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Dennis Burns of the American Business Club shows one of the creatures on display at this year's Big Spring Rattlesnake Roundup, which continues through Sunday at the Howard County Fair Barns.

Howard Co. looks to go high(er) tech

By THOMAS JENKINS Staff Writer

Howard County commissioners are slated to meet Monday morning with the possible purchase of a new county-wide software system topping the agenda.

The software — produced by Tyler Technologies, the same company the county has used since 1992 — could cost the county between \$500,000 and \$600,000, according to County Judge Mark Barr.

Despite the steep price tag, Barr said the government body is in a situation where it will have to act soon.

"The software we currently have in place was purchased back in 1992," Barr said. "Unfortunately, Tyler Technologies is no longer supporting it because it's so far out of date. So we have to look at updating our systems."

Barr said the newer soft-

ware being produced by Ty-

ler Technologies offers more

for its users; however, the switch will be a trade-off for everyone involved. "This software is used by almost all of our de-

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partments.

BIBBY'S BACK

Bites don't deter handler from local rattlesnake roundup, which runs through Sunday

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

If most people had the kind of year Jackie Bibby's gone through, they'd seriously consider changing professions.

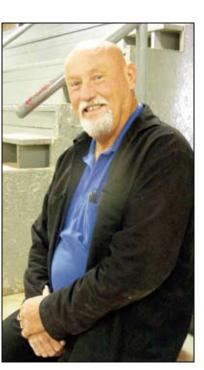
Then again, most people wouldn't be a snake handler in the first place. By any measure, Bibby, a

world-record holder in several snake-handling categories, has had a very rough past 12 months, the low point coming last September when a bite from a 6-foot-long rattlesnake

ended up costing him most of his right leg. While losing a leg would

cause most people to reexamine their direction in life, Bibby keeps plugging away, walking into cages full of venomous snakes and performing stunts that would cause most to cringe, if not faint outright, at the mere thought seriously, would you put six live rattlesnakes in your mouth?

Less than a week after a hospital stay caused by another



Jackie Bibby

serious rattler bite, Bibby is back in action this weekend at the American Business Club's annual Big Spring Rattlesnake Roundup, which continues through Sunday

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HC's San Angelo campus is facing major expansion

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Howard College's plans for constructing new classroom space at its San Angelo campus are about to hit a higher When college trustees hold

their monthly meeting at 12:30 p.m. Monday (in the student union building's Tumbleweed Room), they will hear an update on expansion plans in San Angelo.

College President Dr. Cheryl Sparks said plans are being finalized for the construction of two buildings, which will be located next to the West Texas Training Center on the western edge of San Angelo.

The \$12 million project, which will be entirely funded by student fees and private donations, is expected to start in late May or early June, with completion slated for mid-2014.

Steps the board will take Monday include approval of a lease agreement with the city of San Angelo (\$10 a year for 75 years) and plans for issuance of revenue bonds, Sparks said.

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Annual cleanup nears; volunteers needed

By BILL McCLELLAN Managing Editor

It's just March and a couple

of Big Spring's finest are already talking trash. Will it Probably not, 'cause trash is everywhere. Janell Davis

and Walter Ward, members



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of Keep Big Spring Beautiful, want everyone to know that the Trash Off is just a few weeks away — April 6, in "We'd like to see as many

volunteers as possible join us in cleaning up Big Spring," said Davis.

The concept is simple. No one will be after you with a whip shouting "pick up that trash!" from daylight until dark. No, it's more of a you decide the area you want to work and do it when you feel like it. Maybe it's your

residential block, businesses,

nearby park or along one of the highways leading in or out of the city. The big push is in the morn-

ing, of course, and KBSB will be feeding volunteers at noon that Saturday at Heart of the City Park. And, organization members

will also be awarded prizes winners of a "contest" this "Not only to we plan to feed them, but they'll have

a chance to win some good things," said Ward. "We're going to be putting Trash Off

stickers on some cans and

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April 6, 2013 bottles and if someone finds Several businesses have

one of them during the Trash Off, they'll win a prize."

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Donna Jo Hedges



A funeral service for Donna Jo Hedges, 54, of Big Spring will be held Monday, March 25, 2013, at 10 a.m. at Crestview Baptist Church with Gerald Parsons officiating. Burial will follow in Lamesa Memorial Park under the direction of Branon Funeral Home.

Donna passed away Thursday March 23, 2013, in Big Spring. She was born Dec. 7, 1958, in San Angelo to Thomas Ray and Nita (Sikes)

Mathis. She married Mark Hedges on Oct. 28, 2006, in Big Spring. Donna's grandchildren were her pride and joy and she cherished each minute spent

She is survived by her husband, Mark Hedges of Big Spring; children, Daniel Makowsky and wife Amanda of St. Louis, Mo., Monty Makowsky and wife Leslie Garcia of Big Spring and Matthew Makowsky and wife Amanda of Lubbock; step-sons, Joshua Hedges and wife Jody of Las Vegas, Nev., and Jeremy Hedges and wife Lisa of Willis; sister, Patti Hall and husband Gary of Lamesa; and brother, Lane Mathis and wife Pam of Roanoke. Donna is preceded in death by her parents; broth-

with them. She loved to travel as often as possible.

ers, Larry Ray Mathis and Thomas Sealy Mathis; nephew, Cody Kizzar; and granddaughter, Velvet Sky Makowsky.

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Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- JULIAN JAY TORRES, 20, 500.5 N.W. Seventh, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication by
- ORLANDO CHAVEZ JR., 19, 1022 Ridgeroad, was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana under two ounces.
- CHRISTOPHER LEE BEDFORD, 20, 4215 Hamilton, was arrested on a warrant from another agen-
- CHRISTOPHER JERROD TURNER, 20, was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana under two ounces in a drug free zone.
- ROMONDA LYNN JONES, 32, 7016 Roberts

Road, was arrested on warrants for expired motor vehicle inspection certificate, expired registration, failure to maintain financial responsibility and failure to appear.

- BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE, was reported in the 2500 block of Dow.
- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 7000 block of Roberts Road.

• CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1100

- block of E. 13th. • THEFT was reported in the 1500 block of Sycamore, the 1600 block of Scurry, the 800 block of Run-
- nels and the 1400 block of E. Sixth. BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1300 block of Monmouth.

Take Note

• The Prom Closet, located at Christy's Salon, 100 E. Third, is making recycled prom dresses available to young ladies who might otherwise not be able to afford one. The closet is open from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday or you may call contact Christian Fair at 432-816-3537 to make an

• March 30, 1973, all U.S. troops withdrew from Vietnam under the terms of the Treaty of Paris. March 8, 2011, the United States Senate declared March 30 as "Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day." The West Texas VA Health Care System is proud to host the 2013 Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans program. The program will be held at 6 p.m. March 28 at the Big Spring Country Club, 2401 Driver Road. For more information or to RSVP, contact the Office of Community Relations at the West Texas VA Health Care System, 432-264-4824.

appointment or for more information.

- 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
- Big Spring residents, past and present, are invited to a reunion picnic on the third weekend in April. On April 19, early arrivals will meet at 11:30 a.m. at the Comanche Trail Park Old Settler's Pavilion for a brown bag lunch and visiting. Around 6 p.m., participants will meet at the Wagon Wheel for burgers and more visitation. Saturday, the 20th, the reunion will move to the Eagles Lodge from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.. Entry fee to the Eagles Lodge event will be a single (more if you wish) non-perishable canned good. Proceeds to be donated to a local food bank and/or folks needing assistance. A silent auction will be going on at the lodge with donated items, proceeds to fund the group's events and assistance fund. There will be some snacks available at the lodge. However, those attending are responsible for their own meals. Bring it or come and go. It is after all a picnic.
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ness 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.

- 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 or 432 268-7535.
- 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.
- · 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 credit union at 267-6373 or Donna Whetsel at 432-466-9744.
- Do you have a minute? An hour? How about making a difference in someone's life? Become a hospice volunteer. One hour a month can make a difference. If interested, please call Kara Daniels at Compass Hospice, 432-263-5999, or apply in person at 602 S. Main St.

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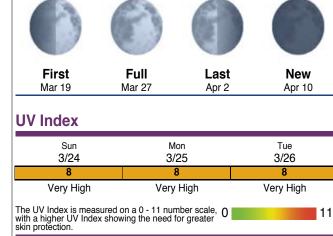


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El Paso	67	39	sunny	Sulphur Springs	54	33	windy
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SNAKES

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at the Howard County Fair Barns.

"I've had to make some adjustments, but not too many drastic adjustments," he said of his routines, which include crawling into a sleeping bag full of snakes and resting a rattlesnake atop his head. "I'm still doing everything I've always done in my shows, just a little more slowly and carefully."

Bibby's attitude may seem a little cavalier to some, but his tone of voice turns serious when he talks about the episode which cost him his

"I was doing a show in Dallas in front of about 300 spectators," he recalled. "I walked too close to a 6-foot rattler and he got me above my right boot. They rushed me to the hospital, but there had been too much venomation (damage from the snake's venom). My right leg was just dead ... and they amputated it above the knee three days later."

His most recent incident happenedearlierthismonth, when he was loading snakes onto his truck at his Rising Star home to transport them to a show in Brownwood. A rattler reached out, biting him in the stomach area. This wound cost him another trip to the hospital and several injections of

anti-venom, but he was up and about a few days later, getting ready for this weekend's show in Big Spring.

Despite all his medical woes, Bibby, who recently turned 63, said he has no intentions of retiring anytime

"I've been doing this for 43 years," he said. "I'm not about to stop now."

the highlights of this year's roundup, which began its 49th run Saturday morning. About 400 pounds of rat-

tlers were caught by hunters Friday, with even more expected to come in Saturday. AMBUCS officials said that represented an increase in the number of snakes caught in 2012.

Sunday's hours are noon to 5 p.m. Day passes are \$5 for visitors ages 12 and older and \$3 for younger children. Admission is free to the arts and crafts section. Both are being held at the **Howard County Fair Barns** off FM 700.

Among the features of this year's show are snakehandling and safety demonstrations by club members, as well as a milking demonstration — venom extracted from rattlers is routinely used in medical research. Venom collected at this year's event will be sold to

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COUNTY

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court, district clerk's office, county clerk's office, the justices of the peace," Barr said. "The newer system is much more up-to-date than what we're using now. Instead of having servers on the premises, the system utilizes a cloudbased system using the internet. Also, the interface is much more user friendly.

"It's always a tradeoff, though. Once we upgrade, we have to import all of the existing data to the new system, and that's a painful process.

everyonehow to use the new system, which is going to take some time and a real effort. It's not going to be a walk in the park." Barr said the county

has discussed using software from a company other than Tyler Technologies, but that idea presents a whole slew of possible problems. "We've discussed

switching companies, however, it seems like you create more problems than you solve that way," Barr said. "There's the issue of importingour existing data into the new system, which is really huge

for us. If we switched companies, there are all kinds of glitches which present themselves. I really feel like our best bet is to go back with the same company." Also during Monday's

meeting, the county is to once again discuss the local Porsche car club's request to use the old Howard County airport runway for auto racing.

"I really don't know what to tell you about this," Barr said. "They approached us with a request to use the old airport runway for racing, however, the runway is in really bad shape. I mean, there are trees growing up through the runway in some places. We'll discuss it and meet with them if they show up. I don't really know that anything is going to come of it, though."

Also Monday, Precinct 1 Commissioner Oscar Garcia is to offer discussion regarding Howard County contracting for road paving, as well as possibly take action on a residential or commercial driveway for a county resident.

The court is to meet with County Auditor Jackie Olson, who will present invoices and purchase requests. Howard County Tax Assessor and Collector Diane Carter will also speak request for computer software for her depart-

County Secretary Teresa Thomas will discuss personnel considerations, while Road and Bridge Administrator Brian Klinkseik will present proposed pipeline crossings and an update on county road maintenance. Klinkseik is also to request permission to sell used equipment and discuss residential driveways.

The meeting will get under way at 10 a.m. in the commissioners courtroom, located on the third floor of the county courthouse. Of-

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ficials from Tyler Technologies will meet with commissioners at 2 p.m. to make a presentation regarding the proposed software. For more information, contact the county judge's office at 432-264-2202.

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COLLEGE

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Lee Lewis, who oversaw construction of four new elementary campuses in Big Spring, is the construction manager for the San Angelo project. Once completed, one

of the new buildings

will be used for classrooms, while the other will house the campus library and other student support services.

Enrollment has figuratively exploded at the San Angelo campus — 2,600 students signed up for classes this past fall, double the figure from 2003 — and all existing space at the training center is being utilized,

necessitating the expansion, Sparks said. "This will support the

growth we've had at San Angelo," she said. "In the last year, there seems to be a leveling off of enrollment growth, but we don't know if that's because of the upswing in the economy ... or if us lacking space has been a factor.

"This will give us a lit-

tle bit of growth room, but not a lot more," she added.

In other business

Monday, trustees will consider: • Program reviews up-

- date. · Bids for technology
- upgrades at the San Angelo campus.
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agreed to help with prizes but more are needed. Any merchant interested should contact Ward.

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"Individuals, groups and businesses are encouraged to grab a trash bag and help out," said

Davis.

Those interested in learning more about KBSB are invited to attend a noon meeting the first Monday of each month at the Howard College Cactus Room.

For more information about the Trash Off, to volunteer or become a sponsor, contact Ward at 432-466-4138.

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LETTERS

Honest people

TO THE EDITOR:

I want to thank the person who found my blue disability card I lost at

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Thank you so much for turning it in. It proves there are honest people in this world.

God bless you always! SHARON OSBURN BIG SPRING

Thanks, Mr. Mayor

TO THE EDITOR:

A great big Thank You to Mayor Tommy Duncan for all you have accomplished for city tax payers and Big Spring. You are awesome May-

or Duncan. You have accomplished so much in a short time and against impossible odds.

Mayor Duncan, would like to see all that you would have accomplished for Big Spring if you had more years to accomplish it in.

You, Mayor Duncan gave Big Spring a stepup in common-sense way. When you and the city council gave the city the chance for termlimits, the chance for citizens to vote on how our tax money is spent, controlled the spending on the water park, bought needed items for our city workers, used money we already set aside at a time to help with a new water containment center, held on to the tax level as long as you could, and on and on I can go to thank you for helping Big Spring with all you accomplished.

Mayor Duncan and our city council are doing a great job.

They are concerned for and about Big Spring. They weigh the options and seek the best and safest way to accomplish projects. Their concern is for long-term.

I know I want my children and grandchildren to have water to drink.

Getting water to Big Spring should have started years ago and continued to a point we could turn a tap and bring relief as we need it.

What water our lake received during short cold snap was almost depleted by water main breaks.

This is also something that should have been tended to in prior years.

It will take a grand person to fill Mayor Duncan's boots come May.

I pray that the person will come aboard and have sense enough to continue what Mayor Duncan has accomplished so far. I hope that person will care as much for all tax payers and citizens instead of an elite few.

Spring for what a certain few did to try to disrupt Mayor Duncan and

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Daily Prayer

May we remain diligent about studying Your word, Lord, for always.

Amen

Stories from the Motley Co. Jail

he Motley County jail in Matador was built in 1891, the year the county was organized, and was in use until 1984.

The old stone building has seen better days and a group is trying to raise funds to renovate it. Carol Campbell,

who grew up in Matador and went back there after a justice department career in Dallas, says the jail could be turned into a museum or at least a place to visit. "In a lot of plac-

es, residents put a building over 50 years old in a hole and cover it up. We don't want to do that here."

Motley County clerk for 27 years, was a member of a study group that was interested in the jail. That got Carol to thinking about the structure and she is helping with fundraising and updating.

Her mother, who served as

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She got a grant from the Texas Historical Commission to make some repairs to the stonework.

"Although the jail has a gallows, it was never used," says

Carol. "The state decided that counties couldn't hang people anymore, so they sealed the gallows. It does provide some interest to people who tour the jail."

The jail had some fascinating inmates. One of them saturated himself with rose hair oil and slipped through the bars to freedom. Another prisoner whose nickname was Digger was on the jail's death row. "Digger was the only person in

the county who could witch for water," says Carol. "They'd set a hanging date for Digger then somebody would move into the county and need a water well, so they'd let Digger out, let him dig the well, then they'd bring him back to death row in the jail. "This went on for sometime and they really didn't want to hang Digger because his services were so valuable. Legend

Prisoners communicated with the public. Carol says they would hang out the windows and yell to people coming down the street.

says he escaped on one of his

outings."

"They would say, 'hello, out there,' and ask passersby for cigarettes or beer or other things. William Saroyan wrote a play

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about the jail in Matador and called it "Hello Out There." Matador is mentioned several times in the play.

The first four Motley county sheriffs died from bullet wounds. The first sheriff is known as the outlaw sheriff because he gambled with taxpayer money and got in trouble for it.

A group of spirit seekers from Fort Worth investigated the jail and determined it has ghosts.

"They were practically jumping up and down, they were so excited because they found so much activity in the jail. They told is there were three ghosts in the jail, two males and one female. They were able to get the female ghost to respond to them."

The spirit seekers said they could detect a faint smell of rose hair oil.

"We're trying to figure out ways to get people to come to our jail if for no other reason than to visit with our resident ghosts that are here," says Carol.

Tumbleweed Smith lives in Big Spring and produces "The Sound of Texas" syndicated radio show. His website is tumbleweedsmith.

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High roads and bunny trails

he trails of life marked by obstacles of many kinds - rarely intersect with bunny trails It is a scar on Big of blue sky songs and joyous egg

They draw closer, however, when a youngster sees few

limits and imbues others along the trail with a "yes we can" attitude. That's the essence of Haley Whatley, 18-year-old senior tennis star at Birdville High School in North Richland

Hills, Texas. For 13 years, she's been the driving force to provide new

stuffed animals for Cook Children's Medical Center in Fort Worth. They've collected some 29,000 animals — each one buoying spirits and providing blessed assurance that the young patients are not alone. Her dream began at age 4,

when her heart was touched by a TV appeal from St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tenn. She had numerous questions for her parents, Gary and Elizabeth Whatley, Metroplex a year later, a tour of Cook Children's Medical Center further amazed.

Haley was particularly taken by the "prayer bear room" provided by pastoral care efforts of churches and businesses.

Her mind was spinning, this soon-to-be kindergartener at Fort Worth Christian School. She was puzzled that the room had no bunnies — animals she viewed in tandem with Easter, her favorite holiday.

Learning that patients received bears year-around even at Easter — she asked if she could bring stuffed rabbits for the next Easter.

Her mom gulped, knowing that her 5-year-old's mind was not completely wrapped around the enormity of her promise. After all, there were 186 beds, each with a patient, some with waver-

ing hope. The program was "gotten on with." Friends at church and school responded, signs were posted and collection boxes set up. They missed their goal by miles. Instead of 186 stuffed animals, 1,400 — mostly bunnies — were donated! The annual project was born.

Her parents' eyes rolled — and hearts beat merrily — for her incurable optimism! (Ditto her 15-year-old brother, Shea.)

Elizabeth saw Haley making friends of strangers in grocery store lines. And when in first grade, she dialed the only American Airlines number stored on her mom's cell phone (Gary is an AA pilot). She detailed the project to the operations manager. After all, she felt certain that

pilots, flight attendants, baggage handlers and others deserved to share the joy of giving. It worked. American Airlines

is now a corporate sponsor, along with Six Flags Over Texas, Holt Caterpillar and Camp Gladiator. "Build a Bear Foundation" in St. Louis annually sends 100 already-built bears. By year three, Haley — the

"bunny manager" — was speaking at schools and churches. Her message? "Don't give 'til it hurts, give 'til it feels good!" Legal pad at hand, she scribbled notes for inclusion in manuals and training materials for future "Bunny Ambassadors." Seeing Bugs Bunny at Six

Flags ignited her request to speak with management. Six Flags "bought in," and now Bugs is present for the annual hospital "bunny drops."

There've been other spin-offs, including a dinner featuring celebrity waiters. By happenstance, Haley met Bob Reynolds while playing in a Houston tennis tournament. Learning that he owns a few dozen Red Robin restaurants, she gave him the opportunity to host the event — providing food for 400 — so he could feel good, too. It raised

\$5,000 for the hospital. There'll be voids at BHS, as well as at Colleyville First Baptist Church, come the autumn, when Haley will be a freshman — on a full tennis scholarship – at Erskine College in Due West, S.C.

Her love for the project she founded, though, remains strong. She's identified a successor to keep it rolling. Her name is Trudie Troublefield, a seventh grader at Westlake Academy.

Not many years ago, Haley was her babysitter.

Haley's spirit and love for others has been well-kindled. Her confidence in what can be done for others is strong.

This reminds me of a savior named Jesus Christ, often on record of his love for children to "come unto him." His resurrection celebrated each Easter is a reminder of His light on our earthly trails.

No wonder Haley has won numerous honors, including Texas' Youth Volunteer of the Year. No wonder others respond. No wonder Easter is her favorite holiday.

And no wonder she eagerly shares the message — we are not alone.

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Police arrest 2 teens in Ga. baby killing

BRUNSWICK, Ga. (AP) - In five years, Sherry West has lost two sons to unspeakable violence.

The Georgia mother was grieving from Thursday's shooting death of her 13-month-old son in his stroller during an attempted robbery while they took a morning stroll. In 2008, her 18-year-old son was stabbed in an altercation in New Jersey.

A pair of teenagers was arrested Friday in the most recent shooting. West had just been to the post office a few blocks from her apartment Thursday morning and was pushing her son, Antonio, in his stroller while they walked past gnarled oak trees and blooming azaleas in the coastal city of Brunswick.

West said a tall, skinny teenager, accompanied by a smaller boy, asked her for money.

"He asked me for money and I said I didn't have it," she told The Associated Press on Friday from her apartment, which was scattered with her son's toys and movies.

"When you have a baby, you spend all your money on babies. They're expensive. And he kept asking and I just said 'I don't have it.' And he said, 'Do you want me to kill your baby? And I said, 'No, don't kill my baby!'"

One of the teens fired four shots, grazing West's ear and striking her in the leg, before he walked around to the stroller and shot the baby in the

Seventeen-year-old De'Marquis Elkins is charged as an adult with first-degree murder, along with a 14-year-old who was not identified because he is a juvenile, Police Chief Tobe Green said. It wasn't immediately clear whether the boys had

Police announced the arrest Friday afternoon after combing school records and canvassing neighborhoods searching for the pair. The chief said the motive of the "horrendous act" was still under investigation and the weapon had not been "I feel glad that justice will be

served," West said. "It's not something I'm going to live with very well. I'm just glad they caught him.' West said detectives showed her

mugshots of about 24 young men. She pointed to one, saying he looked like the gunman. "After I picked him, they said they

looked just like him. So I think we got our man." West said she thought the other suspect looked much younger: "That lit-

tle boy did not look 14."

had him in custody," West said. "It

The slaying happened around the corner from West's apartment in the city's Old Town historic district. It's a street lined with grand Victorian homes from the late 1800s. Most have been neatly restored by their owners. Others, with faded and flaking paint,

have been divided into rental units like the apartment West shared with her son. The slain boy's father, Luis Santiago, lives in a house across the street.

A neighbor dropped off a fruit basket and then a hot pot of coffee Friday as a friend from the post office dropped by to comfort West.

Santiago came and went. At one point he scooped up an armload of his son's stuffed animals, saying he wanted to take them home with him. He talked about Antonio's first birthday on Feb. 5 and how they had tried different party hats on the boy.

"He's all right," Santiago told the boy's mother, trying to smile. "He's potty training upstairs in heaven."

West said her son was walking well on his own and eight of his teeth had come in. But she also mourned the milestones that will never come, like Antonio's first day at school.

"I'm always going to wonder what his first word would be," West said.

Beverly Anderson, whose husband owns the property where West has lived for several years, said she was stunned by the violence in what's generally known as a safe neighborhood where children walk to school and families are frequently outdoors.

Jonathan Mayes and his wife were out walking their dogs Friday, right past the crime scene, and said they've never felt nervous about being out after dark.

"What is so mind-numbing about this is we don't have this kind of stuff happen here," Mayes said.

It's not the mother's first loss of a child to violence. West said her 18-year-old son, Shaun Glassey, was killed in New Jersey in 2008. She still has a newspaper clipping from the

Glassey was killed with a steak knife in March 2008 during an attack involving several other teens on a dark street corner in Gloucester County, N.J., according to news reports from the time.

"He and some other boys were going to ambush a kid," Bernie Weisenfeld, a spokesman for the Gloucester County prosecutor's office, told the AP Friday.

Glassey was armed with a knife, but the 17-year-old target of the attack was able to get the knife away from him "and Glassey ended up on the wrong end of the knife," Weisenfeld

Prosecutors decided the 17-year-old would not be charged because they determined that he acted in self-

Sabrina Elkins, the sister of the older suspect in the Georgia baby's slaying, said Friday evening that she believed her brother was innocent of the charges. She didn't know whether he had a lawyer.

"He couldn't have done that to a little baby," she told AP. "My brother has a good heart."

She said that her brother had been living in Atlanta, and only returned to Brunswick a few months ago.

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our city council's progress for Big Spring.

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TO THE EDITOR,

For those few (if any) who might have read my last letter to the editor, I wrote "Be sure to watch next month's weekend edition of the Big Spring Herald to read my opinion on the parent nurturing the child, influence of peers at school and more." In the meantime, something has occurred that has really upset me — the stopping of White House tours.

The late black comedian, Flip Wilson, portrayed a character called Geraldine, whose favorite excuse was "The Devil made me do it!" Our present mulatto president deviates slightly be saying that President Bush, the NRC, the Tea Party or someone else is at fault when something goes wrong.

Let's first address the canceling of White House tours on March 8. White House spokesman Jay Carney reported, "Due to sequestration, uniformed division officers normally assigned to conducting public tours will be reassigned to other security posts at the White House and all tours will be canceled." See, the president didn't authorize this, it was the UDO. By what authority does a non-elected division make major deci-

Next, and in my opinion most important, the White House belongs to the people of the United States, not the president, Donald Trump or

sions without the presi-

dent's approval?

the UDO.

Third is the statement that officers will be "reassigned to other posts at the White House." What? How can money be saved by reassigning these personnel to other WH posts? I doubt that there will be a reduction in salary. Does Carney imply there were security posts in the White House that were not filled? If so, who doest President BHO blame? One wag is quoted as saying why not just close the White House! At \$400,000 a year salary for the rest of his life, it would appear that the Obamas copuld afford a little more modest house, like most of the rest of us who pay his

March 16, 2006, freshman senator from Illinois, Barak Obama, addressing the U.S. Senate, made the following remarks: "The fact that we are here today to debate raising America's debt limit is a sign of leadership failure. It's a sign that the U.S. government cannot pay its own bills ... Washington is shifting the burden of bad choices today onto the backs of our children and grandchildren." He goes on to state that America has a debt problem and a failure of leadership.

Then the president was asked why he had changed his mind and was now in favor of raising the debt limit. Then on April 15, 2001, he stated on Good Morning America, "I think that it is important to understand the vantage point of a senator versus the vantage point of the president ... so that was just an exampleng what is a political vote as opposed to doing what was important for the country..." Correct me if I am wrong, but I thought all congressmen and the president take an oath to uphold the constitution of the United States.

In my opinion, his definition demonstrates the president's disrespect for Congress. Think of the money that could be saved by abolishing the Senate and the House of Representatives. In today's political arena,

what occurrence is pos-

sible!

How typical of the president, whose tions are almost always in opposition of his words. In the 3006 statement he bemoaned shifting our debts onto our children, their children, and if our country can exist so long, on the backs of generations to come.

He and his administration are spending taxpayer money like it was their own. The closing of national parks, forcing people to buy insurance and rumors of spy-in-the-sky drones make people wonder who comes up with these stupid solutions to non-existing problems, while ignoring the real problems.

It is certainly not the president's doing — ask him and he will tell you thatsome appointed czar did it without getting his approval. Ah so, we get what we elect, not always leadership.

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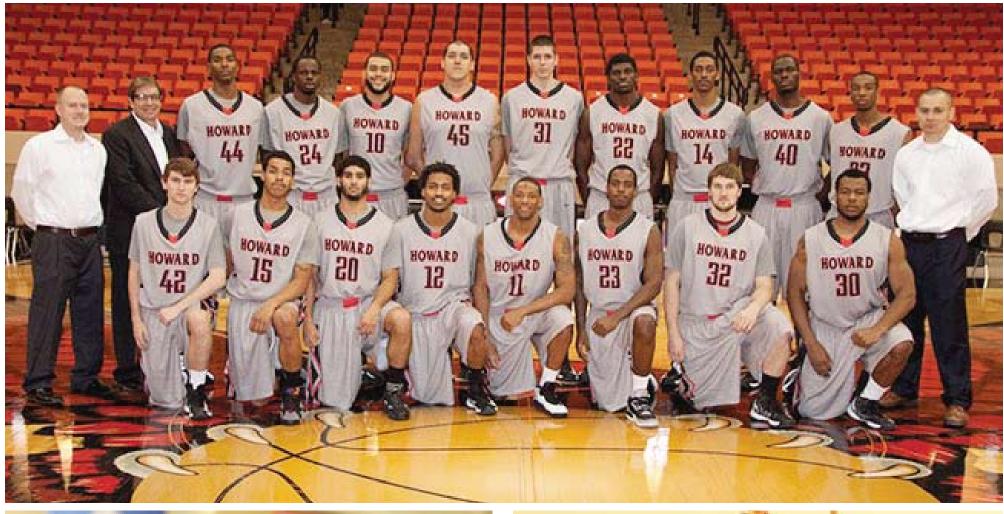
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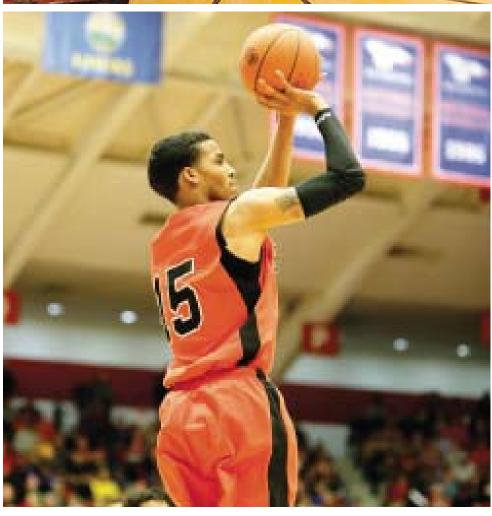






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News in brief

Jury in '86 murder case to hear about other death

SAN ANGELO. Texas (AP) — Jurors in the case of a man on trial for the 1986 murder of a woman whose husband was wrongfully convicted will hear evidence that links him to a second slaying.

Mark Norwood is charged with the beating death of Christine Morton. Morton's husband, Michael, spent 25 years in prison before DNA testing linked Norwood to the slaying.

Norwood has also been connected by DNA from a hair to the death of Debra Masters Baker two years later. Both women were found in their beds, beaten to death. Prosecutors argue that Baker's death has enough similarities to Morton's to demonstrate a

Norwood is on trial for Morton's murder in San

Michael Morton's case brought widespread attention to DNA testing and wrongful convictions.

Dallas rally targets men to stop domestic violence

DALLAS (AP) — NFL Hall of Famers Emmitt Smith and Roger Staubach are among those expected to attend a Dallas rally imploring men to stop domestic violence.

Dallas Mayor Mike Rawlings' office expects thousands of people to attend the "Men Against Abuse" rally on Saturday. Rawlings has waged a public campaign against domestic violence after a series of high-profile crimes in which female victims were killed or attacked, allegedly by men.

Rawlings says close family members of his have been victims of domestic violence.

The National Coalition Against Domestic Violence estimates that 85 percent of domestic violence victims are women.

Rawlings has taped a public service announcement in which he says real men don't hit women or condone domestic violence.

He says he feels a responsibility to reduce crime and make Dallas safer.

Former El Paso judge, businessman sentenced

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — A former El Paso County judge and a West Texas businessman were sentenced to federal prison in a public corruption case related to children.

Authorities say former El Paso County Judge Dolores Briones was sentenced Friday to two-anda-half years for conspiring to embezzle federal program funds. She's required to pay \$36,000 in restitu-

She has admitted conspiring with Ruben "Sonny" Garcia Jr., then president of L.K.G. Enterprises Inc., to accept bribes in exchange for help involving a federal grant.

Garcia was sentenced Friday to four years for conspiring to embezzle federal funds.

Garcia and LKG — ordered jointly and independently to pay about \$1 million in restitution — were to evaluate the Border Children's Mental Health Collaboration but investigators say El Paso County was billed for work that wasn't done.

13 Texas airports lose money for traffic control

DALLAS (AP) — Thirteen small Texas airports will lose federal money for staffing air traffic control facilities as the Federal Aviation Administration works to trim hundreds of millions of dollars from its budget.

The FAA on Friday released a final list of 149 cuts nationwide. The agency must cut \$637 million from its budget for the fiscal year that ends in Septem-

The Brownsville/South Padre Island International Airport, Dallas Executive Airport and Collin County Regional Airport are three of the 13 airports

If the cuts go through, those airports will not be shut down, but pilots will have to coordinate takeoffs and landings by radio with no help from the

Pauken plans 'grassroots' run for Texas governor

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Former Texas Republican Party chairman Tom Pauken said Friday that he plans a "grassroots campaign" to unseat threeterm Gov. Rick Perry.

"I just think we need a new style of leadership in Texas," he told The Associated Press.

Pauken, who started his campaign this week with the formal appointment of a treasurer, acknowledged he will likely face opponents with more money and better name recognition. Along with Perry, Attorney General Greg Abbott is expected to run, although neither has yet formally declared.

Perry has \$6 million on hand, plus a network in place to secure much more once the fundraising restrictions of the legislative session end. Abbott has more than \$18 million in the bank.

In a state of 26 million people spread across 268,000 square miles with several major media markets, most serious candidates are expected to raise about

Pauken made no pretense of any ability to outspend Perry or Abbott.

"If it's about who's going to have the most money, either Rick Perry, if he runs again, or Greg Abbott, if he runs, will prevail," he said. But, he added, "I believe we will have sufficient funds to mount an effective campaign and a winning campaign."

In his favor, Pauken has deep credentials on the socially conservative issues that have driven statewide politics in recent years. An Army veteran, he served as a White House lawyer under President Ronald Reagan. He also guided the Republican Party's statewide ascendance, becoming chairman in 1994 after an unlikely campaign he described to reporters at the time as "grassroots."

N.M. jury awards \$58.5 million in tanker accident

SANTA FE. N.M. (AP) — Jurors who wanted to send a message to the trucking industry awarded \$58.5 million to the estate and family of a Carlsbad man fatally injured in a 2010 accident when his vehicle collided with an oil industry tanker.

The award in a wrongful-death suit stemming from the death of Kevin Udy included \$47 million in punitive damages against three companies, and jurors said they "expect a much higher standard of safety and training from the trucking industry."

The jury's statement was read in court by the jury foreman when the verdict was announced Wednes-

The president of a statewide group representing plaintiffs' lawyers said Friday that the \$58.5 seemed to be the largest award by a New Mexico verdict. Ray Vargas, an Albuquerque lawyer who is president of the New Mexico Trial Lawyers Association,

said he was aware of two \$54 million awards in nursing home cases. "This one is the biggest num-The tractor-trailer that collided with Udy's pick-

up was used to carry water extracted from oil wells According to news stories at the time, the tanker

truck made a left turn in front of a pickup truck driven by Udy, which then struck the tanker Defendants in the suit included Zia Transport Inc. of Hobbs and two Lubbock, Texas companies,

Bergstein Enterprises and Standard E&S LLC, along with the driver.

The jury ruled that all four defendants were negligent, and the portion of the ruling awarding punitive damages said each of the three companies' actions were "malicious, willful, reckless or wan-

San Antonio man apparently killed relatives, self

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Authorities say a 76-yearold San Antonio man apparently shot his wife and son to death before killing himself. The decomposing bodies of Herbert Rishell,

his 67-year-old wife, Mary Rishell, and their son, 45-year-old George Rishell, were found Thursday. An incident report says Minnesota law enforcement officials asked San Antonio authorities to check on the father and son, who hadn't reported to work at a Minnesota-based trucking company since March 6.

The three were last were seen March 9. San Antonio Police Chief William McManus tells the San Antonio Express-News the bodies had "been there for a while," but he couldn't say how long.

Officers found Mary Rishell's body wrapped on a bed. George Rishell was on the floor of another bedroom. Herbert Rishell was in a living room chair.

Dallas woman set to die next month seeking delay

HOUSTON (AP) — A condemned Dallas woman who avoided execution with a last-day reprieve in January asked a judge Friday to again halt her execution now set for early next month.

Kimberly McCarthy, who was convicted of the 1997 killing of a neighbor, asked State District Judge Larry Mitchell in a court filing to put off her rescheduled April 3 lethal injection until the fate of

legislation related to her case is determined. Maurie Levin, a University of Texas law professor who represents McCarthy, contends prospective jurors and the subsequent jury at McCarthy's trial in Dallas County were predominantly white and may have been unfairly selected on the basis of

race. McCarthy is black. State Sen. Royce West and Rep. Eric Johnson, both Dallas Democrats, introduced a measure in the Legislature on March 6 that would bar racial discrimination in capital case prosecution. The measure has been sent to committees in each chamber. Lawmakers in Austin are about halfway

through their 180-day biennial session. "Ms. McCarthy's case and claims fit squarely within the four corners of the proposed legislation," Levin told the court.

Sue Smith, a Dallas County assistant district attorney who handles capital case appeals, said Friday her office would contest the request in a filing to the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals.

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News in brief

Obama ending Mideast trip with walking tour of Petra,

Jordan's fabled ancient city

PETRA, Jordan (AP) — Barack Obama is closing his first Mideast trip as president with a visit to Petra, Jordan's fabled ancient city. An unexpected sandstorm that forced Obama to

change some travel plans on Friday had led him to cautiously state that the tour of Petra would happen "weather permitting." The weather cooperated on Saturday, allowing

Marine One to touch down near Petra after an hourlong flight from Amman, Jordan's capital, Overcast skies in Amman threatened to upend Obama's travel plans but the weather improved during the flight across Jordan's rugged countryside. Petra was carved into the rose-red stone by the

Nabataeans more than 2,000 years ago. The ancient Arabs turned the city into a critical junction for the silk, spice and other trade routes that linked China, India and southern Arabia with Egypt, Syria, Greece and Rome.

Petra is Jordan's most popular tourist attraction, drawing more than a half million visitors each year since 2007.

Israel, Turkey agree to restore full diplomatic ties after apology over Gaza flotilla deaths

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel and Turkey agreed to restore full diplomatic relations on Friday after Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu apologized in a phone call for a deadly naval raid against a Gaza-bound international flotilla in a dramatic turnaround partly brokered by President Barack Obama.

Joint interests between the two countries, including fears that the Syrian civil war could spill over their respective borders, and some cajoling by Obama made the time ripe to repair the frayed relations after nearly three years of acrimony over the

It was a surprising turnaround for Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu who had long rejected calls to apologize. He announced the breakthrough after a 20-minute phone conversation with his Turkish counterpart, Recep Tayyip Erdogan. Obama helped broker the fence-mending while visiting Israel, but the sides had been reaching out to each other be-

"They agreed to restore normalization between Israel and Turkey, including the dispatch of ambassadors and the cancellation of legal steps against Israeli soldiers," a statement from Netanyahu's office said. Netanyahu "regretted the recent deterioration of relations between Israel and Turkey and expressed his commitment to overcoming their differences in order to advance peace and stability in

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the region," it said.

The statement stressed that the bloodshed was not intentional and suggested that relatives of those killed would get compensation. In light of an Israeli investigation into the shootings that pointed to a number of operational missteps, Netanyahu apologized to the Turkish people for "any mistakes that might have led to the loss of life or injury and agreed to conclude an agreement on compensation (and) non-liability," the statement said.

Federal Aviation Administration to close 149 air traffic control towers because of budget cuts

CHICAGO (AP) — Under orders to trim hundreds of millions of dollars from its budget, the Federal Aviation Administration on Friday released a final list of 149 air traffic control towers that it will close at small airports around the country starting early The closures will not force any of those airports to

shut down, but pilots will be left to coordinate takeoffs and landings among themselves over a shared radio frequency with no help from ground controllers. Those procedures are familiar to all pilots. Since a preliminary list of facilities was released

a month ago, the FAA plan has raised wide-ranging concerns, including worries about the effect on safety and the potential financial consequences for communities that rely on airports to help attract businesses and tourists. "We will work with the airports and the operators

to ensure the procedures are in place to maintain the high level of safety at non-towered airports," FAA Administrator Michael Huerta said in a state-

Airlines have yet to say whether they will continue offering service to airports that lose tower staff. The trade group Airlines for America said its member carriers have no plans to cancel or suspend flights as a result of the closures.

Senate nears OK of budget that would give Dems win but leave debt battle with GOP unresolved

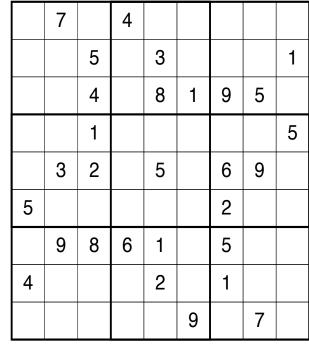
WASHINGTON (AP) — An exhausted Senate neared approval early Saturday of a \$3.7 trillion budget for next year that will let majority Democrats highlight their fiscal priorities, but won't resolve the deep differences the two parties have over deficits and the size of government.

Senators sorted through a final batch of amend-

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ments and were on course to approve the measure in the pre-dawn hours and leave town for a twoweek spring recess. The non-binding plan would shrink annual federal shortfalls over the next decade to nearly \$400 billion, raise taxes by nearly \$1

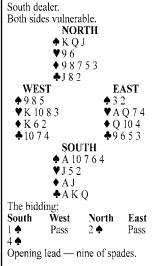
In contrast, a rival budget approved by the GOPrun House balances the budget within 10 years without boosting taxes.

That plan — by House Budget Committee Chairman Paul Ryan, R-Wis., his party's vice presidential candidate last year — claims \$4 trillion more in savings over the period than Senate Democrats by imposing major cuts in Medicaid, food stamps and other safety net programs for the needy. It would also transform the Medicare health care program for seniors into a voucher-like system for future recipients.



By Steve Becker

Mandatory Procedure



The opening lead has a decisive effect on the outcome of many hands. Sometimes it defeats a contract, and sometimes it hands declarer the contract on a silver platter. Quite often it radically changes the course of play, since it might compel declarer to adopt an approach he would not normally have considered.

Take this deal where West has no clear-cut lead and decides to start

with a trump. This turns out to be his best shot, because without the trump lead, South would eventually be able to ruff a heart in dummy and so acquire his 10th trick.

But the trump lead poses a direct threat to that plan and forces South to reconsider whether to try for a heart ruff in dummy. In the actual deal, if he tries for the heart ruff, he goes down against best defense. Thus, let's say he wins the spade in

dummy and leads a heart at trick two. East wins and returns a trump. When declarer then leads another heart, West wins and returns his last trump, and South eventually loses three hearts and a diamond. **However**, the opening trump lead

should persuade South that trying for a heart ruff is no longer a viable proposition, so he should seek another line of play. As it happens, there is one, and South should not dawdle in adopting it as his only realistic possibility.

Accordingly, after winning the first trick in dummy, he plays the A-J of diamonds, hoping to find the suit divided 3-3, in which case dummy's diamonds can be established. This counterstroke proves successful, and, in fact, if the defenders do not promptly cash two hearts, South finishes with 11 tricks.

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Big Spring's Jarred DoPorto fields a fair ball in foul territory during Friday's 12-2 loss to Sweetwater at Steer Park. BSHS is 1-1 in District 4-3A play.

Steers stunned by Sweetwater **in 12-0 rout**

By BRIAN MCCORMACK

Sports Editor

Every sports team no matter how talented — is bound to have a lackluster game once in a while.

Big Spring's baseball squad found that out Friday at Steer Park as visiting Sweetwater cut the game short with a 12-0 run-rule victory.

The Steers struggled in just about every facet of the game — at the plate, in the field and on the mound — but Friday's woes are certainly not indicative of a larger problem. Big Spring simply had a bad night.

Agreeing with that sentiment is BSHS Head

"Everything they hit found either the alley or the line," Otto said. "Everything we hit went right at them. They made the plays. We had trouble finding the strike zone. Not to take anything away from Sweetwater though. They are a muchimproved team and they were in the zone."

A rough first inning set the tone for the evening as Sweetwater put four runs on the board before the Steers even saw an at-bat.

Haegan Rodriguez connected for a base

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Big Spring beaten by Lady Mustangs, 6-5

By BRIAN MCCORMACK

Sports Editor

three-run inning Sweetwater in its first at-bats put Big Spring in a hole they couldn't quite dig out of Friday at Lady Steer field as they lost 6-5.

Erase the first half-inning and it was a Big Spring win.

Sweetwater plated two more runs in the top of the second inning, but the undaunted Lady Steers battled back.

Pitcher Logan Yarbar settled down, allowing only one run from the third inning on and Big Spring's bats cam alive in the bottom of the third.

Lizzie Fleeson singled to lead off the inning. Yarbar popped

out to the pitcher, but Valerie Goodblanket reached first base on a throwing error after a hit that should have been fielded. Fleeson took third base and with runners on the corners, Haley Dimidjian picked a RBI single then reached second on an erro. Fleeson scored, putting the first run on the board for Big Spring.

Angelina Castillo capitalized by smacking a two-run double to pull the Ladt Steers within two. Another pair of errors committed by Sweetwater and a well-placed Rbi bunt by Ayanna Gomez made it a one-run game.

The Lady Mustangs added another run in the top of the sixth to make it 6-4.

A double play ended the top of See BIG SPRING, Page 11A

the sixth and with one more series of at-bats to go, Goodblanket made contact but the hard-hit ball was fielded successfully by Sweetwater for the first out. Dimidjian picked up a base on balls and then stole second during Castillo's at-bat.

Picking up her third RBI of the affair, Castillo drove Dimidjian home and it looked like a rally may have been in the works.

With one on and one out, Gabi Torres singled, but Castillo was tagged out at second. Gomez flew out to end the inning — as well as the ball game.

"It was a heartbreaker," Head Coach John Sparks said of

Coahoma squads split with Colorado City

By BRIAN MCCORMACK

Sports Editor

Baseball

COAHOMA — It would be an understatement to say the Coahoma varsity baseball squad struggled last year. The young team didn't win a single game, finishing with a dismal, 0-20 record.

But a new leaf is being turned over in Bulldog land and the squad which never tasted victory last season has already won eight games, including a 13-3 run-rule victory over rival Colorado City on Friday night in the 4-2A district opener.

A new head coach with 19 years of experience Bryan Jacobs — has been brought aboard. Jacobs was an assistant coach at 4A Marble Falls for 12 years. Despite his lengthy resume, Jacobs

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Howard College Results

SOFTBALL March 15-16

Spring Break Trip, Casa Grande, Ariz.

- Game One: Defeated Scottsdale Community College, 12-4.
- Game Two: Defeated Pima Community College, 2-0.
- Game Three: Defeated Clackamas Community College, 15-10.
- · Game Four: Defeated IIlinois Central College, 9-4.
- Game Five: Lost to Mesa Community College, 4-1.

March 22

 Defeated Odessa College, WJCAC opener, 2-0 (Game One). Game Two: defeated Odessa College, 10-1.

BASEBALL March 22

 Lost to New Mexico junior College, 10-2 in Game one of doubleheader, lost Game Two, 6-3.

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Howard College's Shelby Shelton connects for a hit during Friday's second game of a doubleheader against Odessa College. The Hawks won both games against the Wranglers. They continued their series in Odessa on Saturday. Results will be in Monday's edition of the Herald.

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Midland College hoops coach resigns

Herald Staff Report

Midland College men's basketball Head Coach Chris Craig resigned Friday and his twitter says he is now in Jerusalem telling people online that the biblical "end of the world" is here.

"It's an unusual circumstance," said MC Athletic Director Forrest Allen. "All we know is he told us he resigned. It was a total shock."

Craig had coached the Chaparrals the last two seasons.

Midland College was the only team to defeat Howard College twice during the regular season, but did not qualify for the Region V tournament in Lubbock.

Comanche Trail Ladies Golf Association News

The Comanche Trail Ladies Golf Association held its weekly couples play event Thursday. Placing first was the team comprised of Howard and Trish Gabbard, Vaughn Martin and Bill and Bobbie Holden with 3-under par.

Finishing second was Sherril and Betty Ray Farmer and George and Betty Murphy with 2-un-

Ron Booth landed closest to the pin on Hole No. 3. gayle West took the honors on Hole No. 6.

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the result. "I'm proud of the way we battled in the end. The girls know what it's going to take to make the playoffs in this district. They're a good group of girls."

The Lady Steers fell to 1-2 in District 4-3A play and will resume action Tuesday as they prepare to welcome Greenwood at 5:30 p.m.

"We beat Greenwood in the Midland tournament," Sparks added. "They have a stout starting pitcher and she's on a roll right now. But they are beatable."

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Forsan falls to Miles

By BRIAN MCCORMACK

Sports Editor

MILES — Forsan scored a 12-2 run-rule win over TLC in its district debut Tuesday, but state-ranked Miles gave the Buffaloes all they could handle and more Friday as FHS lost 12-5.

Trevor Burchett belted two solo home runs and Kade Fannin had a two-RBI double in the outing, but Miles' relentless offense was too much for the

"We have to cut down on the strikeouts," FHS Head Coach Jason Phillips said. "We had quite a few against Miles."

Phillips said the focus will be getting runners on base as they delve deeper into district play.

"We have to put the ball into play," Phillips added. Miles is a good team, but I think we can compete with them. We just have to play a complete game."

The Buffaloes will be traveling to Winters to take on the Blizzards on Tuesday. Game time is set for 5

The Lady Buffaloes had an open date Friday and will return to action at home against Hermleigh on Thursday at 5 p.m.

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COAHOMA

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credits the kids on the team for the turnaround. "I have to say, I was

handed a pretty good group of baseball players," Jacobs said. "We have some seniors who are good athletes who decided to come back to baseball and some of the guys from last year just matured. We have seven seniors in our starting lineup. Whenever you have that, it's a good situation."

Kaleb McAdams went 2-4 with four RBI to lead the Bulldogs' offense. McAdams also scored

twice. Peyton Rodriguez picked up two hits, including 2RBI as well as plated two runs. Ryan Reid scored twice and had a RBI; Zach Crabtree had a hit a run and

a RBI; Tanner Ruiz and

Eddier Hagins each got

a hit and scored a run;

and Ryan Campbell con-

nected for a single. The Bulldogs racked up four runs in the bottom of the first inning, but it was an explosive, eight-run shelling in the bottom of the fourth, followed by a run in the

fifth that put the game

on ice for Coahoma.

"I give them my input and a different speed practice," Jacobs said. "A lot of it isn't

physical, it's mental. I wanted them to get in the mentality of being successful. We try not to let the game beat us and play with a little bit of confidence. These are good kids and they have

a good work ethic. They

deserve good things to

happen to them."

The Bulldogs will travel to Denver City to take on the Mustangs on Tuesday. The fist pitch is et for 4:30 p.m.

Softball

COAHOMA — Also in her first year at Coahoma is Head Softball Coach Jill Bradshaw. Bradshaw — a Denton native — is looking to build on Coahoma's

Gunnar Kennedy confidence tangs' lead to 12-0.

the game was called.

plan to dwell on Friday night's fiasco.

tell my kids," Otto said. "Why do bad things happen to good people? We had a couple of errors and gave up some runs

going to happen. It was just a bad night for us."

opened up District 4-3A der, 2-0, will play host to Greenwood on Tuesday at Steer Park. Game time is slated for 7 p.m.

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softball tradition.

The Bulldogettes are now 2-1 in district play after a 8-6 loss to rival Colorado City on Fri-

Coahoma staged a late rally, scoring two runs in the seventh to cut the Lady Wolves' lead to two, but the comeback fell just short.

"So far the girls are working hard," Bradshaw, who used to coach Dallas-area travel teams said. "I think they are shaping up well and I see us finishing in first or second in district."

Bradshaw said the Bulldogettes — who made it to the regional quarterfinal round of the playoffs last year have made it easy for her to settle into her role as head coach.

"They have made the transistion easy," Brad-

shaw remarked. "They have stepped up and filled their roles. They were ready to play."

Coahoma will try to get back in the win column Tuesday as they make the trek to Denver City.

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ROUT

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hit and stole second during cleanup hitter Max Pappajohn's first plate appearance. Pappajohn was hit by a pitch and took first base base, but a chopper to the pitcher by Joseph Morelion and a routine play at first base ended the inning, leaving two runners stranded.

The Mustangs tacked on two more runs in the top of the second after a hit batsmen, a walk, a single and a sacrifice fly to extend the lead to 6-0.

In the bottom of the second inning, Brett Brorman drew a walk and Hunter singled, but again Big Spring left two men on base.

Sweetwater put three more runs on the board after a pair of singles, two throwing errors, another hit batsmen and a balk by relief pitcher make it a 9-0 game.

"Their grew throughout the game and our frustration grew," Otto said. "It just kind of snowballed on us."

Rodriguez, Kennedy and Pappajohn were retired in order in the bottom of the third, but a double play in the top of the fourth ended Sweetwater's three-inning scoring streak. Unfortunately, the Steers couln't produce any runs in the fourth inning to match their best outing in the

Sweetwater pitcher J.P. Poe — who allowed only two all evening singled to lead off the top of the fifth. He advanced to second and third bases when the next two Sweetwater batters made contact, but were called out at first.

A pitch from Kennedy got past catcher Morelion, allowing Poe to score. A walk, a single and a double in that order extended the Mus-

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HERALD photo/Tony Claxton/visit www.claxtonphotography.com Big Spring's Haley Dimidjian catches a fly ball deep in center field for an out during Friday's narrow, 6-5 loss to Sweetwater. The Lady Steers opened district play with a 12-2 run-rule victory over Abilene Wylie, then suffered the same fate at the hands of Snyder. BSHS holds a 1-2 district record.

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Mystery cemetery

No one knows who is buried there or how many graves there are

Story & photos by Nancy Koger

anie Harrison (Mrs. Ravford) has known for many years about a small cemetery north of Big Spring because her father had told her about it when she was in high school.

He showed her the small fenced area and said, "I want you to know about this so that it won't be forgotten. We don't know who is buried

He called it the Phillips Cemetery because the Phillips family had owned the land at one time. The McCauleys owned the land before the Phillips family and Craig Ingram is the present owner, his father having purchased it from the Phillips.

Ingram discovered that the cemetery area was purchased by the county in 1908. According to the county record, L.A. Dale, Howard CountyJudge and his successors in office, paid \$1 to F.W. Coffee for three acres of land for "Public Free School purposes and uses" on May 30, 1908. The instrument mentioned that a previous transaction for the land had never been re-



corded and had then been lost.

The document stated that the school house on the land "where public school is taught, church services held and where the community gathers for its meetings and also on which part of ground there is a cemetery located for the burial of the dead."

The exact legal description of the location of the three acres is included. The transaction was duly recorded by J.J. Prichard. Howard County Clerk. on June 1, 1908.

No one who knows about the cemetery knows who is buried there or how many graves there are. Several folks in that area of the county have heard that there were four graves there, said to be a family who was coming through the country about the time of the 1918 flu epidemic and whose members had died of influenza. Mrs. Harrison has not been able to confirm that story nor completely discount it.

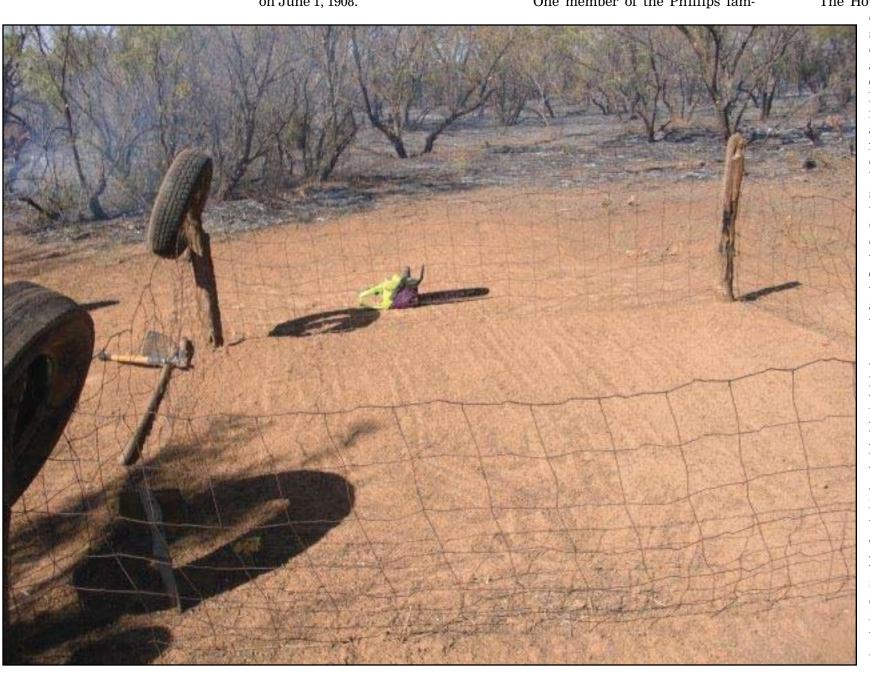
One member of the Phillips fam-

ily had told family historian Doyle Phillips that there were four people buried there: two adults and two children. He thought the name he had been told for the family was McClisky or McKessel. There are two small metal funeral home-type markers at the gravesite, which seems to discount the graves having been placed there in 1918, since the markers are rusted but mostly intact. They bear no information.

The Howard County Histori-

cal Commission is seeking to have the cemetery designated as a historical cemetery and they would like to be able to have more information about it. Work crews from the county have come out to help clear brush and make the site accessible to visitors. The HCH Commission has purchased some decorative metal fencing to enclose the area, and the county workers are helping to prepare the enclosure site.

Anyone having any knowledge or further information about this graveyard north of Big Spring is asked to notify Janie Harrison at 432-267-9422 or Nancy Koger at 432-267-7809.



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The Wises were married March 8, 1958, at Two Rock Ranch, near Petaluma, Calif. Marvin was in the U.S. Army National Security Agency. Margaret was attending Santa Rosa Jr. College and managing a doctor's office.

Marvin is from Big Spring and Margaret is from Alpine. They met in December 1957, were engaged Feb. 1 and married March 8, 1958.

Margaret said. "I knew he was the one the minute I saw him; he didn't have a chance!"

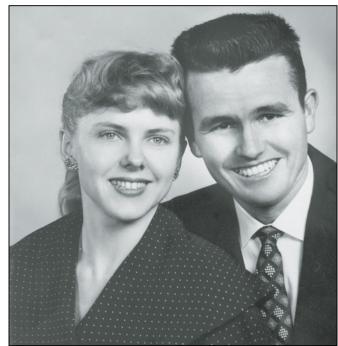
They have three grown children: Mariella Levinson of Birmingham, Ala.; Morgan Wise of Big Spring; and Monette Allenwise of Seattle, Wash; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.



Marvin retired from Scenic Mountain Hospital. Margaret retired from Fiberflex and both substituted at the Big Spring Independent School District for several years.

They like to travel. They've been to Hawaii, Alaska, Niagara Falls and many places in Texas. They love the Big Bend area, San Francisco and Seattle. Marvin traveled all over in the

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Births

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inches long.

He was welcomed home by maternal grandparents Terry and Marie Camden and his paternal grandparents Debbie Darnell and Scott Holmes. He is the

Christopher Scott Hol-great-grandson of Kay



Military

Army Staff Sgt. Lucas R. Gonzales has arrived for duty as an Army recruiter assigned to the Mesa, Ariz., recruiting station, Phoenix Army Recruiting Battalion.

Gonzales has served in the military for seven

He is the son of Johny and Linda Gonzales of South Covent Street, Stanton.

Gonzales graduated in 1999 from Stanton High School, Stanton.

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Groundhog Phil a furry felon over false forecast

CINCINNATI (AP) — A shadow of a different kind is hanging over

Punxsutawney Phil. Authorities in stillfrigid Ohio have issued an "indictment" against on Feb. 2.

the famed groundhog, who predicted an early spring when he didn't see his shadow after emerging from his lair in western Pennsylvania

Spring arrived Wednesday, and temperatures are still hovering in the 30s in the Buckeye state and much of the Northeast. While it's not the coldest

spring on record, it's a good 5 degrees below normal, said Hughes, a meteorologist National with the Weather Service Wilmington, Ohio.

So the heat is on against Phil, and the furry rodent has been charged with misrepresentation of spring, a felony "against the peace and dignity of the state of Ohio, $prosecutor \\ Mike \\ Gmoser$ in an official-looking indictment.

"Punxsutawney Phil did purposely, and with prior calculation and design, cause the people to believe that spring would come early," Gmoser declared.

So what's the penalty? Death, Gmoser said, tongue firmly in cheek.

That's "very harsh," given the nature of the allegations, said Bill Deeley, president of the

"Punxsutawney Phil did purposely, and with prior calculation and design, cause the people to believe that spring would come early."

Punxsutawney club that organizes Groundhog

The backlash to Phil's dead-wrong prognostication has not gone unnoticed in and around hometown Gobbler's Knob, Deeley said, and security precautions are in place.

"Right next to where Phil stays is the police station," he "They've been notified, and they said they will keep watching their monitors."

The chubby-cheeked animal also has his defenders. "Phree Phil!" declared one supporter on his Facebook page. "We're with you, Phil," wrote another.

As for spring, there's no relief in sight from the wintry conditions. A storm moving into the region Sunday could bring between 4 and 8 inches of snow, said meteorologist Hughes.

That might be particularly hard to swallow after last spring, when the U.S. saw the warmest March in recorded history.

While Gmoser's indictment made no mention of any co-conspirators in the false early spring prediction, the state's own groundhog forecaster, Buckeye Chuck, also failed to see his shadow when he emerged from his bur-

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A customer looks over some of the items for sale during Napa Auto Parts' outdoor sale Thursday afternoon.

Death of the cash register

Venerable machines giving way to smartphones, tablets

By ANNE D'INNOCENZIO

AP Retail Writer

NEW YORK — Ka-ching! The cash register may be on its final sale

Stores across the country are ditching the old-fashioned, clunky machines and having salespeople — and even shoppers themselves — ring up sales on smartphones and tablet computers

Barneys New York, a luxury retailer, this year plans to use iPads or iPod Touch devices for credit and debit card purchases in seven of its nearly two dozen regular-price stores. Urban Outfitters, a teen clothing chain, ordered its last traditional register last fall and plans to go completely mobile one day. And Wal-Mart, the world's largest retailer, is testing a "Scan & Go" app that lets customers scan their items as they shop.

"The traditional cash register is heading toward obsolescence," said Danielle Vitale, chief operating officer of Barneys New York.

That the cash register is getting the boot is no surprise. The writing has been on the wall for a long time for the iconic machine, which was created in the late 1800s. The register was essential in nearly every retail location by 1915, but it now seems outdated in a world in which smartphones and tablets increasingly are replacing everything from books to ATMs to cameras.

Stores like smartphones and tablets because they take up less floor space than registers and free up cashiers to help customers instead of being tethered to one spot. They also are cheaper: For instance, Apple Inc.'s iPads

with accessories like credit card readers can cost a store \$1,500, compared with \$4,000 for a register. And Americans increasingly want the same speedy service in physical stores that they get from shopping online.

"Consumers want the retailer to bring the register to them," said Lori Schafer, executive adviser at SAS Institute Inc., which creates software for major retailers.

J.C. Penney, a mid-price department-store chain, said the response by customers has been great since it started rolling out iPod Touch devices late last year in its 1,100 stores. The goal is to have one in the hands of every salesperson by May. The company said that about a quarter of purchases at its stores nationwide now come from an iPod Touch. ks

On a recent Thursday afternoon at a Penney store in the Manhattan borough of New York City, Debbie Guastella, 55, marveled after a saleswoman rang up three shirts she was buying on an iPod Touch.

"I think it's great," said Guastella, who lives in Huntington, N.Y. "The faster the better."

It's been a long fall for the cash register, which innovated retail as we know it. The first register was invented following the Civil War by a little known saloon owner. Before then, most store owners were in the dark about whether or not they were making a profit, and many suffered since it was easy for sales clerks to steal from the cash drawer unnoticed. But by 1915, cash registers were ubiquitous in stores across the country, with more than 1.5

million sold by then.

More recently, stores have been looking for ways to modernize checkout. Since 2003, self-checkout areas that enable customers to scan and bag their own merchandise have become commonplace in grocery and other stores. But recently, there's been a push to go further.

As a result, companies that make traditional cash registers are racing to come up with new solutions. NCR Corp., formerly known as the National Cash Register Co., was the first to manufacturer the cash register on a large scale.

Last year, the company that also makes ATMS, self-service checkout machines and airport check-in kiosks, launched a program that merges its software with the iPad. This allows store clerks to detach the iPad from the keyboard at the counter and use it as a mobile checkout device

Stores themselves also are taking their cues from the success of Apple. The nation's most profitable retailer moved to mobile checkout in all of its stores in 2007. In 2011, Apple began allowing shoppers to check out their purchases using their iPhones.

Take upscale handbag maker Coach, which is using iPod Touch devices at half of its 189 factory outlet stores. The company also is testing them in a handful of its 350 regular stores.

The move has enabled Coach to start slimming down its registers to the size of small podiums, freeing up space on walls to build shelves to showcase more product, said Francine Della Badia, Coach's executive vice president of merchandising.

Energy Watch



Bhupen Agrawal is branch manager and a managing director — investments for the Wells Fargo Advisors Midland office.

Bill Franks, AAMS, is a senior registered client associate and the senior associate to the branch manager.



et me be as frank as possible: I can't think of anything I would rather not do than go to the shopping mall.

This strategist would rather go to the dentist for an emergency root canal. But, once a year or so, I must make the journey to a cer-

tain nationally known department store in a big

shopping mall to stock up on khaki pants. Three pairs of exactly the same pants are bought on this shopping trip, enough to get through the next 12 months.

I drive by this same mall every day on the way home from the office. I always look to see how many cars are in the parking lot, as the elevated highway I am travelling on allows for a great view of the acres and acres of parking spaces available

spending and sentiment outside of the government reports investors focus on each month.

As the financial crisis really started to hit hard and unemployment skyrocketed in 2008 and 2009, the parking lot surrounding this particular mall became more and more deserted. It didn't matter whether it was 7 p.m. on a Thursday or 2 p.m. on a

to shoppers. In my mind, I see this as a bit of grass-roots research, a way of trying to gauge consumer

Saturday, there just were not many cars there.

This made sense to me — consumers were pulling in the reins and wanted to conserve cash as people lost their jobs and the economy slipped into a nasty recession. It seemed the parking lot was sparsely populated most of the time until well into 2012. And then, slowly, more cars began to appear

Last weekend, I decided to make my annual khaki pant purchasing trip to the mall. My old pairs were looking tattered and worn out. I was forced to replace them.

I timed my trip to get to the mall just after it opened at 11 a.m. Sunday. I drove to the south entrance of the mall, where the department store I shop is located. I would park close to the store's door. There, 20 feet inside the door and just to the left, was the spot where they dispaly my brand of khakis.

I would find my size, grab three pairs and hit the cash register — out of there in 10 minutes, maximum.

But a funny thing happened. When I drove to the mall, the traffic going into the parking lot entrance was heavy. Then, as I approached the south entrance, I noticed that all of the parking spots close to the door were full and I had to park much further away than I anticipated. Were they giving clothes away or what? I started to worry that I had underestimated how quickly I was going to be able to get in and out of there.

As I entered the department store, I immediately noticed that the men's department was more crowded than I anticipated. I quickly moved toward the display of khakis, found my size, grabbed three pairs and went to check out. I was third in line and the store had only been open 20 minutes.

My curiosity was peaked. After paying, I decided to take a walk out into the open section of the mall—lots of shoppers with lots of purchases.

The economy is improving. Stocks have been anticipating this.

Here were been to the mall lately?

Have you been to the mall lately?

Past Performance is no guarantee of future results. This article was produced on March 14, 2013 by Scott Wren, Wells Fargo Advisors Senior Equity Strategist, and provided courtesy of Bhupen Agrawal, managing director/branch manager of Wells Fargo Advisors' Midland office, at (432) 684-7335.

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Officials with Boyce Galvanizing are joined by Chamber of Commerce representatives during ribbon-cutting ceremonies at the business recently.

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Judgment and Sentence: Timothy Joseph Major Jr., driving while intoxicated - second offense, \$500 fine, \$443 court costs, 55 davs in iail.

Judgment and Sentence: Timothy Joseph Major bail jumping failure to appear, \$500 fine, \$328 court costs, 55 days in jail.

Judgment and Sentence: Andres Juarez, driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension, \$250 fine, \$278 court costs, 30 days in jail.

Probated judgment: Michael Shane Ramirez, driving while intoxicated \$500 fine. \$457 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, six months proba-

Judgment and Sentence: Gerald Fred Green Jr., assault causing bodily injury, \$750 fine, \$332 court costs. 240 days in iail.

Judgment and Sentence: Gerald Fred Green Jr., interfering with an emergency phone call, \$500 fine, \$282 court costs, 240 days

Judgment and Sentence: Gerald Fred Green Jr., theft of property - more than \$50 and Less than \$500. \$500 fine. \$332 court costs. 180 days in jail.

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Shawna Dawn Grayson, failure to identify - giving false information, \$250 fine, \$282 court costs, 45 davs in iail.

Judgment and Sentence: Gerald Fred Green Jr., theft of property - more than \$50 and less than \$500, \$500 fine, \$332 court costs, 180 days in jail.

Probated Judgment: John Ehrlich Cruz, possession of marijuana - two ounces or less. \$250 fine. \$342 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, six months probation).

Probated Judgment: Marty Ray Evans Jr., driving while intoxicated, \$750 fine, \$457 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation). Sentence:

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thy Joseph Major, bail jumping -

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180 days in jail. Judgment and Sentence: Manuel Escamilla, possession of marijuana - two ounces or less, \$250 fine, \$392 court costs, 20

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Judgment and Sentence: Luis Alejandro Ramos, possession of marijuana - more than two ounces and less than four ounces, \$100 fine, \$342 court costs, 90 days in Judgment and Sentence: Luis

Alejandro Ramos, theft of service - more than \$20 and less than \$500, \$100 fine, \$282 court costs, 90 days in jail. judgment and Sentence: David

Eugene Williams, driving while intoxicated - second offense, \$500 fine, \$457 court costs, 60 days in Judgment and Sentence: Blake

Michael Gee, possession of dangerous drugs, \$100 fine, \$342 court costs, 60 days in jail.

Judgment and Sentence: Michael Jackman, possession of a controlled substance, \$100 fine, \$342 court costs. 20 days in iail.

Judgment and Sentence: Alexander Quintana, resisting arrest, search or transportation, \$100 fine, \$282 court costs, 30 days

Judgment and Sentence: Joe Rodriguez, possession of marijuana - two ounces or less. \$500 fine. \$342 court costs. 20 days in

jail.

Judgment and Sentence: Sandro Sandoval driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension, \$665 fine, \$232 court costs.

Judgment and Sentence: Kenneth Adam Luna, driving while intoxicated - second offense, \$100 fine, \$457 court costs, 45 days in

Probated Judgment: Jason Dean Daniels, driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension, \$500 fine, \$282 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).

Judament and Sentence: Salene Marie Taylor, driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension, \$282 court costs, five days in jail. Probated Judgment: Anthony

Andrew Rivas, possession of

marijuana - two ounces or less,

\$500 fine, \$342 court costs, 180 days in iail (iail time suspended. 12 months probation). Probated Judgment: Fortunato Alvarez III, driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension, \$500 fine, \$282

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Judgment and Sentence: Brandon Dennis Olivetti, criminal trespass, \$282 court costs, three

Judgment and Sentence: Curtis Thompson, possession of marijuana - two ounces or less, \$100 fine. \$342 court costs. 75 days in

Judgment and Sentence: Luis Alejandro Ramos, bail jumping failure to appear, \$100 fine, \$332 court costs, 90 days in jail. Judgment and Sentence: Er-

nest William Clark, criminal trespass, \$100 fine, \$282 court costs, 90 davs in iail. Judgment and Sentence: Darin

Frank Witten, cruelty to non-livestock animals - failure to provide, \$500 fine, \$332 court costs, 90 Judgment and Sentence: Jason

Randall Davis, possession of a dangerous drug. \$250 fine. \$342 court costs, 60 days in jail. Judgment and Sentence: Robert R. Sanchez, public intoxication

with three prior convictions, \$500 fine, \$342 court costs, 90 days in judgment and Sentence: Law-

rence Harrison, theft of service - more than \$500 and less than \$1,500, \$500 fine, \$332 court costs, 60 days in jail.

Judgment and Sentence: Teresa Lang, failure to identify as a fugitive - giving false information. \$250 fine, \$282 court costs, 60 days in jail.

Judgment and Sentence: Aaron Cole Taylor, deadly conduct, \$616 fine, \$232 court costs.

> **District Court Filings:** April Y. Ramirez vs. Arturo

Ramirez, divorce, Justin Dahmer vs. Tommy Hain,

protective order. Tammy Due Rangel vs. Ricky

Guzman, family. Julian Burciaga vs. Rose Cuellar, divorce.

Henry Saucedo vs. Kami Saucedo, divorce, Chipper Smith vs. Alon USA LP,

Brenda Eply vs. Alon USA Group LLC, civil.

Kami Saucedo vs. Henry Saucedo, protective order. Martin Manuel Marquez vs. Ma-

ria Elena Marguez, divorce. American Express Centurion Bank vs. Jolene L. Deel, accounts,

notes and contracts. Debra L. Lusk vs. Joe Clayton

Lusk, divorce. Cathy Ramirez vs. Trinidad Ramirez, divorce.

Stacy Joslyn vs. Daniel Joslyn, divorce. In Re Brinleigh Marie Tindol,

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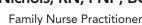
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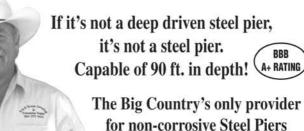
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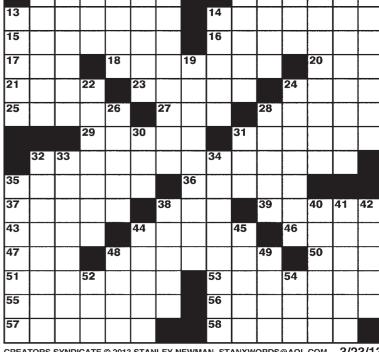
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the attached exhibit. Which said property is delinquent Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$7,208.49, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY. ET AL as Plaintiffs against DAVID RENTERIA AND TINE RENTERIA and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on December 20, 2010, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY. ET AL VS. DAVID RENTERIA AND TINA RENTERIA, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 5913 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and Intervenors, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinguent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinauent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest. penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 29th day of April, 2013 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County. Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and inof judgment cluding the day herein, and all costs of this suit. Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 14th day of March, A.D. 2013.

Jury Padron Clerk of the District Court Howard County, Texas, 118th Judicial District. #7702 March 17 & 24, 2013

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Howard County, Texas, to: ROBIN JOYCE DUGAN. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner

prescribed by law. **ROBIN JOYCE DUGAN** c/o: Glynna Mouton PO Box 189 Big Spring, Texas 79720 DATED the 19th day of March,

20123 **GLYNNA MOUTON** Attorney for ROBIN JOYCE DUGAN State Bar No.: 14606500 MOUTON & MOUTON, PC 200 West Third Street Big Spring, TX 79720 Telephone: (432)263-8397 Facsimile: (432)263-8686

#7706 March 24, 2013

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This Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off game will close on April 12, 2013. You have until October 9, 2013, to redeem any tickets for this game: #1438 Bonus Cashword (\$3) overall odds are 1 in 3.44. These Lottery Texas Commission Scratch-Off games will close on April 18, 2013. You have until October 15, 2013, to redeem any tickets for these games: #1428 Lucky Gems Bingo (\$2) overall odds are 1 in 4.37, #1483 Golden Spades (\$5) overall odds are 1 in 3.87. This Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off game will close on April 28, 2013. You have until October 25, 2013, to redeem any tickets for this game: #1477 Dazzling 7's (\$2) overall odds are 1 in 4.13. These Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off games will close on May 29, 2013. You have until November 25, 2013. to redeem any tickets for these games: #1217 Bonus Word Crossword (\$3) overall odds are 1 in 3.44. #1429 Bonus Break The Bank (\$5) overall odds are 1 in 3.81, #1437 Monthly Bonus (\$5) overall odds are 1 in 3.94. #1452 Loteria® Texas (\$3) overall odds are 1 in 3.99, #1460 Roadrunner Tripler (\$1) overall odds are 1 in 4.66, #1461 Diamond Mine (\$5) overall odds are 1 in 3.24, #1464 Ruby 7's (\$5) overall odds are 1 in 3.38, #1465 Cash On The Spot (\$1) overall odds are 1 in 4.60, #1467 Holiday Greetings (\$1) overall odds are 1 in 3.92, #1468 Nutcracker Cash (\$5) overall odds are 1 in 3.83. This Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off game will close on May 2, 2013. You have until October 29, 2013, to redeem any tickets for this game: #1444 Veterans Cash (\$2) overall odds are 1 in 4.47. The odds listed here are the overall odds of winning any prize in a game, including break-even prizes. Lottery retailers are authorized to redeem prizes of up to and including \$599. Prizes of \$600 or more must be claimed in person at a Lottery Claim Center or by mail with a completed Texas Lottery claim form: however, annuity prizes or prizes over \$1,000,000 must be claimed in person at the Commission Headquarters in Aus-Call Customer Service at 1-800-37LOTTO or visit the Lottery Web site at txlottery.org for more information and location of nearest Claim Center. The Texas Lottery is not responsible for lost or stolen tickets, or for tickets lost in the mail. Tickets, transactions, players, and winners are subject to, and players and winners agree to abide by, all applicable laws, Commission rules, regulations, policies, directives, instructions, conditions, procedures, and final decisions of the Executive Director. A Scratch-Off game may continue to be sold even when all the top prizes have been claimed. Must be 18 years of age or older to purchase a Texas Lottery ticket. PLAY RESPONSI-BLY. The Texas Lottery supports Texas education. #7705 March 24, 2013

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Notice of Application for Commercial Oil & Gas Waste **Disposal Well Permit**

Mountain SWD, LP, Street, Suite 1000, Fort Main Worth, TX 76102 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into porous formation not productive of oil or gas.

The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the Upper Clearfork formation in the Black Mountain SWD 815 Lease, Well No. 1 The proposed disposal well is located 17 miles E of Big Spring in the Vincent, North (Clear Fork) Field, in Howard County. The waste water will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 3,700 feet to 4,350 feet LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Resources Code, Natural as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, 78711 Texas 512/463-6792). #7708 March 24, 2013

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NOTICE OF DESTRUCTION SPECIAL EDUCATION RECORDS

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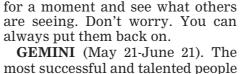
other purposes. Please contact Carol Walston, District or Special Services, Big Spring Independent School District, (432)264-4106, by April 15th, 2013, if you do not wish to have these records destroyed. #7710 March 20, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31 and April 1 & 2,

Spring fever is at its height this

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You'll receive feedback. This could come from higher-ups regarding vour upward potential, or it could

be reaction product. Either way, it's a gift — albeit a gift that you'll be processing for while.

May 20). Not everyone will share your high opinion of certain people. It would help you to take off your rose-colored glasses =



vou know have struggles. So don't think you're alone in this business of being human, having flaws and making mistakes. CANCER (June 22-July 22). We

are, by and large, a culture with a short attention span. It's something to consider when you're relaying a story today. Perhaps you should start in the middle.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll be inspired by what you experience and discover. Sharing this is tricky, though, because your point of view is so different now. What aren't they seeing that you see? How can you make them see it?

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The reason you get things done now is that you consider what matters before you act. With a clear idea of why, you take the actions that are likely to have the biggest impact.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Efforts

Tomorrow's Horoscope

give you an anxious feeling;

Buttoned-Up Virgo Moon

week. Amorous intentions are already becoming known as the moon waxes toward the full Libra lunar glow on Wednesday. But the current Virgo moon is too buttoned up to allow for much romantic progress. Keep the tension alive. Not getting what you want too easily makes you want it all the more.

customer's a to work TAURUS (April 20-

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right things done at the right time. Forthright,

people seem to get all of the attention. Not from you, though. A the enigmatic nuances of subtler

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). know what they are thinking and misunderstanding, why. No matter how off base the mistakes outsiders may be, there's still some wee kernel of truth to glean from their insight.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). must follow his or her own path. You've demonstrated your affection quite fully, and now you want to mindlessness of spring is definitely appreciate and love someone while simply letting that person be.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). When you go public with your creativity, the reaction might be mixed — and that is fine with you. You seek the unswerving devotion love, not the fickle attention of you at this point in your life? The strangers.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Before you chastise yourself for lighten over-thinking, Rationalizing can be fun. The entertaining exercise or excellent story.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 24). This year has the movement of a dramatic dance: sometimes controlled and then suddenly taking brilliantly passionate turns. last year allows you to keep your lauded as a genius of physical footing. April brings a settlement followed by a new deal. Family celebrates you in May and August. You'll find new digs in June. Aquarius and Pisces people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 40, 1,

that are not in line with your goals 24, 38 and 13.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK whereas, you have a lot of fun AHEAD: The full moon in Libra when you know you're getting the that falls plumb in the middle of this spring week can be blamed for SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). the joyfully disorienting spring cheerful, outgoing fever that so many will be infected with through the end of the month.

Before the full moon, there will wonderful thing happens because be a mounting tension similar to you take the time to understand the suspense of a romantic comedy. Will the main characters who despise one another at the start of the film finally connect in Others might misperceive you, and the end? Of course. But it can't if they do, it's still valuable to happen without the bits filled with awkward and bitter disappointments. Mars and Pluto square off on the 26th to help provide some of that drama. Then, on the 28th, Venus and Neptune in You recognize that each person Pisces cues up the love song for a weekend of happy endings.

These are fun times, and the part of what makes the journey pleasurable. And yet, you may have even more fun if you do a bit of mental preparation on the subject of relationships. What are you looking for in a partner? How do you want to be treated? What is that comes from unconditional the best thing anyone could say to answers to these questions may help you keep your balance around this Libra lunar event.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Sheldon Cooper of "The Big Bang misuse of logical thought plus a Theory" is the quintessential wallop of humor equals an clueless genius: a social moron who is a brilliant physicist. In contrast, Jim Parsons has hefty social and emotional endowments, which he applied in the process of understanding and creating a character that has garnered him high praise and many awards. This All of the strength training you did Aries with Venus in Pisces is comedy.

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All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. c/o: Patricia Rose

4702 Country Club Dr. Midland, Texas 79703 DATED the 19th day of March, 20123

GLYNNA MOUTON Attorney for Patricia Rose and Cathy Ontiveros State Bar No.: 14606500 MOUTON & MOUTON, PC 200 West Third Street Big Spring, TX 79720 Telephone: (432)263-8397 Facsimile: (432)263-8686 #7707 March 24, 2013

Annie's Mailbox ®

Dear Annie: I've been married for 36 years. The first 20 were loving, but the past 16 have deteriorated to the point of despair.

My husband, "John," is now 68. Though once athletic and active, John is now frail and weak. He complains of chronic headaches and a host of other physical ailments, and worst of all, he suffers from major bouts of severe depression.

He's suicidal, and chances are good that he'll take his life if I

leave him. John is taking medication for his depression. I've stuck by him because he's a decent man and I care for him, but I know things won't

get better. If this is what the rest of my life looks like, I'm afraid for my own future.

What's also upsetting is that John's entire life revolves around me. I've encouraged him to establish personal interests and hobbies, but he won't.

He's a chore to be with negative and difficult to converse with. And no matter what direction I take with him when we discuss his "problems," he ends up crying — a victim, like his mother and sister.

We seldom go out with friends. Traveling is out of the question. I go alone when I can, but he's hard to leave beyond a week or

Five years ago, I saw a therapist who advised me to leave John. I wanted to and still do, but I don't know whether I can handle the guilt of turning my back on him.

We cannot afford to put him in a long-term care facility, but he needs serious help. Our sons live out of state with their own families. They offer emotional support,



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but aren't in any position to care for him.

I stav busy with

friends, activities and a part-time job. It helps some, but I see my own happiness slipping away. I am trapped in a life with a man I no longer love but feel obligated to care for because he's sick. What should I do? — N.N.

Dear N.N.: Depression is an illness, not a choice. Please talk to John's doctor about different medication. His current treatment isn't doing the job. Then contact the National Alliance on Mental Illness helpline (nami.org) at 1-800-950-NAMI and the Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance (dbsalliance.org), and ask what help is available for you, including respite care. You desperately need a break.

Dear Annie: I am 30 years old and decided to go back to college. I have made good grades. The problem is two supposedly grown women in one of my classes. It started when one of them broke up with my cousin. She blames me.

These women talk about me behind my back, scream in my face, threaten me and throw

things at me. I have tried to be the bigger person and ignore them or walk away, but it hasn't stopped. I also went to the dean and the teacher and got no results.

I am getting tired of the harassment, and I still have six more months in this class. What can I do? — Fuming in College

Dear Fuming: If these women are threatening you, the school should take action. Go back to the dean and say you will have to notify the police if the university won't deal with the situation. Then do it.

Dear Annie: This is in response to "Concerned," who objected to his granddaughter having a photograph of her late grandmother at her wedding.

In the past few years, I have attended some weddings of people whose beloved family members had passed away. One niece had a display of both sets of parents and all of her grandparents, including those who had died.

Another niece put flowers on her father's grave the day she got married. I attended a garden wedding where there were three chairs in the front row with ribbons on the back and a rose on the seat for the deceased parents of the groom and the deceased mother of the bride. I thought all of these were wonderful tributes. — L. in Florida

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Earnings reports spur rise in stock prices

(AP) — Stocks rose on Wall Street Friday, bolstered by strong earnings from major companies. Investors also saw a chance to add to their holdings after declines earlier in the week.

Nike reported a surge in quarterly profit, sending its stock price to a record. Tiffany topped earnings predictions, boosted by demand from customers in Asia.

Investors were also drawn by the pause in the market's run-up. Even with Friday's rise, the S&P 500 remained on course for its worst week in a month.

The damper on U.S. markets was caused by another worrisome chapter in Europe's debt crisis, and some disappointing corporate news.

The Mediterranean island nation of Cyprus, a banking haven, is struggling to devise a plan to avoid financial collapse. Stocks were also weighed down on Thursday by weak sales from Oracle. That news brought down technology stocks.

On Friday, though, investors took advantage of the pause and got back into the market.

The global economy has remained resilient in the face of a series of crises this year. That has encouraged investors to pick up stocks on any dips, said Ron Florance, managing director of investment strategy at Wells Fargo Private Bank.

"We still have an astonishing amount of money sitting on the sidelines," said Florance. "The individual well institutional investors have been sitting it out."

Investors have mained optimistic because U.S. housing is recovering and companies are hiring more workers. Healthy profits for corporations and stimulus continuing from the Federal Reserve have also boosted 1,557. The Nasdaq comstock prices.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 88 points, or 0.6 percent, to 14,509 as of 1:27 p.m. EDT Friday. The Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 11 points, or 0.7 percent, to posite gained 24 points, or 0.7 percent, to 3,246.

Nike shares hit an alltime high, rising 12 percent after the company reported a 55 percent

spike in quarterly net

income. Tiffany rose

fourth-quarter strong earnings.

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PepsiCo officials not hungry for a snack deal fact, Consumer

NEW YORK (AP) — PepsiCo Inc. says it isn't interested in any big acquisitions after a report suggested a mega-snack food deal could bring its Doritos under the same roof as Oreos.

The Purchase, N.Y., company, which owns Frito-Lay, Quaker Oats and Gatorade, issued a short statement Friday after the Telegraph of London said activist investor Nelson Peltz could push it to merge with Mondelez International Inc., which makes Cadbury and other Nabisco brands, in addition to the famous cream-filled cookies.

The report cited unnamed sources saying Peltz, who is known for making big investments then forcing change, has been building stakes in the two companies in recent weeks.

PepsiCo has long been the subject of speculation that it would spin off its underperforming beverage business. CEO Indra Nooyi tried to squash such talks last year with a "Power of One" marketing campaign that featured the company's sodas alongside its chips. But PepsiCo has nevertheless been reviewing options to restructure its North beverage American business and recently said it would provide more thoughts on the matter early next year.

In particular, the company said it wanted to see how a new sweetener system it's developing might help improve its soda business.

"Wecertainly wouldn't want to make a change in the business structure while there's still opportunities to unlock value that might be better unlocked while PepsiCo still owns the business," Chief Financial Officer Hugh Johnston said in a call with reporters in February.

Consumer Edge Research CEO Bill Pecoriello noted that the global snack business is much more attractive to PepsiCo than the soda business, which has been declining for years in developed markets such as the U.S.

But if PepsiCo were to spin off its beverage business, he said it would likely want to make a major acquisition to remain as big as it is today.

Edge issued a report just this week detailing how a merged PepsiCo and Mondelez would work in markets around the world. The report found that the combined company would benefit because there are many regions where one of the companies has a big presence and the other

In places such as the U.S. where both do big business, Pecoriello said consolidating distribution networks could result in \$3.4 billion in cost savings. He also noted that PepsiCo spinning off its beverage business wouldn't necessarily negate the "Power of One" strategy because independent companies could maintain marketing partnerships. For instance, PepsiCo still provides beverages for the fastfood chains owned by Yum Brands Inc., which it spun off in 1997.

Still, the deal would present plenty of challenges.



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Wednesday: **BBQ** chicken, potato salad, baked beans, peaches, cornbread, milk.

Thursday: Smoked sausage cuts, corn, black eyed peas, fruit, cornbread, milk.

Friday: Closed for fast: Pizza, juice, milk; Good Friday.

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Monday: Breakfast: Frosted Flakes, juice, milk; Lunch: Nacho grande, border beans, fruit cocktail, corn, lettuce/tomato, milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Taco roll, juice, milk; Lunch: Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, vegetables, apricots, roll, milk.

Wednesday: BreakLunch: Chicken nuggets, mac and cheese, carrots, celery, pears, Orange Smiles, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: PBJ, juice, milk; Lunch: Chicken enchiladas, salad, green beans, applesauce, grapes, milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon french toast, juice, milk; Lunch: Chicken patty or fish sticks, lettuce, tomato, pickles, broccoli, strawberries and bananas, milk.

Forsan ISD

Monday: Breakfast: Sausage and pancake on a stick, cereal, fruit; Lunch: Chicken spaghetti, Swedish meatballs, scalloped potatoes, broccoli and carrots, roll, salad, mixed fruit

Tuesday: Breakfast: Sausage biscuit, oatmeal or grits, fruit; Lunch: Beef and broc stir fry, orange chicken, steamed rice and egg roll, oriental vegetables, carrots, fortune cookie, salad, fruit.

Wednesday: Breakfast: French toast stick, cereal, fruit; Lunch: Big Daddy's homestyle pizza, spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, squash, salad, peaches, garlic stick.

Thursday: Breakfast: Waffle and sausage link, oatmeal or grits, fruit; Lunch: Beefy nacho grande, chicken fajita, Spanish rice, mexicali corn, broccoli, salad, pears.

Friday: Breakfast taco, cereal, fruit; Lunch: Corn dog, crunchy fish chicken,sweet potato fries, roll, salad, Ranch style beans, fruit.

Sands CISD

Monday: Breakfast: Breakfast on a stick, juice, milk; Lunch: Chicken quesadilla, salad, refried beans, applesauce, milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Biscuit/gravy, juice, milk; Lunch: Country fried steak, potatoes, gravy, green beans, roll, strawberry cup, milk. Wednesday: Break-

fast: Cinnamon roll, cheese stick, juice, milk; Lunch: Grilled chicken sandwich, oven fries, veggie cup, fruity gelatin, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Quesadilla, juice, milk; Lunch: Pop corn chicken, salad, carrots, apple slices, breadstick, milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Cereal bar, yogurt, juice milk; Lunch: Pizza, broccoli salad, corn, fruit, milk.

Coahoma ISD

Monday: Breakfast: Sausage and pancake on a stick, banana nut muffin, cereal, fruit; Lunch: Chicken spaghetti, Swedish meatball (HS),

scalloped potatoes, peas and carrots, roll, salad, mixed fruit.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Scrambled egg and ham, sausage biscuit, grits or oatmeal, fruit; Lunch: Beef and broc stir fry (HS), orange chicken, steamed rice and egg roll, oriental vegetables, carrots, fortune cookie, salad, fruit.

Wednesday: Breakfast: French toast stick, bagel and cream cheese, cereal, applesauce, fruit; Lunch: Big Daddy's homestyle pizza, spaghetti with meat sauce (HS), green beans, squash, salad, peaches, garlic stick.

Thursday: Breakfast: Waffle and sausage link, Hot Pocket, oatmeal or grits, fruit; Lunch: Beefy nacho grande, chicken fajita (HS), Spanish rice, mexicali corn, broccoli,

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New Yorkers flout law to keep pigs

NEW YORK (AP) — In a city of high-rises and tiny apartments, pigs are found mainly on menus. Most New Yorkers would never consider making pets out of a barnyard animal that's synonymous with sloppiness.

The city's health code specifically forbids it, forcing pig owners in the nation's largest metropolis to keep their swine secret — or take the risk an unhappy neighbor might squeal.

"People think it's weird and a novelty, but they're really sweet and really smart animals," says Timm Chiusano, who keeps two potbellied pigs on the ground floor of his three-story brownstone.

Chiusano moved to his current home after raising his pets from piglets in a condo highrise, where a neigh-

bor once raised a stink about them piddling in the lobby.

He renovated his home with the pigs in mind, putting their beds and food on the first floor (their legs are too stubby to climb stairs) and installing special flooring that holds up to hooves. He's also constantly resodding his tiny backyard because the grass is essentially a salad bar for swine.

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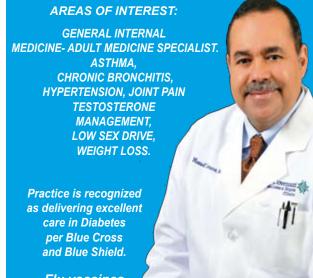
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