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Relay headed our way

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Herald Staff Report

One of the area's most anticipated events takes place this weekend at Blankenship

Yes, it's time again for the Howard/ Glasscock Relay For Life, which raises thousands of dol-

lars for the fight against cancer. How many

dollars? This year, organizers are hoping to raise

\$192,000. The national theme "Dream Big, Hope Big, Relay

Big." "I am issuing the challenge

this year of 'Why

not?' to all community members," Relay Chairman Manny Negron said during the local Relay For Life kickoff event. "I want all residents in Howard and Glasscock counties to fight strong against cancer this year and make this the best Relay yet. Let's fight strong. Let's fight big in Howard and Glasscock counties."

As volunteers and officials get ready for the big event, there will be a committee meeting at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Home Hospice board room.

Relay For Life opening ceremonies will begin at 7 p.m. Friday at Blankenship Field, located on the Big Spring High School campus. There is no charge to attend and cancer survivors are especially urged to attend and participate in the Survivor's Walk.

Many colorful activities and a whole lot of food will mark this year's event, as usual, and hundreds of supporters and volunteers will be spending the night camped on the field and taking turns walking around the track.

The event ends early Saturday morn-

More specific activities will be announced during the week.

For more information about Relay For Life, contact Negron at 432-816-9464.



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They're off! Participants in Saturday's Master the Mountain running and walking events take off from Big Spring State Park on Scenic Mountain.

Gasoline prices fall 6.1 cents

Including the change in gas pric-

Special to the Herald

Average retail gasoline prices in Texas have fallen 6.1 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.39/g Sunday, according to Gas-Buddy's daily survey of 13,114 gas outlets in Texas. This compares with the na-

tional average that has fallen 5.0 cents per gallon in the last week to \$3.52/g, according to gasoline price website GasBuddy.com.

es in Texas during the past week, prices Sunday were 41.3 cents per gallon lower than the same day one year ago and are 13.7 cents ago. The national average has decreased 13.8 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 37.0 cents per gallon lower than this day one year ago.

"The national average continues to be driven down as oil prices

have fallen in recent weeks," said GasBuddv.com Senior Petroleum Analyst Patrick DeHaan. "The year on year savings is approaching 40 cents a gallon in some spotsper gallon lower than a month not necessarily hitting the lottery, but every cent counts. As we get closer to Memorial Day there's also the chance of an increase in pricing volatility thanks to refinery maintenance season that will be gradually coming to a close," DeHaan said.

Volunteer of the Year

Maria Saracho says donating her time is **'a calling'**

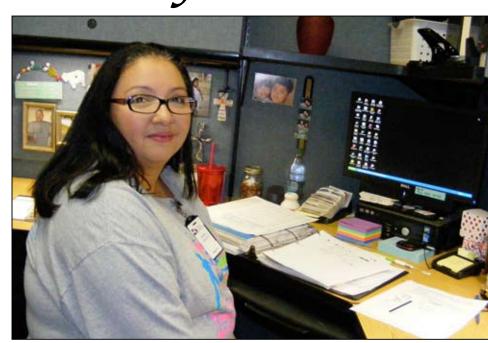
By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Helping the helpless just seems to be in Maria Saracho's blood. Not only does she work

full-time for Children's Protective Services, but she volunteers more than 30 hours a week manning the Big Spring Victim Services hotline. And she has done such an outstanding job at that she was

See VOLUNTEER, Page 3



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan Maria Saracho was named Program Volunteer of the Year by the Texas

Association for Sexual Assault. Saracho has been a volunteer with Big Spring Victim Services for more than nine years and typically works more than 30 hours a week at the agency.

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BIG SPRING HERALD LOCAL Monday, April 15, 2013

Obituaries

Lillie Elizabeth Craven



Home.

Lillie Elizabeth Craven, 86, peacefully passed from this life to eternal life April 12, 2013. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 16, 2013, at the Trinity Baptist Church with Dr. officiating. Randy Cotton Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Monday, April 15, 2013, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral

Beth was born to William Aaron and Mary

10 children She married Claude Neal Craven on Aug. 4, 1945, in Wellington, Texas, and they later moved to Arlington, Texas, where he attended Bible Baptist Seminary and became a minister of the gospel. She was a faithful, devoted pastor's wife and a great encourager to her husband until his death in April,

Jeanetta Sims-Beck on Feb. 15, 1927, in Olustee,

Okla. Her father was a carpenter by trade and her

mother was a homemaker. She was the seventh of

2005, but she preferred to be "behind-the-scenes." She was a faithful member of Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring for almost 50 years and she loved her TBC family. Her passion was daily Bible study and she was a prayer warrior, praying daily for her family, her church family and other

She loved to make homemade cinnamon rolls for others. She also loved sewing and particularly quilting. Many family members have "Nonnie' quilts as she was determined to make a quilt for as many as she possibly could. She was known to have a house full of children during the summer months for many years as she wanted her grandchildren to know each other and have time together.

In December 2012, she moved to Lubbock, Texas, so her daughter, Jan, and son, Richard, could keep a closer watch on her. She temporarily moved her membership to New Testament Baptist Church where her son, Richard, is Pastor.

She is survived by one brother, Lawrence Ray Beck and wife Mary Jo of Hollis, Okla.; three daughters and two sons, Jeanetta Claudene Christopher and husband Neil of Lubbock, Carolyn Marlene Schalk and husband Joe of Grand Forks, N.D., Patricia Jean Hasting and husband Ricki of Elkmont, Ala., Dana Lee Craven and wife Marion of Oxford, Ala., and Richard Dwaine Craven and wife Melanie of Lubbock; 14 grandchildren, Tonda Moody Hayworth, Toni Moody Cope, Bethany Schalk Ouellette, Jordan Schalk, Tiffany Robertson Collins, Tina Hasting Wells, Lori Hasting, Heather Craven Mouser, Glen Craven, Daffaney Craven Chambers, Marilee Gonzales, J.C. Watkins, Jodie Craven and Zachery Craven; 33 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Claude N. Craven; a son-in-law, Leonard Moody; two granddaughters, Jennifer Craven Dominguez and Cathy Craven Hickox; a great-granddaughter, Katie Beth Cope; both of her parents; and eight of

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www. npwelch.com

Paid obituary

Manuel Rojo Gonzales Sr.



Manuel Rojo Gonzales Sr., 54, of Big Spring passed away Saturday, April 13, 2013, at his residence. Vigil service will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Holy Trinity Catholic Parish. Burial will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Manuel was born Dec. 25, 1958, in Big Spring, Texas, to Eufrasia and

Guadalupe Gonzales. He was a lifetime resident of Big Spring. He was a shipping clerk for 20 years at Blue Bell Creameries. He helped with the Special Olympics each year and was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church.

He is survived by four children: Monica Gonzales, Cindy Gonzales, Manuel Gonzales Jr. and fiancé Cecilia Barrera and Alonzo Gonzales, all of Big Spring; three grandchildren; his mother, Eufrasia Gonzales of Big Spring; two sisters, Lupe Padron and Susie and husband Anselmo Campos, all of Big Spring; two brothers, Pry Gonzales of Big Spring and Tony and wife Mary Gonzales of Coahoma; the mother of his children, Yolanda Gonzales of Big Spring; and a number of nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Guadalupe

Gonzales; and a brother, Albert Gonzales.

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Police blotter

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

- JOSHUA ANTHONY RODRIGUEZ, 20, of 1413 Wood, was arrested Sunday on charges of criminal mischief - more than \$50 and less than \$500 and public intoxication of a minor.
- ANDREW BRITO, 21, of 301 N.E. Eighth St., was arrested Sunday on charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and possession of a controlled • JOSE OLIVARES, 52, of 502 Lancaster, was
- arrested Sunday on warrants for failure to maintain financial responsibility, failure to appear (four counts), speeding in a school zone, failure to use child safety seat system, driving while license invalid, unlawful restraint and interfering with an emergency phone call.
- FLAVIO SERRANO GARCIA, 27, of 1806 Laurie, was arrested Sunday on a warrant from another
- MERRILL CLAYTON CAMPBELL, 45, of 800 W. Marcy Apt. 16, was arrested Sunday on two warrants from other agencies. RONALD STANLEY HASELBY, 62, of Carlsbad,
- N.M., was arrested Sunday on a charge of public intoxication. • LINDA KAY STEGMAN, 51, of 2911 W. Highway
- orderly conduct language. • DUSTY WAYNE DEATHERAGE, 29, of 2523 Chanute, was arrested Sunday on a charge of driv-
- ing while intoxicated second offense. TREVIN DOMINIC STEPHEN CHERRY, 18, of 403 Richie Rd., was arrested Sunday on a charge of assault causing bodily injury – family violence.
- THEFT was reported:

In the 3600 block of W. Highway 80.

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In the 1000 block of Johnson.

Sheriff

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

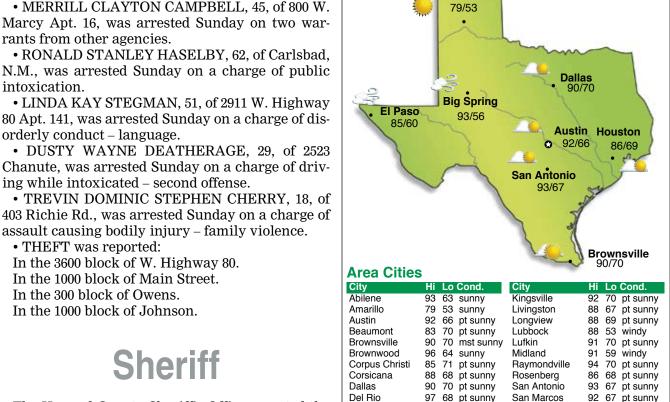
Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 86 inmates at the time of this

- GARY WAYNE GEORGE, 50, was booked into the county detention center Friday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated - second
- LAUREN ELIZABETH PARDUE, 21, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a charge of disorderly conduct – noise. JUAN NIKOLE LARA, 18, was booked into the
- county detention center Friday by the BSPD on municipal warrants for no driver's license and fail-
- CLINTON ROYCE JOINER, 29, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the Glassock County Sheriff's Office on a Glasscock County warrant for motion to revoke probation for possession of a controlled substance.
- KATYANA ALEXANDRIA CAMPBELL, 17, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of consumption of alcohol by a minor.
- THEODORE RIOS JR., 21, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a charge of theft – more than \$50 and less than \$500.
- LONNIE MALCOLM JOHNSON, 37, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of purchasing/ furnishing alcohol to a minor.
- WILLIAM EARL EDWARDS IV, 41, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the Martin County Sheriff's Office on Martin County warrants for driving while license invalid with a previous conviction and possession of stolen prop-
- MICHAEL LEE MARBEITER, 37, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license suspended or invalid with a previous conviction or suspen-
- DANNY CLAYTON CROW, 29, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the Martin County Sheriff's Office on a Martin County warrants for failure to appear, driving while license invalid, assault causing bodily injury – family violence, terroristic threat of a family or household and unlawful restraint.
- KEVIN JAMES MENGES, 40, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on charges of driving while intoxicated – third or more offense and disregarding a stop light.
- SUSAN MAGALLANES, 31, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of no liability insurance.
- JOSE ALFREDO GOMEZ, 30, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.
- PAUL WILLIAM TEMPLE, 30, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- JASON WAYNE ENGLISH, 35, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of criminal trespass.
- JOHN RICHARD IVERS III, 34, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- JASON BARAJAS FRANCO, 37, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by DPS on charges of unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon, unlawfully carrying a weapon, driving while intoxicated – second offense, possession of marijuana – two ounces or less, reckless driving, no driver's license – when unlicensed and possession

Today's Weather Local 3-Day Forecast 4/16 4/17

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• LUIS GERARDO MONJE, 19, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by DPS on a charge of possession of marijuana - two ounces or

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- JACOB JAY AGUIRRE, 32, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the Martin County Sheriff's Office on a Martin County warrant for intoxication manslaughter with a vehicle enhanced to a first-degree felony.
- MICHAEL LE'SHUNANTI DICKSON, 31, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the Martin County Sheriff's Office on a charge of judgment/sentence for failure to stop and render aid and municipal warrants for speeding, failure to appear, failure to maintain financial responsibility (two counts) and failure to yield the right-of-way
- MAGAN BOYD, 28, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of assault - family violence.
- DUSTY WAYNE DEATHERAGE, 29, was arrested Sunday on a charge of driving while intoxicated second offense.
- JOSHUA ANTHONY RODRIGUEZ, 20, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on charges of criminal mischief – more than \$50 and less than \$500 and public intoxication (under 21 years of age).
- ANDREW BRITO, 21, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and possession of a controlled substance.
- JOSE OLIVARES, 52, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on charges of unlawful restraint, interfering with an emergency phone call and municipal warrants for failure to maintain financial responsibility, failure to appear (two counts), speeding in a school zone, violation of a promise to appear (two counts), unrestrained chid less than 5 years of age and driving while license invalid.
- MERRILL CAMPBELL, 45, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on charges of theft and failure to appear.
- FLAVIO SERRANO GARCIA, 27, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of bail jumping – failure to appear.
- SHERRARD ELROY OLIVER, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by DPS on a charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.
- TREVIN DOMINIC STEPHEN CHERRY, 18, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on a charge of assault causing bodily injury – family violence.
- LINDA KAY STEGMAN, 51, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of disorderly conduct – vulgar language.
- RONALD HASELBY, 62, was booked into the county detention center Monday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

Fire/EMS

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

Note: An activity report was not available in time for press.

GOP super donor Bob Perry of the Lone Star State dies at 80

- Republican megadonor Bob Perry never cared for the spotlight. But writing big checks and financing one of the most famous television ads ever in a presidential campaign made the Texas millionaire famous nonetheless.

wealthy Houston homebuilder who shunned publicity while generously bankrolling GOP candidates — and becoming a force in a new era of lavish spending in American politics — Perry died over the weekend, said former Texas state Rep. Neal Jones, a close familv friend.

Jones said late Sunday that Perry died "peacefully in his sleep" Saturday night. He did not offer further details.

"Mr. Perry was a wonderful friend to many all around the United States," Jones said. "With his passing we've has made a great difference in the lives of people all across the land. He will be sorely

Perry was a fixture

of GOP fundraising in Texas — and nationally — dating back to former President George W. Bush's Texas gubernatorial races in the mid-1990s. His largesse included giving \$4.4 million in 2004 to the Swift Boat Veterans campaign that sought to discredit then-Democratic presidential nominee John Kerry.

Perry spent prolifically on politics but did so from a distance. He rarely gave interviews, skipped fancy fundraisers and was a mystery to even many of his bene-

Yet Perry couldn't avoid attention following his financing of the Swift Boat ads, which challenged Kerry's wartime service in Vietnam for which he received five medals. Some Democrats blamed Kerry's slow response to the criticism for sinking his candidacy.

Perry donated money to help start the veterans group at the urging of his friend John O'Neill, a Houston attorney who co-wrote "Unfit for Command," a book that questions Kerry's military service. Bill Miller, an Austin

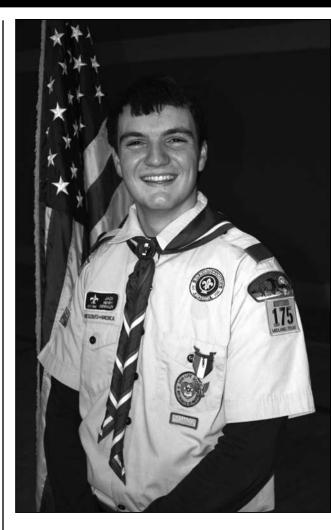
lobbyist who Perry hired as a spokesman when scrutiny surrounding the ads erupted, said in 2004 that Perry's donation to the Swift Boat Veterans reflected his belief in the group's message.

"In my conversations with Bob, he just said, 'John contacted me, told me what he was trying to do, and it sounded good to me.' That's really the way he does it," Miller said in 2004. "People call him and pitch him, and if he likes what he hears, he'll write a check."

Perry was also a prominent financial supporter of Texas Gov. Rick Perry, but was not related. He was the founder of Houston-based Perry Homes, one of the largest builders in Texas. Last year alone, Bob

Perry gave more than \$18 million to Republican presidential nominee Mitt Romney and organizations backed his candidacy. That ranked him third among all Romney donors, behind only Las Vegas casino mogul Sheldon Adelson and Dallas billionaire Harold Simmons. Perry was also in-

volved in state politics. Last year, he gave \$45,000 to George P. Bush, the nephew of former President George W. Bush who is running for Texas Land Commis-



Courtesy photo

Eagle Scout Jack Kennady, the son of John Kennady and Patti Jackson of Lenorah, Texas, is a senior at Grady High School. His Eagle project was the construction of 17 benches funded by Stanton Trade Days for the downtown sidewalk. He will be attending Austin College in Sherman, Texas, and studying pre-med.

Texas briefs

Police investigate human bones

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas police are trying to identify some human bones discovered along the Trinity River. Police say the bones were found Sunday by peo-

ple walking their dogs.

Investigators are trying to identify the remains, which included a skull, a torso and some cloth-

Further details weren't immediately available.

Gov. Perry to discuss tax cuts AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry opened

Texas' legislative session urging lawmakers to use a surplus of state funds on tax cuts. But those cuts haven't materialized.

Instead, the Legislature hopes to use extra mon-

ey generated by a booming state economy to reverse some of the \$5.4 billion it cut from schools in 2011. It also may tap Texas' reserve funds for water and infrastructure projects. Perry visits the Austin Chamber of Commerce

on Monday to again discuss "tax relief." It could still be a tough sell.

Top Texas Senate Republicans say the most likely source of tax cuts is only refunding to ratepayers roughly \$900 million from the System Ben-

The fund was supposed to help low-income families pay utility bills. Lawmakers have instead kept that money to balance the budget.

Woman, man shot to death in Texarkana house

TEXARKANA, Texas (AP) — Authorities have found the bodies of a woman and a man in a Northeast Texas house and police are investigating if the deaths are a murder and a suicide. Texarkana police say officers responded to a 911

call Sunday night from a family member in the home reporting two people had been shot. Police at the scene say the deaths appear to have been a murder-suicide but could not immediately provide further details.

Lawmakers to unveil immigration deal

- A bipartisan group of senators is almost ready to share with colleagues and voters an immigration overhaul crafted over several months.

WASHINGTON (AP)

The so-called Gang of Eight is finishing up the final details and is planning to unveil the proposed legislation on Tuesday. Even before the measure gets its first public airing, its authors were defending the program that would provide a pathway to citizenship for the 11 million individuals in this country who came illegally or overstayed their visit.

we're doing is giving people the opportunity to eventually earn access to our new, improved and modernized legal immigration system," said Sen. Marco Rubio, a Florida Republican who has been among the lawmakers at work on the overhaul.

Rubio had been slow to fully embrace the proposals that strengthen border security while offering a long pathway for those immigrants to earn citizenship. But he promoted the pending legislation to seven Sunday show hosts, leaving little doubt he was going to work to win over skeptics. "What we're working

on is a starting point. It is not the take-it-orleave-it offer. It is a starting point of reform," Rubio said. But even before its re-

lease, the proposal has its critics.

"I'm not convinced." said Sen. Jeff Sessions, R-Ala. "I know Senator Rubio's heart is exactly right. And I really respect the work of the 'Gang of Eight.' But they have produced legislation ... that will give "We're not awarding amnesty now, legalize anybody anything. All everyone that's here effectively today and then there's a promise of enforcement in the future."

Added Sen. Mike Lee, a Utah Republican: "The pathway to citizenship, right now, before those other elements are in place, is the deal-breaker for me."

Lee said he could consider supporting the proposals only if the first priority were border security.

It is, Rubio insisted. "If you are undocu-

mented here now, if you

are illegally in the U.S., that you can't even apply for this until these plans are in place and they begin to implement them," Rubio said. "And then you're going to have to pay a fine. You're going to have to pay an application fee. You're going to have to pass a background check."

Other lawmakers helping write the legislation acknowledged the political challenges of the issue, even with the tough measures that could take more than a decade for those here illegally to overcome. "A lot of my conserva-

tive colleagues have significant questions and the GOP's nominee. they're legitimate," said Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz. "This is the start of a process, this is a vehicle that requires hearings, requires input and we welcome all of that. ... I am guardedly optimistic that we will see finally the end of this long, long trek that a lot of us have been on for many years."

The measure would put millions who are in the U.S. illegally on a 13-year path to citizen-

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ship, while toughening border security requirements, mandating that all employers check the legal status of workers, and allowing tens of thousands of new highand low-skilled workers into the country with new visa programs.

But Rubio also left himself a way out if compromises yield an unsatisfactory bill. With an eye on a possible White House run in 2016, Rubio, a tea party favorite, has been careful not to appear weak on border security or create political problems among the conservatives who have great sway in picking

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Petra Molina Leos. 87. died Wednesday. Funeral Mass was at 10 a.m. this morning at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Jessie Cardoso, 59, died Thursday. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. today at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial

Manuel Rojo Gonzales, Sr., 54, died Saturday. Vigil service will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, at Holy Trinity Catholic Parish with burial at Mount Olive Memorial

VOLUNTEER

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named Program Volunteer of the Year by the Texas Association for Sexual Assault. Saracho, has volun-

teered her services to Victim Services for almost 10 years and has logged more than 5,900 hours for the agency. "Maria is the vol-

unteer who everyone wants," Victim Services' Linda Calvio stated in a letter nominating Saracho for the award. "She is an outstanding advocate to survivors of sexual assault, knows her business and how to take care of people. During her nine years of volunteering, her eagerness and continued

stopped." Calvio went on to say that what makes Sara-

dedication has never

cho so special is the empathy she shows to assault victims.

"She is an advocate you want to talk to and to be by your side during the middle of the night," Calvio stated. "Each survivor she works with is unique and special to her. Her love of people is truly genuine and her big heart and smile tells

Saracho, who is an administrative technician at CPS when she's not volunteering at Victim Services, said she felt compelled to offer her efforts to the agency.

"It was a calling," she said. "I saw an an ad for volunteers in the newspaper and it seems like every time I turned on the radio, I heard the same thing. All that happened within the space

of a week. I definitely

felt it was a calling, so I

applied."

When dealing with assault victims, Saracho said she tries to put herself in their shoes.

"You have to have empathy for the person," she said. "They're victims until proven otherwise. You can't say they were asking for it, or why were they dressed that way or anything like that. You have to have empathy for the person then and there." Saracho works three

12-hour shifts a week, usually Fridays through Sundays, but doesn't mind the extra workload on top of her paying job and caring for her family. "I try to do as much

as I can," she said. "The (full-time) staff deals with this six to seven days a week, so if I can spell them a bit, I will."

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331

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LA priest ministered despite abuse conviction

LOS ANGELES (AP)— When the Rev. John Anthony Salazar arrived in Tulia, Texas, in 1991, he was warmly welcomed by the Roman Catholic community tucked in the Texas Panhandle. What his new parishioners didn't

know was he'd been hired out of a treatruin like mine?" ment program for

pedophile priests — and that he'd been convicted for child molestation and banned from the Archdiocese of Los Angeles for life.

Over the next Salazar would be accused of abusing four more children and young men in Texas, including an 18-year-old parishioner who suffered teeth marks on his genitals. Today he awaits trial on one molestation charge, while his accusers and former followers seek a way to move forward.

Many details of Salazar's past are contained in a confidential personnel file that was among 120 such files the Archdiocese of Los Angeles

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Sudoku Answer on Page 3

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made public this year after a legal battle with abuse victims. But those records tell only part of the story.

On Tuesday, attorneys return to court to argue over the release of records for about 80

"How many people's

lives is he going to

priests, includ-Salazar, who belonged to Roman Catholic religious

orders that kept their own personnel files on accused clergymen. The hearing will address in what form and when those files will be made public, and involves orders such as the Jesuits, Salesians, Vincentians and Dominicans.

The documents are critical to understanding the full scope of the clergy abuse scandal, said Ray Boucher, who represents Los Angelesarea victims.

As part of a separate settlement, the Franciscans were forced last year to release confidential records on their members who'd been accused of molestation. The papers revealed a



The Rev. John Anthony Salazar, left has been accused of abusing children in Texas.

culture of abuse that affected generations of students at the seminary dedicated to training future Franciscans. Among the documents was a "sexual autobiography" penned by one priest as part of a therapy assignment that spelled out how he groomed children for molestation from a boys choir that he founded.

"These orders really have a primary role and responsibility in the transfer of pedophile priests," Boucher said.

About 25 percent of priests accused of abuse in Los Angeles belonged toreligious orders. Many had been loaned out to the archdiocese to help with a perpetual shortage of priests. In some cases, Boucher said, the orders may have sent known pedophiles to work in the archdiocese in the same way that the larger church has been accused of shuffling around problem priests.

J. Michael Hennigan, an archdiocese attorney representing more than a dozen orders involved in Tuesday's hearing, said the orders operate as separate entities from the archdiocese in financial and disciplinary matters.

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"I don't think even practicing Catholics have a very clear understanding of where the lines of authority are drawn," he said.

Salazar belonged to the Piarist Fathers, a tiny order that focuses on educating poor children and administers several parishes in East Los Angeles. The order, Boucher said, still has records on Salazar that could fill in holes in his archdiocese file, which begins in 1986 when Salazar first was charged with abuse. The priest was assigned to work in the archdiocese two years earlier.

Salazar was accused of molesting children from East LA parishes, sometimes during camping trips and at a Piarist residential house, according to notes in his archdiocese file. After Salazar was arrested, the Piarists solicited character letters from his fellow priests and contacted an attorney who had helped another accused priest strike a deal to serve part of his sentence in a residential facility.

The Piarists did not return calls and emails to their LA parish or their headquarters in Miami.

Salazar pleaded guilty in 1987 to one count of oral copulation and one count of lewd or lascivious acts with a child for molesting two altar boys, ages 13 and 14. He served three years of a six-year prison term before being sent in 1990 to a residential program in New Mexico that treated pedophile priests. He was also required to register as a sex offender.

One year later, the Diocese of Amarillo hired Salazar and assigned him to a vast, rural parish in the Panhandle while he was still on pa-

Los Angeles Cardinal Roger Mahony, who has been criticized for not doing more to stop abuse when he led the archdiocese, acted swiftly with Salazar. He revoked the priest's right to work within the archdiocese in 1986, the same day he learned of molestation

accusations. However, Mahony was unable to prevent Salazar's transfer to Texas because he belonged to the Piarists and ultimately fell outside of $the \ cardinal's \ authority.$ Mahony did write Bishop Leroy Matthiesen in Amarillo to warn him of Salazar's conviction but couldn't dissuade his colleague.

"You must think I don't screen applicants well. I assure you I do,

and that I have rejected a number of them," Matthiesen wrote Mahony in a Jan. 28, 1992, letter contained in Salazar's archdiocese file. "The Diocese of Amarillo has 38 parish priests and 38,000 registered Catholics. ... I am able to keep careful tabs on all our priests."

Matthiesen died in 2010, but in an autobiography he defended his decision to hire molesting priests from the aftercare program, saying they had "repented, paid the price, were rehabilitated, stayed within the boundaries laid out for them."

"These are the types of priests I accepted into the diocese," he wrote. "I have no regrets for having done so.'

While not mentioning Salazar specifically, Matthiesen said he took in problem priests from three dioceses, as well as several other "selfadmitted" molesters.

A spokesman for the Amarillo diocese did not return a phone message. Salazar also declined comment.

Texas, Salazar served as pastor of the Church of The Holy Spirit in Tulia, a cattle and cotton farming community of about 5,000 people in Swisher County, and also oversaw Catholic missions in the nearby towns of Kress and Silverton. A religious figure serves an important role in such places, said Kirk Williams, criminal investigator for the county attorney.

"In these small towns, you don't have the money for psychiatrists, marriage counselors and things that a priest and a preacher could take care of," he said.

Four parishioners have accused Salazar of molesting them in Texas. A civil lawsuit filed by three victims dates the earliest abuse

to 1991, not long after Salazar's arrival. The claims, which were confidentially in 2006 and 2007, allege Salazar molested two boys in the Tulia church rectory. The third plaintiff's

allegations, made after Salazar had been removed from active ministry in 2002, were tried criminally. In 2005, Salazar was convicted of sexually assaulting the 18-year-old man at a wedding in Dallas County. Salazar denied the claim, but the man got a hospital rape exam and had bite marks and bruises on his genitals. Salazar was sentenced to life in prison and, soon after, was defrocked by the Vatican.

In 2011, that conviction was overturned on appeal because prosecutors failed to properly disclose information about the victim's involvement in the civil case. Salazar then accepted a plea deal and was sentenced to eight years in prison. Because he'd already served six years — and with time off for good behavior — Salazar was freed last

October. Prosecutors in Swisher County have now charged him once more: In the 2001 abuse of a fourth boy, who claims that Salazar molested him multiple times in Tulia and on trips to the nearby missions. Salazar posted \$20,000 bail on a charge of indecency with a child earlier this year and remains free while awaiting an

August trial. "We thought it was everybody thought it was over and it raises its ugly head again," said Williams, the county's criminal investigator.

Salazar, 57, declined to talk about his past when an Associated Press re porter went to his apartment in Dallas, where he is a registered sex offender. He came to the door barefoot, wearing jeans and a gray sweatshirt. When asked if he would answer some questions, he politely

His attorney, Rod Hobson of Lubbock, Texas, said the case against Salazar is weak because there are no witnesses and no medical evidence of abuse.

"He definitely mainhis innocence, and we're not giving up on this case," Hobson said. "It's just an accusation."

Carlos Carrillo, a plaintiff in the Los Angeles case who previously accused Salazar of abuse, remembers learning more than a decade ago that Salazar was still a priest in Texas. Shortly after, Carrillo said, he tried to contact the Piarists, but the order wouldn't return his calls.

As he awaits a judge's decision on the release of the religious orders' priest files, Carrillo wonders what the Piarist Fathers knew about Salazar that has yet to be disclosed.

"I'm thinking, 'Oh my God, how many victims does this guy have? Who's he going to molest tomorrow? Next week? Next month?" he said. "How many people's lives is he going to ruin like mine?'

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By Steve Becker

Famous Hand

South dealer. Neither side vulnerable **NORTH ♥** A K 9 5 4 WEST ♠ K 10 4 3 \bullet 10 7 4 3 2 SOUTH **♠** A 8 7

The bidding: West South North East 1 NT Pass Pass 3 NT Pass

Opening lead — three of spades. When declarer has a strong suit that has not been disclosed during the bidding, it is usually wise to keep that suit concealed for as long as possible during the play. Today's deal from the 1989 Vanderbilt Teams demonstrates the windfall that can accrue from following this practice.

When Bobby Levin, whose team won the event, held the South hand, the bidding went as shown. North's two-diamond bid was a transfer, promising at least five hearts, after which South wound up in three notrump. West led a low spade, taken by dummy's queen, and Levin played a low heart toward his jack. East rose with the queen and returned a spade, taken by South's ace.

At this point, Levin could count only eight sure tricks — two hearts, four diamonds and the two spades already won. If either red suit could be run, the contract was in the bag But if both the diamonds and hearts broke badly, the contract would almost surely fail.

Following the principle of keeping the unknown hidden, Levin next led the jack of hearts to dummy's king and cashed the ace. West had to make two discards on these plays, and one of them was a fatal diamond. Levin then ran all five of his diamonds to finish with nine tricks, plus

At the other table, the play to the first three tricks was exactly the same. But here, after declarer won East's spade return with the ace, he tried to run his diamonds first, letting the cat out of the bag. When neither red suit broke, he could not come to more than eight tricks, giving Levin's team a gain of 10 IMPs on the deal

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HERALD photo/Tony Claxton/visit www.claxtonphotography.com the offense produced runs in four

Howard College's Reed Seely (right) throws the ball to Omar Garcia during a game against El Paso Community innings. College on Saturday at Jack Barber Field. The Hawks won both games Saturday to take three-of-four from the

Hawks pick up pair of wins over **El Paso**

By BRIAN MCCORMACK

Sports Editor

Howard College wrapped up a fourgame series with El Paso Community College on Saturday, winning both games of a doubleheader to take threeof-four from the Tejanos.

The Hawks (26-16, 15-9) held on to win Game Three by a score of 5-4, dashing a late-game rally by El Paso, then went on to win Game Four 7-3.

With a 5-2 lead, HC needed only one out from Blake Smith — who had come in to relieve starting pitcher David Gates (62/3 innings) — but the Tejanos had runners at first and second with the tying run at the plate. A RBI single cut the Hawks' lead to two, then the next batter reached on an error and cost HC another run. The final out came with the next at-bat, as El Paso left two base runners stranded.

The nightcap was all Hawks as the 6'9" New Jersey native David Palladino struck out eight Tejano batters, while

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Mariners top Rangers 4-3 as teams split series

SEATTLE (AP) — Brandon Maurer shook the nerves, went back to relying on his primary pitches and finally displayed why the Seattle Mariners felt the 22-year-old was ready to make the jump from Double-A to the majors.

The result was a celebratory shower that left the rookie shivering.

"He's going through another first right now," Seattle manager Eric Wedge noted as cheers emerged from the clubhouse.

Dustin Ackley snapped a sixth-inning tie with his first RBI of the season, Maurer rebounded from a horrible start to throw six strong innings for his first career victory and the Mariners beat the Texas Rangers 4-3 on Sunday.

Raul Ibanez added a

solo homer as Seattle salvaged a split of the four-game series thanks largely to Maurer (1-2).

"He was much more in control today. More at ease, more comfortable out there and obviously his stuff played out," Wedge said. "He was noticeably different I felt like out there today."

last Tuesday against rotation spot of Blake Houston, Maurer recorded just two outs and gave up six earned

It was about as horrible a home debut as could be imagined for the rookie.

But his recovery on Sunday was impressive, allowing five hits and only two runs before turning it over to the bullpen. Tom Wilhelmsen pitched the ninth for his fifth save.

Maurer showed his youth and inexperience in his first two starts. He got caught up in the moment both in his first start in Oakland and his first home start against the Astros.

But Seattle continued to believe in Maurer's stuff to the point that newly acquired starter In his first home start Aaron Harang took the Beavan and not Mau-

Maurer backed up that belief with the finest performance of his young career. He struck out five and walked only one. And when Texas did get to him for runs in the second and fifth innings — Maurer immediately responded with 1-2-3 innings the next time out.

Texas took the lead in the fifth scoring twice with two outs. Leury Garcia hit a one-out triple off the top of the wall in deep right-center, but was cut down trying to score on Elvis Andrus' grounder to second. Craig Gentry was hit by a pitch and Lance Berkman ripped an RBI single on a full-count pitch to score Andrus. Gentry advanced to third on Berkman's hit and score the go-ahead run when Seattle catcher Jesus Montero couldn't handle Maurer's tailing fastball and it went all the way to the backstop for a passed ball.

Texas starter Nick Tepesch (1-1) went 5 2-3 innings in his second career start, but could not get through the sixth holding the lead. After striking out Justin Smoak to open the sixth, Kyle Seager hit

the game — he lined an RBI double in the second. Montero followed with a broken-bat single that dropped softly into shallow right field and allowed Seager to score the tying run. The throw home was wide and Montero was able to advance to second.

That proved large straining a latissimus when Ackley — hitting muscle. Oliver Perez just .108 entering the day — dribbled a single back up the middle, scoring Montero.

"I think you can see the hits were capable of getting in bigger situations and I think that's all we've been away from winning ball games lately is one hit or two hits. Today we showed that we can do that," Ackley said.

Texas threatened in the seventh after

his second double of Mitch Moreland walked against reliever Bobby LaFromboise and advanced to second on Garcia's sacrifice bunt. Stephen Pryor took over and struck out Andrus and Gentry to end the threat.

> Pryor walked Adrian Beltre in the eighth and left with two outs after gave up a bloop single to David Murphy to put runners on the corners, but Geovany Soto popped out to end the inning.

"Our pitching staff has done a great job as a whole. They've kept us in ball games and helped us get off to a pretty good start," Murphy said. "Our offensive definitely needs to get in gear sooner than later."

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Marion leads Mavs to win over Hornets

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Dirk Nowitzki didn't even wait to shower before shaving off his

After becoming the 17th player in NBA history to score 25,000 career points, he was even happier the Dallas Mavericks got back to .500 for the first time since mid-December, allowing him to shave off the facial hair he and his teammates had vowed to leave untouched until they evened their record.

Shawn Marion had 21 points on 10-of-16 shooting, Nowitzki scored 19 and the Dallas Mavericks beat the New Orleans Hornets 107-89 on Sunday night.

Brandan Wright and Vince

Carter added 16 points off the bench for Mavericks. They had lost by double digits in their three previous chances to even their record.

"It's been too long," the cleanshaven Nowitzki said. "My wife stopped kissing me somewhere in February. It feels good to shave again."

Nowitzki reached 25,000-point mark with a mid-

range jumper over Hornets'

center Robin Lopez in the second quarter. Teammates said he reached for the razor almost as soon as he entered the locker room after the game.

Nowitzki, Chris Kaman, O.J. Mayo and Carter had not shaved since late January when Mayo said they would wait until they got back to .500. The Mavericks reached their low point on Jan. 9, falling to 13-23.

"Nobody thought that we could actually fight back," Nowitzki said. "We won some close games, we won some big games and made it interesting all the way down the stretch." The Mavericks will miss the

playoffs for the first time since 1989-90, but they played like they had postseason motivation in the first half.

Nowitzki's landmark basket came with 6:45 left in the second quarter.

"It's an unbelievable accomplishment," he said. "When I first got in the league, I didn't know if I could make it here. I worked hard over 15 years, and it paid

Ryan Anderson led the cold-

shooting Hornets with 20 points, but he was only 8 of 20 from the floor. Eric Gordon contributed 15 points, and Robin Lopez had 10 points and 13 rebounds. New Orleans shot 39.7 percent in its final home game.

Marion connected on 7 of 10 shots, and the Mavericks got pretty much whatever they wanted before the break.

They scored 12 points on second-chance opportunities, points on the fast break and 32 points in the paint while going 5 for 9 on 3-pointers. Their last basket of the first quarter was typical, Wright following his own missed shot with an uncontested

Wright dunked again to close out Dallas' scoring in the second

"We're veteran guys who have been around, and we feel like we're good enough to be in the playoffs," Carter said. "We let the been playing catchup."

opportunity slip away and have The motivation is finishing off on a positive note, knowing that we should have been in the play-

Griner, Delle Donne, Wiggins leading WNBA draft class

Brittney Griner, Elena Delle Donne and Skylar Diggins are expected to be the top three selections in this year's highly touted WNBA draft. After that, it's anybody's guess.

Phoenix has the envied No. 1 pick in the draft Monday night and it's anticipated that the Mercury will select Griner, the 6-foot-8 Baylor standout who averaged 23.8 points — third-best in the country — and 4.14 blocked shots as a senior. The two-time AP women's college basketball Player of the Year finished her career as the No. 2 scorer in NCAA history with 3,283 points and set records with 748 blocks and 18 dunks.

"She's no doubt going to be an impact player right away," Tulsa

Mercury team that finished 7-27 a year ago, gained national attention as a high school player when videos of her dunking went viral on the Internet. She went on to a dominant

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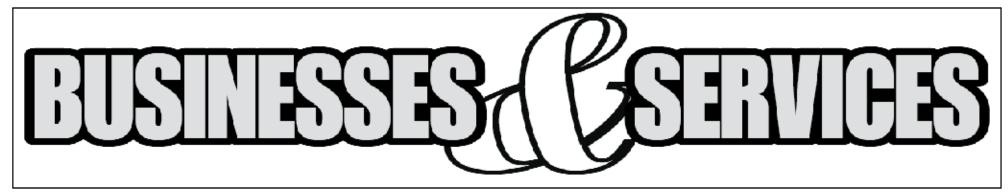
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

need of humor in your life, especially now that some people around you seem intent on being overly serious. It may be hard to see the lighter side on your own, so seek entertaining out influences.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Can you believe in fairies without believing

ogres? in Once you open the door to a world, it's very hard, if not impossible, to selective about what you

experience

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there. GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The tinkling of bells is a signal to a deep part of your mind. You'll hear such chiming today and experience an increased sense of awareness. A memory will be released or a new dream inspired.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You may set out to seek truth and beauty, but your journey will be most likely interrupted by more basic

needs: sustenance, order, inclusion, touch. You can always get back to the truth and beauty quest later.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You've contributed well to the life of another, though this person may not be fully aware of your contribution for many years to come. What matters most of all is that you know.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Being too rigid in your rules for living will only set the stage for failure. You can keep your high standards and still leave margins for error, impulse, desire and the unknown.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You wish you could see what another person sees during the day and feel how this person feels. curiosity Your empathy allow you to get a glimpse and feel a tinge of what it must be like.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You are like a royal returning to the throne after a long quest. It will not be long before the whole kingdom will find out that you're not the same person you were, and you'll rule differently because of it.

22-Dec. 21). Thinking you can do something is not the same as doing it, but it's a start. Follow through on that gut feeling that you are the perfect person for a certain job.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). In order for you to have the thing you desire, you must first convince others that they will profit, too. If you can make them believe this (and hopefully it is the truth), they will certainly want the same results.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Attention is like water, always moving and flowing and easily susceptible to influence. You'll like the powerful feeling you get when you walk into a room and control the way attention moves inside it.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Be careful whom you envy. There is something for you in the ancient Roman story about the sword of Damocles. With power comes risk. Some risks are for you; others are not.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 15). Your financial picture is looking up, and

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. you'll have some new choices about what to do with vour money. May brings the fulfillment of a promise. June offers a ticket that will change your perspective. You'll be entertaining others through July and August and making connections that turn out to be lucrative 2014. in Capricorn and Cancer people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 7, 40, 33, 2 and 14.

CELEBRITY

PROFILES: Teenage standup comedian turned major Hollywood player, Seth Rogen has followed his Aries passion every step of the way. His drive has led him to act, write and produce, and now he can add a new hat to that list with his directorial debut, "This Is the End.' Rogen was born when the sun and Mercury were both in fiery Aries. His moon in Capricorn is an indication of business acumen.

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"Classic" Ann Landers®: Life is always about you

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

Dear Ann Landers: Have you noticed the way some people habitually every steer conversation back to themselves? It sounds something like this:



Comeback Kid: "How was your birthday celebration?"

Victim (she has seven seconds but doesn't know it): "Oh, I had a great day. Joe gave me an adorable puppy. He's just

6 weeks old. ... Comeback Kid: "Fred did the same thing for me two years ago. And that puppy grew into the best and biggest dog we've ever had. We named him Brutus. He's so strong. And smart? You wouldn't believe what I've taught him. Just this morning, I was out looking for the paper ... "

And on and on while Victim stands there, her unfinished sentence in shreds, along with her self-esteem. My suggested solution? Suddenly, look at your watch, mutter, "Ohmigosh, I'm late!" and run for the nearest exit. sure those I'm

"Comeback Kids" unaware of how rude they are. Maybe if you tell them, Ann, they will Everyone who listen. knows reads this someone who fits the description. — *Claremont*, Calif.

Dear Claremont: I can think of more than a few people who fit the description, but of course, they don't have a clue, and if they were told, they would not believe it. Your letter, however, just might do the trick.

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something similar, do become a father himself. I you jump in with YOUR story? Or do you listen patiently and save your story for another time? If so, you've shown real class.

Dear Ann Landers: The letter from "Totally Baffled in Spokane" really struck a chord "Baffled" with me. wondered why her father would wait until she was pregnant before suddenly declaring that he wasn't her real dad. I am living that same

nightmarish scenario. I have struggled my entire feel sorry amair. "Baffled," since she did nothing to deserve this pain, but also understand her father. I have spent years pretending to be happily married to a woman who ruined my life.

continually am plagued by the thought that my son should know who his biological father really is, especially when the time comes for him to

would tell him, but I can't bear the thought of his suffering. I plan to carry this secret to my grave. Anonymous California

Dear California: I assume you have some kind of proof of this and that the boy's biological father is still living. Does he know about this son? I suggest you discuss this dilemma with a wise physician, lawyer or clergyperson and ask for guidance. I am reluctant to advise you on a matter of such grave importance. life to keep the dark knowing so little about secret that our son is a the cast of characters. product of my wife's Good luck. You're going to need it.

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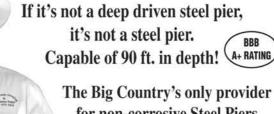
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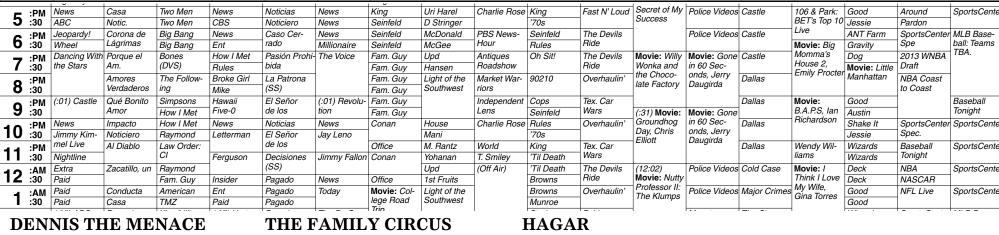
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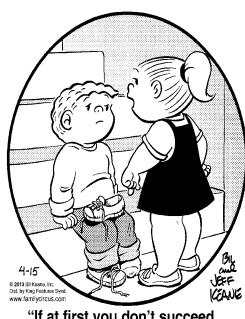
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"If at first you don't succeed, see if Mommy will do it for you."

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BE A CROTCHETY OLD MAN WITH

NOT TAKE THE FORM OF, SAY,

GEORGE CLOONEY?

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A SCRAGGLY BEARD... WHY

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BIG ONE!

AT LEAST

IT'S TIME

TOGETHER

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THE CRUEL, EVIL

TAKE-NO prisoners ATTILA THE HUN AND HIS VICIOUS WARRIORS!





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the wall...ninety-nine bottles

of beer...



This Date

Today is Monday, April 15, the 105th day of 2013. There are 260 days left in the year.

In History

Today's Highlight History:

On April 15, 1912, the British luxury liner RMS Titanic sank in the North Atlantic off Newfoundland at 2:20 a.m. ship's time, more than 2-hours after striking an iceberg; 1,514 people died, while less than half as many survived.

On this date:

In 1850, the city of San Francisco was incorporated. In 1865, President Abraham

Lincoln died, nine hours after being shot the night before by John Wilkes Booth at Ford's Washington. Theater in Andrew Johnson became the nation's 17th president.

In 1874, an exhibition of paintings by 30 artists, including Claude Monet, Edgar Degas, Pierre-Auguste Renoir and Paul Cezanne, opened in Paris. (A critic derisively referred to which stuck.) In 1942, Britain's King George

early days of World War II. In 1943, the Ayn Rand novel The Fountainhead" was first

VI awarded the George Cross to

Malta for its heroism in the

published by Bobbs-Merrill Co. In 1945, during World War II, British and Canadian troops

liberated the Nazi concentra-

tion camp Bergen-Belsen.

In 1947, Jackie Robinson, baseball's first black major league player, made his official debut with the Brooklyn Dodgers on opening day. (The Dodgers defeated the Boston Braves, 5-3.)

In 1959, Cuban leader Fidel Castro arrived in Washington to begin a goodwill tour of the United States. Secretary of State John Foster Dulles resigned for health reasons (he was succeeded by Christian A. Herter). In 1960, a three-day confer-

ence to form the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) began at Shaw University in Raleigh, N.C. (The group's first chair-

man was Marion Barry.) In 1986, the United States launched an air raid against Libya in response to the bombing of a discotheque in Berlin on April 5; Libya said 37 people, mostly civilians, were killed.

In 1989, 96 people died in a crush of soccer fans at Hillsborough Stadium in Sheffield, England. Students in Beijing launched a series of pro-democracy protests; the demonstrations culminated in a government crackdown at Tiananmen Square.

In 1998, Pol Pot, the notorious leader of the Khmer Rouge, died at age 73, evading prosecution for the deaths of two million Cambodians. Today's Birthdays: Actor

Michael Ansara is 91. Country singer Roy Clark is 80. R Actor Michael Tucci is 67.

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HARD

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- wager
- 20 Profit made from
- a stock sale 23 Comic-strip
- 24 Clever person
- 27 Easy gallop
- 31 Candidates'
- 34 Really like
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- athletes
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- 44 Fix again, as a
- hemline
- experts
- 48 Boston cream
- or Key lime 49 Solemn pledge
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- 10 Top poker card 11 Prom partner
- 12 Lip-balm

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21 12-year-old,

22 Glacier climber's

26 Lustrous fabric

27 Cars for hire

29 Polite refusal

30 Catch in a lie

31 Poor grades

33 Artist's stand

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38 Kitten cries

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36 Letters after Q

32 Nervous

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- 69 Slow as
- molasses

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- money 3 Right now, in
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- face-off
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 - footing
- 43 Trivial details
- 45 Has faith in
- 47 Groups of
- 53 Revenue before
- 62 Lane of
- 63 Desertlike 64 Bar of gold

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 - creature 46 Tourist
 - attractions

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 - success 50 Mix with a
 - spoon
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 - from India
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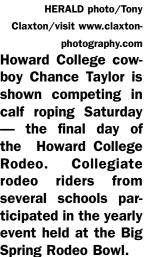
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college career while drawing new fans to the women's game and helping the Bears win the national championship in 2012.

Washington coach Mike Thibault, entering his first season with the Mystics after spending the previous 10 in Connecticut, also praised Griner's skills while disputing the notion the high-scoring Mercury will need to alter their high-speed offense to accommodate the defensive stalwart.

"I strongly disagree," he said. "I think she will enhance the way they play. People think they have to slow down for her. How many better outlet passers are there going to be in our league than her to start the break with a rebound and an outlet pass? She may not get across half court before they take the shot, but the break will get a good start."

New York coach Bill Laimbeer, back in the league after a nearly fouryear absence, believes the biggest adjustment Griner may have to make is to the physical play in the WNBA especially after Louisville played her

tough defensively in a win over Baylor in the NCAA tournament's round

"That's everyday business in the WNBA," Laimbeer said. "It's a physical league, they're grown women. They're much bigger and stronger than the college ladies out there."

Chicago is likely to take Delaware's Delle Donne with the second pick, followed by Notre Dame star Diggins going to Kloppenburg's Shock at No. 3.

The 6-foot-5 Delle Donne, who can play all three positions, was second in the nation in scoring (26.0 ppg) and averaged 8.5 rebounds. She ended her career with 3,039 career points — fifth all-time in NCAA history.

"We haven't seen a player like her come into our league," Kloppenburg said of Delle Donne's versatility. "I guess the comparison is to Lauren Jackson, but in a way she's got a greater skill set than even Lauren with her ability to put the ball on the floor."

Though Delle Donne is most likely headed to the Sky, a team that last season finished one game out of reaching the playoffs for the first time its seven-year history, she's prepared to play in either Chicago or Tulsa.

"I'm going to be thrilled wherever

I end up," she said. "I've heard Chicago is an amazing place to live so I'd really be excited moving to the city. That's a very talented team and I think it would be an awesome opportunity to really take (that) team to the next level."

Diggins also had a strong senior season, averaging 17.1 points, 6.1 assists, 3.5 rebounds and 3.1 steals while helping the Irish reach the Final Four, where it lost to eventual champion

"She's a great player and has those intangibles," Kloppenburg said. "I think she's one of those that can impact our league right away and we know she's an extremely hard worker and will put the time in to get better."

Other players expected to be taken in the first round include guards Alex Bentley (Penn State), Kelly Faris (UConn), and Tayler Hill (Ohio State), forward Tianna Hawkins (Maryland) and center Kelsey Bone (Texas

"The talent is spread throughout the positions," Diggins said. "There's a lot of players that have the potential to come in and make an immediate impact and be franchise players for their teams. I'm happy to be a part of

After the big three are taken, Washington will begin the uncertain portion of the draft with the fourth pick, and New York has two of the next three selections — with Seattle in between at No. 6. San Antonio will pick eighth, followed by defending champion Indiana, Los Angeles, Connecticut and Minnesota to complete the first of three rounds.

"The joke around here is I have the first pick in the other draft," Thibault said with a laugh before acknowledging a Mystics team that finished a league-worst 5-29 last season has plenty of holes. "We've narrowed it down to three or four players. We're going back and forth as a staff and that's the decision we have to make."

Laimbeer said the Liberty will be looking for a post player with one of their first-round picks, most likely at No. 5, and then the best available to fill a need with the other selection.

"Mike's driving the bus right now," he said. "It's a matter of who's there and we won't know that until Mike picks and sets off a chain of events."

Training camps open May 5, with the league's 17th season set to being on May 24.

HAWKS

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El Paso struck first, recording a solo home run in the top of the first inning, but HC answered with two runs of its own. Keegan Sanford drew a walk, took second on a wild pitch and reached third on a sacrifice fly by Reed Seeley. Micheal Resnick drove Sanford home on a double to even the score a one. With Resnick in scoring position, Nick Bullington picked up a double, sending the goahead run home.

The Hawks tacked on two more runs in the bottom of the second.

McGuire Alika reached base on an El Paso error as the third basemen booted the ball. Jose Favela laid down a perfect bunt, reached base safely and advanced McGuire to second. Josh Ake followed suit, laying down a RBI bunt to score McGuire. With two runners on, the bunt trifecta was completed by Sanford, who didn't reach base, but advanced the Favela and Ake to second and third base respectively.

Seeley ripped

grounder up the middle, sending Favela home and making it a 4-1

> game. Sanford smacked a double in the bottom of the fourth, took third when Cameron Neal made contact and scored the fifth HC run on a single by Seeley. Resnick belted one, driving Seeley home and the Hawks were up 6-1.

> Michael Bradshaw scored the final HC run after he was issued a walk, stole second and rounded the bases on a Favela sac fly.

> The Tejanos scored a single run in the top of the seventh and again in the top of the eighth.

Though many coaches would love to have HC's win-loss record, it's a uncharacteristic for Head Coach Britt Smith's team to have as many conference losses as they have accrued.

First, the squad was forced to play over thirty straight road games. On top of that, the team didn't find cohesiveness right away. According to Smith, strides have been made, as evidenced Saturday's perfor-

mance. "We've been pitchingdriven all year long," said Smith. "When we pitch well, we play well. You're not putting pressure on a team that isn't as good offensively as they have been. When they don't have to score eight or nine runs, it lets them relax a little and play the game."

The Hawks aren't out of the running for a regional tournament appearance, but the Hawks can't afford to drop too many more outings.

"Obviously, we are going to try to win every game we play from here on out," Smith added. "As a team, we are playing a little better offensively at times. We are competing better, but it's not where we need to be. We still have to play better — hit better and pitch better."

The next series with conference implications begins Friday, as Luna College — a newcomer to WJCAC — makes the trek to Big Spring for a four-game stint.

Tuesday at Jack Barber Field, the Hawks

will host Western Texas College for a one-game, nonconference affair. Game time is slated for

2 p.m.

LUNA, N.M. — On the softball diamond, Howard College (43-9, 18-2) remains dominant, leading the Western Junior College Athletic Conference, but recorded its second WJCAC loss Saturday on the road against Luna College.

The Hawks edged Luna the first day, taking Game One by a score of 11-8 and Game Two, 12-2. The next game went Luna's way, as it edged the Hawks 3-1.

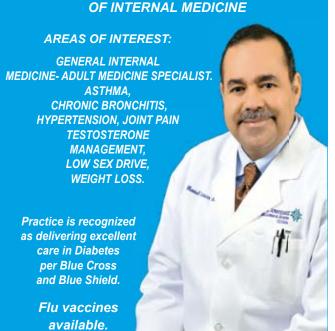
Apparently unhappy about losing their first WJCAC affair since March 23, the Hawks made short work of Luna in Game Four by closing out the series with a 20-2, fifth inning run-rule victory.

Next up for Head Coach Kelly Raines' team is a rendezvous with Midland on the road.

The doubleheader is set to begin Friday at 1

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