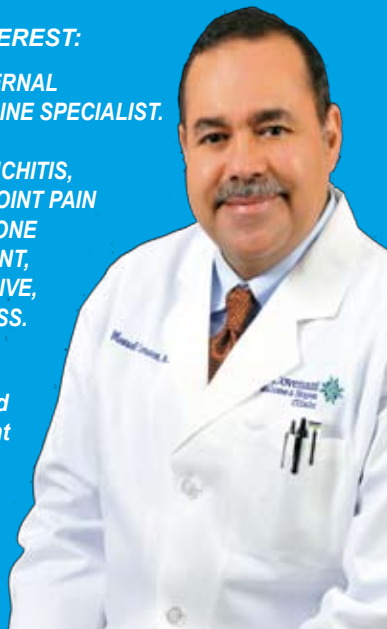
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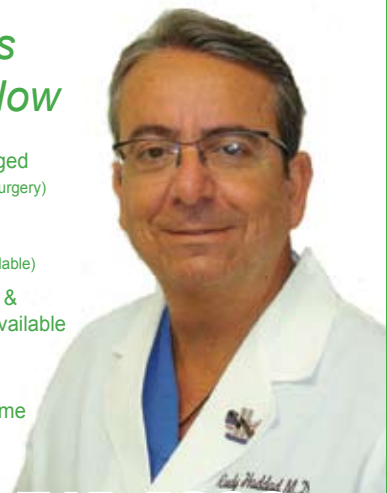
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Haegan Rodriguez walked and Gunnar Kennedy—who relieved Tate Kennedy on the mound in the top of the sixth—singled to load the bases.

Cleanup batter Max Pappajohn did his job, hitting a two-run sacrifice fly deep to right field, tying the game for the Steers. A fly out by Jarred DoPorto ended the inning, but it was a brand new ball game heading into the final inning.

Lake View couldn't produce a run in its half of the inning, but Big Spring's Brett Brorman reached first base on a walk.

A well-placed bunt by Yanez landed him safely on base and advanced Brorman to second. They each took another base thanks to a wild pitch.

With one out, Rodriguez hit a RBI single to steal the game from the Chiefs.

"These kids, there's something special about them," Otto added. "Baseball is a special sport, there's no time limit and you have to get the last out. And they'll battle until that last out."

The 8-5 Steers will play Jim Ned today at 7 p.m. at Steer Park. BSBS should have a depth advantage over the 2A Indians, but Otto said they are a dangerous team.

"We're going to have to play well if we want to win," he said.

Contact Sports Editor Brian McCormack at 263-7331 ext. 237 or by e-mail at sports@big-springherald.com

**sudoku**

ANSWERS

4	9	2	3	1	8	7	5	6
5	1	8	4	6	7	9	3	2
7	3	6	5	2	9	1	4	8
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9	4	3	6	7	2	8	1	5
6	2	7	1	8	5	4	9	3
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