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**Rocky Harris, left, directs the Big Spring High School Honor Band during its Eastertide Offerings concert at St. Mary's Episcopal Church Wednesday. The BSHS bands will hold a free public concert at 2 p.m. Sunday in the high school auditorium.**

## West Texas drug dealer sentenced

**Herald Staff Report**

SAN ANGELO — A man described as “the Mexican Mafia methamphetamine supplier from Lubbock to San Angelo” was sentenced to federal prison Wednesday after entering a guilty plea

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**Note: Four people were arrested on kidnapping charges in Big Spring this morning. The Herald was unable to obtain any information from the police department prior to deadline.**

*IN TODAY'S HERALD:*

*Why not?* DREAM BIG  
 HOPE BIG  
 RELAY BIG

## Award-winning BSHS bands to perform concert Sunday

**By STEVE REAGAN**  
 Staff Writer

Strike up the (award-winning) band.

The Big Spring High School band, fresh off another sweepstakes award winning performance, will hold a free public concert at 2 p.m. Sunday in the high school auditorium.

The program will feature both the BSHS Honor Band and Symphonic Band, which recently competed in the University Interscholastic League Band Contest in Odesa.

The BSHS Honor Band under Rocky Harris won sweepstakes honors by earning Division I ratings in both concert

**What:** Big Spring High School bands concert.  
**Where:** Big Spring High School Auditorium.  
**When:** 2 p.m. Sunday.  
**Cost:** Free admission.

and sight-reading at contest, coupled with the Division I rating earned in marching last November. In addition, the Symphonic Band, directed by Sam Hale, earned a Division I award in concert to add some more hardware to the band's trophy case.

This marks at least the 10<sup>th</sup> straight year the band has earned sweepstakes honors,

Harris said. “This is by far one of the best-playing bands we've had,” he said. “Their performance at concert contest was amazing.”

In addition, the band qualified for the state wind ensemble competition, which is scheduled to be held at the University of Texas in Austin May 4.

Sunday's concert will include music from the bands' contest entries, as well as other selections. The highlight, Harris said, will be a performance featuring a trumpet solo by John Ontiveros. Harris said the piece was commissioned for the band.

**IN BIG SPRING**

**Today**  
 6 p.m., Meet the Candidates Forum at Hall Center for the Arts on the Howard College campus. Free admission.

**Friday-Saturday**  
 7 p.m. Friday, Opening Ceremonies for the 2013 Howard/Glasscock Relay For Life event at Blankenship Field on the Big Spring High School campus. Free admission; donations for the American Cancer Society accepted. All night activities. Closing ceremonies at 8 a.m. Saturday.

**Saturday-Sunday**  
 Annual Big Spring Powwow at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum on the Howard College Campus. Indian dancing is from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$3 for adults. Children under 12 are admitted free.

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The latest patch to go up on the interior billboard at the Hangar 25 Air Museum is from class 66-G. The billboards at the air museum provide a place to memorialize those worked in Hangar 25 or 44, as well as the classes that trained in the aircraft maintained there. The patches project is a fundraiser for Hangar 25. The donation to create the replicas is used to enhance the mission of the air museum. One hundred percent of the donation goes to Hangar 25; the materials and artwork are donated.

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## Obituaries

### Betty Lloyd-Mitchel



Betty Lloyd-Mitchel, 82, of San Angelo, formerly of Big Spring died Tuesday, April 16, 2013, at her residence. The family will receive friends Thursday from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel with Robert Allen Nelson, officiating. Burial will be at Cushing Cemetery in Cushing, Texas.

She was born Sept. 14, 1930 in Wink, Texas, to Doll and George Cooper. She grew up in Reklaw, Texas. She moved to Big Spring in 1952 from Denton. She worked at State National Bank from 1969 until 1992.

She relocated to San Angelo shortly after retirement. She married Blaine Mitchell in 1991 and he preceded her in death in 2004. She married Glyn Mitchel on October 5, 2004. She was a Baptist.

She is survived by her husband, Glyn Mitchel of San Angelo; two sons, Rodger Lloyd and wife Betty Jean of Big Spring and Rick Lloyd and wife Leslie Ann of Austin; five grandchildren, Justin Lloyd and wife Mandi of Big Spring, Logan Lloyd of San Angelo, Staci Lloyd of Arkansas, Quinn Lloyd of Maryland and Jordan Lloyd of San Angelo.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one husband, two brothers and three sisters.

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

*Paid obituary*

### Geraldine House Yardley



Geraldine House Yardley, 82, of Stanton, Texas, died Tuesday, April 16, 2013, in a Midland nursing home. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m., Friday, April 19, 2013, at the First Baptist Church of Stanton with the Rev. David Harp officiating. Interment will follow at Evergreen Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, April 18, 2013, at Gilbreath Funeral Home.

Geraldine was born April 17, 1930, in Crane, Texas. She married Bobby Campbell just after World War II and he preceded her in death in 1984. She then married Jim Yardley on May 30, 1987, in Stanton.

She moved to Stanton in 1964 and was a member

of the Order of the Eastern Star. She worked for many businesses, including as the secretary for the Stanton Chamber of Commerce.

She was a member of First Baptist Church of Stanton.

Survivors include her husband, Jim Yardley of Stanton; two sons, Kirby Corbell and wife Cindy of Fort Smith, Ark., and Ricky Corbell and wife, Gail of San Antonio; two daughters, Marsha Campbell McLain and husband James of Springhill, Tenn., and Connie Campbell Hooker and husband Glen of Fort Worth; eight grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and one brother, Jimmy House of San Angelo.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, Olen and Bessie Viola (Cain) House; and two brothers, Doyle House and Robert House.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton. Online condolences can be made at: [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com)

### Arnulfo Sandoval



Arnulfo Sandoval, 51, of Knott died Tuesday, April 16, 2013, in a Big Spring hospital. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m., Friday, April 19, 2013, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

A vigil service will be held at 7 p.m., Thursday, April 18, 2013, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel.

He was born July 16, 1961, in Mexico and married Virginia Perez July 18, 1985, in Big Spring.

Arnulfo worked for the Commerce Co-op Gin for 29 years.

He was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Par-

ish.

Survivors include his wife, Virginia Sandoval of Knott; a daughter, Brittney Sandoval of Knott and Lupita Villareal of Mexico; two step daughters, Hilda Sabedra and Gina Cantu both of Knott; a step son, Enrique Sabedra of Knott; one son, Jesus Sandoval of Mexico; his mother, Maria Sandoval of Mexico; two brothers, Jesus Sandoval and Jose Sandoval; eight sisters, Teresa Sandoval, Rosa Maria Cordova, Marielena Sanchez, Juanalicia Menchaca, Lucero Arriola, Jovita Ayala, Maria de los Angeles Garcia and Estela Sandoval; and 12 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father, Jose Sandoval.

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

## Police/Sheriff/EMS

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. 04/17/2013 and 7 a.m. today:

- JACKIE TRUETT HOLMES III, 51, transient of Big Spring, was arrested Wednesday on charges of public intoxication.

- JERRY ALLEN CHANCY, 42, of 107 W. 21<sup>st</sup> St. Big Spring, was arrested Wednesday on a warrant other agency.

- RONALD STANLEY HASELBY, 62, of 1302 Tucson, Big Spring was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.

- RICARDO RAMIREZ, 24, of 4004 Connolly, Big Spring was arrested Thursday on charges of burglary of a habitation and intend other felony, kidnapping.

- SOPHIA CONCEPTION MARMOLEJO, 29, of 2521 Chanute, Big Spring was arrested Thursday on charges of burglary of a habitation and intend other felony, kidnapping.

- JUAN EDUARDO DIAZ, 23, of 1207 Wood St., Big Spring was arrested Thursday on charges of burglary of a habitation and intend other felony, kidnapping.

- ABILENE RENEE MOJICA, 30, of 1600 block of Martin Luther King Boulevard on charges of burglary of a habitation and intend other felony, kidnapping.

- CODY RAY THOMPSON, 26, of 200 Merrick Rd., Big Spring on a charge of public intoxication.

- HIT AND RUN was reported at the 1000 block of S. Gregg.

- THEFT was reported at the 1800 block of East FM 700.

- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported at the 1700 block of Harvard Avenue.

- THEFT was reported at the 3600 block of West Hwy 80.

- BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported at the 4000 block of West Hwy 80.

- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported at the 2600 block of Hunter Dr.

- BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported at the 1900 block of Martin Luther King.

- BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported at the at the 900 block of Goliad.

- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported at the 4200 block of Hamilton.

- ACCIDENT MINOR was reported on Thorp and Wason.

- INTOXICATED SUBJECT was reported at the 900 block of Willia.

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 78 inmates at the time of this report.

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

- TRAUMA was reported at the 500 block of Benton. One person transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported at the 200 block of N. Nolan.

- MEDICAL was reported at the 1800 block of N. Hwy 87. One person transported to SMMC.

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## Today's Weather

### Local 3-Day Forecast

Fri 4/19	Sat 4/20	Sun 4/21
<b>70/43</b>	<b>81/49</b>	<b>88/57</b>
A mainly sunny sky. High near 70F. Winds ESE at 5 to 10 mph.	Mainly sunny and windy. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the upper 40s.	Sunny. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the upper 50s.
<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:12 AM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:11 AM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:10 AM
<b>Sunset:</b> 8:19 PM	<b>Sunset:</b> 8:19 PM	<b>Sunset:</b> 8:20 PM



## Texas At A Glance



### Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abiene	67	43	sunny
Amarillo	66	38	sunny
Austin	70	41	sunny
Beaumont	64	41	mst sunny
Brownsville	67	52	rain
Brownwood	69	40	sunny
Corpus Christi	73	50	pt sunny
Corsicana	63	39	sunny
Dallas	65	42	sunny
Del Rio	76	48	sunny
El Paso	69	49	sunny
Fort Stockton	68	42	sunny
Gainesville	62	38	sunny
Greenville	63	38	sunny
Houston	67	43	pt sunny
Kingsville	76	48	pt sunny
Livingston	66	36	sunny
Longview	64	38	sunny
Lubbock	67	38	sunny
Lufkin	67	38	sunny
Midland	68	46	sunny
Raymondville	73	51	pt sunny
Rosenberg	68	41	pt sunny
San Antonio	73	43	sunny
San Marcos	71	41	sunny
Sulphur Springs	63	39	sunny
Sweetwater	68	42	sunny
Tyler	64	39	sunny
Weatherford	64	38	sunny
Wichita Falls	65	38	sunny

### National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	66	43	t-storm
Boston	68	54	cloudy
Chicago	46	31	windy
Dallas	65	42	sunny
Denver	55	34	mst sunny
Houston	67	43	pt sunny
Los Angeles	83	58	sunny
Miami	86	75	pt sunny
Minneapolis	39	26	sn shower
New York	68	52	cloudy
Phoenix	80	54	sunny
San Francisco	70	53	sunny
Seattle	54	47	rain
St. Louis	54	38	pt sunny
Washington, DC	79	52	t-storm

### Moon Phases



### UV Index

Fri 4/19	Sat 4/20	Sun 4/21
<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>
Very High	Very High	Very High

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, 0 being the lowest and 11 the highest. A higher UV Index shows the need for greater skin protection.

## Support Groups

### THURSDAY

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

- Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.

- Circle of Hope, a Celebrate Recovery group, meets at 6:30-8 p.m. at Spring Creek Fellowship, located in the College Park Shopping Center. Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery program dealing with life's hang-ups, hurts and habits, covering many areas.

Circle of Hope is a ministry of Spring Creek Fellowship.

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# Frantic search ongoing after deadly Texas blast

## Help on the way

WEST, Texas (AP) — Rescue workers searched rubble early today for survivors of a fertilizer plant explosion in a small Texas town that killed as many as 15 people and injured more than 160 others. The blast left the factory a smoldering ruin and leveled homes and businesses for blocks in every direction.

Waco Police Sgt. William Patrick Swanton said officials went building to building in the largely decimated area around the plant that exploded with the strength of a small earthquake in downtown West, a farming community about 20 miles north of Waco.

"They have not gotten to the point of no return where they don't think that there's anybody still alive," Swanton said. He did not know how many people had been rescued.

The explosion, which could be heard dozens of miles away, sent flames shooting into the night sky and rained burning embers and debris down on shocked and frightened residents.

Swanton said earlier that authorities believe between five and 15 people were killed in the blast, but stressed it was an early estimate. There is no indication the blast was anything other than an industrial accident, he said.

Three to five volunteer firefighters were among those believed to be dead, Swanton said. A single law enforcement officer who responded to a fire call at the West Fertilizer Co. shortly before the blast was accounted for early Thursday.

The explosion that struck around 8 p.m. leveled a four-block area around the plant that a member of the city

council, Al Vanek, said was "totally decimated." The toll included 50 to 75 houses, an apartment complex with about 50 units that one state police officer said was reduced to "a skeleton," a middle school and the West Rest Haven Nursing Home, from which first-responders evacuated 133 patients, some in wheelchairs.

In the hours after the blast, residents wandered the dark, windy streets searching for shelter. Among them was Julie Zahirniako, who said she and her son, Anthony, had been playing at a school playground near the fertilizer plant when the explosion hit. She was walking the track, he was kicking a football.

The explosion threw her son four feet in the air, breaking his ribs. She said she saw people running from the nursing home and the roof of the school lifted into the sky.

"Hit the ground, hit the ground," Zahirniako heard a neighbor yell.

"The fire was so high," she said. "It was just as loud as it could be. The ground and everything was shaking."

William Burch and his wife, a retired Air Force nurse, entered the damaged nursing home before first responders arrived. They split up, searching separate wings, and found residents in wheelchairs trapped in their rooms. The halls were dark and the ceilings had collapsed. Water filled the hallways and electrical wires hung eerily from the ceilings.

"They had Sheetrock that was on top of them. You had to remove that," Burch said. It was "completely chaotic."

Some witnesses compared the scene to the



Associated Press photo

An explosion at a fertilizer plant in West, Texas, killed as many as 15 people, injured up to 160 others and flattened 50 to 75 homes and businesses.

1995 Oklahoma City bombing, and authorities said the plant made materials similar to that used to fuel the bomb that tore apart that city's Murrah Federal Building.

Although authorities said it will be some time before they know how many lives were lost, they put the number of those injured at more than 160 early Thursday. West Mayor Tommy Muska told reporters that his city of about 2,800 people needs "your prayers."

"We've got a lot of people who are hurt, and there's a lot of people, I'm sure, who aren't gonna be here tomorrow," Muska said. "We're gonna search for everybody. We're gonna make sure everybody's accounted for. That's the most important thing right now."

At the Hillcrest Bap-

tist Medical Hospital in Waco, elderly people were wheeled in on stretchers. A man in a wheelchair with his T-shirt covered in blood winced as medical professionals tended to wounds on his head and left arm.

The town's volunteer firefighters had responded to a call at the plant at 7:29 p.m., Swanton said. Due to the plant's chemical stockpile, "they realized the seriousness of what they had," he said.

Muska was among the firefighters, and he and his colleagues were working to evacuate the area around the plant when the blast followed about 20 minutes later. Muska said it knocked off his fire helmet and blew out the doors and windows of his nearby home.

The main fire was under control as of 11 p.m., authorities said, but

residents were urged to remain indoors because of the threat of new explosions or leaks of ammonia from the plant's ruins. Swanton said early Thursday authorities were not concerned about lingering smoke from the fire, and noted that rain from a morning thunderstorm helped their efforts.

Dozens of emergency vehicles amassed at the scene in the hours after the blast. Firefighters used flashlights to search the still-burning skeleton of an apartment complex that was all but destroyed. All that remained of a nearby house was the fireplace and chimney, standing tall among smoldering embers of what was once someone's home. Smoke filled the air.

A flood-lit football field initially was used as a staging area, then other triage centers sprung

up around the blast site. At one, an army of first responders evaluated senior citizens, many of whom were disoriented, dazed and panicked. Most were unsure what had happened.

"Get them into an ambulance now," workers shouted.

Those who were OK were loaded onto school buses, many in wheelchairs, to be taken to evacuation centers.

About 100 of the injured were treated at Hillcrest Baptist Medical Center in Waco, where five people were in intensive care. Another 65 were taken to Providence Health Center in Waco. Officials said the injuries included broken bones, bruises, lacerations, respiratory distress, and some head injuries and minor burns.

## DEALER

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last year.

Eric Cortez Flores, 32, a ranking member of the Mexican Mafia, was sentenced to 360 months in prison by U.S. District Judge Sam R. Cummings. Flores had pleaded guilty in November 2012 to one count of conspiracy to distribute and possess with intent to distribute 500 grams or more of methamphetamine.

According to documents filed in the case, in February 2011, agents with U.S. Immigrations and Customs Enforce-

ment's (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), received information that a known narcotics trafficker would be traveling to San Angelo from Del Rio, Texas. The investigation revealed that this individual went to Eric Cortez Flores' residence on Montague in San Angelo. In addition, on several occasions, law enforcement officers encountered individuals with methamphetamine who were connected with Flores and learned that Flores's mother's residence on Oaklawn in San Angelo reportedly served as a stash house for Flores's methamphetamine.

On Feb. 22, 2012, law enforcement executed a search warrant at Flores's residence. That search yielded a plastic bag containing suspected methamphetamine residue, which was located next to the toilet; methamphetamine residue next to the toilet; approximately \$96,000 in cash; a semi-automatic pistol; approximately 25 wrappings similar to those typically used to package large amounts of methamphetamine; and a suspected drug ledger.

Flores admitted to flushing an ounce or less of methamphetamine down the toilet before law enforcement

arrived. He also said he had approximately \$70,000 in his house that was drug sales proceeds from the past 18 months and that he'd distributed approximately one pound of methamphetamine every two weeks during that time period.

He said his methamphetamine was from

Mexico, but refused to provide his supplier's name. Flores also stated that the wrappings found in his backyard and bedroom contained one pound of methamphetamine each and admitted he knew a firearm was in his house.

The investigation was conducted by ICE HSI,

the FBI, the Texas Department of Public Safety, the Tom Green County Sheriff's Office, and the San Angelo Police Department. Assistant U.S. Attorney Jeffrey R. Haag prosecuted.

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# See someting, say something?

In brief remarks to the nation yesterday on the Boston Marathon bombings, President Obama said that “we all have a part to play in alerting authorities. If you see something suspicious, speak up.” In Washington, D.C., electronic signs urged commuters to be on guard. Law enforcement, big-city mayors and security experts all echoed that famous post-terrorism refrain: “If you see something, say something.”

But who really means it?

In post-9/11 America, the truth is that our politically correct guardians only want you to see, say or do something if it can't be construed by grievance-mongers as racist, sexist, Islamophobic, homophobic, nativist or any other “-ist” or “-ic.”

Face it: We live in a self-defeating culture that pays lip service to heroic action in times of crisis, yet brutally punishes the very kind of snap judgments and instant security profiling that make such heroism possible in the first place.

Just take a look at some of the caustic reactions to citizens and watchdogs who stuck out their necks during and after the Boston Marathon bombings. A quick-thinking spectator at the race reportedly tackled a 20-year-old Saudi Arabian student visa holder he believed was acting suspiciously. The student is not considered a suspect at this point, but remains a “person of interest” in the case. The student's home was searched Monday night in Revere, Mass., by a phalanx of law enforcement agencies.

Time magazine correspondent Michael Crowley clucked: “It'll be a real shame if a Saudi guy was tackled and held simply for running in fright — and for being an Arab.” Music producer Sledgren took to Twitter to bemoan “prejudice America.” Indian television anchor Gargi Rawat called the civilian's actions “sad.” Gawker editor Max Read declared: “(T)his poor Saudi kid should sue the guy

who tackled him.”

For what? For taking all those “See Something, Say Something” ads seriously? Hang him!

If the Saudi student tries to sue, we already know who will provide legal aid and comfort. In 2007, when passengers reported concerns about a group of rowdy flying imams, the Council on American-Islamic Relations threatened to sue the unnamed “John Does” who went to authorities. Thankfully, Congress passed legislation protecting whistleblowers.

As GOP Rep. Bill Shuster said at the time: “No American should ever be sued because they tried to stop a terrorist act. No American should be forced to second-guess a decision to alert authorities that could save the lives of others.”

Nobody knows what's going on behind closed doors as the current bombing investigation continues, yet media scribes, foreign journalists and social media sideliners are convinced: The tackler is racist.

Anyone who mentions the nationality of the tackled student is racist. Forget terrorism. RAAAAAACISM is the real homeland security threat to our nation.

The same unserious response greeted anyone who breathed public mention of the fact that the Boston Police Department issued a BOLO alert Monday afternoon for a suspicious individual. Investigators warned police officers to be on the lookout for a “darker-skinned or black male” with a “possible foreign accent.”

Incredibly, BPD got blasted for issuing an alert that was both too broad and too specific. “That's all of Boston,” one critic carped. Others protested disclosure of any descriptive details. A common retort: “Why?”

Why? Well, if we're all serious about bringing the killers and their conspirators to justice, it kinda helps to know what they might look like. Just saying.

The Shut Up Brigade struck again after a U.S. Airways plane at Boston's Logan Airport was evacuated Tuesday because of suspicions about two passengers seated apart and speaking Arabic. “Racist paranoia,” blogger Shymala Dason decried. “Ugh,” wrote

Newsweek social media editor Brian Ries.

“This is ridiculous,” fumed Arabic language educator Jinanne Tabra.

Ridiculous? Tell that to shell-shocked marathon runners and their families traveling home after the Boston terror bombing. They were the ones on the plane, at the very airport where Arabic-speaking 9/11 jihadists hijacked two flights and brought down the Twin Towers. I won't second-guess any of them or the bystanders who tackled the Saudi student — because I have not forgotten.

I still haven't forgotten the passengers and crewmembers who tackled al-Qaida shoe-bomber Richard Reid on American Airlines Flight 63 before he had a chance to blow up the plane over the Atlantic Ocean.

I still haven't forgotten Brian Morgenstern, the teenage Circuit City worker who contacted authorities in 2007 when suspicious Middle Easterners brought in tapes of themselves shooting off guns and shouting “Allahu Akbar.” The men were convicted of plotting to kill American soldiers at Fort Dix.

I still haven't forgotten the alertness of actor James Woods, who notified a flight attendant that several Arab men sitting in the first-class cabin on an August 2001 flight were behaving strangely. The men turned out to be 9/11 hijackers on a test run.

Hindsight hypocrites will only give you immunity from public excoriation if you can guarantee in advance that your fears or suspicions are 100 percent right. And no one can.

To hell with the “See Something, Do Nothing” cowards who sit on the sidelines wielding their “racism” and “Islamophobia” cards in the aftermath of every terrorist attack. I would rather be damned if I do than dead if I don't.

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# We refuse to be terrorized

“The purpose of terror is to terrorize,” V.I. Lenin is often quoted as saying.

The purpose of terror is to sow panic, interrupt daily life, change and constrain behavior.

But, most importantly, terror is designed to shatter people's faith in the ability of their government to protect them.

And if a government cannot protect its citizens, if it loses the faith of its citizens, it cannot long endure.

In the lexicon of terror, you and I are “soft” targets. We are easily reached, easily killed, easily maimed because we seek normal lives. We do not live in bunkers or move about in armored vehicles.

We do not avoid public streets. We do not shun others. We mix with them, work with them, shop with them, walk the public streets with them.

Our first instinct is not to fear or hate. Our first instinct is to trust that virtually everyone we interact with on a daily basis means us no harm.

We are Americans. We enjoy the blessings of a free society. We believe our government will, in the rare instances it is called upon to do so, either prevent acts of terror or track down, capture, kill or neutralize those who commit terror against us.

There are those, however, who believe that our government itself is carrying out acts of terror.

The “truthers” believe the U.S. government planted bombs in the World Trade Center on Sept. 11, 2001, to bring the buildings down so we could wage war in the Middle East. (The jets that crashed into the towers, the truthers believe,

were merely window dressing.)

Others believe the government also blew up the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City on April 19, 1995, as part of a conspiracy that involved black helicopters, secret evacuations of top conspirators from the buildings and instructions printed on stop signs with invisible ink.

These people are small in number. But I get the feeling their numbers may not necessarily be dwindling.

A short while after the explosions in Boston on Monday, Massachusetts Gov. Deval Patrick held a news conference in the quite proper belief that flooding the situation with truth is the best antidote to panic-inducing lies.

Here is one of the first questions he got:

Question: “Why were the loudspeakers telling people in the audience to be calm moments before the bomb went off? Is this another false flag staged attack [i.e., like 9/11] to take our civil liberties ... ?”

Gov. Patrick: “No. Next question.”

The blood was not yet fully dry on the streets, yet the loonies were already at work, spreading the belief that our government exists not to protect us, but to enslave and even kill us.

It is easy to look at the Boston Marathon bombing and believe we are entering a new era of fear. But it is not the first attack we have endured. Two I have already mentioned.

But don't forget the fear of anthrax sent by mail once gripped this country, and we got through that. We also got through the Unabomber and Columbine and Virginia Tech and Aurora. Newtown and the slaughter of 20 small children we are still struggling with.

Guns and bombs are related. Both are weapons of swift destruction.

Congress is meeting this week

to vote on gun control legislation. Even watered-down, even gutted of key provisions, it is in deep trouble.

And I fear the Boston bombings will set back gun control for three reasons:

First, some will say there are laws against bombing, but that didn't prevent the marathon bombing and, therefore, laws against violence are useless.

Second, some will say we need to arm ourselves against future bombers. (Though this would not have protected anybody in Boston, where there was already a heavy, armed police presence.)

Third, a few will say government is the enemy and we must arm ourselves against the government.

Think that last one is believed only by whackos?

Here is a Ronald Reagan column from the September 1975 issue of Guns & Ammo:

“The gun has been called the great equalizer, meaning that a small person with a gun is equal to a large person, but it is a great equalizer in another way, too. It insures that the people are the equal of their government whenever that government forgets that it is servant and not master of the governed.”

On Tuesday, President Obama said: “The American people refuse to be terrorized.”

I pray he is correct.

This is a time for courage and resolve. This is a time for strength.

This is a time for us to turn toward and not against each other.

This is a time for us to turn toward and not against our government.

Stand up. Stand strong. Stand together.

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## DAILY PRAYER

Your eye is on the sparrow, dear Lord, and I know you watch over me.

Amen



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The Big Spring Junior High School Varsity Boys' Choir, at left, won sweepstakes honors at the University Interscholastic League Junior High School Choir Contest in Odessa Tuesday. The Varsity Girls' Choir, at right, earned a Division I rating in sight-reading.

# BSJH boys' choir wins sweepstakes at UIL contest

**By STEVE REAGAN**  
Staff Writer

The Big Spring Junior High School Choir program is enjoying a party 11 years in the making. For the first time since 2002, one of the program's choirs earned sweepstakes honors at the University Interscholastic League Ju-

nior High Choir Contest, which was held Tuesday in Odessa.

BSJH's Boys' Varsity Choir won the sweepstakes trophy, earning Division I ratings (the highest possible) in both concert and sight-reading. The Girls' Varsity Choir added to the hardware haul, taking

home a trophy for its Division I rating in sight-reading.

Junior High Choir Director Randall Capshaw said his students were understandably excited when they learned they had broken the 11-year sweepstakes drought Tuesday.

"They were ecstatic,"

Capshaw said. "They were bouncing off the walls, they were so ecstatic. And when the girls won their trophy, it was the same thing. Everybody was just so excited. Both choirs worked very hard this year."

The awards put a caper on a successful

school year for the singers.

"They had a great year," Capshaw said. "We had several kids make all-region choir and several more earned medals at solo and ensemble contest. They represented the community very well. I'm very proud of them."

The junior high singers will hold their final concert of the year on May 24 when they perform at 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 234 or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

## News in brief

### Image from Boston surveillance store footage leads to hunt for potential bombing suspect

BOSTON (AP) — The painstaking work to identify a bombing suspect from reams of Boston Marathon footage yielded a possible breakthrough as investigators focused on a man seen dropping off a bag, and then walking away from the site of the second of two deadly explosions.

The discovery of the image — found on surveillance footage from a department store near the finish line — emerged two days after the attack that left three people dead, wounded more than 170, and cast a dark shadow over one of this city's most joyous traditions.

President Barack Obama is planning to attend a service honoring the victims Thursday in Boston, where police were stationed on street corners across downtown and some residents admitted they were nervous moving about in public spaces.

Massachusetts Gov. Deval Patrick said he shared the frustration that the person or people responsible were still at large, but he said solving the case will not "happen by magic."

"It's going to happen by doing the careful work that must be done in a thorough investigation," Patrick said.

"That means going through the couple of blocks at the blast scene square inch by square inch and picking up pieces of evidence and following those trails, and that's going to take some time."

### Gun control backers say Senate defeat won't stop them, but seem unsure about how to succeed

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama and his gun control allies say Senate rejection of expanded background checks and other restrictions won't stop their drive to reduce firearms violence. But their path to enacting gun curbs this year seems blocked by the National Rifle Association, and supporters of restrictions appear befuddled about what it will take to push legislation through this Congress.

The Senate planned to vote Thursday on two more amendments to a gun control bill. One by Sen. John Barrasso, R-Wyo., would cut aid to state and local governments that release information on gun owners. Another by Sens. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, and Lamar Alexander, R-Tenn., would bolster federal mental health programs.

But just four months after a gunman killed 20 children and six adults at an elementary school in Newtown, Conn., the Senate proved unwilling Wednesday to approve the key elements of President Barack Obama's response to the massacre. Lawmakers rejected broader federal background checks and bans on assault weapons and high-capacity ammunition magazines, jarring gun control backers who thought Newtown would spur Congress to act and delivering a victory for the NRA and a defeat for Obama.

"I see this as just Round One," the president said at the White House, surrounded by relatives of Newtown's victims and badly wounded former Rep. Gabrielle Giffords.

Looking ahead to the 2014 congressional elections,

he added, "If this Congress refuses to listen to the American people and pass common-sense gun legislation, then the real impact is going to have to come from the voters."

### Miss. man accused of mailing suspected ricin described conspiracy theory

CORINTH, Miss. (AP) — A Mississippi man accused of mailing letters with suspected ricin to national leaders believed he had uncovered a conspiracy to sell human body parts on the black market and sometimes performed as an Elvis Presley impersonator.

Paul Kevin Curtis, 45, was arrested Wednesday at his home in Corinth, near the Tennessee state line about 50 miles north of Presley's birthplace in Tupelo.

Authorities were waiting for definitive tests on intercepted letters that were addressed to President Barack Obama and Sen. Roger Wicker, R-Miss. Preliminary field tests can often show false positives for ricin. Ricin is derived from the castor plant that makes castor oil. There is no antidote and it's deadliest when inhaled.

An FBI intelligence bulletin obtained by The Associated Press said the two letters were postmarked Memphis, Tenn.

Both letters said: "To see a wrong and not expose it, is to become a silent partner to its continuance." Both were signed, "I am KC and I approve this message."

### Pakistan's Musharraf speeds away from court to avoid arrest after bail revoked

ISLAMABAD (AP) — Former Pakistani military ruler Pervez Musharraf and his security team pushed past policemen and sped away from a court in the country's capital on Thursday to avoid arrest after his bail was revoked in a case in which he is accused of treason.

Local TV broadcast footage of the dramatic scene in which Musharraf jumped into a black SUV and escaped as a member of his security team hung to the side of the vehicle.

He sped away to his large compound on the outskirts of Islamabad that is protected by high walls, razor wire and guard towers.

This week has gone from bad to worse for Musharraf, who seized power in a coup in 1999 when he was serving as army chief and spent nearly a decade in power before being forced to step down in 2008.

He returned last month after four years in self-imposed exile to make a political comeback despite legal challenges and Taliban death threats, but has since faced paltry public support.

A court in the northwestern city of Peshawar on Tuesday disqualified Musharraf from running in the parliamentary election scheduled for May 11, likely squashing his hopes for political comeback.

The case before the Islamabad High Court on Thursday involved Musharraf's decision in 2007 to detain senior judges, including the chief justice of the Supreme Court, when he declared a state of emergency and suspended the constitution.

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# Symphony Guild wins TASO awards

Special to the Herald

Big Spring Symphony Guild accepted three first-place awards, a second-place award and the first grand prize given in the Texas Association of Symphony Orchestras (TASO) 45-year history, earlier this month.

The Guild received a first-place award in the Service category for its "Fall Celebration Brunch," held in

October 2011; first place in the Fundraising category for the "Dressed to a Tea" luncheon and style show, which was first held in May 2012 and successfully repeated this February. In the Education category, the Big Spring Symphony Guild took two awards. "Instrument Petting Zoo," offered during the POPS concert in March won second place and the "Nutcracker in a

Nutshell" presented in November of 2011 took both first place in the Education category and the Grand Prize overall.

"We were overwhelmed when we heard we had taken so many awards," said Eulaine McIntosh, Guild president.

At the beckoning of Suzanne Markwell, TASO Board member, BSSA Board member and past president of BSSG, the Guild submitted four projects to the TASO contest in August. This past week in College Station, Texas, the BS Symphony Guild officially accepted the awards.

Five Big Spring Guild members attended this year's conference as Round Table leaders. The Round Tables are conversations on how a project was implemented and are led by representatives of the winning organizations. Those who attended from Big Spring were Jobeth Corwin, TASO representative and BSS Board member; Michelle Hamby, Guild member; Markwell, past Guild president, McIntosh; and Pauline Nelson, Guild treasurer.

TASO is a statewide organization of Symphony Guilds, Leagues and Friends of Symphonies, who share information and ideas about the best ways to help their symphonies. TASO is



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Pictured from left are Joi Smith, vice president of Projects from the Tyler Symphony League; Betsy Reeder, Awards and Recognized Projects, Waco Symphony Council; Eulaine McIntosh, president of the Big Spring Guild; and Deborah Brown, president of TASO from the Dallas Symphony League. McIntosh is being presented with TASO's Grand Prize award on behalf of the Big Spring Symphony Guild.

composed of 32 member organizations. Each spring, a member organization group hosts the annual conference. In this way, each group has the opportunity to see different cities, orchestras and volunteers.

In 1997, TASO initiated a statewide concerto competition to choose an outstanding high school musician. The winner receives a cash award and the opportunity to perform the winning concerto with

a symphony orchestra. The Juanita Miller Concerto Competition was named for TASO's founder.

Big Spring Symphony Guild has been a long-time financial and volunteer supporter of the competition and instituted its own scholarship competition two years ago with the Phyllis Graumann Memorial Scholarship program. Donations to the scholarship are welcome.

Students in Howard

County who are participating in instrumental or vocal music qualify. The deadline for this year's competition is May 15.

Any interested students in either the Juanita Miller Concerto Competition or the Phyllis Graumann Memorial scholarship should inquire to emcintosh@howardcollege.edu.

—Submitted by Eulaine McIntosh

## 2012 TASO Awards

### Education

- Big Spring — Nutcracker in a Nutshell
- Big Spring — Instrument Petting Zoo
- Amarillo — Kinder Konzerts

### Fundraising

- Big Spring — Dressed to a Tea
- Waco — Painted Strings Note Cards
- San Angelo — A Royal Affair 2012 Gala

### Service

- Big Spring — Fall Celebration Brunch
- Dallas — Vol. Season Ticket Campaign
- Waco — Belles & Brass at the Zoo
- Honorable Mention — Dallas, Red Violin and Tyler, Junior Symphony League

## Sudoku Answer on Page 12

# sudoku

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Mary Ann Moy photo

Members of the Cassatt String Quartet — left to right, Muneko Otani, violin, Sarah Adams, viola, Nicole Johnson, cello and Jennifer Leshnowar, violin — will perform twice Saturday in Odessa. The concerts are free to the public.

# Cassatt Quartet to perform in Odessa Saturday

## Herald Staff Report

ODESSA — Saturday, members of the Manhattan-based Cassatt String Quartet — Muneko Otani, violin, Jennifer Leshnowar, violin, Sarah Adams, viola and Nicole Johnson, cello — will culminate the seventh annual week-long residency, Cassatt in the Basin (in partnership with ECISD and UTPB), by performing in two events in Odessa:

— Noon at Bonham Junior High School, 2201 E. 21st Street, members of the quartet will perform with select students of the Cassatt in the Basin residency in a concert that includes Peter Liewuen's Triple Quartet, Greenspace. Admission is free and open to all.

— 7:30 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, 7601 N. Grandview Avenue, members of the Cassatt String Quartet join forces with the Allegro Chorale and pianist Shari Santorelli

in concert. Admission is free.

Featured on the evening program is the premiere of Lowell Hohstadt's Changing Seasons for SATB and Quartet.

Hohstadt is a minister in Odessa. He studied violin with Dorothy Croft and attended the Eastman and Juilliard conservatories. For many years, Hohstadt's father, Tom Hohstadt, was conductor of the Midland-Odessa Symphony and is currently on the faculty at UTPB and conductor of its orchestra.

Also featured is Peter Liewuen's Pastels for SATB and pianist. South Central Texas resident Peter Liewuen will be in attendance and will discuss his music.

Additional works on the evening program include Beethoven's "Elegiac Op. 118" for Quartet and four voices; Elisenda Fabregas' "The Flaming Rock," written for the Allegro Chorale and the Cassatt String Quartet; and Shostakovich's "Quartet No. 8."

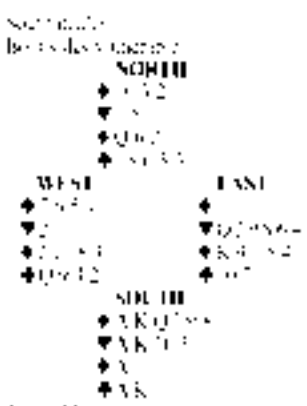
The St. Elizabeth Ann Seton church telephone number is 432-367-4657. For more information on the Allegro Chorale, contact Michael Jordan at 432-425-9836 or access www.allegrochorale.org

The Cassatt String Quartet was established in 1985 and has collaborated with a vast array of artists, performing throughout North America, Europe and the Far East.

# Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

## Safeguarding a Slam



Take a look at the diamond suit. North has the ace, king, queen, jack, ten, nine, eight, seven, six, five, four, three, two, one. South has the ace, king, queen, jack, ten, nine, eight, seven, six, five, four, three, two, one.

After winning the diamond suit, North can lead the ace of hearts. This will force South to play the ace of hearts. Then North can lead the king of hearts. This will force South to play the king of hearts. Then North can lead the queen of hearts. This will force South to play the queen of hearts. Then North can lead the jack of hearts. This will force South to play the jack of hearts. Then North can lead the ten of hearts. This will force South to play the ten of hearts. Then North can lead the nine of hearts. This will force South to play the nine of hearts. Then North can lead the eight of hearts. This will force South to play the eight of hearts. Then North can lead the seven of hearts. This will force South to play the seven of hearts. Then North can lead the six of hearts. This will force South to play the six of hearts. Then North can lead the five of hearts. This will force South to play the five of hearts. Then North can lead the four of hearts. This will force South to play the four of hearts. Then North can lead the three of hearts. This will force South to play the three of hearts. Then North can lead the two of hearts. This will force South to play the two of hearts. Then North can lead the ace of hearts. This will force South to play the ace of hearts.

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# Steer golfers sit in second place

By BRIAN MCCORMACK

Sports Editor

LUBBOCK — Thirty degrees with 30 miles an hour wind gusts. That's what the Big Spring boys golf team is facing today as they wrap up the regional tournament at Shadow Hills Golf Course in Lubbock.

The Steers shot a good round yesterday and at press time, are sitting in second place with a score of 309 — one stroke ahead of rival Abilene Wylie and 12 strokes behind No. 1 Andrews.

"I'm proud of our kids," Joslin said of Wednesday's performance. "It was really tough, the wind was blowing hard. We wanted to put ourselves in position to get a top three finish and we did that."

The elements can certainly affect the

outcome of a golf game, but since Big Spring is a windy place, Joslin believes his team may be better equipped than most to deal with the adversity.

"I think we're really at an advantage," Joslin explained. "Some of the kids that come from around Austin and some other places aren't used to it, but we play in the wind all the time. Those five guys out there can compete in just about anything. It's their mental toughness."

Devin Roberson's score of 73 led BSHS on Tuesday and was good enough to put him in third place in the overall standings. Tyler Bryan shot a 77, Tate Kennedy took 79 strokes, Jason Guevara shot an 80 and Ryan Pollard scored 82.

Wylie's Taylor Grant is the individual

leader after he shot a 68 on opening day.

Junior Kelsie Guinn was the sole representative from the young Big Spring girls golf squad in Lubbock this week. Guinn's successful season came to a close Tuesday after she shot an 81 at Shadow Hills. She finished 14<sup>th</sup> in the region.

"She played great the whole year," Joslin added. "Each year, she has gotten better and we look for even better things from her next year."

Final results from the tourney will be published in Friday's edition of the *Herald*.

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# Mavs beat Hornets to finish rough season with 99-87 win

DALLAS (AP) — Darren Collison may not be back for a second year in Dallas after twice losing the starting job at point guard on a team that couldn't extend a 12-season playoff streak.

He at least left owner Mark Cuban and coach Rick Carlisle with something to ponder.

Collison scored 25 points, Dirk Nowitzki added 16 and the Mavericks finished their worst season in 13 years with a 99-87 victory in New Orleans' final game as the Hornets on Wednesday night.

"Personally, I felt like I withstood some things a lot of players can't withstand," Collison said. "I had a lot of point guards come in and start in front of me. But I put my head down and kept working. It's good to leave on a good note."

The Mavericks (41-41) avoided their first losing record since going 40-42 in 1999-2000 — Nowitzki's second season and also the last time they missed the playoffs.

Al-Farouq Aminu had 16 points and a career-high 20 rebounds for New Orleans, which will become the Pelicans next season. Eric Gordon also scored 16 for the Hornets, and Robin Lopez had a double-double with 14 points and 13 boards.

Collison, brought in to bring youth to the Dallas backcourt but twice replaced in the starting lineup by 30-something point guards, scored 13 in the first half and was 10-of-15 from

the field for the game.

Mike James, the 37-year-old who joined Dallas on a 10-day contract and replaced Collison in early March when Carlisle decided the young guard was a better threat off the bench, went 3-for-4 from 3-point range for nine points.

Shawn Marion scored 15 for the Mavs.

"I thought we had some guys play well, but I thought (Collison) was our most consistent and most dynamic guy out there," Carlisle said.

Nowitzki, who also had a team-high nine rebounds, scored nine points in the third quarter, including a three-point play on a jumper and his one-

legged step-back shot to beat the buzzer for a 75-64 lead.

The Hornets got within six in the fourth quarter, but Collison scored eight straight points to key an 18-4 run that put the Mavs ahead by 20.

"Guys fought, battled," New Orleans coach Monty Williams said. "Guys played out of position most of the season for us. I wish we would have had a healthy team from the start to finish, but that's not something we can complain about right now."

Dallas was trying to get back to .500 against the Hornets for the second time in four days. The stakes were a lot higher Sunday, when Nowitzki and other veterans finally got to shave some shaggy beards after vowing

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Dallas' Dirk Nowitzki

# Spurs lose finale, Minnesota snaps 16-game skid

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The regular season finale against the Minnesota Timberwolves was meaningless to San Antonio. Still, Spurs coach Gregg Popovich called two timeouts within 30 seconds early in the first quarter to stress assignments.

"Just like any coach, you want to improve everything that you're doing," Popovich said. "There isn't a lot of time between now and Sunday, so we want to be healthier and we'll continue to work on executing at both ends of the court. It's a game of mistakes. Nobody is perfect in what they do. You just go to work and keep preparing."

The Spurs, who previously clinched the Western Conference's second seed, have a lot

of work to do after losing their third straight and fourth in five games to close the season.

Derrick Williams had 21 points to help the Timberwolves beat the Spurs 108-95 Wednesday night, ending a 16-game losing streak at San Antonio.

Chase Budinger added 15 points and Greg Stiemsma and Ricky Rubio had 12 points apiece for Minnesota, which won on the Spurs' home court for the first time since Jan. 14, 2004.

"It feels great," said J.J. Barea, who had 10 points. "To beat a team like San Antonio here in San Antonio feels great. It is a good win and good feeling for the team."

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# Forrest Gregg battling Parkinson's, not the NFL

GREENWOOD VILLAGES, Colo. (AP) — Hall of Famer Forrest Gregg says that while he and his neurologist blame concussions for his Parkinson's disease, he's not going to sue the NFL like thousands of other former players.

The 79-year-old says he doesn't begrudge those who have joined the lawsuits but he has his pensions from his playing and coaching days and "I don't need anything but what I earned."

He said he's an "independent type" and doesn't believe in holding others accountable for his well-being.

"And my experience in the National Football League was good," said Gregg, who is promoting UCB, Inc.'s "Parkinson's More Than Motion" campaign during

Parkinson's Awareness Month.

Gregg said he's doing well 18 months after his diagnosis and credits medicine, exercise and daily phone calls from his son and former teammates to reminisce about the good ol' days, which keeps his mind sharp.

The former offensive lineman known as "Iron Man" said he wants to help others recognize the signs of Parkinson's and seek treatment early enough to delay the degenerative effects of the chronic, debilitating disease on both mind and body.

When Gregg was diagnosed, his neurologist, Dr. Rajeev Kumar, a Parkinson's expert and medical director of the Colorado Neurological Institute's Movement Disorders Center in

Denver, said the many concussions Gregg suffered during his playing days may have served as a trigger for Parkinson's.

More than two dozen Hall of Famers are among the 4,200 former players who contend the league misled them about the harmful effects of concussions.

In recent years, scores of former NFL players and other concussed athletes have been diagnosed after their deaths with chronic traumatic encephalopathy, or CTE, including popular Pro Bowler Junior Seau and lead plaintiff Ray Easterling. Both committed suicide last year.

About one-third of the league's 12,000 former players have joined the litigation since Easterling filed suit in 2011. Some are battling de-

mentia, depression or Alzheimer's disease, and fault the league for rushing them back on the field after concussions. Others are worried about future problems and want their health monitored.

"I have been asked to join these lawsuits and my gut feeling, first thought is no," Gregg said. "I've always been an independent type, I never believed in somebody else being responsible for my life and for my well-being."

Gregg praised the NFL for its crackdown on illegal hits and enhanced protocol on concussions and said he applauds Roger Goodell for saying his top priority as commissioner is reducing head trauma in the game even though

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# Local briefs

## Chubby Abrego Scholarship Fund tourney planned

The Comanche Trail Golf Course will be hosting the Chubby Abrego Scholarship Fund golf tournament April 27. The proceeds benefit Coahoma High School student-athletes. It will be a four-person scramble format with an 8 a.m. shotgun start. Cost is \$70 per person. Mulligan packages (4) are available for \$20. A meal is included and prizes will be awarded. For more information contact Delloyd Hooser at 816-9051, Gene Piercefield at 816-1134 or Rocky McCullough at 213-4868.

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## Guys & Girls Scramble slated for May

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Last Day of the Aries Sun

On the last day of the Aries sun this year, consider utilizing the Aries energy to push your body in the pursuit of new activities. You may not find that you're stronger, faster and more capable than you know, but you will see the promise of something that can be effectively developed over the upcoming solar Taurus transit.



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**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). A fun mood prevails, emboldening you to be

socially proactive. You'll ask questions of total strangers, get into interesting conversations and bring people together, too.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). You'll be deep without realizing it. People will think about the things you say hours or even weeks from now. The best part is that you're not trying to be profound. You're just telling it like you see it.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). You have a gift you can share with others, but if you don't realize what it is, it will be hard to give it. Take extra time to know yourself. What do you think your gifts and talents really are?

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Have you ever thought a bruise was healed, only to accidentally hit the same place again and realize it's still tender? Letting go of resentment is a healing process, too, and it takes time.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). In using your time, energy and vitality very well, you let others know that you're in control of your life. They will not try to derail you or

distract you, because they see the futility in that.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Laughter is like water. You need it daily in order to keep on keeping on. The cosmic gift of the day comes in the form of a funny person — or someone who makes you feel funny.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The reason you don't complain about a problem isn't that you're above such things. You're just being practical in directing your energy toward more positive aspects of your life and thereby growing them.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). By accepting yourself, you will change. And though it may seem counterintuitive, it won't work the other way around. Acceptance is the key. Change is the door that can't unlock itself.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Go where you can use your talents. You need to be put in a position that speaks to your strengths. Otherwise, you will be in a constant state of resistance and dreading the next step.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-

Jan. 19). You love it when people inspire wonderful feelings in you that you can't quite define. Your interactions with others will give you something that will be fun to process in the days to come.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). How can you expect yourself to attain a goal if you have no system of accountability? Enlist others in your process. Trying to work alone is both harder and unnecessary.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). Your priorities may seem idiosyncratic to others, and that's just one of the ways by which you know they are specific to you. Also, something just feels right about the way you strive to structure your life these days.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (April 18). This year highlights your determined and intense side. You'll make a discovery in the next seven weeks that shapes your work for years to come and allows you to make more money, too. People are drawn to your natural enthusiasm, and you'll attract friendship and romance in June. Family additions come in

December. Pisces and Gemini people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3, 14, 32, 5 and 18.

**ARIES SOLAR WRAP-UP:** Venus has already split, and before the week is up, the sun and Mars will leave Aries, too, and take their energy with them. What will we do without the zesty freshness and amped-up physicality that Aries energy brings? In a word: work. The solar journey through Taurus lends practicality, stamina and determination. What we couldn't accomplish with beginner's luck, we'll have to do with persistence.

If there's a rule associated with the Taurus solar journey, it is Malcolm Gladwell's 10,000-hours rule that was introduced in his book "Outliers," which claims that mastery in any field happens as a result of practicing at a specific task for a total of 10,000 hours. The Taurus sun celebrates dedication and rewards baby steps. The minutes and hours add up.

It is important now to look back at the past four

weeks and make assessments. Much was added to our lives during the Aries sun — relationships, responsibilities, interests, material items — and you can't move them all forward. So which endeavors are worth committing to? Claim a new goal that you're likely to make a dent in during the upcoming Taurus solar journey.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** Aries reality star Kourtney Kardashian has grown accustomed to living her life in front of the camera, and her natal chart suggests that she has the disposition not to take any of what she does in the name of entertainment too seriously. With her sun, Mercury and Mars all in Aries, she can be impulsive and wild, but with a grounded Capricorn moon, she's ultra-serious when it comes to money.

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Dear Annie: My husband's parents are in their mid-70s. They are both in good health and financially stable. The problem is, my mother-in-law has a bit of hypochondria along with some anxiety. She has self-diagnosed herself with many "syndromes" (such as fibromyalgia, restless leg, irritable bowel), and she refuses to exercise.

Her syndromes, which are exacerbated by her anxiety, keep her from getting out of the house, unless it involves an activity that she truly enjoys, like shopping. My in-laws don't have a wide social circle, and Mom refuses to try to make new friends. You can't have a conversation with her without the topic turning to her various maladies.

I believe this is causing her some depression. Our town has many great programs for seniors, and I know both of my in-laws would benefit from them. I have repeatedly suggested to my mother-in-law that she get outside more, get some exercise, volunteer, take classes at the senior center, etc., but she refuses.

Annie, I understand that Mom may have some physical ailments, but being home all day and inactive surely can't be

making her better. It's so important to remain physically and mentally active, and it's frustrating to see a wonderful couple, a wonderful woman, throw her "golden years" away. — *Frustrated Daughter-in-Law*

**Dear Daughter-in-Law:** Your heart is in the right place, but please don't pressure your mother-in-law to take care of herself the way you would. While exercise would be great, it only works if she's willing to do it. To some extent, she likes her various maladies and isn't ready to get rid of them. The best you can do right now is suggest that she see her doctor to be properly tested, evaluated and treated. And if you find a program at the senior center that you think she would like, offer to pick her up and go with her.

**Dear Annie:** I'm in love with a girl who said she loved me, too. We dated for a while last summer, and we're still best friends. But "Lucy" has another

boyfriend now, and he is a good guy. We all get along, but I'm extremely jealous that he has her. I'm pretty sure he knows how I feel. I'm still heartbroken about the breakup. I think about it all the time.

I'm considering talking to Lucy to see whether there is any chance of us getting back together someday. Should I? — *Lover Boy*

**Dear Lover Boy:** Not unless you are absolutely certain that Lucy wants the same thing. Otherwise, you will only be hurt again. We assume the reasons for the original breakup still exist.

Also, she has someone else in her life now, and it is not appropriate to make a play for his girl. If he is aware that you are still interested in Lucy, rest assured, she is, too.

If she wanted to get back together, she would let you know. We recommend you spend a lot less time in her company so you can learn to get over her.

Annie's Mailbox



KATHY MITCHELL  
MARCY SUGAR

**Dear Annie:** I read the letter from "Rocky Mount, Va.," about allowing dogs at funerals.

When my sister was in hospice for four months, we told the staff how her dog, "Abby," was searching the house and waiting at the door of her home every day.

The wonderful staff suggested we bring Abby in. The dog would check on my sister first, then greet everyone else and finally lie down on the floor beside my sister's bed.

She did this every day we brought her. Toward the very end, Abby seemed to know that her wonderful master was dying. Now, she is a happy well-adjusted companion to another sister.

If at all possible, I recommend people let pets be with their masters at the end. Instinct seems to ease their minds, and even though the animals grieve, they are no longer waiting for them at the door. — *Getting Better*

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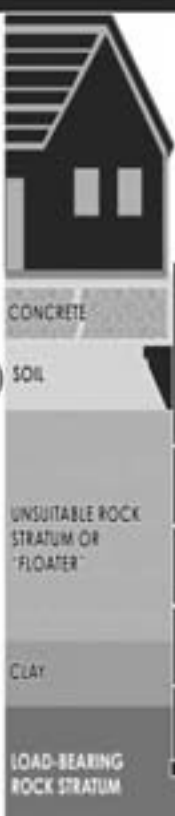
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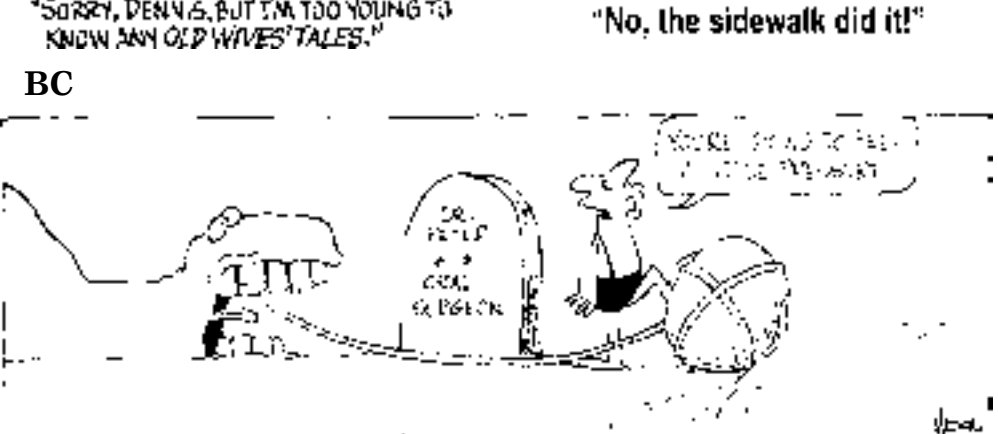
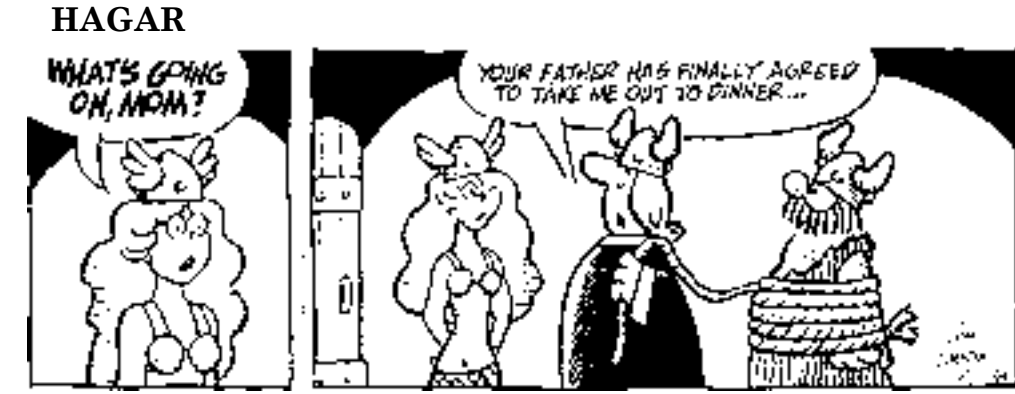
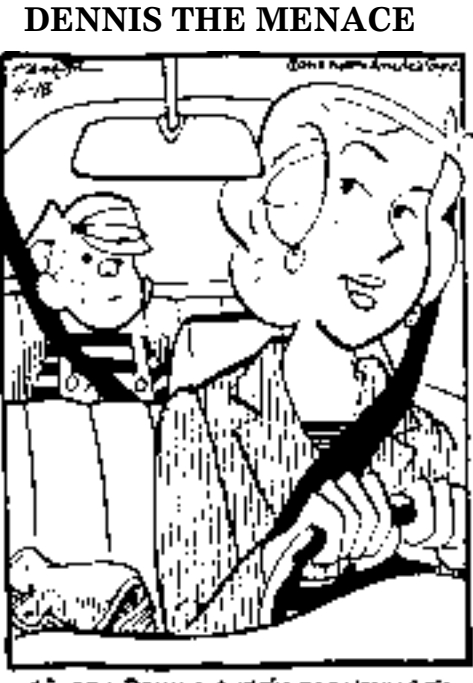
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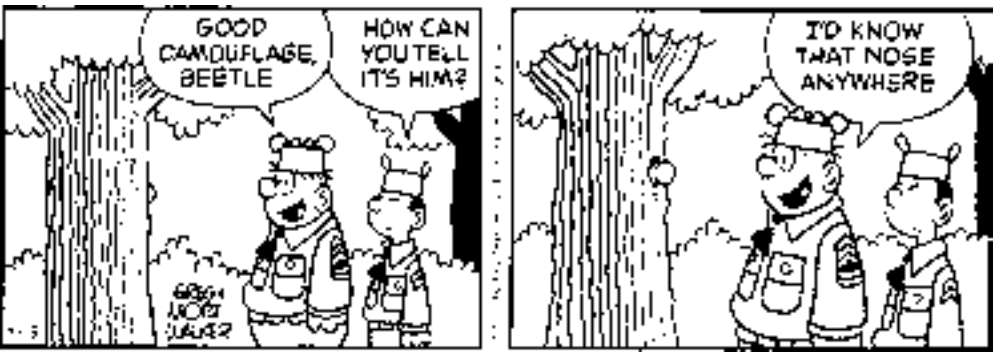
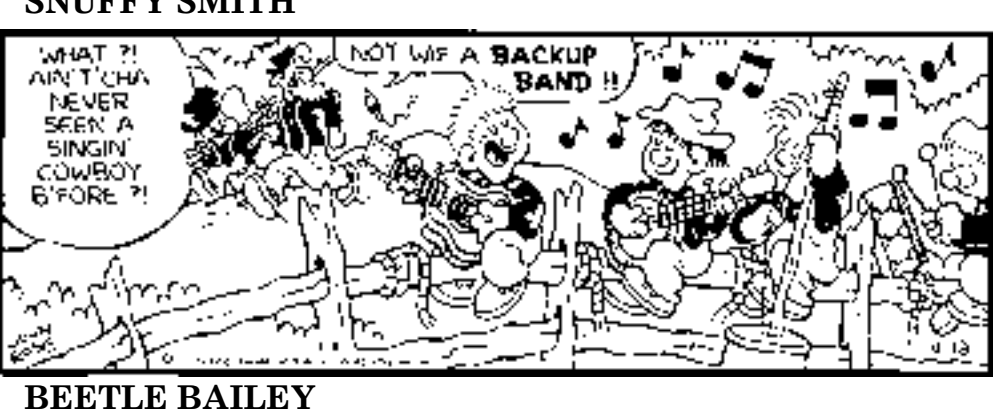
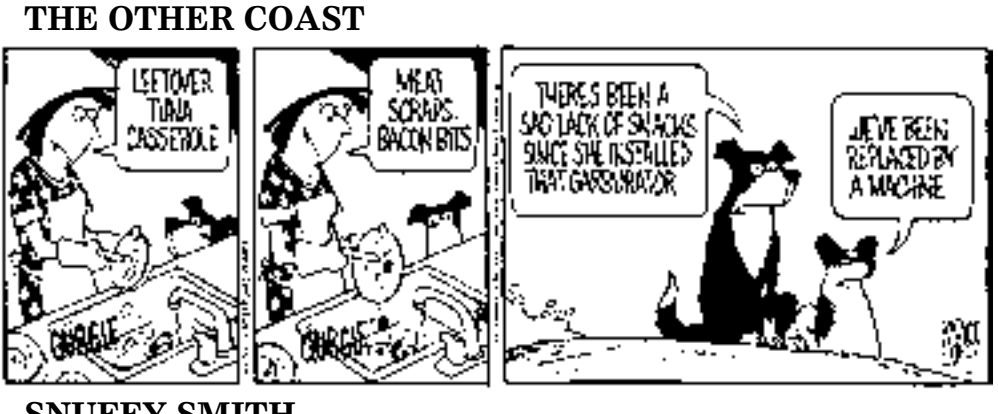
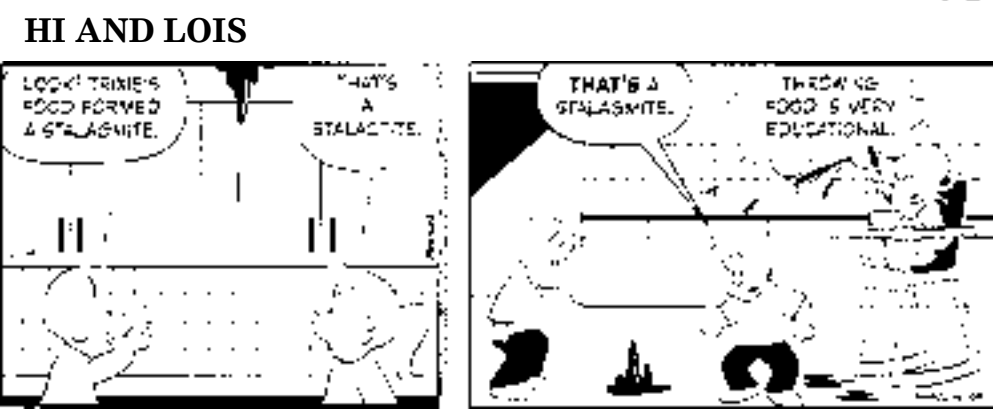
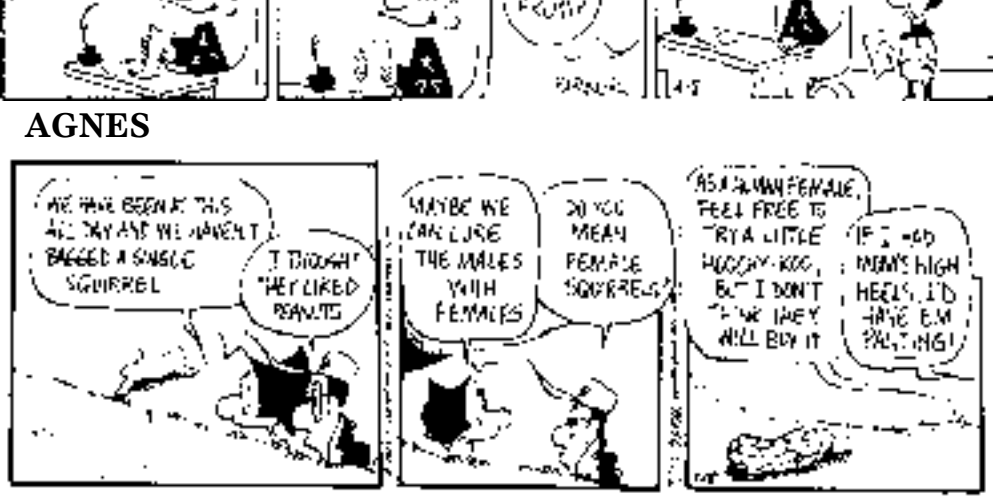
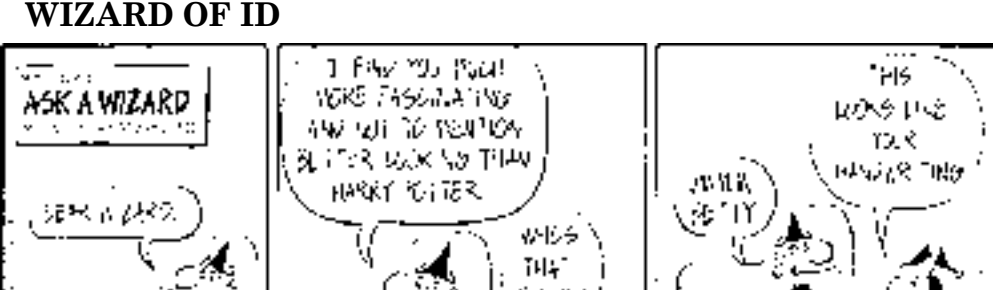




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## This Date In History

Today is Thursday, April 18, the 108th day of 2013. There are 257 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**

On April 18, 1943, during World War II, Adm. Isoroku Yamamoto, commander-in-chief of the Japanese Combined Fleet, was killed as his plane was shot down by U.S. fighters while approaching Bougainville in the Solomon Islands.

On this date:

- In 1775, Paul Revere began his famous ride from Charlestown to Lexington, Mass., warning American colonists that the British were coming.
- In 1831, the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa was officially opened.
- In 1906, a devastating earthquake struck San Francisco, followed by raging fires; estimates of the final death toll range between 3,000 and 6,000.
- In 1910, suffragists showed up at the U.S. Capitol with half a million signatures demanding that women be given the right to vote.
- In 1923, the first game was played at the original Yankee Stadium in New York; the Yankees defeated the Boston Red Sox 4-1.
- In 1942, an air squadron from the USS Hornet led by Lt. Col. James H. Doolittle raided Tokyo and other Japanese cities. The first World War II edition of The Stars and Stripes was published as a weekly newspaper.
- In 1945, famed American war correspondent Ernie Pyle, 44, was killed by Japanese gunfire on the Pacific island of Ie Shima (ee-EH' shee-MAH'), off Okinawa.
- In 1949, the Republic of Ireland was proclaimed.
- In 1955, physicist Albert Einstein died in Princeton, N.J., at age 76.
- In 1978, the Senate approved the Panama Canal Treaty, providing for the complete turnover of control of the waterway to Panama on the last day of 1999.
- In 1983, 63 people, including 17 Americans, were killed at the U.S. Embassy in Beirut, Lebanon, by a suicide bomber.

In 1988, an Israeli court convicted John Demjanjuk, a retired auto worker from Cleveland, of committing war crimes at the Treblinka death camp in Nazi-occupied Poland. (However, Israel's Supreme Court later overturned Demjanjuk's conviction.)

**Today's Birthdays:** Actress Barbara Hale is 92. Actor Clive Revill is 83. Actor James Drury is 79. Actor Robert Hooks is 76. Actress Hayley Mills is 67. Actor James Woods is 66. Actress-director Dorothy Lyman is 66. Actress Cindy Pickett is 66. Country musician Walt Richmond (The Tractors) is 66. Country musician Jim Scholten (Sawyer Brown) is 61. Actor Rick Moranis is 60.

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**Answer to previous puzzle**

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Wearing with "n"
  - 5 IRS experts
  - 9 Go a long
  - 14 Syringe, for short
  - 15 Optimistic feeling
  - 16 Hunts, with "on"
  - 17 SportsCenter network
  - 18 Shaving-cream soother
  - 19 Whom cardinals choose
  - 20 Certain business owner
  - 23 Rascal
  - 24 Big blow
  - 25 Opt for
  - 28 Smoothed out
  - 32 Venerable game-show host
  - 35 Crit loves
  - 37 Montreal's water
  - 38 Weather forecast
  - 42 Up to, for short
  - 43 Aslound
  - 44 Central part
  - 45 High regard
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  - 52 Dashboard installer
  - 56 Castaway's spot
  - 60 Sovereign
  - 61 Bone-dry
  - 62 -European languages
  - 63 Own up to
  - 64 Quitting time for many
- DOWN**
- 1 Game with horses
  - 2 Clorox competitor
  - 3 Put to use
  - 4 Negotiator's success
  - 5 Attack order
  - 6 Game with horses
  - 7 Each
  - 8 Tarot card dealers
  - 9 Seem to be
  - 10 Picturesque cave
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  - 22 Daydreamer's musing
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**GREGG**

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it's changing the sport that he played and coached.

At the owners meetings last month, the NFL barred ball carriers from using the crown of their helmets to make forcible contact with a defender in the open field and also eliminated the peel-back block everywhere on the field.

The game looks different from the one Gregg played from 1956-71 with the Green Bay Packers and Dallas Cowboys and later coached, but Gregg said he doesn't mind that. "Anything that can be done to help in that respect, in that regard, I think is good, any time you prevent an injury by changing the rules," Gregg said. "I know it's not easy because these players are

going to have to relearn how to play the game.

"Right now if I was coaching defensive linemen, it would be a hard matter for me to tell my linemen where to tackle the quarterback. If you tackle him above the shoulders, you hit him in the head and that's a penalty. You tackle him below the hips, that's illegal. Or if you have a hold of him and you slam him down to the ground, that's illegal. So, what's left? Maybe his belt buckle, that's about it," Gregg said.

"And I don't say that's wrong, because anything that can prevent injuries to ball players is good."

Gregg said he was taught in high school in the 1950s that "the helmet was part of the weaponry."

"My high school coach said if they try to run you over, you give them some plastic," he recalled. "That was just the game, it really was."

**SPURS**

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The Spurs don't share that sentiment entering the post-season.

San Antonio opens the playoffs Sunday by hosting the Los Angeles Lakers, who beat Houston 99-95 in overtime to take the seventh seed in the West.

San Antonio is 3-6 in April, having lost to Golden State and the Lakers in that stretch.

"We don't care so much about the losses," said Manu Ginobili, who returned after a nine-game absence. "The thing is that we are not playing that well. Our defense has not been very solid. That's the concern; not the loss itself."

Tim Duncan had 17 points and 14 rebounds, Gary Neal also scored 17 points and Tony Parker had 15 points and eight assists for the Spurs.

Duncan, Parker and Ginobili did not play in the final quarter.

The Timberwolves outscored the Spurs 52-34 in the second half as Minnesota was 12 for 29 on 3-pointers.

"We know what we can be," Duncan said. "We've done it all season long. We've done it for years. ... It's about doing

it consistently and doing it on the defensive end. We haven't been good defensively for the last however many games. So, hopefully, our focus coming into these playoffs is going to change."

The Timberwolves opened the second half on a 9-2 run to take a 65-63 lead en route to the victory.

Ginobili, who had not played since straining his right hamstring March 29 against the Los Angeles Clippers, received a rousing ovation when he entered the game with 5:32 left in the first quarter.

He had two points on 1-for-4 shooting with two assists and one rebound in 12 minutes.

"It's a huge difference for us," Duncan said of Ginobili's return. "He changes the game for us. Obviously he's done it for years; to have back out there to get his rhythm back and adding another kind of x-factor to the game is huge for us."

Ginobili had an immediate impact, feeding Neal for a 3 that cut Minnesota's lead to 20-16 with 5 minutes left.

Ginobili later wrapped a bounce pass to Duncan, who was stride for stride in a full sprint with Chris Johnson, which resulted in a three-point play following a layup.

"It's a little too early to tell," Ginobili said when asked if that play made him feel in rhythm. "I miss 17 days and you don't get back just because of one play. I felt like I am out of rhythm and need to practice. These three days, four, are going to be great for me."

The play energized the Spurs, who scored five more points as part of a 12-2 run to take a 50-46 lead with 3:23 left in the first half.

After scoring only four points in the opening 21 minutes, Parker had the final 11 points of the half for San Antonio. He was only 3 for 9 from the field, but was 9 for 9 on free throws.

Duncan tied the game at 24 with consecutive layups, but Rubio and Budinger hit consecutive 3s to give Minnesota a 30-24 lead to end the first.

The Timberwolves were 5 for 10 on 3s in the opening quarter.

"If you compete you have a chance and tonight was one of those nights," Minnesota coach Rick Adelman said. "We shot the 3-pointers and whenever we shoot the ball well from 3, we generally have a pretty good chance."

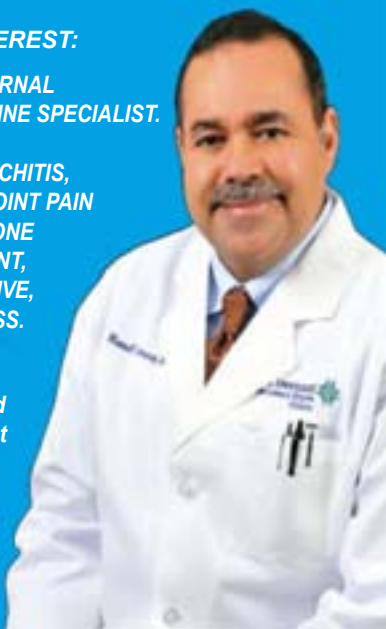
"They have to get ready for next week and we're going to finish on a positive note."

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**MAVS**

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two months earlier not to break out the razors until they reached the break-even mark for the first time since mid-

December.

The Mavericks, who were 10 games below in early January, had a chance to finish above .500 before a deflating loss to Memphis a night after the 107-89 win in New Orleans.

"I expected us to battle

back, and I expected us to get to, and I thought we would get above .500," said Carlisle, who avoided his second losing record in 11 seasons as an NBA coach. "It didn't happen, but we never lost our spirit."

Nowitzki added four assists, and his line over the final five games — 20.8 points and 7.2 rebounds — looked a lot closer to his career numbers after he worked all season to overcome sitting out the first 27 games because of knee surgery. The 7-foot German wrapped up his 15th season as one of just three rotation players under contract for next season.

"I think the team is going to look a lot different next year," Nowitzki said. "Nobody has a crystal ball. We'll have to wait and see who we bring back."

The Hornets (27-55), long since eliminated from the playoffs for the third time in four seasons, were just looking for a better showing than the 107-89 loss to Dallas over the weekend, when they fell behind 62-40 at halftime and shot just 38 percent for the game.

New Orleans got some energy early from Aminu, who nearly matched his career high of 16 rebounds in the first quarter. He finished the period with 14 and had already matched Kurt Rambis' franchise record of 13 in the first 8 minutes.

Aminu had two more boards than the entire Dallas team in the first half, and New Orleans outrebounded the Mavericks 58-37 overall.

"He's just competing," Williams said. "He just played hard. He played so hard he didn't have anything left at the end."

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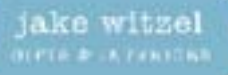


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# Dream Big, Hope Big, Relay Big! Why not?

Greetings Howard and Glasscock counties! This year's Relay For Life event is here and will take place Friday, April 19, 2013, at Blankenship Field and will kickoff with the opening ceremonies at 7 p.m.

It has been a tremendous joy and honor to serve in the role of event chair for the Howard/Glasscock Counties Relay For Life for the past two years. In these two years I have met many more people who either have cancer or who have been affected by someone they knew who had/has cancer. I have learned so much in this role and during this time my passion for helping the American Cancer Society end this fight against cancer has grown.

There are several goals that I have for our event. The fundraising goal for this event is \$192,000. Last year, we did not meet our goal, but I am hoping for a big response and finish to our fundraising year.

The goal for teams registered is 35 and the goal for registered survivors is 175. My main goal this year has been to educate our counties about the services that the American Cancer Society offers for

cancer patients.

There are those who have cancer and cannot get to their appointments, there are those who need wigs or breast prosthesis, there are those who cannot afford a hotel room when going to receive their treatments. The American Cancer Society provides these types of services. The money raised at our event goes to help the patients of Howard and Glasscock counties. The money we raise through our Relay For Life event will go to help with research and providing gas cards for those who have to drive quite a distance to a doctor's appointment. There is also a service that includes volunteers in Big Spring, that will provide rides for a cancer patient to receive their treatment. We are blessed to have a place that cancer patients can receive wigs if they need one. Sherry Phillips, from Merle Norman, has graciously opened a space in the back of the store to assist and help cancer patients with wigs.

As this has been a personal goal of mine, I can say that I have accomplished this goal. More and more residents, care takers and cancer patients are asking about these services because they never knew about them and we are getting the help to those cancer patients.

For those patients who have to travel to Lubbock to receive treatments, there is a place for you to stay the night, so you don't have

to travel back to Big Spring. We are blessed to have a facility that is designed for cancer patients to stay. This is called the Hope Lodge. There are not many of these facilities around and we are blessed to have one near us, just down the road, in Lubbock. We do have several cancer patients from Big Spring who stay at the Hope Lodge while they receive their treatments.

Why do I Relay? This year, I Relay for a dear friend we lost since last year's Relay event. Sue Balios was a loving mother, sister, grandmother and friend. When I heard about the cancer Sue was battling I immediately began to pray. There were times that I called to chat with her and pray with her.

Although, I had no control of the cancer she was dealing with and all that she was going through, my faith was and still is in a God who is able to heal. Sue was a fighter. When I saw Sue for the first time without hair, it hit me, Sister Sue (that's what I called her) has cancer. I had never met a cancer patient with no hair.

Sue has a family who loved her and took care of her until the very end. She was a woman who loved you, no matter who you were or what you have been through. I was honored to serve as a pallbearer for her funeral. It was hard but I know that I will see Sister Sue again.

As I was leaving the meal after the funeral, I talked with one of her daughters. I told this daughter who took care of her mother, about our Relay event and I invited her to come back to walk in the Caregivers lap but also to walk in honor of her mother. I just received word, this morning that daughter will be traveling to Big Spring and will join us at our Relay event. Caregivers are important and to you all I say thank you!

I want to thank God for this opportunity to be a blessing to this community and to cancer patients and their families. I could not do any of this without the constant support of my parents, who have always stood behind all that I do in serving this community. Thank you to Tim Walsh, for your continuing support. A big thank you to the committee and team captains; you all do the work to make this event a great success and I am grateful for you and to have worked with you.

I am also grateful for the great leadership of the event chairs who have set the example for me and for others. Relay For Life has been in Howard/Glasscock counties for 19 years and we are looking forward to celebrating our 20th year Relay For Life next year. This May, the American Cancer Society will be celebrating 100 years in this fight against cancer.

On Friday, April 19, I will step on the track at Blankenship Field to Remember those loved ones and friend we have lost, Celebrate our Survivors and to Fight Back so my family and friends will not ever hear those words "you have cancer."

I want to personally invite you to join me in this fight against cancer and to bring hope to those who do not have it.

Will you Dream Big, Hope Big and Relay Big with me? Why not?



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# RELAY '13 SCHEDULE

8 a.m.-noon, Field set up

Noon-5 p.m., Teams set up

4:30 p.m., Silent auction opens, Big Spring High School Band performs

5 p.m., Team activities begin

5:30 p.m., Paige Sisters perform

5:30 p.m.-6:45 p.m., Survivor registration and meal

6:30 p.m., Rhapsody performs

7 p.m., Opening ceremonies

7:30 p.m. Survivor Lap

7:45 p.m., Hope ceremony

8 p.m., Team Lap, basket auction

9 p.m., Sixth grade choir performs

9:30 p.m., Dance Gallery performs

10 p.m., Luminaria ceremony

11 p.m., Face painting

11:30 p.m., Big Hand Poker Lap, Zumba

12 a.m., Fight Back ceremony, Silent auction ends

12:30 a.m. Bingo

2 a.m., Limbo Lap, potato golf

2:30 a.m., Digging for Lifesavers

3 a.m., Bunny Hop Lap, water balloon shot put

3:30 a.m., Chocolate fountain and buffet

4 a.m., Big Bank Kazoo Lap, Knock Out Cancer boxing

4:30 a.m., Dominoes

5 a.m., Chicken Dance Lap, Grow a Beard contest

5:30 a.m., Yahtzee

6 a.m., Whale of a Lap aka Big Fish Lap

7 a.m., Wake Up Lap

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A promotional graphic for the Heritage Museum. It features a large grey ribbon forming a heart shape. The text says "Celebrate Life &amp; Fight Back!" and "Heritage Museum" with the address "510 Scurry 267-8255".





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Getting ready to Relay!



Amanda Duforat photo

Joanne Forrest is recognized with the American Cancer Society Lifetime Achievement Award during the Community Kick-off for Relay. Pictured from left to right are Jason McCoy, regional vice president for the West Texas Region of the American Cancer Society; Whitney Wine, community manager/income development for ACS; Manny Negron, Howard/Glasscock Relay For Life chairman; Forrest; and Leslie Kitto, regional director for development, ACS.

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## Humble beginnings

Celebration, hope and remembrance are the three focuses of the Howard/Glasscock County Relay For Life.

The annual event has been taking place in Howard County for 18 years.

A trip to Takoma, Wash., gave birth to the Howard/Glasscock County Relay For Life event.

In 1994, Lisa Brooks — who at the time was local chapter president for the American Cancer Society — was offered a trip to see an event started by the ACS in hopes of bringing it to the Lone Star State.

Canyon, Texas, was one of the first communities to host a Relay in the state, with Big Spring being one of the next to participate.

The first local Relay event was held in 1995 with one underwriter who donated \$500.

That year brought roughly 30 sur-

vivors and 11 teams, and the desire to make a difference in Howard and Glasscock counties.

Participants walked for 24 hours and raised \$17,000.

The next year, \$20,000 was raised and each year following, for the next several years, that total was raised by about \$20,000 until a total of \$200,000 was reached a few years back.

As people left the field the next day after the first Relay in 1995, there were comments made that the event just "fit" in Big Spring and a good idea had been born.

Today, through the efforts of strong volunteers and the desire Brooks uncovered and nurtured years ago, the Howard/Glasscock Relay For Life is continually among the top fundraisers per capita in Texas, and in the Top 10 per capita in the nation.

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