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Early balloting winding down

Residents avoiding school board, municipal polls, at least for now

By BILL McCLELLAN
 Managing Editor
 With two days to go, the latest available early voting figures for Howard County indicate a little more than 100 people a day have cast ballots in the Big Spring municipal

elections. Early voting in all of the elections continues Monday and Tuesday on the first floor of the Howard County Courthouse, with election day taking place Saturday, May 11. "We've got two days left in

the early voting period and we want to encourage everyone who can to get out and vote," said Sandra Bloom, elections administrator. Three names are on the ballot for the Big Spring mayor's race — Manuel Ramirez Jr.,

Larry McLellan and Roger Rodman. Ramirez actually withdrew from the race in April, but not soon enough to have his name taken off the ballot. Through Thursday, 441 votes had been cast in the

race, which is open to all registered voters within the Big Spring city limits. Some 116 votes had been cast in the District 5 City Council race, which features See **VOTE**, Page 3A

Forsan senior aims for the sky

By STEVE REAGAN
 Staff Writer
 Many high school seniors are already making plans for college and Brady Gartman is certainly no different, except his college plans are, shall we say, a bit more regimented than most. Gartman, a Forsan High School senior and the son of Dean and Misty Gartman of Glasscock County, has been accepted to attend the U.S. Air Force Academy starting in late June. Gartman was nominated for the appointment by U.S. Representative Mike Conaway and received notification of his acceptance into the academy in late March. "I was very excited when I heard the news," he said. "It's a big step forward, but I'm ready to get going."



Courtesy photo
Forsan High School senior Brady Gartman, left, recently received an appointment to the U.S. Air Force Academy. He is shown with U.S. Representative Mike Conaway, who nominated Gartman for the academy.

He said he began seriously considering attending the academy last year. "My uncle first brought it up to me a little more than

two years ago," Gartman said. "At first, I was totally opposed to the idea, but the See **GARTMAN**, Page 3A

FISD bond passage would beef up security

By STEVE REAGAN
 Staff Writer
 FORSAN — While a lot of attention in Forsan Independent School District's bond election is focused on a proposal for a new elementary campus, the district has a lot planned for the junior high/high school building, as well. Voters will decide next Saturday whether to approve a \$23.8 million construction bond. The majority of that money is earmarked for a new campus to replace Elbow Elementary, but several million dollars would be funneled toward enhancements at the secondary building. A facility study of Forsan ISD campuses by the Texas Association of School Board identified a number of infrastructure issues with the junior high/high school. While FISD Superintendent Randy Johnson was hesitant to say the district would have called for a bond election just to address the secondary campus issues, he stressed the needs there are significant and immediate. "After the TASB study, we received a binder full of lists pointing out that this is wrong, and this is wrong and this is wrong," Johnson said. "There are issues at that campus that are just too big to handle through our annual See **FISD**, Page 3A

Roughly \$1 million is requested for the construction of a restricted-access vestibule area, enhanced alarm and communications systems and replacement of door locks.

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FISHIN' WEATHER
Andrew Martinez and his son Cruz Granado took advantage of the spring-like weather at the Big Spring Lake in Comanche Trail Park. Despite the forecasted freezing temperatures Saturday morning, the conditions were mild and the fish were biting.

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Obituaries

Lillian Brewer



Lillian Brewer, 83, of Big Spring died Wednesday, May 1, 2013, at her residence. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m., Wednesday, May 8, 2013, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Monroe Teeters officiating. Interment will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., Tuesday, May 7, 2013, at the funeral home.

She was born July 23, 1929, in Madison County, Ala., and married William Theodore "John" Brewer Nov. 8, 1946, in Huntsville, Ala. He preceded her in death July 30, 2011.

Lillian retired from the Big Spring State Hospital in 1986 as a charge mental health aide and physician's assistant. She and her husband enjoyed traveling and spent a lot of time at Lake Sam Rayburn. She loved to sew and make clothes.

Survivors include three sons, William David Brewer and wife Sharon of Plattsburg, New York, Tom Brewer and wife Lawanda of Big Spring, and Tim Brewer and wife Connie of Inez, Ky.; one daughter, Shelia Brewer of Big Spring; four grandsons, Mark Brewer, John Brewer, Heath White and Billy Latimer; two granddaughters, Rhonda Latimer and Candice Brewer; several great-grandchildren; four brothers, Raymond Webster, Ellis Webster, Robert "Bobby" Medley and Jay W. Medley; and one sister, Linda Sue Keyworth.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; three brothers, Buford Webster, Bennan Webster, and Wayne Webster; four sisters, Nettie Atchly, Cora Crouch, Louise Brown, and an infant sister; and one granddaughter, Alisha Brewer.

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

Opal J. Magers

Opal J. Magers, 80, of Big Spring, died Saturday, May 4, 2013, at Kristi Lee Manor Nursing Home in Colorado City. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Take Note

• Healthy Woman and KBST are partnering to bring "Texting Can Wait" to Big Spring and Howard County. The event is scheduled for May 30 at 5:30 p.m. in the third floor courtroom of the Howard County Courthouse. KBST will have a simulator on hand for those attending to test their texting and driving skills. The event is free to the public. For more information, call Amanda Duforat at 432-268-4842 or Anita Cline at 432-268-4721.

• Kentwood Early Childhood Center will hold pre-registration for its pre-kindergarten classes from 9 a.m. to noon May 1-15 at the ECC, located at 2500 Merrilly. For more information, contact the school at 264-4130.

• Crossroads Hospice is in need of volunteers. Volunteers are the backbone of the hospice team, by bringing light and love into people's lives. For more information on joining, contact Eva Robison at 432-263-5300 or come by 421 S. Main.

• Howard County Master Gardeners are preparing for this year's annual spring plant sale to be held May 11 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Green Thumb Cottage, 1604 W. Fourth between Jones and Brown Streets in Big Spring. Plants of all kinds, from trees to flowers, will be on display and reasonably priced. All will be clearly marked with information to aid in their care and Master Gardener's will be available to answer questions. There will be a drawing and a door prize. Howard County Master Gardeners Club business meetings take place at 6 p.m. the third Tuesday of every month at 1604 W. Fourth St., between Brown and Jones streets. The meetings are open to the public. For more information, contact the county extension office at 432-264-2236.

• Do you have a minute? An hour? How about making a difference in someone's life? Become a hospice volunteer.

One hour a month can make a difference. Whether it's visiting a patient or working in the office or helping with a craft, you can make a difference. We can work around your schedule. If interested, please call Kara Daniels at Compass Hospice, 432-263-5999, or apply in person at 602 S. Main St.

• Mobile Meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you can donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Macaria Cantu at 263-4016.

• Spring Tabernacle Ministries, 1209 Wright St., has a brief, inspirational message before giving away food and clothing on Thursday mornings. It's a great way to work off community service and get help, too. Be there at 9 a.m.-11 a.m. and get two for one plus a rehab meeting.

• Home Hospice is seeking volunteers. Volunteers are needed for in office duties as well as sitters, deliveries and crafts.

To find out more information or to volunteer contact Manny Negron at Home Hospice by calling 264-7599.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. May 3, 2013 and 7 a.m. today:

- JASON WAYNE ENGLISH, 35, transient, was arrested Friday on a warrant for criminal trespass - property, building, aircraft, vehicle.
- CHRISTOPHER RYAN COLEGROVE, 21, of 807 16th St., was arrested Friday on a warrant from another agency for consumption of alcohol by a minor and failure to appear.
- DANIEL RAY LEWIS, 24, of 106 Carey, was arrested Friday on a warrant from another agency.
- SCOTT ANTHONY FOWLER, 24, of 1205 College Ave., was arrested Friday on a warrant for interference with an emergency phone call.
- KEYOKA JANE HAWKINS, 26, of 810 Cherry St., was arrested Friday on a warrant from another agency.
- LEONARD SHANE SLATON, 47, of 205 W. 15th St., was arrested Friday on a warrant from another agency.
- PRESTON DSHUNN BOLTON, 29, of 1403 N. 7th St., was arrested Friday on a warrant for criminal mischief, impair/interrupt/divert public water.
- BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported at the 5600 block of the south service road of IH20.
- HARASSMENT was reported at the 300 block of Veterans Blvd.
- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported at the 800 block of W. 16th St.
- HARASSMENT was reported at the 400 block of S. Adams St., Coahoma.
- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported at the 1200 block of College Ave.
- THEFT was reported at the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80.
- ASSAULT was reported at the 1100 block of E. 12th St.
- MAJOR ACCIDENT was reported at 20th and Scurry.
- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported at the 1400 block of Mt. Vernon.

Support Groups

MONDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, noon-1 p.m., 615 Settles.

• PEP — Parent Education Program for CPS participating and non-participating parents, single parent, grandparents, adoptive or fostering parents. Every first and fourth Monday of the month from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Northside Community Center. Classes are free. For information, call 263-2673.

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

• Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) TX 0021 meets at First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad, in the dining hall on the east side of the building. Weigh-in starts at 5 p.m. and meeting starts at 5:30 p.m. We have a different program each week. For more information, please call 517-4922 or 935-6306.

• 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 group is a ministry of Spring Creek Fellowship. For further information, contact Dale at 432-270-8462.

• Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the back of the church.

• Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Baptist Temple Church Fellowship Hall, 400 E. 11th Place. Open meeting at 7 p.m.

TUESDAY

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

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

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

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

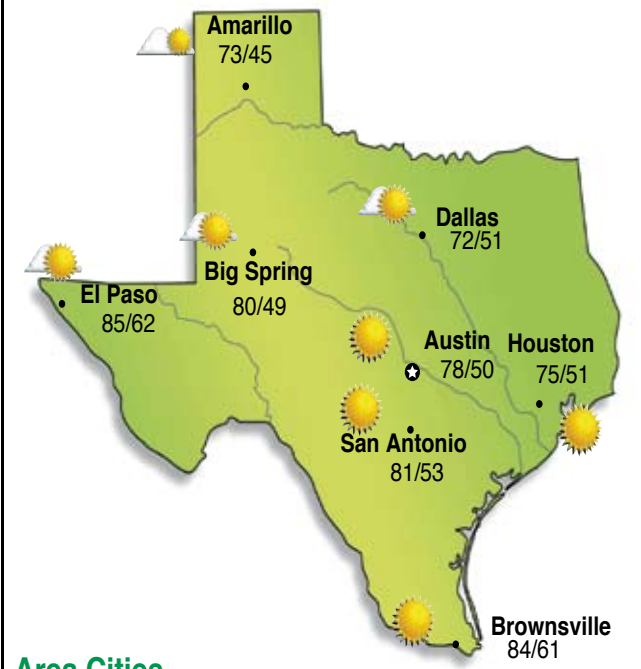
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Local 3-Day Forecast

Sun 5/5	Mon 5/6	Tue 5/7
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Sunset: 8:30 PM	Sunset: 8:31 PM	Sunset: 8:31 PM



Texas At A Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	75	49	mst sunny	Kingsville	86	56	sunny
Amarillo	73	45	pt sunny	Livingston	73	46	sunny
Austin	78	50	sunny	Longview	70	48	mst sunny
Beaumont	72	50	sunny	Lubbock	76	46	pt sunny
Brownsville	84	61	sunny	Lufkin	74	49	mst sunny
Brownwood	77	49	mst sunny	Midland	80	52	mst sunny
Corpus Christi	82	58	sunny	Raymondville	84	59	sunny
Corsicana	70	49	mst sunny	Rosenberg	75	50	sunny
Dallas	72	51	mst sunny	San Antonio	81	53	sunny
Del Rio	89	58	sunny	San Marcos	78	50	sunny
El Paso	85	62	mst sunny	Sulphur Springs	69	49	mst sunny
Fort Stockton	81	54	mst sunny	Sweetwater	77	49	mst sunny
Gainesville	69	46	mst sunny	Tyler	71	49	mst sunny
Greenville	69	48	mst sunny	Weatherford	70	47	mst sunny
Houston	75	51	sunny	Wichita Falls	72	45	mst sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	63	48	rain	Minneapolis	65	50	rain
Boston	62	40	pt sunny	New York	62	45	pt sunny
Chicago	68	47	pt sunny	Phoenix	88	64	pt sunny
Dallas	72	51	mst sunny	San Francisco	63	55	pt sunny
Denver	60	41	cloudy	Seattle	80	54	sunny
Houston	75	51	sunny	St. Louis	67	54	rain
Los Angeles	66	57	cloudy	Washington, DC	65	49	mst sunny
Miami	83	65	mst sunny				

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AG's same-sex opinion doesn't worry entities

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — Cities and counties that offer same-sex partner health benefits don't anticipate altering their policies after the Texas attorney general called the practice unconstitutional, though his opinion does serve as fuel for litigation against entities providing benefits to gay couples.

Attorney General Greg Abbott's opinion is the latest of several challenges to same-sex benefits that so far have had mixed results in the courts and prompted changes after officials in other states took action. In Texas, local governments from El Paso to San Antonio and north to Dallas County have their legal departments reviewing their benefits plans but don't appear ready to budge yet — noting that their policies don't address issues such as marriage or gender.

"It's a benefits package that top companies in the area offer to their employees," said Clay Jenkins, the top administrative official for Dallas County, which has a lesbian sheriff. "It is not only the right thing to do but also allows us to attract top talent so we can continue to have success."

The cities of Austin, El Paso and Fort Worth already offer some benefits to domestic partners, while Pflugerville, outside Austin, became the state's first school district to do so.

"If our policy violates the law, we'll change it. But I'd conclude we are not doing that," said Samuel T. Biscoe, Travis County's top administrative official. "Legally, we are in good shape."

Fort Worth spokesman Bill Begley said the city does not anticipate any problems to come from Abbott's opinion. "Our domestic partner policy does not say anything about marriage or gender."

The six-page opinion Monday came in response to tea party-backed state Sen. Dan Patrick's request for Abbott, a fellow Republican to review the same-sex benefits matter in November. In it, Abbott stated that local governments and school districts that offer marriage benefits to same-sex partners are violating the state constitution.

Abbott found that the constitution, "prohibits political subdivisions from creating a legal status of domestic partnership and recognizing that status by offering public benefits based upon it."

Needle exchange program falls short in House

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A bipartisan push for a pilot drug needle exchange program in Texas narrowly failed Friday in the House, despite some Republicans who invoked late British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and pleaded with their fellow GOP members not to fear political reprisals.

The bill would have authorized seven large Texas counties to launch programs that give drug users clean needles in exchange for dirty ones. Health experts say those efforts reduce the spread of diseases like HIV and hepatitis while forcing

addicts to interact with counselors who could steer them off drugs.

Republican state Rep. John Davis, who co-sponsored the bill, tried appealing to other conservatives by making arguments involving faith, finances and public health. Trying to seal the deal, Davis told the House that even Thatcher, who led Britain's Conservative Party to three election victories and came to be known as the "Iron Lady," supported needle exchanges.

"If it's good enough for Margaret Thatcher, it's good enough for me," Davis said.

Ultimately, it wasn't good enough for the Republican-controlled House. After a squeaker of 69-67, a vote recount put the final margin of defeat at 70-63.

Few Republicans lined up to speak out against the bill on the House floor. But outside the Capitol, conservative activists framed the program as tantamount to the government enabling drug users. Opponents also questioned the efficacy of needle exchanges.

Michael Quinn Sullivan, leader of the conservative group Empower Texans, which scores Republicans on their

records, tweeted shortly before the vote: "(House GOP) about to vote to give free needles to drug users?! Yep. That'll be on the Index. Oppose."

Republican state Rep. Susan King tried dissuading her colleagues from what she described as voting for politics over policy.

"If you vote for this, you're afraid the mailer will come," she said.

The bill would have established pilot needle exchange programs in Bexar, Dallas, El Paso, Harris, Nueces, Travis and Webb counties. Hospitals and health groups were among those who supported it.

VOTE

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Raul Benavides, Clint Collins and J.D. Smith. Voters must reside within the District 5 boundaries to cast a ballot in that race.

Interest has been low in the Coahoma Independent School District board of trustees race. As of late Thursday, just nine votes had been cast in an election which is pitting incumbents Michael Brooks and Craig Ferguson against challenger Rory Gammons in a bid for two at-large spots.

Voting was stronger at the courthouse for residents marching in from the Forsan area, where a school bond election, board election and a council election are being held.

The big draw is, of course, the \$23.8 million bond issue, which includes constructing an elementary school in Forsan to replace the aging one in nearby Elbow, along with other facilities improvements. Also, Fisd trustee incumbents Tom Bill Kuykendall and Chris Evens are going up against Joanne Sayles and Todd Still for two at-large seats on the school

board. Some 154 votes had been cast in those combined elections.

In the Forsan city election, incumbents Raymond Holguin, Fred Holguin and Mary Gressett are seeking re-election and are being challenged by Rick Ebert and Tracy Carey. Voters will whittle that number down to fill two at-large positions. Some 23 votes had been cast as of late Thursday.

Voting Monday and Tuesday at the courthouse will be from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., and includes all of the aforementioned races.

"In addition, we'll have branch voting from

5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Forsan High School," Bloom reminded.

Voting on election day will take place from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at various locations in the county. The Herald will publish that information following early voting.

Early voting at the courthouse is on the first floor in the area once occupied by the Howard County Sheriff's Office. For questions about the elections, contact Bloom at 264-2273.

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GARTMAN

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more I thought about it, the more it appealed to me. Then, I attended a summer seminar at the academy last year and that was the point where I decided this is what I really wanted to do."

Several aspects of the academy appeal to Gartman, including its high academic standards as well as having the curriculum of a large state university while maintaining the enrollment level of a smaller college.

"It will offer me unparalleled opportunities for personal and profes-

sional development," he said. "And the career opportunities I'll have after the Air Force ... can't be matched."

After he graduates from Forsan High School June 1, Gartman will have an abbreviated summer vacation before traveling to the academy in Colorado Springs, Colo. for cadet training

beginning June 27.

Unlike most universities, Garman won't have to declare a major until his junior year at the academy. Right now, he said he is leaning toward a major in computers.

"I'd like to become a cyber warfare officer," he said. "If that doesn't work out, I'm also inter-

ested in pilot training or research and development."

Upon successfully completing his four years at the academy, Gartman will be commissioned as a 2nd lieutenant in the Air Force. He will be required to serve at least five years of active duty and three years of reserve duty in

the service.

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FISD

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maintenance budget." The most important renovation, Johnson said, would be in upgrading the campus' security. Roughly \$1 million is requested for the construction of a restricted-access vestibule area, enhanced alarm and communications systems and replacement of door locks.

Security at public schools have been much in the news recently, never more so than after the fatal school shootings in Newtown, Conn. In December. But Johnson said the issue has been a concern for FISD educators for several years.

"We've done safety planning and drills for a number of years," he said. "The issue of the entryway (to the secondary campus) and locks on the classrooms always comes up when we evaluate those drills.

Security concerns are compounded, he added, by the fact that some classrooms can communicate directly with the principal's office while others can't and some can't be securely locked during an emergency situation.

Aside from making classrooms more secure, FISD also wants to renovate the secondary campus entry so that officials can control who gains access to classroom areas.

Other planned renovations at the secondary campus include:

- Seven new classrooms — This expansion would serve two purposes, Johnson said: It would allow officials to keep the junior high and high school student populations more separate during the school day; and it would give

administrators more flexibility in dealing with future enrollment growth.

"At our secondary campus, every room is full, which limits our options as to what we can do," he said. "This expansion will allow us more flexibility ... and would allow the junior high portion of the building to be a more self-contained area."

• Renovations of the restrooms to improve plumbing and bring them into compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act requirements.

• Expansion of the career and technology programs. Johnson said the campus currently offers metal shop, home economics and computer technology courses, but would like to offer more vocational programs.

• Renovation of the junior high science labs. High school science labs were renovated as a result of a bond passed by voters in 2004.

• Increased storage space at the band hall.

Early voting in the bond election continues through Tuesday at the Howard County Courthouse in Big Spring. Tuesday will also witness branch voting from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Forsan High School. On election day, polling

places will be at Elbow Elementary (for voters in county precincts 33 and 304) and the junior high/high school (for all other district voters).

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DAILY PRAYER

Help us to remember that our brothers have opinions as well, dear Lord.

Amen

It's all a matter of priorities

“I realize that no matter what job you have in this life, people will always keep you grounded.” – Oldham County Judge Don Allred

Judge Allred took me out to see some of the wind turbines going up in his part of the Panhandle. They are numerous. (Texas now leads the nation in wind energy, with nearly three times more turbines than California.) He parked his pickup under one and I recorded the subtle whump, whump of each blade's revolution. It's an interesting sound.

His pickup windshield is interesting, too. It has about a dozen cracks in it that make zigzag lines all across it.

“I don't always spend my time at the courthouse,” says the judge. “I also spend my time on the farm and ranch and you know it does hail every now and

then here in the Panhandle and you take safety in your pickup and sometimes it takes a beating.

And when you pass a truck on the highway, you get some rocks sometimes thrown up. People are always asking me why I don't have my windshield fixed. I just tell them each crack has a story and I just hate to part with it.”

Don has been county judge of Oldham County 23 years. The only time he had an opponent was his first run for office. Don doesn't like to spend county money in a frivolous manner. Until he got a secretary nine years ago, he used an answering machine to get his messages.

“I'd be out all day tending to county business and come to the courthouse in Vega late in the afternoon to check my messages.”

He gets some that are unusual and unexpected.

“One day I came into the office and there were two messages on my answering machine. I listened to the first one and it was from Teel Bivins, our state senator at the time. He and I were

working on a project and he had called me to get some information and he wanted me to call him back so we could discuss our project. I listened to that message again and just thought to myself, County Judge, you have a little bit of standing in this community and you're an important guy with a responsible position. I was feeling pretty good about myself.

“The second call was from a lady who lived just east of he courthouse. She was an older lady who thought her county judge was someone she could call on for assistance in certain situations. Her message was, ‘Judge, I've got the diarrhea real bad. Could you bring me some Imodium AD?’ I weighed the two messages as to their importance: a state senator and a local constituent. I thought about their necessity and I took care of the local issue first.”

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TUMBLEWEED SMITH

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Candidates

Vote McLellan

TO THE EDITOR: We support and urge you to vote for Larry McLellan for mayor of Big Spring. Major decisions confront Big Spring this year with the speculation of an oil boom.

An experienced businessman, with knowledge of economic needs and requirements of companies anticipating a move to Big Spring, is needed.

At a time when expectations are so high on the future of Big Spring, we must elect a leader who has the education, background and vision to make this transition and Larry McLellan is that man.

Cast your vote for Larry McLellan!

BILL AND JOYCE CROOKER
BIG SPRING

Vote Rodman

TO THE EDITOR: I have known Roger 'Doc' Rodman for around 20 years now. Doc's Big Spring roots run quite deep. His father worked in the oilfield and they traveled quite a bit, but Big Spring was always home base. He knows and loves Big Spring, and because of his up-bringing, knows the oil business also.

Doc spent over 20 years serving this nation in the U.S. Navy. He began his naval career serving as an enlisted corpsman with the Marines in Vietnam — hence the nickname. You can ask any Marine how special that makes him. He then went on to become an officer. He served as the operations officer on board the U.S.S. constellation, then the world's largest conventionally powered aircraft carrier. In this position, he was in charge of several hun-

dred enlisted men and fellow officers. His unit received several awards under his leadership for their ability to perform the mission.

To sum up, Doc is a man of honor, integrity, and commitment. He is not a man of empty promises, but will do his best to accomplish what he says. As mayor, he would do his utmost for the entire citizenry and betterment of Big Spring. I urge you to vote for Roger Rodman as the next mayor of Big Spring.

SINCERELY,
DON BOLING

Vote McLellan

TO THE EDITOR: We have known Larry McLellan for over 20 years. During that time, he has devoted countless hours to the betterment of Big

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Outsmarted by smart keys

Introspection of retrospection should never be taken lightly. Generally, getting on with life is preferable to dwelling on what might have been.

On rare occasions, though, it is profitable to re-visit bad decisions, declare intent never to make them again, and share details of painful experiences. Perhaps I can help others avoid the pitfalls which open wide to me.

I was “chewed up and spit out,” and can just now smile about an avoidable ordeal which a month ago caused me to shed tears.

It was car-buying time, a process faced no more than twice a decade. A few details are givens. My wife always wants a white vehicle that gets good gas mileage and has leather upholstery. I shoot for cars 2-3 years old with low mileage.

Eureka! I found a hybrid that commonly delivers 40 MPG. It met all our specs. I whistled a happy tune all the way home.

If I had known then what I know now, I would have at least given pause to the seller's mention that the vehicle has just one “smart key.” Assured that I could get another one, I gave the matter little thought.

First I had to learn what a “smart key” does. I found out that it joins horseshoes and hand grenades in “coming close” effectiveness. As long as it's carried in pocket or purse, the car

“knows” it's nearby. Locked cars are magically unlocked, and the ignition requires no insertion of key.

What a “smarty-pants” it is. “Smart key” and auto are in a state of harmonious “gee-haw,” and the motor purrs at the push of a button.

All the while, the “smart key” lays low in pocket or purse.

Even I, the incurable optimist, knew at least one more “smart key” would be needed, so I visited a locksmith to see what it would cost to get two duplicates “made.” He was patient with me — mostly explaining that much has changed--it's no longer 1957.

That was the year I bought my first car. I was age 20; the 1949 Nash Ambassador was only a dozen years my junior. It had “plain” keys — three, as I remember. The car set me back \$300, had a bloated appearance and almost no distinguishing features, save the fact that the front seat backs lowered to make a bed. I could have made my bed and lain in it, I guess, though I never did.

I digress. The locksmith, unable to help, suggested a visit to the dealership. There, I was stunned to learn that an additional “smart key” called for detailed programming on an expensive machine that had a \$350 price tag — \$50 more than my first car.

If I wanted two, the cost would be \$700, plus tax. Had my wife been along, she'd have noticed face-reddening and asked if I'd taken my heart medication.

“Get some ‘smart keys’ on the Internet,” another shopper whispered. “Take 'em to a locksmith for programming and save a

bundle.” So I did.

I should have listened to the first locksmith — the one who referred me to a dealer.

The Internet has many sites trumpeting availability of “blanks” for “smart keys.” (No doubt some could provide “dumb keys,” too.)

The purchase was not seamless. The blanks ran \$85 each, programming *not* included. I spent the equivalent of two full days, visited five locksmiths and drove more than 200 miles before finding a shop that would tackle the programming procedure.

Woe is me! The first blanks I ordered weren't the right ones — my mistake — and only one of the second shipment worked.

Thankfully, Jay Reed, a Colleyville locksmith some 30 miles from our home, took pity. His work ran into hours, tying up the “super-duper” machine which programs “smart keys.” The result, though, was *two* additional “smart keys.”

All told, though, the bill was well short of \$700. This doesn't include, of course, two wasted days spent on the project, emailing/telephoning the Internet supplier, or the 200+ miles driven all over the Metroplex. My wife, experienced at cutting to the chase, found silver linings. “You didn't lose the ‘smart key’ before getting the extras, and as to the time thing — you're retired.” I hear the latter a lot.

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DR. DON NEWBURY

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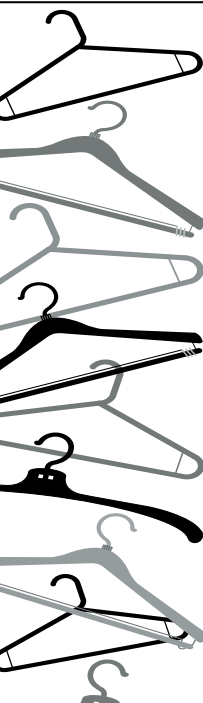


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LETTERS

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Spring and the surrounding community.

He has served and continues to serve on numerous school, college, city, county and chamber volunteer boards and has provided counseling and assistance to other boards and committees.

At the same time, he has steadily grown his own successful business.

Larry McLellan has demonstrated his dedication to Big Spring and Howard County through his volunteer efforts.

As a longtime successful businessman, he understands the challenges facing others. He knows what needs to be done to bring in new businesses and to retain existing companies.

He has a progressive vision for this community and the dedication necessary to make the vision a reality.

Larry McLellan is the only mayoral candidate with the proven experience, ability and dedication necessary to bring prosperity to Big Spring.

Please vote for Larry McLellan — the man who can get the job done.

JOHN AND JO ANN STAULCUP
BIG SPRING

Vote Rodman, Smith

TO THE EDITOR:

I have watched this city miss many opportunities to grow. For over 20 years we had what I considered a liberal approach to growth.

Our city council and EDC members kept telling us if we just give money to different businesses they will come here and our tax base will grow, then we can repair roads and water lines. Well, that didn't work.

Many of those businesses came and left. Now, for two years, we have had water and wastewater plants rebuilt, we replaced over a million dollars worth of water lines last year, we have new police cars, fire trucks, a new police station, sanitation trucks and we now have the money to build a new landfill with or without county help and we have a nice rainy day fund.

Don't change now, vote for true conservative leaders Roger Rodman and J.D. Smith.

A.C. "COTTON" MIZE
BIG SPRING

Vote McLellan

TO THE EDITOR:

Generally a good predictor of future behavior is past behavior. I hope the voters have not forgotten that on two occasions Mr. McLellan stood before the city council and argued that the citizens should not have a right to vote on how we paid for the water treatment plant.

He also indicated no EDC revenue should be used for infrastructure. He said that was the city's job.

I want a conservative mayor who watches out

for the interests of all citizens, not a tax and spend mayor who supports a select group.

PANCHO NARFAIZ
BIG SPRING

Vote Rodman

TO THE EDITOR:

Let's return Big Spring to her people.

For too long, the citizens of Big Spring have just come to expect what was handed out to us. The phrase, "It's always been that way," I hope dies a quick sudden death with these elections.

The free pass that we, the citizens, have been giving many of our leaders to keep their personal agenda going, has to end.

We, the people ... our constitution begins. Not we, the government, or we, the judges, or we, the school board, or we, the city council, is near anywhere on or in that beautiful document.

So it concerns me when we the people of Big Spring are thrust into such chaotic time that one hasn't seen or even heard of in years.

A time where newcomers have jobs to come to in abundance but homes are scarce. A time where families, elderly, disabled, or anybody who are established are forced to leave their homes, in midst of all the mess, all in the name of greed.

Maybe some of our city leaders haven't had a chance to bring up this issue of renter displacement or renting caps, or maybe some of them are friends with these landlords? Maybe doing it themselves?

What about the threat of a temporary nuclear waste site? Are we all ready for that? How about right along side with the oil boom, with a weak infrastructure to support both and normal traffic?

What if we have a nuclear mess like they have just recently had in Walla Walla, Washington? Where is that going to put our Cline Shale boom at?

It's unfortunate that spending and clean up for the city has been so lopsided. There is an elitist few (we all know who you are, and so do you) that in my opinion, has been the real decaying matter of Big Spring.

People who have patted themselves on the back too long for revitalizing Main Street but at any turn right or left on this street is a city black eye homes and businesses who have been left out of repair including those roads.

The EDC has come under fire for things they have done or lack of what they have not been able to do, more so, and the sticky unaccountability in many situations they just sat and blamed others, including the restaurants, the shopping, the jobs that wanted to come in but they pushed them out and who was at the helm? We know who it was, and it wasn't Roger Rodman.

I was always taught in every situation, question who, what, where, when, why and how.

There was talk of Larry McLellan being fiscally a responsible business man but why with that responsibility could Howard College not make their budget this last year (with him as a trustee)? A concern of mine, if it be right or wrong would be when I sat in the Fine Arts Center on Howard Col-

lege campus, and I listened to a man who brimmed over with boards that he sat on, being a real innovator in the city, and how he became a partner in a pharmacy firm, and bought everyone out, and then declared ... "they became my employees!"

That is the same attitude of arrogance and pomp which has driven our city to disparity.

We, the people, are tired, we, the people, are hungry, we, the people, are desperate (but not stupid) for leadership driven by compassion, not ego, leadership driven by answers, not excuses, leadership driven by a man who has nothing to gain but everything to lose for his love of the people and the places that he grew up around and dreaming of when he was in the U.S. Navy and then as an offshore oilman. He returned home, to find his home of Big Spring not kept. He has this opportunity if we stand behind him to return Big Spring to her former glory. More importantly we the people have this opportunity to reclaim our home, it's ours

Roger Rodman for mayor.

ANGELICA SCOTT-PHILLIPS
BIG SPRING

Vote McLellan

TO THE EDITOR:

I would encourage all voters to consider Larry McLellan for mayor of Big Spring.

Larry is a business man. He understands that the city needs to be run as business. Larry has been on many boards in Big Spring. He was on the BSISD school board (president for two terms). He has also been on the board of directors for the YMCA, college, EDC and others. All of these boards deal with large budgets. Larry understands how to develop budgets and use these budgets as a map to success.

Larry is also involved with his church. He has traveled to Central America on church mission trips to help the underprivileged in that area. He is a committed Christian and family man.

Larry has a vision for Big Spring. With the major changes that will occur due to the Cline Oil Shale, we need a mayor who has business experience. We need a mayor who can work with the new businesses that will come to Big Spring. We need a mayor who understands the problems with our infrastructure and will work to build a plan to fix these problems. We need a mayor who is looking to the future. We need a mayor with vision.

Please vote for Larry McLellan. This is a vote for the future of Big Spring.

Steve Waggoner
BIG SPRING

Other stuff

Festival needs singers

TO THE EDITOR:

We of Comanche Trail Festival of Lights, are planning an addition to our event this year and need your help. The Baleski Pavilion is used as a gift shop and is where Santa and Mrs. Claus visit. We thought it would be nice to have a new addition —

live Christmas music.

What we would like is singers and musicians to make it a festive time by presenting their talent. Emails have been sent to those I have addresses for, but the only ones that have responded are Midway Baptist Church, Big Spring High School Band and Big Spring High School Chorus.

All I want to know at this time is if you would like to participate. Final plans will be made as the date of the festival approaches. The event is scheduled to be 7 to 10 p.m., Dec. 15-31.

Performers may select time, date and length of performance later. I hope to hear from our churches, schools, organizations, families and individuals.

I know we have lot of talent in Big Spring and this would be an opportunity to shine. So, let me hear from you.

PAT SIMMONS,
CHAIRMAN
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Thanks,
Big Spring

TO THE EDITOR:

The AARP Tax Aide program had a very successful year preparing taxes at the Senior Citizen Center. We prepared and e-filed over 225 returns and 30 paper returns.

More than 350 individuals were helped with both tax returns and tax questions.

I would like to thank Suddenlink for

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The Solar Impulse is shown airborne during a recent flight.

Solar plane lands in Ariz. on first leg of major trip

PHOENIX (AP) — Flying for several hours after sundown, a solar-powered airplane landed in Phoenix early Saturday morning on the first leg of a cross-country trip.

The Solar Impulse — considered the world's most-advanced sun-powered plane — set down about 12:30 a.m. at Sky Harbor Airport, completing part of a journey that its pilot described as a "milestone" in aviation history.

Its creators said the trip is the first attempt by a solar airplane capable of flying day and night without fuel to fly across America.

The plane left Moffett Field in Mountain View near San Francisco just after dawn Friday.

Video posted on the expedition's website showed a smiling pilot Bertrand Piccard shortly after landing, as he waved to well-wishers and held up a flag emblazoned with the Solar Impulse name.

"It's a little bit like being in a dream," Piccard said as he stepped on the tarmac.

From Phoenix, the aircraft will travel to Dallas-Fort Worth airport in Texas, Lambert-St. Louis airport, Dulles airport in the Washington area and New York's John F. Kennedy airport. Each flight leg will take about 19 to 25 hours, with 10-day stops in each city.

"All the big pioneers of the 20th century have tried to fly coast to coast across Ameri-

ca," Piccard, one of the plane's founders, said before the flight. "So now today we're trying to do this, but on solar power with no fuel with the first airplane that is able to fly day and night just on solar power."

The plane is powered by about 12,000 photovoltaic cells that cover massive wings and charge its batteries.

The delicate, single-seat Solar Impulse flies around 40 mph and can't go through clouds. It weighs about as much as a car, making it vulnerable to bad weather.

Its creators said solar planes will never replace fuel-powered commercial flights. But the goal is to showcase the potential of solar power.

NRA's new president has penchant for bold words

HOUSTON (AP) — The incoming leader of the National Rifle Association has a long history with the powerful gun rights lobby and a penchant for bold statements that are sure to enflame an already explosive national debate over gun control.

James Porter, an Alabama attorney and first vice president of the NRA, assumes the presidency on Monday after the group's national convention wraps up in Houston. He didn't wait until then to ignite a new furor over gun control, telling the NRA grass-roots organizers on Friday they are the front line of a "culture war" that goes beyond gun rights.

"(You) here in this room are the fighters for freedom. We are the protectors," Porter said.

Porter, 64, whose father was NRA president from 1959-1961, is part of the small, Birmingham, Ala., law firm of Porter, Porter & Hassinger. The firm's website notes its expertise in defending gun manufacturers in lawsuits.

Porter takes over the organization as the NRA finds itself in a national fight over gun control in Washington, D.C., and state capitols around the country. The NRA had a major victory regarding gun control with the defeat in the U.S. Senate



James Porter

of a bill that would have expanded background checks for gun sales. But it lost ground in some places as several states passed laws expanding background checks and other gun control measures.

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But Porter was greeted with rousing applause at the grass-roots organizing meeting. Several in attendance called out, "Hey Big Jim!," as he walked through the crowd.

"fake president," Attorney General Eric Holder "rabidly un-American" and the U.S. Civil War the "War of Northern Aggression." Friday, he repeated his call for training every U.S. citizen in the use of standard military firearms, to allow them to defend themselves against tyranny.

Gun control advocates say Porter makes outgoing NRA President David Keene look like a moderate on gun issues, even though Keene had said the NRA would try to punish lawmakers who voted in favor of expanded background checks and other gun control measures.

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Funeral home: No one wants to bury bomb suspect

BOSTON (AP) — A funeral home director was scrambling to find a cemetery that would bury a suspect in the Boston Marathon bombings, ignoring protesters gathered outside his business and saying everybody deserves a dignified burial service no matter the circumstances of his or her death.

Tamerlan Tsarnaev, 26, died from "gunshot wounds of torso and extremities" and blunt trauma to his head and torso, said Worcester funeral home owner Peter Stefan, who has Tsarnaev's body and on Friday read details from his death certificate. The

certificate lists the time of his death as 1:35 a.m. on April 19, four days after the deadly bombing, Stefan said.

Tsarnaev died after a gunfight with authorities who had launched a massive manhunt for him and his brother, ethnic Chechens from Russia who came to the United States about a decade ago. Police have said he ran out of ammunition before his younger brother dragged his body under a vehicle while fleeing.

Tsarnaev's family was making arrangements Friday for his funeral as investigators searched the woods near a college

attended by 19-year-old Dzhokhar Tsarnaev, who was captured less than a day after his brother's death.

Tamerlan Tsarnaev's body was released by the state medical examiner Thursday. It initially was taken to a North Attleborough funeral home, where it was greeted by about 20 protesters, before being taken to Stefan's Graham Putnam and Mahoney Funeral Parlors, which is familiar with Muslim services.

"My problem here is trying to find a gravesite. A lot of people don't want to do it. They don't want to be involved

with this," said Stefan, who said dozens of protesters gathered outside his funeral home, upset with his decision to handle the service. "I keep bringing up the point of Lee Harvey Oswald, Timothy McVeigh or Ted Bundy. Somebody had to do those, too."

Meanwhile, two U.S. officials said Dzhokhar

Tsarnaev told interrogators that he and his brother initially considered setting off their bombs on July Fourth.

Boston police said they planned to review security procedures for the Independence Day Boston Pops concert and fireworks display, which draws a crowd of more than 500,000 annu-

ally and is broadcast to a national TV audience. Authorities plan to look at security procedures for large events held in other cities, notably the massive New Year's Eve celebration held each year in New York City's Times Square, Massachusetts state police spokesman David Procopio said.

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Big Spring ties for third at state

Steer golfers shoot 320 on day two, lose playoff to defending champion Fredericksburg

By **BRIAN MCCORMACK**

Sports Editor

AUSTIN — The Big Spring boys shaved 16 strokes of their total of 336 Thursday, shooting a 320 on the second day of the Class 3A state golf tournament at the Jimmy Clay Golf Course on Friday — good enough for a third place, along with defending 3A champions Fredericksburg.

With both squads recording a score of 656, the

Steers lost a playoff and had to settle for a tie with Fredericksburg.

Tyler Bryan had the lowest score of the event, shooting an 82 and a 79 for a total of 161. Just a stroke behind was Ryan Pollard with a 162, Devin Roberson's two-day total was 166, Tate Kennedy combined for 167 strokes and Jason Guevara improved by four strokes during the second round and finished with a total of 172.

Taking first place was Andrews with a score of 631, who defeated Argyle by a single stroke. Decatur rounded out the top, scoring 662.

Andrews also claimed the No. 1 spot in the girl's division, shooting a 652.

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Lady Hawks upset by Midland, 7-6 in opener

By **BRIAN MCCORMACK**

Sports Editor

LUBBOCK — After dominating the Western Junior College Athletic Conference during the regular season, Howard College found itself mired in a dogfight with Midland College in its Region V West Tournament opener at Lubbock Christian University's Plains Capital Field on Friday.

The top-seeded Lady Hawks fought, but after nine innings, were upset by the Lady Chapparals, 7-6.

Midland took a 2-0 lead in the top of the first. After leaving four baserunners stranded in the first two innings, the Hawks evened it up in the bottom of the third after a two-run double by Mallory Mitchiner scored Shelby Shelton and Megan Granado.

Two singles a RBI double and a sacrifice fly by the Lady Chaps in the fourth put them back on top, 5-2.

In the bottom of the fifth, Shelton



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Howard College's Jillian Navarrete catches a throw from Micherie Korja at first base during Friday's 7-6, extra-innings loss to Midland College at the NJCAA Region V West Tournament at Lubbock Christian University.

Steers, Buffs win; Lady Steers, Bulldogettes fall



Courtesy photo/Shawn McVicar

Forsan's Blaise Coffman earned a win as starting pitcher for the Buffaloes in their 20-5 win over Van Horn in the bi-district round of the playoffs in Monahans on Friday. The Buffs resumed their best-of-three series Saturday.

By **BRIAN MCCORMACK**

Sports Editor

Baseball Big Spring

ANDREWS — A four-run inning courtesy of a bases-loaded triple in the fourth inning keyed Big Spring's 7-0 win over Pecos in the opening game of a best-of-three series in the Steers' bi-district debut.

Adam Franco allowed five hits, but struck out four Eagle hitters in the shut-out, complete-game victory.

Big Spring Head Coach Bert Otto said he was pleased with how his team handled the postseason opener.

"We left runners in scoring position two innings in a row," Otto said.

"It was fairly frustrating, but I was proud of (the players) for not letting the frustration of not scoring get to them. They were patient and Hunter Hill had a sacrifice fly to put us up 1-0. I give a lot of credit to Joseph Morelion, too. He worked his tail off behind the plate and called a great game."

Jarred DoPorto also made some offensive

contributions by picking up a single, a double and a triple — just a home run away from batting for the cycle.

"It was a battle," Otto added. "Pecos never quit. We'll have to play another good game (Saturday). The kids were focused, it was a lot like the Wylie game."

The Steers — who claimed the last playoff spot after posting a 6-4 record in a tough district — resumed play against Pecos on Saturday with Gunnar Kennedy on the mound for the Steers.

Forsan

MONAHANS — Van Horn — who ended up in the postseason by virtue of being a part of a three-game district — managed to avoid a run-rule loss, despite being bombarded by 20 runs courtesy of Forsan, which picked up its first bi-district game 20-5 Friday.

Blaise Coffman picked up the win, Garrett Kligora pitched three innings and Dillon Bagnall closed it out for the Buffaloes, with

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Jones: Romo commits to 'Peyton Manning-type time'

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Jerry Jones says Tony Romo has committed to spending "Peyton Manning-type time" trying to turn the Dallas Cowboys into Super Bowl contenders again.

Reaction to the words from the Dallas owner and general manager came fast: Does that mean Romo hasn't done enough to make team headquarters his second home in six full seasons as the starting quarterback?

"No. It's a bonus," Jones says. "Anybody will tell you that Peyton Manning's involvement in what they do is a bonus as opposed to what the general commitment is of top quarterbacks in the NFL. We've committed and he's committed to that type of in-season and offseason approach for these years under his contract — as part of the \$100 million."

Jones winks and smiles as he throws out the ballpark figure of the six-year, \$108 million extension he gave Romo in March — a deal with more guaranteed money than Super Bowl winner Joe Flacco of Baltimore.

While Jones sees Romo as something of a budding business partner, a skeptical fan base sees a full-time golfer and part-time quarterback who used to date celebrity girlfriends before settling down with his wife and first child. Critics are looking

through the lenses of one playoff win and a 1-6 record in elimination games since Romo took over in the middle of the 2006 season. And the last thing they saw was a huge interception that ended a chance to beat Washington and sent Romo to his third loss in five seasons in playoff-or-bust finales against an NFC East rival.

Jones' glasses — call them rose-colored if you'd like — see that playoff win as the only time a quarterback not named Troy Aikman won in the postseason since the Cowboys stopped winning Super Bowls nearly two decades ago.

Plus, the owner wonders where the Cowboys would be without Romo, considering they were second-to-last in rushing a season ago with a struggling offensive line and an unreliable defense. Romo is the franchise leader in touchdown passes and probably two seasons away from catching Aikman in yards and completions.

That's where Jones was coming from when he started hinting in the statement announcing Romo's contract extension that his 33-year-old quarterback would be something of a player-CEO when it comes to the Dallas offense.

Jones showed he wasn't kidding by seeking Romo's input be-

fore Dallas drafted Wisconsin center/guard Travis Frederick late in the first round and grabbed a complement to tight end Jason Witten in Gavin Escobar of San Diego State in the second round. Neither player was projected as high as he was picked.

"The more Tony can be involved in what we're doing offensively, the more the product we have out there (that complements his skills, the more we're going to do it," Jones said.

The draft talk is more symbolic — Jones says a few minutes of input can't outweigh a year's worth of scouting work — but it was noteworthy that Romo called Frederick "the best player in this draft at his position" the day after he was taken.

The cameras from the post-draft news conference with coach Jason Garrett were gone when Jones, the self-professed gambler, went more all in than he already was with Romo by invoking the name of Manning, the Denver quarterback and Super Bowl winner in Indianapolis who's been known to beat coaches to the training facility in the morning.

"I can speak for Jason in this respect," Jones said. "Everything he's about wants more buy-in and more participation from the player. So that if Tony for instance would be here Monday

through Saturday, that is far better, and be here from 7 in the morning till 6 o'clock at night and all over the place. Then that's better than the way it's been. We'll have more success."

Romo has left open for interpretation his comments after the signing that things were changing. He didn't have to answer questions from reporters, but he tried to address through a statement what he knew was on the minds of many fans who question whether he deserved such a huge payday without a better playoff pedigree.

"There will be no greater reward, besides winning a Super Bowl, than playing my entire career as a Dallas Cowboy," Romo said. "This football team that we have is a good team and with all the people we have coming back and the things we are doing behind the scenes, it will make us a very difficult ballclub to beat."

The fans know of one big change: an overhaul of the defensive coaching staff. Defensive coordinator Rob Ryan was fired, replaced by Monte Kiffin and one of his most respected lieutenants, Rod Marinelli,

who is in charge of the defensive line after turning down a chance to remain the defensive coordinator in Chicago.

Dallas is scrapping Ryan's tricked-up version of the 3-4 and going with a more traditional 4-3.

The offense? Garrett and offensive line coach Bill Callahan have been coy since Jones suggested that Garrett was likely to give up play-calling duties.

Callahan was the logical choice for that job because he called plays at Nebraska and with the Oakland Raiders, but Garrett keeps saying he hasn't decided if he will give up something he's done since Jones brought his him as offensive coordinator in 2007.

This is where Romo enters the conversation again. Will he or should he call his own plays? How much input should he have on the offensive game plan?

Jones isn't ready to declare that Romo will have Manning-type control off the offense, but the owner seems several steps beyond the days when he released polarizing receiver Terrell Owens after missing the playoffs in 2008 and said

the offense needed to be more "Romo-friendly."

"That'll all be ironed out," Jones said. "Romo will be very comfortable and will be how he's comfortable relative to the play-calling."

For fans to get comfortable with him, Romo will have to do what he did in 2007 when he led the Cowboys to a 13-3 record — plus a couple of things he couldn't do that season. He'll have to stay away from Cabo San Lucas during the bye week that goes with being the top seed, and he'll have to win a playoff game, probably more than one.

Jones still believes Romo can be Aikman in something more than stats, and the owner has proven it throughout the offseason with his mouth and his pocket-book.

"It meant something to him and to me that he commit to what I'm talking about doing more time and that he commits to doing more time," Jones said. "It's part of his job description."

Call it the Peyton Manning clause in his new contract.

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the trio combining for five strikeouts.

Forsan's offense was on fire as well.

Dillon Bagnall doubled and recorded five RBI in the outing, Garrett Klihora doubled twice and had a RBI. Trevor Williams ripped a double and accounted for two RBI and Kade Fanin drove home two and had a double.

Also contributing to runs were Clayton Galloway with three RBI, Coffman with two and Ryan Pearson and Cope-land Riddell each had one.

"It's always good to win that first game of a three-game series," said Forsan Head Coach Jason Phillips.

"It puts pressure on the other team to come back and beat us twice. We're built more for a three-game series.

Overall, we played a good game. Even our subs came in and got us some hits. We played an all-around, good baseball game."

If the Buffs won at least one-of-two Saturday, they will move on to the area round where they will face Borden County.

Softball Big Spring

MIDLAND — After claiming a bi-district title with a lopsided, 14-5 win over Fort Stockton, Big Spring was

stopped by a scrappy Andrews team Friday in the area round opener, 10-5 at Mugs Softball Complex.

"The score wasn't really indicative of how we played," BSHS Head Coach John Sparks said. "We had 11 hits and we made some big plays. Andrews only had four hits."

Errors plagued Sparks and the Lady Steers — seven errors, actually, resulting in seven of the Lady Mustangs' 10 runs coming in unearned.

"We definitely shot ourselves in the foot," Sparks said. "I talked with the girls about it. We can't get down on ourselves. We're ready to do something today."

Logan Yarbar had another good performance from the circle, but couldn't overcome the multiple mishaps in the field.

"You take away the errors and it was definitely our game," Sparks added. "We're going to stay focused and try not to beat ourselves. We're still in it."

Other area softball results:

- Muleshoe defeated Coahoma, 2-1. (area round - Game One of a best-of-three series).

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when Jillian Navarrete's high pop-up dropped into no man's land, scoring Granado.

Rebecca Long made her second great catch of the day in right field in the top of the ninth, but a lead-off RBI single by the Lady Chapspit MC up 7-6.

In the bottom of the ninth — with the game-tying run on third and two outs — Long worked the count full and drew a walk.

With runners on the corners, Lani Munoz was thrown out at first base to end the game.

The loss made the tournament exponentially

harder for the Lady Hawks, who could have to play as many as five games without a loss to reach the regional championship match. However, that's exactly what Howard College did last year.

The No. 7 Lady Hawks' next opponent is Luna College. Saturday and Sunday's tourney results will appear in Monday's edition of the Herald.

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and Elizabeth Torres picked up bases as a result of MC miscues. Claudette Smith and Rebecca Long had back-to-back RBI singles, knotting the game at 5-5.

With the tie-breaker rule of placing a runner on second base at the start of each half-inning, Midland was the first to capitalize, tacking on a run in the top of the eighth.

The Lady Hawks returned the favor in the bottom of the eighth



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Howard College's Levi Scott belts a home run during Friday's 6-5 win over Odessa College. The Hawks split with Odessa, losing the nightcap of a doubleheader by a score of 9-8. The Hawks wrapped up regular season action Saturday against the Wranglers.



AP Source: James wins fourth MVP award

(AP) — LeBron James is getting his fourth Most Valuable Player award — and the only mystery left is whether the vote was unanimous. The Miami Heat star will be introduced Sunday as the award winner, according to a person familiar with the results and who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of

anonymity because the league has not publicly announced this year's recipient. James will become the fifth player with at least four MVP awards, joining Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Michael Jordan, Bill Russell and Wilt Chamberlain. No one has ever swept every first-place vote in the NBA's MVP balloting. After the season he

had, James could be the first. "I don't know who else you'd vote for," Heat forward Chris Bosh said Friday. "No offense to everybody else, but that's just how good he has played this year." James averaged 26.8 points, 8.0 rebounds and 7.3 assists this season, shooting a career-best 56 percent. It was absolute-

ly no surprise that he won the award, and given the timetable for Miami's next game — the Heat don't open Eastern Conference semifinal play until Monday night against Brooklyn or Chicago — it had been widely assumed for several days that Sunday would be the day. "I absolutely have not even thought about it," James said earlier this week when asked if he considered the weight of winning the award four times in five years. "I have not thought about it, until you just brought it up. I know the history. It would be a unique, unbelievable class."

Rangers blank Red Sox, 7-0

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Adrian Beltre cleared the bases this time, and the Texas Rangers got a big victory over the best team in the majors. Beltre broke out of an extended slump just as manager Ron Washington had predicted, with a three-run double among his four hits, backing eight scoreless innings by Derek Holland in a 7-0 win over the Boston Red Sox on Friday night. "It's nice to get involved with the other guys," Beltre said.

"It's nice to get into the groove a little bit and hopefully that'll be the start of another streak." Ian Kinsler and Mitch Moreland both had three hits for the AL West-leading Rangers, who rebounded from their first series loss of the season and four losses in the previous five games with a season-high 18 hits. The entire team had only three hits against the Chicago White Sox the previous night. While his home run Thursday produced the only run in the Rangers' 3-1 loss to the White Sox, Beltre grounded into an inning-ending double play with the bases loaded in the sixth, and struck out with two runners on two innings later. He was only 4 for 31 (.129) his previous eight games and 2 for 20 the last five. "Beltre has got a track record, and the guys in my lineup have got a track record," Washington said. "Beltre is a run producer, there wasn't anyone more upset about it than Beltre. But I'm happy that he said he's not frustrated because when you get frustrated you go blind. And undoubtedly, tonight he wasn't blind." Holland (2-2) had a season-high nine strikeouts and allowed only six singles.


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Learning as they go

LIT program creates a hands-on learning experience by getting kids out from behind their desks and into the real world

By Andrea Medlin

To learn about a rose, just type the word into a search engine and you'll likely get a million different websites. Some websites will give you all the information you could possibly want on the flower. Others will sell them to you. But you can't smell their unique fragrance or feel the velvety softness of the petals through your computer screen.

With the exponential and rapid growth of technology, our society has seen advancements in almost all facets of life. We can visit places near and far and talk to people who live there with a click of a mouse.

With these advancements, we have the opportunity to be smarter and have a greater understanding of the world. As we continue our journey in the information age, some aspects of life that make our sojourn more complete and well-rounded are sometimes left by the wayside.

Tactile experiences have been removed from much of our learning. Learning about stars, comets and constellations and the state-of-the-art telescope at the McDonald Observatory used to study them is just one example of what can be a better learning environment. Better than sitting in front of a computer.

Field trips to such places were once an integral part of our learning career. Such trips were provided through public school curriculums



to help students decide what they wanted to be when they grew up.

These learning opportunities have since been all but eliminated.

Local teachers Bill and Teresa Griffin are trying to remedy the situation. Learning in Transit is a non-profit organization geared toward providing school children with cognitive learning opportunities.

"There's a wealth of information that will die off with the older generation," explained Bill Griffin, founder and organizer of LIT.

"By doing this we hope to inspire kids to do something they love and provide teachers with a tool to make more creative lesson plans," said Bill. "The plan is set up for grades 2 through 6. Teachers can move their class from the building to the bus and teach all the subjects they had planned for that day by traveling to the venue."

The trips are strictly funded by private donors. There is no fee and at least one meal is provided. "It depends on how long the trip is," said Bill. "Sometimes we will provide all three meals.

If we eat at the venue we make sure everybody has money to get something."

The organization was originally created for children living below the poverty level, but has since expanded to include everyone from all walks of life and from anywhere in the state.

Bill emphasized that the LitBus is not only local and is available for the entire state of Texas. "We've taken kids from Midland, Stanton and Denton," Bill added, and continued to say there are many educational opportunities throughout Texas.

"The LitBus is the transportation for those educational opportunities," he said.

According to the Griffins, each destination is researched and chosen for its fun learning opportunities.

"We don't just take the kids to movies or to amusement parks," said Bill. "Being entertained and having fun is okay, but there has to be a learning aspect to the trip," he said, and gave an example that, "A trip to an amusement park would have to be based on the science of roller coasters," Bill explained.

In addition to Fort Davis and the McDonald Observatory, LitBus has traveled to Carlsbad Caverns, the Omni Theater in Lubbock and Homestead Heritage, to name a few.

The Griffins love providing children with the opportunity to travel and learn and see places they otherwise might not have the chance to, but they can't do it alone.

Being a non-profit organization, LitBus has a need for private funding and volunteers. The bus can hold 50 to 55 passengers.

"We're doing OK, but we can use some help," explained Bill. "We spend anywhere from \$500 to \$1,500 just on food, depending on how many children go and how long the trip is. That doesn't include tickets and other incidentals."

Some schools have supported certain trips by providing meals or tickets.

The Griffins are well aware of the challenges of their endeavor,

"It's a lot of trouble and it won't make you rich," Griffin said, but is quick to point out that the rewards are priceless.

"To see a kid's eyes light up when they see something for the first time or when they make a connection with something they already know makes the whole thing worth while."

With a ratio one to 10, volunteers are also needed. "We welcome anyone with something to share with school kids."

The Griffins are appreciative of all the help they have already received, but hope to be able to continue the field trips for a long time to come.

For more information or to make a donation contact Bill or Teresa Griffin at 432-638-7878 or visit www.litbus.org



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Miss York is the daughter of Mr. Dale York of Austin, Texas and Ms. Lisa York of Cedar Park, Texas and the granddaughter of David and Jan Denton of Longview, Texas, and Larry and Sandra Crow of Bogata, Texas.

Mr. Shryack is the son of Bart and Laurie Shryack of Leander. He is the grandson of Melvin and Marie Daniels of Big Spring and the late Richard and Quita Shryack of Big Spring.

The prospective bride and groom are attending Austin Community College.

Births



Bailey Nicole Canales

Bailey Nicole Canales, a girl, was born April 20 2013, at 1:33 a.m. She weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces and was 19 inches long. She is the daughter of Desirie Garza of Big Spring.

Maternal grandparents are Adam and Olga Edmondson. Bailey was welcomed home by her siblings, Irish, Dylon and Martin.

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Aubriana Lesire Gutierrez

Aubriana Lesire Gutierrez, a girl, was born April 20, 2013, at 9:48 a.m. She weighed 6 pounds, 11 ounces and was 19 inches long.

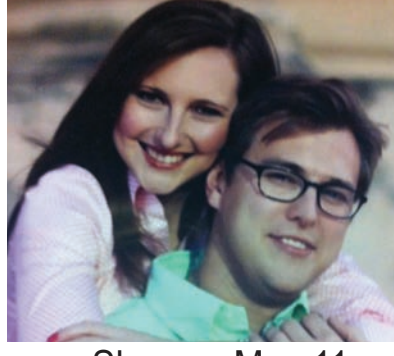
She is the daughter of Brittany Gutierrez of Big Spring. Maternal grandparents are Fernando and Leslie Rodriguez and Larry Gutierrez. Paternal grandparents are Thomas and Virginia Rodriguez.

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Wednesday: Roast turkey and gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, pie, rolls, milk.
Thursday: Chicken enchiladas, Spanish rice, tossed salad, oatmeal raisin cookies, milk.

Friday: Beef tips and noodles, California blend vegetables, cucumber salad, angel cake with strawberries, rolls, milk.

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Monday: Breakfast, cinnamon roll, cheese stick, juice and milk. Lunch, cheese enchiladas, rice, refried beans, salad, fruit and milk.
Tuesday: Breakfast, biscuit and sausage, juice and milk. Lunch, hot dog, potato tots, veggie cup, sliced peaches, cookie - high school only, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast, cheese toaster, bacon, juice, milk. Lunch, chicken nuggets, potatoes and gravy, green beans, roll fruit and milk.
Thursday: Breakfast, pancake, bacon, juice and milk. Lunch, barbecue on a bun, black beans, baby carrots, orange milk.

Friday: Breakfast, pizza, juice, milk. Lunch, cheeseburger, lettuce, tomato, pickles, corn, carrots, grapes and milk.

Big Spring ISD

Monday: Breakfast, Frosted Flakes, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch, pepperoni pizza, baby carrots, sliced bell peppers, ranch, fruit cocktail, orange smiles, milk.
Tuesday: Breakfast, taco roll, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch, chicken spaghetti, romaine and spinach salad, ranch, green beans, apricots, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast, breakfast pizza, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch, tex-mex stack, border beans, mixed vegetables, pineapple chunks, banana, salsa, milk.
Thursday: Breakfast, peanut butter and jelly Uncrustable, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch, king ranch casserole, applesauce, cucumbers, ranch, celery sticks, milk, ketchup and mustard.

Friday: Breakfast, cinnamon french toast, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch, beefy macaroni, corn, broccoli, roll, ranch, strawberries, milk.

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Monday: Breakfast, Morning sausage roll, yogurt and fruit parfait, pineapple, non-fat vanilla with awesome granola, dry cereal variety, buttered toast, chilled pears, fruit, milk. Lunch, chicken fried steak fingers, chicken fries, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, peach crisp, romaine garden salad with ranch, fruit, gravy, dinner roll, milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast, breakfast pizza, golden apple oatmeal, buttered toast, chilled peaches, fruit, milk. Lunch, pepper steak, steamed white rice and egg roll, loaded baked potato, broccoli cheese soup, carrot sticks, romaine garden salad, ranch, chilled tropical fruit, fruit, milk.
Wednesday: Breakfast, scrambled eggs with ham, buttered toast, dry cereal variety, chilled apricots, fruit, milk. Lunch, pepperoni or cheese pizza, beef ravioli, seasoned spinach, yellow squash, romaine garden salad with ranch, garlic brad, chilled mandarin oranges, fruit, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast, pancake and sausage patty, dry cereal variety, buttered toast, chilled mixed fruit, fruit, milk. Lunch, taco pie, beef chalupa, Spanish rice, charro beans, corn, salsa, lettuce and tomato salad, chilled peaches, fruit, milk.
Friday: Breakfast, cinnamon rolls, dry cereal variety, buttered toast, mandarin oranges, fruit, milk. Lunch, barbecue chicken, crunchy fish patty, baked potato wedges, baked beans with barbecue sauce, California mixed vegetables, romaine garden salad, fruit, milk.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Pisces Moon Rules

Cinco de Mayo

On this Cinco de Mayo, the Pisces moon gets us spiritually ready for changes to occur later in the week. When she goes void of course mid-day, she's like a warm, fuzzy blanket tempting us to do nothing but snuggle and snore. This is not to say productivity will be low. In the long run, relaxation is a very productive thing to do.



HOLIDAY
MATHIS

ARIES

(March 21-April 19). External signs of wealth don't tell the full story. It will be enlightening to consider why a person would crave a symbol to set them above the rest and to ponder your own relationship with status and materialism.

TAURUS

(April 20-May 20). Socrates said we should eat to live, not live to eat. But with the sun in your sign, appetites are strong, especially your own. Being around healthy people will help you make healthy choices.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). It's nice to be praised, but you already get enough attention for what you do. Tell people that what you need now is the kind of attention you can put in your wallet.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Once you see things, you can't un-see them. That's why it's good to be careful of where you go. Think about what you are likely to experience in a place before you venture inside.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Do you think you might be stopping yourself from moving forward in some way? If every seed contains the secrets to growth inside it, then the planter's job is simply to create the proper conditions and get out of the way.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Instead of shying away from what might bring you emotional discomfort, move through it. If there is hurt to be experienced, it will soon give way to something beautiful.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your elastic mind will go to the far reaches and then snap back home. As fun as imaginative solutions are to come up with, it's probably the simple, practical thing that will help the most now.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Because you're irresistibly drawn to a circuitous path, getting to your goal may seem to take forever. If you keep going, you'll eventually get there and feel pretty good about it, too.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You'll be more interested in other people's business than

usual — but you're not exactly nosy. It's more that you're a student of human nature, and you really want to know whether your predictions are coming true!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). When you like someone, you go out of your way to see that person smile, alleviate their stress or make them feel comfortable. But doing this for someone you dislike or don't know shows true nobility.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). There are times when going over the past might help you make a better decision for the future, but this isn't one of them. Your instincts are keen. Trust that you've learned your lessons, and make a move.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Your success strategy is so

simple. It's only three steps: 1. Say what you're going to do. 2. Do it. 3. Repeat. You'll end the day with a feeling of accomplishment.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 5). Risks you took nearly a year ago will pay off this month. You'll be in a strong position to take care of business. As you tackle problems in June, your raw energy and can-do spirit will draw a crowd. Many will want to be on your team, but you should only take the most qualified applicants. 2014 will be filled with love and laughter. Cancer and Virgo people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 25, 43, 31 and 49.

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Friday p.m.:	Saturday a.m.:
6:30-7:00 Visit & Get-to-Know	8:00-8:30 Coffee, Juice, Donuts
7:00-7:30 Marriage Myths	8:30-9:00 Love Bank/Love Busters
7:30-7:45 Game Time!	9:00-9:45 Five Ways to Kill your Marriage
7:45-8:30 Ten Things for Husbands	9:45-10:30 Sex in Marriage
8:30-8:45 Break, Punch & Cookies	10:30-11:00 Q & A and Homework
8:45-9:30 Ten Things for Wives	

Trey and Lea Morgan have been working in ministry for the past 25 years. They've hosted countless marriage seminars, retreats and workshops. Trey is the pulpit minister for the Childress Church of Christ in Childress, Texas. He and Lea have four boys, ages 22, 20, 16 & 10.

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Strong U.S. jobs report sends stocks higher

LONDON (AP) — An unexpectedly strong U.S. jobs report pushed stock markets higher on Friday as investors welcomed signs that the world's largest economy is not slowing down as quickly as some had feared. The Labor Department said a net 165,000 jobs were created in April, above the market expect-

tations for 140,000. The previous two months' weak figures, meanwhile, were revised up. That helped bring the unemployment rate down to 7.5 percent, the lowest in four years.

Paul Ashworth, the chief U.S. economist for Capital Economics, said the report "will go a long way towards soothing fears of an-

other spring slowdown."

By early afternoon in Europe, Britain's FTSE 100 was up 1.1 percent at 6,529.69 while Germany's DAX was 1.7 percent higher at 8,097.03. France's CAC-40 rose 1.3 percent to 3,906.89.

The jobs report helped offset news that the European Union had downgraded its economic

Energy Watch



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At this point in the cycle, earnings growth almost always slows down to a more modest pace. Gone are the days of huge year-over-year gains as the economy climbs out of a recessionary hole. The comparisons get tougher as the recovery moves ahead and analysts get closer to reality with their individual company estimates. The pattern of earnings growth as the market recovered from the more recent financial crisis has been in line with what typically occurs in most cycles.

So, keep in mind that the probability of a big upside or downside earnings surprise relative to expectations is quite small, at least in our opinion. Coming into this earnings season, most analysts were looking for a low single-digit range. So far, with less than 25 percent of companies in the S&P 500 reporting, earnings are up nearly 2 percent on a year-over-year basis. That is pretty much in line with our and Wall Street's expectations — nothing to get excited about.

That should sum up the first quarter earnings reporting season. It is doubtful overall earnings will come in five or 10 percentage points better or worse than the consensus estimate. And that is really what it would take to truly affect the stock market one way or the other. Analysts have gotten back on track now, as has company guidance — which is always cautious when the economy is falling off a cliff and the future is highly uncertain.

Sure, individual company stock prices will be volatile, as always, in the wake of their earnings releases, based on the magnitude of any deviation from the expected result. And a few of those big-name companies might even influence the overall stock market for a day or even two. But as the rebound in the major indices from last week's lows shows, investors are paying more attention to macroeconomic issues like valuations and global central banks' monetary policies.

Of course, "everyone" is still waiting for a pullback and some sideline money is jumping into the market on worries about missing more upside. These two factors alone are often a signal that the stock market is likely to trade higher in the near term. Easy money around the world and reasonable domestic valuations within a modest growth/modest inflation environment has created the foundation of this equity rally. One could tell from last week's trading action that there were plenty of investors chomping at the bit to take advantage of just about any pullback, even a shallow one.

Over the next few weeks, earnings will garner most of the headlines and much of the day-to-day discussion in the press. But investors seem comfortable with overall earnings growth that, while not spectacular by any stretch, is seemingly dependable and moving in the right direction. So, do not get hung up on the first quarter earnings season. Besides, earnings are a lagging indicator, not a leading one: they tell you what happened in the past. Instead, look at the macro issues likely to drive the market beyond the next quarter or two, because this earnings reporting season won't be a big deal for the stock market.

Past performance is no guarantee of future results. This article was produced April 23 by Scott Wren, Wells Fargo Advisors senior equity strategist, and provided courtesy of Bhupen Agrawal, managing director - branch manager of Wells Fargo Advisors' Midland office at 432-684-7335. Additional information is available upon request. The material contained herein has been prepared from sources and data we believe to be reliable, but we make no guarantee as to its accuracy or completeness.

PEACHY'S ANNOUNCES EXTENDED HOURS



Courtesy photo

Just Peachy, 505 Scurry, recently held a ribbon capping announcing it will be open from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday. The restaurant had previously been open for lunch only. The ribbon cutting was sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

Catch some knowledge with PBUWCD

STANTON — While West Texas has been in a severe drought the past two years, the little amount of rainfall received could have filled a rain barrel. One inch of rain on 1,000 square feet of rooftop area generates 600 gallons of water. Imagine the possibilities of capturing large amounts of water to store in your own personal rain barrel.

The Permian Basin Underground Water Conservation District will host a Rainwater Harvesting Demonstration and informational session May 16 from 5-6 p.m. A Master Gardener representative from Howard County will present the basics of rainwater harvesting and provide information on how to create a rain barrel.

Rainwater harvesting is a great practice in dry, arid regions because one heavy rain can fill a rain barrel. Stored rainwater can be used for landscape, small wildlife, indoor plants, fire protection or storm water management.

While the practice of rainwater harvesting is not commonly known, the benefits of capturing rain can make a posi-

tive difference on your outdoor water use. The event will take place at the PBUWCD office, 708 West Saint Peter St. in Stanton.

For more information, contact PBUWCD personnel at 432-756-2136 or email our education coordinator at savegroundwater@gmail.com. Come and catch some rain knowledge with us!

Rat meat sold as lamb in latest China scandal

BEIJING (AP) — Chinese police have broken up a criminal ring accused of taking meat from rats and foxes and selling it as lamb in the country's latest food safety scandal.

The Ministry of Public Security released results of a three-month crackdown on food safety violators, saying in a statement that authorities investigated more than 380 cases and arrested 904 suspects.

Among those arrested were 63 people who allegedly ran an operation in Shanghai and the coastal city of Wuxi that bought fox, mink, rat and other meat that had not been tested for quality and safety, processed it with additives like gelatin and passed it off as lamb.

The meat was sold to farmers' markets in Jiangsu province and Shanghai, it said.

Despite years of food scandals

— from milk contaminated with an industrial chemical to the use of industrial dyes in eggs — China has been unable to clean up its food supply chain.

The announcement came as China's top court on Friday issued guidelines calling for harsher punishment for making and selling unsafe food products in the latest response to tainted

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Warren Buffett says economy still improving slowly

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Investor Warren Buffett believes that the economy and the U.S. job market will continue to improve, but slowly.

In an interview that aired Friday, Buffett said business has been creeping upward at his Berkshire Hathaway conglomerate.

"The economy is improving, not at a rapid clip, but this country has done well since 2008 — certainly compared to the rest of the world," Buffett

said to CNBC.

Buffett thinks it would be extraordinary if the Federal Reserve were to expand its bond-buying program beyond the current \$85 billion a month level. The Fed said Wednesday that it would consider buying more if the economy needs help.

Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke needs some help from elsewhere to get the economy moving faster, Buffett said. Bernanke has urged Con-

gress to do more to stimulate hiring and growth.

On Saturday, Buffett was to take questions in front of more than 30,000 people at Berkshire's annual meeting.

In a separate interview with the Fox Business Network on Friday, Buffett tried to reassure Berkshire shareholders that they shouldn't worry about his successor.

The 82-year-old billionaire said he isn't concerned about who will next lead four com-

panies in which Berkshire invests nearly \$50 billion, such as Coca-Cola, IBM, Wells Fargo and American Express.

"I don't know who's going to succeed the present CEOs there and in every case, each one of the four they have changed CEOs since we started buying the stock in certain cases more than once," Buffett said.

"I never knew who they were going to be. I knew they'd pick good people."

Buffett said Berkshire's board spends more time discussing succession planning than any other topic.

But Buffett has no plans to retire. He has said Berkshire's board has picked someone to succeed him as CEO if the need arises immediately, and it has two backup candidates. But Buffett won't publicly identify his successor, partly because he has said the candidates could change over time.

Public Records

Howard County Justice of the Peace Outstanding IBC Warrants:
Sherri Monique Aldridge, 1507 E. Sixth St., Big Spring
Jordan Debreth Austin, 318 County Road 321, Abilene
Jose Manuel Avina, 1404 Nolan, Big Spring
Jessica Lynn Banks, CR 1200, Lubbock
Johnny Barraza, 429 Westover, Big Spring
Jennifer Leigh Black, 1405 E. Barton, Temple
William Riley Bounds, 1818 Corsicana, Dallas
Joe Ray Brown, 902 Hickory, Abilene
Cassie Christine Cantu, 1101 E. 12th St., Big Spring
Susan Cheyanee Cearley, 4104 Muir, Big Spring
Donald Cervantes, 1211 Lloyd, Big Spring
Trystan Taelor Cevallos, 3912 E. Hwy. 350, Big Spring
Kimberly Gaston Cogburn, 6697 Loop 106, San Antonio
Mathilda Cortez, 302 N. St. Teresa, Stanton
Jennifer R. Crow, 1714 Fort Worth, Brownwood
Julie E. Davis, 5202 Bangor Ave. Apt. K301, Lubbock
Stefan Deal, 102 Casie Ln. Apt. 1, Fort Worth
Manuel Delosrios, 707 Lorilla, Big Spring
Teana Demeny-Roberts, 5601 N. Service Rd., Big Spring
Michael Angelo Dorado, 2202 William Rd., Big Spring
Josephy James Eckert, 1123 Newhaven Trail, Pearland
Maria Luisa Elizondo, 603 S. Second, Meadow
Kristi L. Elliot, 603 E. 12th St., Big Spring
Brittany Vanessa Escanuela, 302 Circle, Big Spring
John Randall Evatt, 4301 W. 49th St. Apt. 329, Amarillo
Kristen Falcon, 2606 Fairchild, Big Spring
Sharlamarr Frink, 3723 Monclair, Odessa
Joey Lee Garcia, 3102 Ave. C, Snyder
Noel Garcia II, 1604 Robin, Big Spring
Pedro Garcia, 806 Johnson, Big Spring
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Frances Elena Yanez, 1610 Cardinal, Big Spring
James Edward Young, 3313 Auburn, Big Spring
Dennis Anthony Zaragoza, 4534 Sinclair, Big Spring

County Court Decisions:
Judgment and Sentence:
Devyn Elyse Jackman, driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension, \$500 fine, \$282 court costs, 20 days in jail.
Judgment and Sentence:
David Bryan Lownes, possession of marijuana - two ounces or less, \$706 fine, \$292 court costs, no jail time.
Judgment and Sentence:
Alex Ferrell Paredez, bail jumping and failure to appear, \$250 fine, \$332 court costs, 100 days in jail.
Judgment and Sentence:
James Dewayne Turnbo, evading arrest and detention, \$500 fine, \$282 court costs, 60 days in jail.
Probated Judgment:
Jolinda Flores, possession of marijuana - two ounces or less, \$750 fine, \$342 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, six months probation).
Judgment and Sentence:
Tyre Cole Watts, criminal trespass, \$500 fine, \$282 court costs, 45 days in jail.
Probated Judgment:
Andrew Jonathan Yanez, accident involving damage to a vehicle - \$200 or more, \$750 fine, \$332 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).
Probated Judgment:
Anita Valdez, theft of property - more than \$50 and less than \$500, \$250 fine, \$332 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).
Probated Judgment:
Angela Celeste Dugger, driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension, \$500 fine, \$282 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 6 months probation).
Probated Judgment:
Michael Dale Preston, driving while in-

toxicated - second offense, \$500 fine, \$457 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).
Probated Judgment:
Richard Glen Thurman, assault causing bodily injury - family violence, \$500 fine, \$332 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).
Judgment and Sentence:
Elaine Davidson Griffin, theft of property - more than \$50 and less than \$500, \$100 fine, \$332 court costs, 45 days in jail.
Judgment and Sentence:
Tyre Cole Watts, possession of marijuana - two ounces or less, \$500 fine, \$342 court costs, 45 days in jail.
Probated Judgment:
Kenneth Alan Potter, driving while intoxicated, \$750 fine, \$457 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 6 months probation).
Probated Judgment:
Rosendo Deanda, unlawfully carrying a weapon, \$500 fine, \$282 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).
Probated Judgment:
Joshua Steven Walker, driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension, \$500 fine, \$282 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).
Probated Judgment:
Priscilla Leann Torres, resisting arrest, search or transportation, \$250 fine, \$282 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).

District Court Filings:
Martin Rodriguez vs. JoAnn T. Rodriguez, divorce.
Stephanie G. Norton vs. Rex R. Norton, divorce.
State of Texas vs. Steven Paul Riordan, forfeiture.
Marie H. Pulver vs. Randy Sparks, civil.
Garner Pump Supply vs. Richland Resources Corp., accounts, notes and contracts.
Clinton Lee Hunter vs. Ella Jane Hunter, divorce.
Alfred Ray Miears vs. Marcus Paul Neal, civil.
Henry Franco vs. Lisa A. Franco, divorce.

Marriage Licenses:
Ralph A. White, 42, and Lara J. Turman, 37, city and state not provided.
Raymond C. Hollis, 77, of Big Spring, and Margaret O. Conaway, 75, of Katy.
Marc Todd Nieman, 46, and Emma Requeso, 55, both of Louisville, Tenn.
Casey Dale Huitt, 25, and Lucia Yanez, 25, both of Big Spring.
Johnathan Michael Volker, 26, and Ashli Renie McDiffitt, 27, both of Big Spring.

Warranty Deeds:
Grantor: Vianey Jaimas
Grantee: Patricia Mejia
Property: Lots 4-7, Block 3, Original Town of Big Spring
Date: March 11, 2013

Grantor: Maria Ramirez Gonzalez
Grantee: Antonio Zavala and Maria Zavala
Property: Part of Lot 4, Block 18, Cedar Crest Addition
Date: March 11, 2013

Grantor: John Michael Osborne and Anna Osborne
Grantee: Steve Bingham and Debi Bingham
Property: The E/2 of Lot 3, Block 1, Reynolds Addition
Date: March 8, 2013

Grantor: Agustin V. Gaitan Sr.
Grantee: Jerry McGuire and Teresa McGuire
Property: The N/90 feet of Lot 1, Block 30, Cole & Strayhorn Addition
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Grantee: Cetus Operating LLC
Property: A 2.22-acre tract out of Section 31, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: April 3, 2013

Grantor: Jeremiah Torres and Randi Torres
Grantee: Zhi Xiong Liu and Kam Sing Wong
Property: Lot 9, Block 2, Whip-poorwill Hill
Date: April 1, 2013

Grantor: Ana Garces
Grantee: Mary Gracia
Property: Lot 4, Block 2, Mesa
Date: March 28, 2013

Grantor: Ana Garces
Grantee: Mary Gracia
Property: Lot 5, Block 2, Mesa
Date: March 28, 2013

Grantor: Toby J. Green and Tara Green
Grantee: Kenneth Lane and Sue Lane
Property: Lot 14, Block 3, Washington Place
Date: March 28, 2013

Grantor: Kenneth Walker
Grantee: Harry Gopaliji
Property: Lot 3, Block 20, Boydston Addition

Date: March 28, 2013
Grantor: Kenneth Walker
Grantee: Harry Gopaliji
Property: Lot 4, Block 20, Boydston Addition
Date: March 28, 2013

Grantor: Brian Hawes and Catherine Hawes
Grantee: Horace E. Tubb
Property: An 8-acre tract out of Section 46, Block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: March 28, 2013

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Grantee: Horace E. Tubb
Property: A tract out of Section 105, Block 29, W&NW RR Co. Survey
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Warranty Deeds with Vendor's Lien:
Grantor: Thomas Eugene Minding
Grantee: Carl Reynolds
Property: Lot 42, Block 1, Capeheart Addition
Date: April 1, 2013
Grantor: Joshua Szafran
Grantee: Miguel Angel Garcia Jr.
Property: A 0.54-acre tract out of Section 45, Block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: April 1, 2013

Grantor: Joann Davis and Janet Hilbers
Grantee: Amber L. Ritz
Property: Lot 1, Block 2, Stanford Park
Date: March 28, 2013
Grantor: Roxann Rich
Grantee: Carroll C. Kohl
Property: Lot 1, Block 5, College Park Estates
Date: March 28, 2013

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

A Major Catastrophe

East dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A K 6
♥ J 5 4 3
♦ Q 7
♣ J 9 8

EAST
♠ Q 10 9 8 7
♥ K 8 7 2
♦ K 6
♣ K 3

WEST
♠ 4 3
♥ A 10 6
♦ A 10 8 4 3
♣ A 10 6

SOUTH
♥ J 5 2
♦ Q 9
♠ J 9 5 2
♣ 7 5 4 2

The bidding:
East Pass South Pass West 1♦ Pass North Pass Pass Pass
Opening lead — two of clubs.
This deal occurred in a national team-of-four championship. Nothing much happened at the first table, where East got to one spade and made three, +140, with normal play.
But at the second table, where East's teammates held the North-South cards, South wound up as the declarer at one spade! Here the bidding went:

East	South	West	North
Pass	Pass	1♦	Dble
Redble	1♠	Pass	Pass
Dble	Pass	Pass	Pass

Tomorrow: Famous Hand.
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SCANDAL

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food scandals that have angered the public.
The Supreme People's Court said the guidelines will list as crimes specific acts such as the sale of food excessively laced with chemicals or made from animals that have died from disease

or unknown causes.
China's penal code, which forbids unsafe and poisonous food, does not specify what acts are considered in violation of the law.
Adulterating baby food so that it severely lacks nutrition is also punishable as a crime under the guidelines. Negligent government food inspectors are also

targeted for criminal punishment.
The supreme court said 2,088 people have been prosecuted in 2010-2012 in 1,533 food safety cases. It said the number of such cases has grown exponentially in the past several years. For example, Chinese courts prosecuted 861 cases of poisonous food in 2012, compared to 80

cases in 2010.
"The situation is really grave and has indeed caused great harm to the people," Pei Xianding, a supreme court judge, told a news conference.
"We cannot tolerate it any longer. We must punish the criminals severely, or we cannot answer to our people," Pei said.

Sudoku Answer on Page 3B

sudoku

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

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

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Legals

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Legals

Request for Competitive Proposals
As Construction Manager for Forsan ISD, Buford-Thompson Company will be receiving competitive proposals from subcontractors for the Forsan ISD New Field House on May 16, 2013. The scope, in general, consists of a new, detached, approximately 9,520 field house. Competitive proposals will be received by Buford-Thompson Company, 1450 N. Jim Wright Freeway, White Settlement, Texas until 2:00 p.m., on Thursday, May 16, 2013 via email to Jimmy Birdwell at jbirdwell@buford-thompson.com or fax (817-467-5619) if necessary. Late proposals will not be accepted. The complete bidding documents for this project are available in electronic, downloadable format for subcontractor and supplier use in preparing proposals for this project from the Gill Repographics website- www.gillrepro.com (user name is = btc and the password is = secret). Bid documents may also be obtained from Buford-Thompson, 1450 N. Jim Wright Freeway, White Settlement, Texas 76108, 817-467-4981, free of charge upon receipt of a refundable deposit, by check, made payable to Buford-Thompson Company, in the amount of \$150.00 for each set. Plan holders that do not return plans within two weeks of bid date, in usable condition, will forfeit the deposit. To request a free CD of the plans and specifications, or to be added to our vendor list for email notifications of addenda, please e-mail Jimmy Birdwell at jbirdwell@buford-thompson.com or Keith Ruffner at kruffner@buford-thompson.com. Proposal Package Manuals will be available on the Gill Repographics website. BTC is not responsible for partial information obtained from other bidding websites or plans rooms. Addenda will be posted on the Gill Repographics website only. It is the responsibility of the bidders to obtain all of the addenda. A pre-proposal meeting will be held on Thursday, May 9, 2013 at 2:00 PM at the Forsan ISD Administration Office, 411 West 6th Street, Forsan, TX 79733 for all interested proposers. All interested parties are to check in at the office of the Superintendent of Schools and will be directed to the meeting room. A brief discussion of the project along with the contractual requirements will be conducted with a site visit immediately following the meeting. This pre-proposal meeting is not mandatory but highly recommended and all proposers are responsible for any information discussed during the meeting. #7762 April 28 & May 5, 2013

Legals

Notice of Public Sale Pursuant to Chapter 59, Texas Property Code, AAA Mini Storage which is located at 3301 E. FM 700 Big Spring, TX 79720 will hold a public auction of property being sold to satisfy a landlord's lien. Sale will be at 11:00 o'clock A.M. on May 18th, 2013, at AAA Mini Storage, 3301 East FM 700, Big Spring, TX 79720. Property being sold includes contents in spaces of following tenants. #03 Jennifer Collett #32 Apolinario Prieto #80 Randy Sparks #92 Frances McKiski #309 Brittany Gaston #19 Brittany Gaston #41 Terry Wilcox #188 Jessica Reyes #268 Grace Flynt #99 Melissa Volker #7770 May 5 & 12, 2013

Legals

Notice of Public Sale Pursuant to Chapter 59, Texas Property Code, Great Dane Storage located at 1510 W. 4th St Big Spring, TX 79720 will hold a public auction of property being sold to satisfy a landlord's lien. Sale will be at 10:30 o'clock AM on May 25th, 2013 at Great Dane Storage. Property being sold includes household contents and tools in the spaces of tenant: Fernando G. De Hoyos #7764 May 5 & 12, 2013

Newsday Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Head
- 5 Onetime Peggy Fleming employer
- 15 Absorbed by
- 16 Builder of America's first copper mill
- 17 Day ___
- 18 Made a mess, maybe
- 19 It may be underfoot
- 20 Augers
- 21 Brass band, e.g.
- 22 Large bowl
- 24 Boiling
- 26 Name for the nameless
- 27 Cleaning conveniences
- 29 Mag that went online only in 2011
- 31 Trap opening
- 32 Certain shopkeepers
- 36 Actress who got an Honorary Oscar in '94
- 37 Fatty acid source
- 38 Fatty acid product
- 42 Pulitzer play for 1938
- 44 Cooling-off area
- 45 First Reality Primetime Emmy winner
- 48 Comedic inspiration
- 50 "When Nature ___ great masterpiece designed...": Burns
- 51 Withdrew, with "out"
- 55 Topples
- 56 Itinerary details

DOWN

- 1 "Politics is the art of the possible" source
- 2 Out early
- 3 Exam administrator
- 4 It sounds the same as Morse's VTB
- 5 In itself: Lat.
- 6 Resort developed by Augustus
- 7 Giant of 18th-century math
- 8 ___ Cluck (Daisy Duck pal)
- 9 O'Keeffe, circa 1908
- 10 Most preferred
- 11 Maintain
- 12 Laugh at
- 13 Earlier
- 14 Water chestnut and sawgrass
- 20 Flutter
- 23 "You can count on me"
- 25 Most significantly, in texting
- 28 Term coined by Ericsson in '97
- 30 Capital SSE of Miami

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- 33 Key that doesn't work by itself
- 34 Opposite of "hence"
- 35 Sticks refusal
- 39 Dispersant target
- 40 "Fatti per volare alto" sloganer
- 41 Panasonic product
- 43 ___ show
- 45 #1 in all-time Olympic gold
- 46 Freshen up your plants
- 47 Farsighted one
- 49 Take all of
- 52 All of it
- 53 Powerful group
- 54 Takes the plunge
- 57 Arch support
- 59 Bitter ender
- 62 More than a millennium ago
- 63 Real blast

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2013 SUMMER MOVIE PREVIEW



Iron Man 3 May 3

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The lowdown: The summer-movie season often launches with a pre-sold franchise, and especially after Robert Downey Jr.'s teaming with other superhero portrayers in last year's juggernaut "Marvel's The Avengers," you can't get much more pre-sold than this. And with (apparently) a 140-minute running time, the picture should pour on all the expected elements to guarantee any fan of such adventures a good time. Tony Stark and his ironclad alter ego get a new enemy in the Mandarin (Oscar winner Ben Kingsley, whose

presence all but guarantees some mighty fine acting here), and the trailers have indicated that Pepper Potts (Gwyneth Paltrow) will be in more direct peril than ever ... just the thing to make an Iron Man suit up for action again. Though Jon Favreau has relinquished the directing reins for this round, he's still linked to the project, reprising the role of Happy Hogan.

The cast: Robert Downey Jr., Gwyneth Paltrow, Don Cheadle, Ben Kingsley, Rebecca Hall, Guy Pearce, Paul Bettany, William Sadler, (reportedly) Marvel Comics creative icon Stan Lee

(Reported by Jay Bobbin, ©Tribune Media Services)

The lowdown: If you've dreamed of experiencing legendary novelist F. Scott Fitzgerald's world in 3D, this will be your summer. The 1920s-set tale of the mysterious and wealthy Jay Gatsby (now played by Leonardo DiCaprio), his love for the married Daisy Buchanan (Carey Mulligan), and the go-between they have in Nick Carraway (Tobey Maguire) – Gatsby's neighbor and Daisy's cousin – has intrigued readers and moviegoers for the better part of the past century, as indicated by previous film versions of this story. Anyone

who's ever wanted to feel like part of the party will have a better chance than ever, thanks to the three-dimensional technology ... which has had more time to be massaged, given filmmaker Baz Luhrmann's accident on the picture's Australian set that contributed to the pushing back of the movie's release from Christmas 2012. DiCaprio's mystique would seem to make him a fine successor to past Gatsbys including Alan Ladd and Robert Redford.

The cast: Leonardo DiCaprio, Tobey Maguire, Carey Mulligan, Joel Edgerton, Isla Fisher, Jason Clarke, Adelaide Clemens, Gemma Ward



The Great Gatsby May 10

(Reported by Jay Bobbin, ©Tribune Media Services)

The lowdown: You'd probably have to be a crew member aboard the starship Enterprise to get many advance details about this much-anticipated follow-up to the durable sci-fi franchise's reboot, again done under the guidance of J.J. Abrams, who's about to cross over onto "Star Wars" turf. Four years later – in movie-release time, at least – the newer incarnations of the "Trek" characters follow Kirk (Chris Pine) on his quest to find an enemy

evidently connected to the decimation of Starfleet. Devotees should be pleased to find more new faces added in familiar roles, as with Alice Eve as Dr. Carol Marcus. And Benedict Cumberbatch ("Sherlock") as ... well, there was no confirmation as of this writing, but a lot of bets were riding on his playing the villainous Khan.

The cast: Chris Pine, Zachary Quinto, Karl Urban, Zoe Saldana, Anton Yelchin, Simon Pegg, John Cho, Benedict Cumberbatch, Peter Weller, Bruce Greenwood, Alice Eve, Heather Langenkamp



Star Trek Into Darkness May 17

(Reported by Jay Bobbin, ©Tribune Media Services)

The lowdown: Exactly how does rough-and-tough Letty (Michelle Rodriguez) come back from the dead? That's the main question we have about this newest chapter in the literally high-octane action series, since the ads have made no secret about her return after her supposed demise in 2009's "Fast & Furious." Director Justin Lin executed an impressive – and hugely profitable – change-up of the franchise's approach in "Fast Five," so it's little surprise he's in charge again. This time, the pedal-to-the-metal team reunites to stop

a rival squad of fearless drivers whose intentions are much more sinister. And wouldn't you just know Letty is a member ... which should lead to a jaw-dropping moment for her former love Dom (Vin Diesel, also one of the picture's producers) that, frankly, we can't wait to see. Certain to up the action quotient even more this time is genre staple Jason Statham.

The cast: Vin Diesel, Paul Walker, Jordana Brewster, Michelle Rodriguez, Dwayne Johnson, Tyrese Gibson, Ludacris, Jason Statham, Luke Evans, Gina Carano, Shea Whigham



Fast & Furious May 24

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The lowdown: When you consider the enormous and (at the time, anyway) enormously surprising success of the original "Hangover," it's no shock that its studio would want to parlay it into additional chapters and profits. The catch is that "The Hangover" wasn't envisioned as an ongoing franchise, so keeping the sequels original – while still delivering the familiar goods – has been tricky, but it's notable that there's apparently no bachelor party or wedding involved this time.

Director Todd Phillips and much of the original cast are back, and it can't hurt that Bradley Cooper has been an Oscar nominee since his last "Hangover" ... plus, Melissa McCarthy is on board now, and this type of raunch-infused humor is right up her alley. However, series creators Jon Lucas and Scott Moore didn't write this one, and that could be good or bad.

The cast: Bradley Cooper, Zach Galifianakis, Ed Helms, Ken Jeong, Justin Bartha, Jamie Chung, Mike Tyson (as himself again), Melissa McCarthy, John Goodman, Heather Graham, Jeffrey Tambor



The Hangover Part III May 24

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The lowdown: "The Sixth Sense" was such a stunningly original movie, with a final twist that relatively few people saw coming, filmmaker M. Night Shyamalan has had a hard time duplicating the effect on audiences ever since. He's taken a bit of a break since his last directing effort – the disastrously reviewed "The Last Airbender" – and staked his current fortunes on a father-son team previously proven potent, Will and Jaden Smith. Their characters in the story have the same

relationship, but a good many years from now, when their bid at resolving their estrangement ends up stranding them on the largely deserted Earth of the distant future. The elder man is critically injured in their craft's crash landing, forcing the younger one to embark on a solo quest to summon help. Don't count out young Jaden as someone who can hold the screen on his own when necessary; he was pretty effective, both in acting terms and at the box office, as the updated "Karate Kid."

The cast: Will Smith, Jaden Smith, Zoe Kravitz, David Denman, Glenn Morshower



After Earth May 31

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The lowdown: How many times can Superman be reinvented on film? Apparently, as many times as Warner Bros. cares to do it. After a couple of television series, one movie franchise and an attempt to start another, the company again puts a new sheen on the saga of Krypton's favorite son. Henry Cavill ("The Tudors") is the latest actor to don the cape and tights – and, as Metropolis-based alter ego Clark Kent, the business suit and spectacles – as director Zack Snyder and writer

David S. Goyer ("The Dark Knight Rises") take what looks to be a grim slant on the legend. If you don't know Cavill, you'll certainly recognize many of the players who surround him ... from Russell Crowe as our hero's father Jor-El and Kevin Costner and Diane Lane as adoptive parents Jonathan and Martha Kent, to Amy Adams as Lois Lane and Laurence Fishburne as Perry White.

The cast: Henry Cavill, Russell Crowe, Kevin Costner, Diane Lane, Amy Adams, Laurence Fishburne, Christopher Meloni, Michael Shannon, Ayelet Zurer, Richard Schiff



Man of Steel June 14

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The lowdown: To his credit, Brad Pitt hasn't always made the easiest choices in his film work – "Seven Years in Tibet"? "The Assassination of Jesse James by the Coward Robert Ford"? – but if he's looking to furnish a summer blockbuster, pitting (pardon the pun) himself against a world of zombies is a surefire way to go. The adaptation of Max Brooks' novel casts him as a United Nations worker trying to keep his own family safe from an onslaught by the undead, while also taking a

larger global view in trying to figure out how to stop the mass assault. In the director's chair, indie-film veteran Marc Forster also is an interesting choice for this; then again, he's also sampled the world of James Bond ("Quantum of Solace"). Reportedly, Pitt and Forster didn't always see eye-to-eye here; however, as long as its villains put on the bite effectively and humanity triumphs in the end, it's all good.

The cast: Brad Pitt, Mireille Enos, Matthew Fox, David Morse, James Badge Dale, David Andrews, Eric West



World War Z June 21

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The lowdown: Getting this movie into production was about as much of an adventure as anything the finished product could put on the screen. The film almost was derailed totally when Disney wanted to contain the intended budget ... but in the end, Johnny Depp stuck with his "Pirates of the Caribbean" director Gore Verbinski, so the actor now adds loyal companion Tonto to his ever-growing list of unexpected characters. The heroic John Reid, aka The Lone Ranger, is played by Arnie Hammer (with only one role to worry

about this time, after portraying the twin brothers in "The Social Network" with assists from another actor's body and some great visual trickery). In a similar vein as the "Pirates" offerings, expect stunts designed to leave you laughing and gasping simultaneously, with antics atop a moving train among them. Whether this will revive the Western genre overall, though, is another story – as usual these days.

The cast: Johnny Depp, Arnie Hammer, Tom Wilkinson, Helena Bonham Carter, Barry Pepper, William Fichtner, James Frain, James Badge Dale



The Lone Ranger July 5

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The lowdown: If you're familiar with "Pan's Labyrinth" or even the past winter's chiller "Mama" (which he executive-produced), you know Guillermo del Toro who often relies on startling and downright scary visuals to carry his fantasy ideas forward. Just imagine, then, what he can do with a story that finds invading aliens opposed by huge robots that are guided by pilots. Yes, indeed, that does set the mind whirling. Two staples of television's "Sons of Anarchy" – Charlie

Hunnam and Ron Perlman – are among the humans caught up in the battle, as are Idris Elba and Charlie Day ("Horrible Bosses"). And if any movie this summer virtually screams "3D" and "IMAX" in terms of viewing options to take advantage of if possible, this would appear to be the one. However, stay aware that del Toro doesn't stint on visuals that are gruesome as well as artistic, so do some double-thinking on having a big dinner before taking this in.

The cast: Charlie Hunnam, Ron Perlman, Idris Elba, Charlie Day, Clifton Collins Jr., Rinko Kikuchi, Max Martini, Larry Joe Campbell



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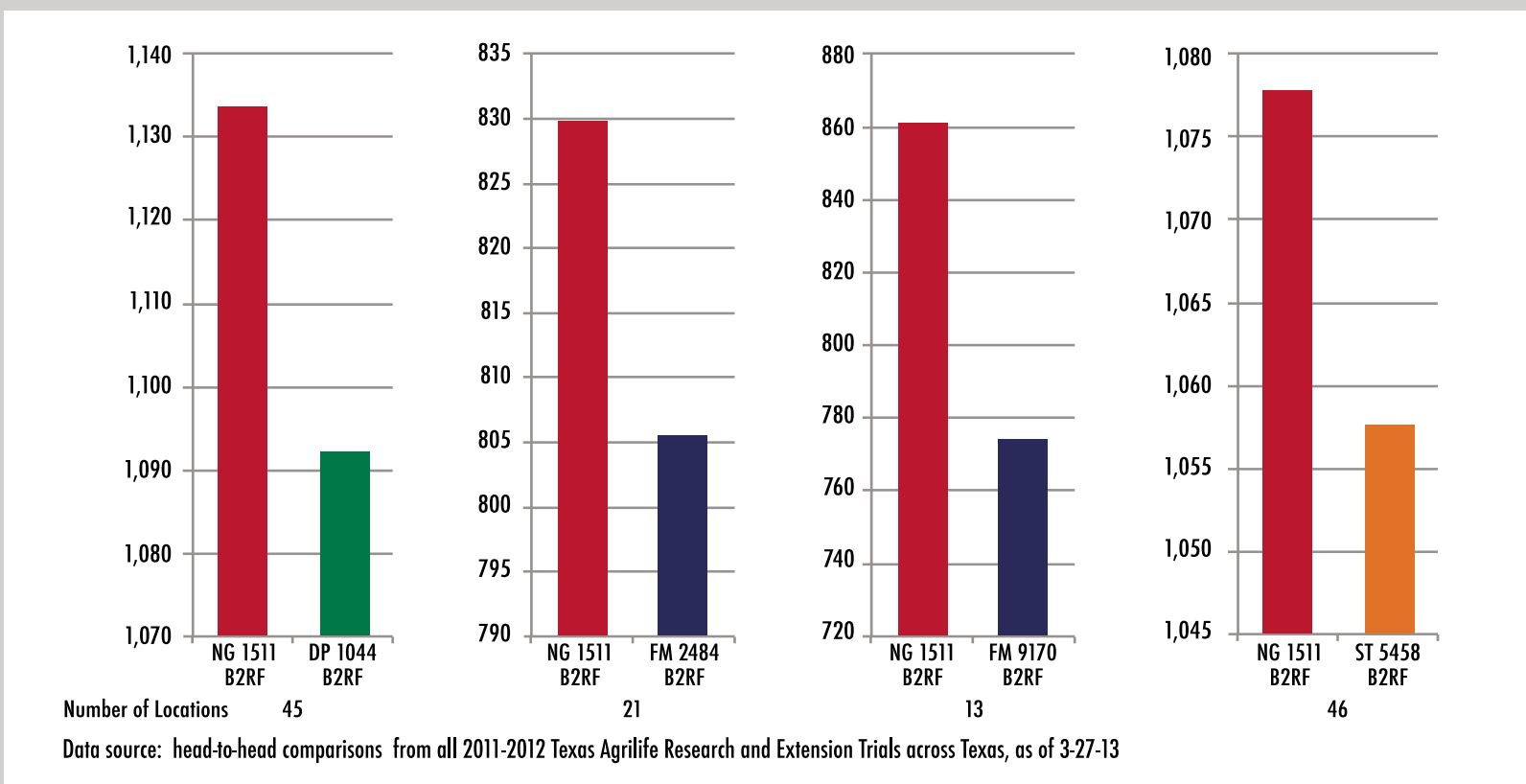


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