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## Hijacking thwarted, one in custody

*Police officer, pickup owner stop man from getting away*

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
 Staff Writer

A Dallas man is in custody facing serious charges after law enforcement officials say he attempted to car-jack a vehicle at the Murphy USA gas station in the Walmart SuperCenter parking lot Tuesday morning.

**Byron Shedd**, 29, was arrested and charged with aggravated robbery, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and evading arrest near the local gas station — located in the 200 block of W. Marcy — and booked into the

Howard County Detention Center.

According to Sgt. Tony Everett, public information officer of the Big Spring Police Department, Shedd was spotted at approximately 10:30 a.m. pulling into the McDonalds restaurant near the intersection of U.S. Highway 87 and FM 700 in a vehicle that had been reported stolen.

"Lt. Robert Fitzgibbons (of the BSPD) observed a white Pontiac at the intersection of Wasson Road and FM 700," Everett said. "The vehicle had been reported stolen in Big Spring on May 18. Fitz-



Lt. Fitzgibbons



**Big Spring police officers and EMS work the scene of an attempted hijacking in the Walmart parking lot Tuesday. A 29-year-old Dallas man is in custody for the crime.**

HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins

gibbons was in an unmarked police car and followed the stolen vehicle as it pulled into the McDonalds parking lot. As the vehicle parked, Fitzgibbons pulled behind it and activated his emergency lights."

Everett said the suspect fled on foot, crossing U.S.

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## Moore: How to help

**Herald Staff Report**

The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce is helping several Community Angels in collecting requested items needed by the Moore, Okla., residents.

A tornado Monday killed at least 24 people, destroyed countless homes and flattened an elementary school, killing seven children inside.

Items needed include:  
 Toothpaste  
 Toothbrushes  
 New baby bottles  
 Sealed dry formula

- Soap
  - Laundry detergent
  - New towels
  - Pillows
  - Gloves
  - Dust masks
  - Sunscreen
  - Trash bags
  - Baby items (no clothes)
  - Water
  - Gatorade
  - 5 gallon buckets with lids
  - Dry dog food
  - Dry cat food
  - Toiletries for men and women
- There are several dropoff locations. They include:  
 Big Spring Chamber offices at 215 W. Third; Life Church at 1004 Johnson; Family Faith Center executive building at 810 11th Place; Sugar's Bar at 3430 E. Interstate 20 (corner of I-20 and E. FM 700); and Crossroads Saloon, S. U.S. Highway 87, past Walmart.
- Items will be delivered this weekend. The Chamber and churches will be taking items through 5 p.m. Thursday, Sugar's Bar and the Crossroads Saloon will accept items through Friday.
- If you need more information, call the Chamber office at 263-7641.

## Sands to hold graduation Friday

By **STEVE REAGAN**  
 Staff Writer

**ACKERLY** — Jennifer Renee Franco and Preston Zant will lead the Sands High School Class of 2013 when it holds graduation exercises Friday.

Franco, the daughter of Patricia Franco and the late Sonny Franco, is class valedictorian with a grade point average of 94.92. She is a member of the National Honor Society and student council and was a regional qualifier in UIL academics this year.

In athletics, she was active in basketball, track and cross-country.

She plans to attend Midland College in the fall and study diagnostic medical sonography.

Zant, the son of Scott and Michelle Zant, is class salutatorian with a GPA of 93.76. He was a member of the NHS, student council and Future Farmers of America.

His extra-curricular achievements include being a state qualifier in number sense and being named academic all-state in both football and basketball.



Franco



Zant

In athletics, he was earned all-district recognition in football, basketball and track.

He will enroll in South Plains College in the fall with a dual major in business administration and agricultural and applied economics.

Members of the Sands High School Class of 2013 are Alexia Robles, Ismael Martinez, Canessa Gonzales, Jennifer Franco, Preston Zant.

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## What's going on in Big Spring?

**Friday Messin' With The Masters**  
 Messin' With The Masters, featuring interpretations of the old masters by local artists, will open Friday at the Heritage Museum with a wine and cheese reception from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Featured artists include Estelle Howard, Kay Smith, Linda Rupard-Irvin, Leada Wood, Sue Bagwell and Carole Berry.

**Moon-Light Rave Run**  
 The first of three Moon-Light Rave Runs will begin at 11:55 p.m. Friday in Big Spring State Park atop Scenic Mountain. Upcoming runs in the series will be held June 21 and Aug. 23.

Entry fee for the popular nighttime runs are \$20 each; however anyone signing up for all three pays just \$40. They also receive a high visibility green running shirt. Register online at www.permianbasinevents.com.

## NTSB to release documents on train-float collision

MIDLAND, Texas (AP) — The agency looking into last year's train collision that killed four veterans on a parade float is set to release documents from its investigation.

A release from the National

Transportation Safety Board says the documents will be released today on the agency's website. They will include interview transcripts, photographs and other documents.

On Nov. 15, the veterans were riding on a flatbed truck

hit by a Union Pacific freight train at a Midland crossing. The truck was the second parade float and part of a weekend for veterans wounded in Afghanistan and Iraq and their wives.

Most of the couples on the

float are suing Union Pacific, alleging negligence.

Investigators say the float began crossing the tracks even though warning bells were sounding and crossing lights were flashing.

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## Obituaries

## Thomas R. Shirley

Thomas R. Shirley, 81, of Kingsland, formerly of Big Spring, died Saturday, May 18, 2013, at the Windchime at the Village in Kingsland. Graveside funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, May 23, 2013, at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park with the Rev. James "Jakie" Shirley, Tom's brother, officiating.

Tom will lie in state at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home from Tuesday until service time Thursday.

Tom was born Sept. 4, 1931, in Big Spring, Texas, to Hollis and Mary (Robinson) Shirley. He grew up in the Sand Springs area and graduated from Coahoma High School. He married Lorraine Elizabeth Ludwig Aug. 8, 1951, in Great Falls, Mont., where he was stationed with the U.S. Air Force. They moved back to Big Spring in 1952 and he worked at Cosden/Fina Refinery until his retirement in 1986.

Tom and Lorraine then moved to Kingsland, Texas, in 2008. Tom was a Master Mason and a member of Staked Plains Lodge 598, AF & AM of Big Spring. Tom and Lorraine enjoyed 20 years of retirement together traveling in their RV to see relatives in Missouri, Montana, Washington, Texas and Arizona. An outdoorsman, Tom enjoyed deer hunting, Gulf Coast fishing, gardening and woodworking. He was an excellent gardener and enjoyed sharing the fruits of his labor with family and friends. His grandchildren have many fond memories of helping their Grandpa in his garden. Tom loved sharing his woodworking shop and abilities with his son and son-in-law. He also enjoyed music and his

collection of musical instruments included guitar, fiddles, banjo, mandolin, keyboard and bass fiddle.

Pallbearers will be Tom J. Shirley, Steve Fraser, Randy Law, Matthew Fraser, Taylor Fraser and Blair Nutting.

Survivors include two daughters, Mary Anne Law and husband Randy of Agency, Mo., and Karen Fraser and husband Steve of Kingsland; one son, Tom J. Shirley and wife Lori of Richmond; 11 grandchildren, Kristi Bongers and husband Peter of San Diego, Calif., Valerie Law of Overland Park, Kan., Matthew Fraser and wife Whitney of Austin; Lauren Nutting and husband Blair of San Antonio, Taylor Fraser of Fredericksburg, and Payton Shirley, Pierson Shirley, Berkley Shirley, Connor Corpron, McKenna Corpron, and Calie Corpron, all of Richmond; three great-grandchildren, Nicholas Law Bongers and Brooklyn Marie Bongers of San Diego, Calif., and Olivia Lorraine Nutting of San Antonio; one brother, the Rev. James "Jakie" Shirley and wife Dottie of Salado, Texas; and one brother-in-law, Al Goodson of Texas City, Texas.

Tom was preceded in death by his wife; his parents; one sister, Ovella Goodson; and one brother, Don Shirley.

The family would like to thank the staff and aides of Windchime At the Village, 216 Covenant Dr, Kingsland, TX 78639 and the Seton Highland Lakes Hospice, P.O. Box 1219, Burnet, TX, 78611. The family suggests memorials to these organizations or the charity of your choice.

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*

## Mary Bernice "Bun" Cason

Mary Bernice "Bun" Cason, 93, of Big Spring, died Sunday, May 19, 2013, at her residence. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, May 23, 2013, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Bill Ivins, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 22, 2013, at the funeral home.

Bernice was born Aug. 10, 1919, in Durant, Okla. She worked for the USDA Soil Conservation Service for 69 years. She was a member of the Big

Spring Genealogical Society and was an outstanding artist.

She was as a member of First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include one brother, W. L. "Sam" Cason of Big Spring; several cousins; and a host of friends.

Bernice was preceded in death by her parents, William Lawrence Sr. and Ethyl Louise (Taylor) Cason; two sisters, Nina Vickery and Loraine Cason; and a nephew, Kenton Cason Vickery.

The family suggests memorials be made to the First United Methodist Church, P. O. Drawer 1229, Big Spring, TX 79721-1229.

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*

## Dorothy Helen Stanley

Dorothy Helen Stanley, 87, of Midland, formerly of Big Spring, died Tuesday, May 21, 2013, in a Midland nursing home. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, May 24, 2013, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Ken McMeans officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, May 23, 2013, at the funeral home.

She was born May 2, 1926, in Big Spring, Texas,

and married John R. Stanley May 11, 1946, in Big Spring, Texas. He preceded her in death April 5, 1996.

Dorothy had worked for the Howard County Tax Assessor/Collector and the First National Bank. She then worked for T&P Federal Credit Union, where she retired as president after 21 years.

She was a member of College Baptist Church.

Survivors include one daughter, Cindy Kellough and husband Ron of Midland; four grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents.




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## Mathew Ryan Hernandez

Mathew Ryan Hernandez, infant son of Marie and Manuel Hernandez, died Saturday, May 18, 2013, in Lubbock. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

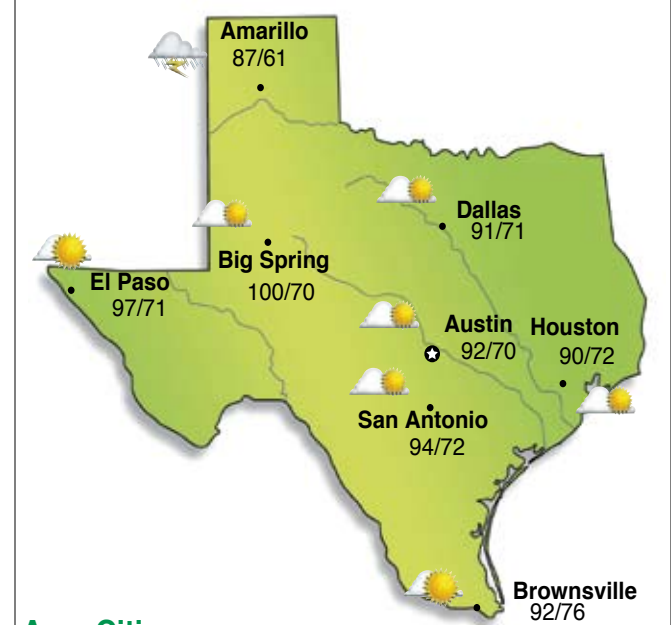
## Today's Weather

## Local 3-Day Forecast

Thu 5/23	Fri 5/24	Sat 5/25
		
<b>100/70</b> Intervals of clouds and sunshine. Very hot. High around 100F. Winds SSE at 20 to 30 mph.	<b>90/68</b> Partly cloudy with a stray thunderstorm. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the upper 60s.	<b>90/66</b> Partly cloudy. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the mid 60s.
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## Texas At A Glance



## Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	96	70	windy	Kingsville	93	75	pt sunny
Amarillo	87	61	t-storm	Livingston	92	68	mst sunny
Austin	92	70	pt sunny	Longview	91	69	pt sunny
Beaumont	89	70	mst sunny	Lubbock	92	62	pt sunny
Brownsville	92	76	mst sunny	Lufkin	93	70	mst sunny
Brownwood	96	70	mst sunny	Midland	98	71	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	89	76	pt sunny	Raymondville	93	75	pt sunny
Corsicana	89	70	mst sunny	Rosenberg	90	72	pt sunny
Dallas	91	71	pt sunny	San Antonio	94	72	pt sunny
Del Rio	99	76	mst sunny	San Marcos	93	71	pt sunny
El Paso	97	71	mst sunny	Sulphur Springs	89	69	pt sunny
Fort Stockton	97	67	pt sunny	Sweetwater	97	69	windy
Gainesville	88	67	pt sunny	Tyler	93	70	pt sunny
Greenville	89	68	pt sunny	Weatherford	90	69	mst sunny
Houston	90	72	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	93	67	pt sunny

## National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	84	60	pt sunny	Minneapolis	68	43	sunny
Boston	76	63	t-storm	New York	73	65	t-storm
Chicago	53	39	rain	Phoenix	94	67	windy
Dallas	91	71	pt sunny	San Francisco	59	50	sunny
Denver	68	52	pt sunny	Seattle	62	46	rain
Houston	90	72	pt sunny	St. Louis	68	48	pt sunny
Los Angeles	72	57	sunny	Washington, DC	81	64	t-storm
Miami	86	74	t-storm				

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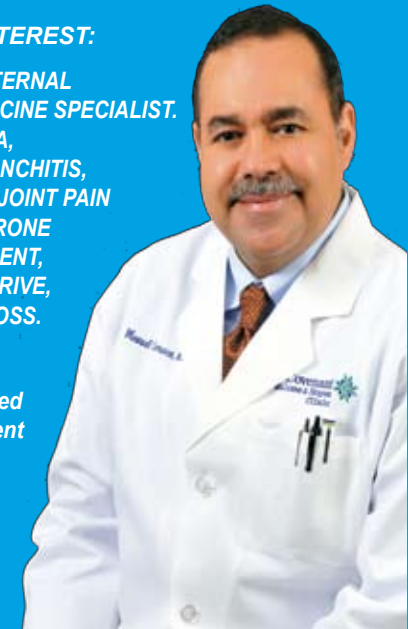
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## Police/Sheriff

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. May 21, 2013 and 7 a.m. today:

• RICHARD LEE OLIVAS, 26, of 1600 Donley, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.

• BYRON DELOREAN SHEDD, 30, of 1319 Harding was arrested Tuesday on charges of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, evading arrest/deten-

tion and aggravated robbery.

• BRANDON JOE ROBINSON, 27, of 1317 Elm St., was arrested Tuesday on two warrants from another agency.

• JAMIE JONES CHAPPELL, 36, of 1200 Madison St., was arrested Tuesday on charges of driving while intoxicated with a blood alcohol level

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## NEW LISTING!

# State briefs: Drug testing for unemployment passes Texas House

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Texas House has approved a bill that allows the state to drug test unemployment applicants. But Democrats successfully used a parade of stalling tactics to run out the clock on a similar measure mandating such screening for welfare applicants.

Rep. Brandon Creighton, R-Conroe, sponsored the proposal approved late Tuesday night. It would require applicants to answer a questionnaire to see whether they are at risk of abusing drugs. If there is reasonable suspicion, the Texas Workforce Commission would require a drug test.

Creighton said the proposed law was carefully designed to be constitutional, adding that only first-time applicants working in occupations that require drug tests would undergo screening. Applicants who test positive could ask for a retest or keep their benefits if they enroll in a treatment program within seven days. Otherwise, the person could reapply after 30 days.

"We've had an effort across the nation of over 29 states working on related issues and measures to require a drug screen that could lead to a drug test," Creighton said. "The Texas Workforce Commission would use a nationally accepted screen to determine if a test is needed."

Opponents say the measure would hurt the families of workers who paid unemployment insurance while they were working. Civil liberties advocates also call it a warrantless search.

"We don't have any data that people who have lost jobs due to no fault of their own ... that there is a large number that are using drugs," said Rep. Chris Turner, D-Fort Worth. "Aren't we just adding insult to injury when someone is unemployed?"

The bill received unanimous, bipartisan support in the Texas Senate. After a procedural vote Wednesday, the bill will go to Republican Gov. Rick Perry for his signature.

Meanwhile, Rep. Four Price, R-Amarillo, sponsored Senate Bill 11 covering those applying for Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, more commonly known as food stamps. He said the first positive test would result in a six-month suspension, a second positive would lead to a 12-month suspension and a third positive result triggers a lifetime ban. But he said only failing an initial screening will lead to a test.

"There needs to be good cause to show that testing should occur," he said. "This requires testing for anyone who has a felony drug conviction, a history of drug abuse or who fails the questionnaire."

The bill already passed the Senate, but House Democrats angrily opposed it. They eventually managed to bog it down in more than an hour of debate on the floor as a key midnight deadline to pass proposed legislation in the chamber came and went.

"This assessment is so broad, that I think it's unbridled," said Rep. Helen Giddings, D-Dallas.

Fellow Democrat Sylvester Turner of Houston said, "I don't think that I should be drug tested just because I am poor."

"Let's test everyone who receives a government benefit or a government subsidy ... do not discriminate just because people are poor," Turner added.

Debate continued and the clock struck midnight, effectively killing the bill.

## Okla. mayor wants to require tornado shelters

MOORE, Okla. (AP) — The mayor of the Oklahoma City suburb battered by a monstrous tornado says he is pushing to require safe-room shelters in all new homes.

Glen Lewis said Wednesday he will propose an ordinance in the next couple of days at the Moore City Council that would modify building codes

to require the construction of reinforced shelters in every new home in the town of 56,000.

The suburb was also hit by a massive tornado in 1999 that followed nearly the same path as the storm Monday that killed at least 24 people.

Lewis says he is confident he'll get the four votes needed on the six-member council. The measure could be in force within months.

Underground safe rooms are typically built below garages and can cost around \$4,000.

## Lufkin restaurant worker hit by lightning dies

LUFKIN, Texas (AP) — An East Texas restaurant worker standing outside the eatery and holding an umbrella during a storm has died after being hit by lightning.

Lufkin police say the lightning strike happened Tuesday night. The woman died at Woodland Heights Medical Center in Lufkin.

Lt. Ronny LaRue says medical personnel attempted to transport the victim to a trauma center but the helicopter could not fly in the bad weather.

The victim's name wasn't immediately released.

## Pastor pleads guilty to online soliciting

MARSHALL, Texas (AP) — An East Texas pastor faces up to 10 years in prison for an online chat from church with an alleged 14-year-old girl who turned out to be a Louisiana trooper.

The penalty phase continues Wednesday in Marshall for Raymond Earl Cooper. The now-ex-minister of First Church of the Nazarene in Marshall on Tuesday pleaded guilty to online solicitation of a minor.

Prosecutors say Cooper used a church computer to solicit a person he thought was a girl from Lafayette, La.

The Marshall News Messenger reports the indictment says Cooper in

April 2012 sexted a person believed to be a minor and sexually exposed himself via webcam.

The married father of four portrayed himself as a 42-year-old man from Shreveport, La., and asked about the girl's sexual history.

## Mental health exam ordered for ex-paramedic

WEST, Texas (AP) — A judge in West, Texas, has ordered that a mental health evaluation be done for a former paramedic who's accused of possessing bomb-making material.

The Waco Tribune-Herald reports Bryce Ashley Reed remains in the McLennan County jail following his arrest May 9 by federal agents. A judge signed an order Tuesday requiring the 31-year-old Reed to be evaluated for competency, sanity and overall mental condition.

Reed was a paramedic in the town of West, where a fertilizer plant explosion killed 15 and injured about 200. He's said that he helped evacuate residents before the April 17 blast. Authorities have not linked him to the explosion.

Reed was dropped as paramedic for West EMS two days after the incident.

## Suspect in slayings found

GRAND PRAIRIE, Texas (AP) — A man suspected of killing his girlfriend and her teenage daughter at their Dallas-area home has been captured in New Mexico.

Grand Prairie police say 45-year-old Kirkland Reed faced extradition Wednesday from Alamogordo, N.M.

Law officers on Monday arrested Reed after locating him at a hospital. Police didn't immediately say why he was being treated.

Police on Sunday checked a Grand Prairie residence after a relative raised concerns about not being able to contact 44-year-old Jennifer Krieger and her 14-year-old daughter.

## ARREST

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Highway 87 while Fitzgibbons pursued on foot.

"As this was happening, 68-year-old Earl Hill and his wife Neldia, of Rankin, were at Murphy USA," Everett said. "Mr. Hill was putting gas in his pickup. His wife was sitting in the passenger seat of the vehicle. The suspect ran to that location and got into the driver's seat of their vehicle."

"Mr. Hill attempted

to stop the suspect by grabbing his shirt and holding the steering wheel. He told his wife to get out of the vehicle and she was able to do so just before the suspect drove the vehicle away from the pumps with Mr. Hill still holding on to the steering wheel. At this point the vehicle was headed for a curb and Mr. Hill had to let go and fell to the ground."

Everett said the vehicle went up an embankment and Shedd lost control, striking a fence. Soon after the

vehicle came to a stop, Fitzgibbons secured the suspect and took him into custody. Hill suffered minor injuries to his legs in the struggle and was treated by paramedics at the scene, while his wife managed to come out of the ordeal unscathed.

While Earl Hill's actions aided law enforcement in capturing the would-be car-jacker, Everett said each situation is different and has to

be handled based on its own merits.

"In most situations, the best thing to do is just let them have your car. Your vehicle isn't worth dying for," Everett said. "However, Mr. Hill's only concern at that time was for the safety of his wife. It's pretty obvious he did what he did with her safety in mind. So, there's really no hard-fast rule when it comes to a situation like this.

You just have to use your best judgement."

According to officials with the Howard County Detention Center, bond has not been set for Shedd at this time.

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Roberto "Tito" Vasquez, II, 21, died Sunday. Vigil services will be at 7 p.m. today at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park. Mathew Ryan Hernandez, infant, died Saturday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

## SANDS

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Marisela Munoz, Anthony Villegas, Angelica Diaz, Sabrina Rodriguez, Caleb Thomasson, Callie McMorris, Erik Flores and Barry Norris.

SHS commencement will be held at 8 p.m. Fri-

day in the school auditorium.

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## DAILY PRAYER

May we remain diligent about reading  
Your word, Lord, for our life.

Amen

# Failing to heed life's warnings

Like everyone all over the country, my heart was saddened deeply by the tragic loss of life due to the tornadoes in Oklahoma earlier this week and I wondered if any of those deaths could have been avoided.

Could some of them survived if they would have heeded the warnings? In spite of modern technology that scans the atmosphere and warns of impending dangerous storms, loss of life still occurs far too often. I'm certainly not indicting anyone for not heeding warnings when I cannot possibly know they did. It's just that my heart aches when I hear about people dying in any fashion and it seems even more grievous when it could have possibly been prevented.

I have lived in tornado-prone areas and I know how devastating and indescribably destructive they can be. Leah and I had been married only a few months when we lost virtually everything we owned as a tornado swept through Weatherford back in November, 1972. A picture of our empty yard was featured on the front page of the newspaper the next day. And, by the way, the stories you read or hear about the strange things that happen during tornadoes are very true. But I'll save that for another column on another day.

Why do people ignore warnings about anything that has the potential to destroy life or anything precious? As I have already stated, it is impossible for me to know whether anyone ignored warnings this past week, but it is a human condition that has caused unnecessary heartache throughout human history.

In April 1912 Cyril Evans was working as the telegraph operator on board the SS Californian on a voyage across the Atlantic. On the night of April 14, 1912, the Captain of the Californian, Stanley Lord, brought the ship to a halt as it had entered a wide ice field with many large icebergs. Lord came into the wireless operator's room and ordered Evans to warn other ships in the area of the ice. Evans

proceeded to do just that, sending out wireless warnings to other ships in the area that they were approaching ice.

In the wireless room aboard the Titanic, operators Jack Philips and Harold Bride were trying to get through a backlog of private messages they were to send from the ship to the United States, the destination of the Titanic on her maiden voyage. Philips received Evans' ice warning message, but because the Californian was so close to the Titanic and Evans had his set turned to full power, he almost blew the headset off Philips head. An angry Philips told him to get off and Philips never passed along the ice warning to the bridge or the ship's captain. Evans felt he had done what he was ordered to do, switched off his radio set and went to bed. A short time later the Titanic, heading at full steam west toward America, came upon the ice Evans had tried to warn them about, struck an iceberg and sank with the loss of more than 1,500 precious lives.

John O'Neil was an FBI agent who, more than anyone else in the agency, was actively investigating the terrorist group Al-Qaeda in the 1990s and the links between state sponsors of terrorism such as Yemen and Saudi Arabia, Al-Qaeda operatives, and attacks on U.S. interests around the world, including the 1993 attack on the World Trade Center buildings. The more O'Neil dug into the shadow world of international terrorism, the more he began to warn anyone in Washington, D.C. that would listen, that Al-Qaeda and Osama bin Laden were major threats to the U.S.

Throughout the 1990s, with the first attack on the World Trade center buildings, the attacks on U.S. embassies and the attack on the U.S. Cole, all being linked to Al-Qaeda, O'Neil and his predictions were turning out to be true.

Yet his personal style stepped on the shoes of powerful people in Washington, D.C. and FBI headquarters, many of whom were jealous of his successful predictions. By August 2001, his enemies had pushed him out of the FBI. O'Neil resigned to take the job as head of security for the World Trade Center buildings.

One of his friends told him he had taken the perfect job because

Al-Qaeda had already attacked there and he was safe. O'Neil disagreed and said that he thought Al-Qaeda was coming back to the World Trade Centers to finish the job. The night before the attacks in a conversation with another friend, O'Neil told him that he felt an attack on U.S. soil was going to happen, and happen in a matter of days or weeks. He was still monitoring activities coming out of Afghanistan and felt, in his stomach, that the attack was coming, and soon.

He had good reason to feel this way. Just before he left the FBI, O'Neil was closing in on the trail of several leads linking terrorists coming out of Yemen into the United States. Information from a terrorist suspect the FBI was tracking should have been setting off red warning lights, but without O'Neil, no one was shouting the warnings (with the exception of Richard Clarke and a few others who were actively and aggressively trying to warn the new Bush administration that an attack was coming) but no one heeding the cries. This terrorist told the FBI of a meeting in Malaysia attended by two of the Al-Qaeda terrorists who had participated in the attack and bombing of the U.S. Cole. These two had been moving in and out of the United States and practicing on flight school simulators. They were two of the Al-Qaeda terrorists who on Sept. 11, 2001, crashed flight 77 into the Pentagon.

John O'Neil was in the south World Trade Center building that day. He survived the initial impact of the plane. He called his wife to tell her conditions were terrible but he was making his way out of the building. He never made it. His body was later found in one of the stair towers of the south building. His incredible story was the subject of a PBS Frontline documentary called "The Man Who Knew."

We may not like to think about it, but there are more storms on the horizon and the warning sirens are sounding. Is anybody listening?

You may not agree with anything I've said, but I column as I see 'em.

*Eddy Prince is senior pastor at Grace Fellowship Church of God in Big Spring.*

# Obama stingy with his pardons

Last week, Attorney General Eric Holder gave Washington a preview of how the last few months of the Obama administration are going to look, and they're going to be ugly.

Holder knows ugly. He was, after all, deputy attorney general when President Bill Clinton issued his infamous 140 out-the-door pardons to such unworldlies as Marc Rich, who fled to Switzerland after federal prosecutors issued a 51-count indictment against him in 1983 for tax evasion, racketeering and illegal trading with Iran. Even though Rich was a fugitive from federal prosecution, Holder issued a "neutral, leaning towards favorable," opinion on the pardon; Rich's attorney also used to be Clinton's attorney.

Perhaps, having been pilloried for helping Clinton pardon a well-heeled fugitive and a group of unrepentant Puerto Rican terrorists, Holder decided that the second time around, as attorney general, he would advise the president that the best way not to abuse the pardon power is to barely use the pardon power.

Since 2009, President Barack Obama has issued a mere 39 pardons for offenders who have served their sentences and one lonely commutation. Obama has the stingiest pardon record of any modern president.

During a House Judiciary Com-

mittee hearing last week, Rep. Steve Cohen, D-Tenn., brought up the pardon power when he urged Holder to champion a presidential pardon for former Alabama Gov. Don Siegelman, who was sentenced to 6 1/2 years in prison after he was found guilty of bribery. (As Cohen noted, 113 former state attorneys general from both parties urged the Supreme Court to review Siegelman's conviction.)

Holder responded that his office could not consider clemency while Siegelman has a pending appeal. Cohen then asked about an inspector general report that found that Pardon Attorney Ronald Rodgers had withheld information that could have led to the release of a first-time nonviolent drug offender sentenced to life without parole in 1993.

Holder answered that "corrective measures have been put in place so that kind of mistake would not happen in the future."

Cohen surmised, "It seems to me a corrective measure would be to replace Rodgers." No lie.

Usually, attorneys general don't like subordinates withholding vital information from a president.

Federal mandatory minimum sentences have resulted in draconian penalties for anonymous black men — such as Clarence Aaron, who may have lost his bid for a commutation because of Rodgers' omissions and will die in prison for a first-time nonviolent drug conviction unless he wins a commutation. As a candidate, Obama was highly critical of mandatory minimums, but as president, with the power to commute unjust sentences, his universal re-

sponse has been to show no mercy. No political upside.

"Hardly anyone's getting clemency," "Pardon Power" blogger P.S. Ruckman observed. Inmates seeking a sentence commutation stand "a better chance of getting hit by lightning."

In his memoirs, "Decision Points," former President George W. Bush wrote that he had felt the pressure to pardon so keenly that on Inauguration Day, he gave Obama one piece of advice: "Announce a pardon policy early on, and stick to it."

Did Obama listen? Unless he decides to use his pardon power wisely and soon, there are only two ways this can end.

1) Obama feels the pressure as he is about to exit and grants clemency in order to please his cronies — with maybe (or maybe not) a few politically unconnected inmates like Aaron thrown into the mix so that not all the pardons and commutations look like inside jobs.

2) Obama sees no political upside in using his unfettered pardon power to redress sentencing injustices. So he doesn't. Holder got burned, and Obama won't touch that stove.

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EDDY PRINCE



DEBRA SAUNDERS

# Why not check this out at the library?

Is applying dry-wall like icing a wedding cake? I wonder if Audrey the Cake Lady is good at applying drywall? I will have to ask her the next time I see her. The library has added "Drywall: Professional Techniques for Great Results" (693.6 FER M) by Myron Ferguson to our handy-man section.

In addition, the spring and summer months would be a great time to learn to "Insulate & Weatherize For Energy Efficiency at Home" (693.83 HAR B), written by Bruce Harley from the publisher team of Taunton's Build Like a Pro series.

If you are into restoring autos, we do have from Motorbooks Workshop, "How to Restore and Customize Automotive Interiors" (629.23 PAR D) by Dennis W. Parks. He shows how to install floor coverings, repair and recover seats, craft custom headliners, consoles and maintain the upholstery in your car, truck or can to keep it looking like new.

From Jon Katz, comes a book of stories on dogs (Katz, dogs, get it?)

VAR N) by Nia Vardalos was one of the books that I picked up at the Texas Library Association Convention. She was scheduled to speak at a luncheon, however something came up and she could not. If she had, I feel sure she would have sounded just like her book.

Nia wrote and starred in "My Big Fat Greek Wedding" — did you know it was first a stage show and she played each part? "Instant Mom" is the story of trying to be a mother the old-fashioned way (12 failed IVFs) and while she doesn't give up on being a mother, Nia and Ian try another route, that of foster-adoption of older children.

It is a great book and one that I would encourage all who are looking to full-fill their parenting "gene" to read.

Harlan Coben has another superb thriller out: "Six Years" (M COB H). It has been six years since Jake Fisher saw the love of his life marry another man. Six years of hiding a broken heart by throwing himself into teaching; of keeping his promise to leave Natalie alone and six years of tortured dreams of Natalie's life with her husband Todd. But when Jake comes across Todd's obituary, he can't help himself from hoping that Natalie might love him again. Jake's journey to Florida will open a huge can of worms that wriggle into a tremendous mess.

A review says that "There's no going wrong with a Mina mystery," but to me they are murky as all get out, and I don't really understand them. In "Gods and Beasts" (M MIN D) by Denise Mina: It's the week before Christmas when a lone robber bursts into a busy Glasgow post office carrying an AK-47. An elderly man suddenly hands his young grandson to a

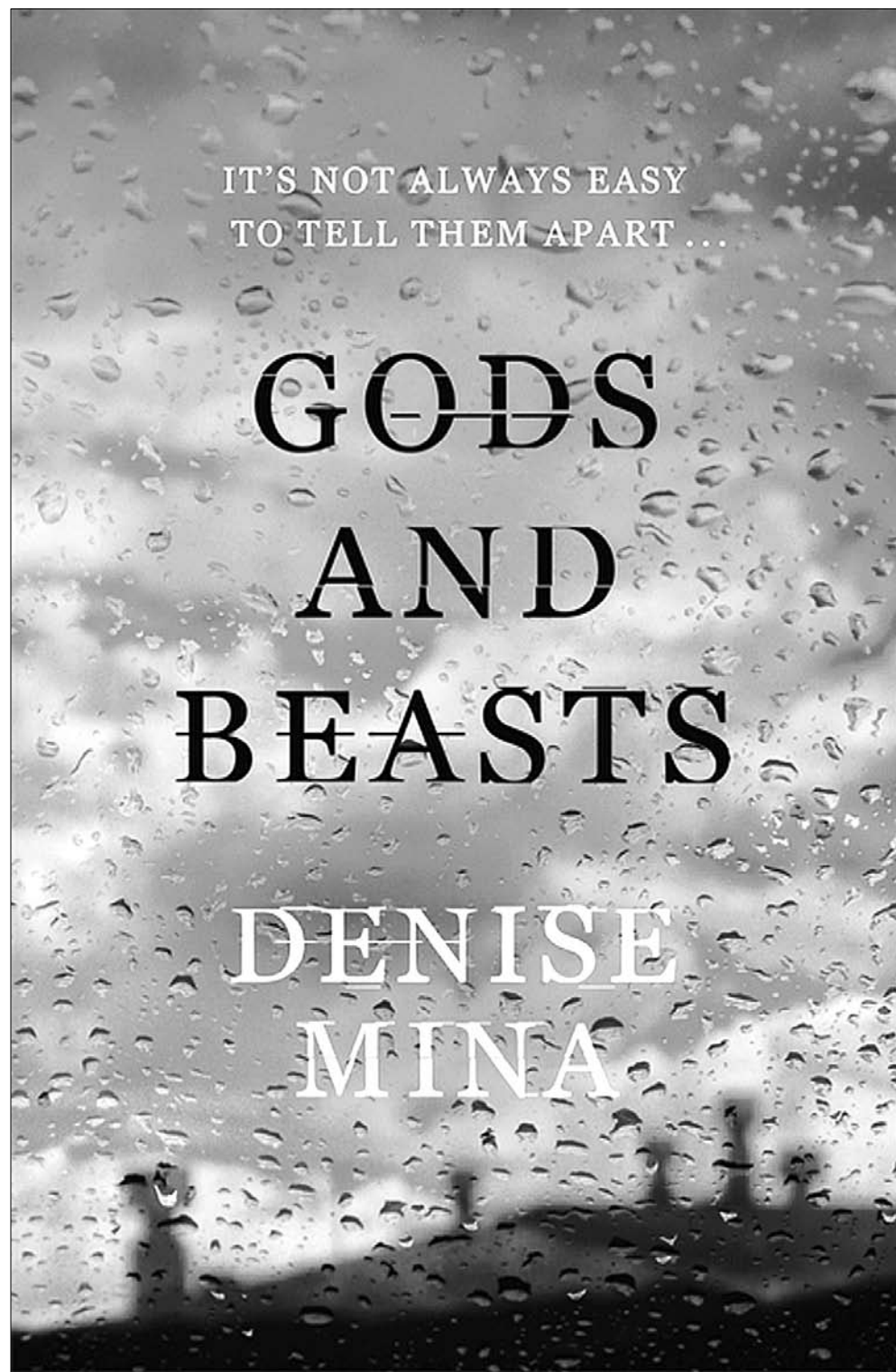
stranger and wordlessly helps the gunman fill bags with cash, then carries them to the door. He opens the door and bows his head; the robber fires off the AK-47, tearing the grandfather in two.

DS Alex Morrow arrives on the scene and finds that the alarm system had been disabled before the robbery. Yet upon investigation, none of the employees can be linked to the gunman. And the grandfather — a life-long campaigner for social justice — is above reproach. As Morrow searches for the killer, she discovers a hidden, sinister political network. Soon it is chillingly clear: No corner of the city is safe and her involvement will go deeper than she could ever have imagined.

"From My Mother's Hands: Remembrances and Recipes from Texas Women" (306.874 FLA S) by Susie Kelly Flatan celebrates the positive roles mothers play in the lives of daughters. Thirty-three notable women were interviewed by Flatan and she weaves a tapestry of intimate memories, family photographs, recipes and profiles of each daughter. Lessons of integrity, love and hope chronicle the bond between daughters and their mothers.

Scientology ranks up there with the polygamist sect Yearning for Zion, led by Warren Jeffs, as one of the most researched "religions" or "cults." In "Beyond Belief: My Secret Life Inside Scientology and My Harrowing Escape" (B HIL J) by Jenna Miscavige Hill, she was raised to obey. As the niece of the Church of Scientology's leader David Miscavige, she grew up at the center of this highly controversial and powerful organization.

But at 21, Jenna made a daring break, risking everything she had ever known and loved to leave Scientology once and for all. Now she speaks out about her life, the church and her dramatic escape, going deep inside a religion that, for decades, has been the subject of fierce debate and speculation worldwide. Piercing the veil of secrecy



that has long shrouded the world of Scientology, this insider reveals unprecedented first-hand knowledge of the religion, its obscure rituals and its mysterious leader, David Miscavige.

From her prolonged separation from her parents as a small child to being indoctrinated to serve the greater good of the church, from her lack of personal freedoms to the organization's emphasis on celebrity recruitment, Jenna goes behind the scenes of Scientology's oppressive and alienating culture, detailing an environment rooted in control in which the most devoted followers often face the harshest punishments when they fall out of line. Addressing some of the church's most notorious practices in startling detail, she also describes a childhood of isolation and neglect — a childhood that, painful as it was, prepared her for a tough life in the church's most devoted order, the Sea Org.

We will be closed on Saturday and Monday for the Memorial Day holiday and will reopen at 9 a.m. Tuesday. In a

break from past years, the library will be open on Saturdays during the months of June, July and August.

In the words of Pee Wee Dalton, please come see us! Hours are the same — 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. The only summer holiday that we will be closed is July 4, which falls on a Wednesday this year. We are open Monday

to Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; the internet/video room closes a half-hour early each day. You may reach us at 264-2260; the fax number is 264-2263. Our website is <http://wtls.tsl.state.tx.us/howard-county>.

Hollis McCright is Howard County librarian.



called "Dancing Dogs" (F KAT J). Katz shares 16 stories about dogs and all are marvelous, from the title story to "Guardian Angel," each story has a unique touch. I think you will like them.

"Instant Mom" (B

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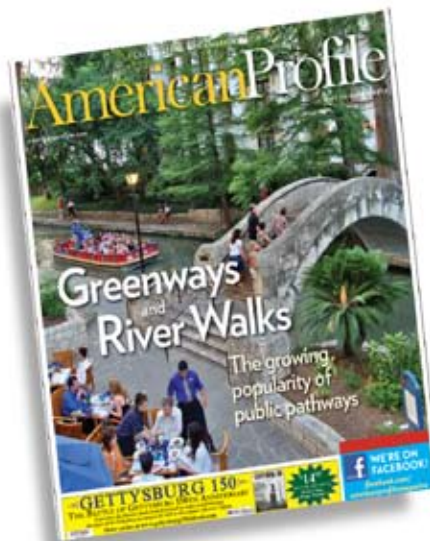
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## News in brief

### Grappling with loss and uncertain future, Okla. residents return to area devastated by tornado

MOORE, Okla. (AP) — With her son holding her elbow, Colleen Arvin walked up her driveway to what was left of her house for 40 years.

It was the 83-year-old grandmother's first time back at her home since a monstrous and deadly tornado ravaged her neighborhood in suburban Oklahoma City. Part of the roof was sitting in the front yard, and the siding from the front of the house was gone. As her son, Jeff, and her grandsons picked through what was left of her belongings, Arvin found some dark humor in the situation.

"Oh thank God," she said, laughing, when a grandson brought over her keys. "We can get in the house."

Monday's tornado killed at least 24 people, destroyed countless homes and reduced one elementary school almost entirely to rubble, killing seven children inside.

As state and federal officials work to set up disaster recovery centers to provide aid and assistance, Arvin and other residents of Moore are beginning the deliberate process of assessing what's left of their homes and possessions and what comes next.

### At House hearing on IRS screening of tea party groups, star witness plans to stay mum

WASHINGTON (AP) — A House committee taking Congress' latest look at the Internal Revenue Service's mistreatment of tea party groups will apparently have to do so without input from the star witness.

IRS official Lois Lerner will invoke her constitutional right to not answer questions on Wednesday at a House Oversight and Government Reform Committee hearing, her lawyer told the panel in a letter.

Lerner triggered the recent IRS uproar at a legal conference nearly two weeks ago, when she revealed that the agency had subjected tea party and other conservative groups seeking tax-exempt status to extra scrutiny during parts of the 2010 and 2012 election seasons. She also apologized for the actions.

Lerner, 62, an attorney who joined the IRS in 2001, heads the unit that decides whether groups qualify for the status. She has come under fire from members of both parties, including Maryland Rep. Elijah Cummings, top Democrat on the Oversight Committee, who said in an interview Tuesday that she should lose her job.

In Lerner's absence, Wednesday's spotlight will be on another witness: Neal Wolin, the Treasury Department's deputy secretary.

### Immigration bill with path to citizenship for millions here illegally heads to Senate

WASHINGTON (AP) — A far-reaching bill to remake the nation's immigration system is headed to the full Senate, where tough battles are brewing on gay marriage, border security and other contentious issues, with the outcome impossible to predict.

The Senate Judiciary Committee approved the measure 13-5 Tuesday night, setting up an epic showdown on the Senate floor after Congress' Memorial Day recess. The legislation is one of President Barack Obama's top domestic priorities — yet it also gives the Republican Party a chance to re-cast itself as more appealing to minorities.

Many involved still vividly recall the last time the Senate took up a major immigration bill, in 2007, beginning with high hopes only to see their efforts collapse on the Senate floor amid a public backlash and interest group defections.

Some expressed optimism for a better outcome this time around as the Judiciary Committee gave its bipartisan approval. Three Republicans — Sens. Lindsey Graham of South Carolina and Jeff Flake

of Arizona, both authors of the bill, and Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah — joined the 10 committee Democrats in supporting the measure.

"We've demonstrated to the United States Senate we can all work together, Republicans and Democrats," said the panel's chairman, Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt. "Now let's go out of this room and work together with the other members of the Senate, and with the other body (the House), and more importantly work with all Americans, and all those who wish to be Americans."

### Jodi Arias speaks out about case in jailhouse interview as jury deliberates her fate


PHOENIX (AP) — In a surprise jailhouse interview just hours after a jury began deliberating her fate, Jodi Arias spoke out Tuesday about her murder trial, her many fights with her legal team and her belief that she "deserves a second chance at freedom someday."

Arias spoke to The Associated Press as part of a series of interviews with media outlets. She repeated many of her claims from previous interviews, testimony on the witness stand and her statements to the jury earlier Tuesday as she pleaded for mercy.

But she provided some new information about her case and how she believed her lawyers let her down by not calling more witnesses who could have bolstered her claims that she was a victim of domestic violence at the hands of Travis Alexander.

Arias was convicted last week of first-degree murder in the June 2008 stabbing and shooting death of her one-time lover in what prosecutors described as a cold, calculated killing carried out in a jealous rage.

The jury began deliberating Tuesday as they worked to determine whether she should live or die for her crime. If the jury opts for a life sentence, the judge will have the option of determining whether she spends the rest of her days behind bars or is eligible for release after 25 years.



## Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

### Double With Even, Pass With Odd

South dealer.  
North-South vulnerable.

<b>NORTH</b>			
♠	Q 10 9 7	♥	A 8 3
♦	5 3 2	♣	8 4 2
<b>WEST</b>		<b>EAST</b>	
♠	—	♠	5 4 2
♥	K J 10 6 4 2	♥	Q 9 7
♦	6	♦	10 9 8 4
♣	K 10 7 6 5 3	♣	Q J 9
<b>SOUTH</b>			
♠	A K J 8 6 3	♥	5
♦	A K Q J 7	♦	A
♣	A	♣	—

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
2♣*	2♥	Pass	Pass
2♠	3♣	3♠	4♥
4NT	7♥	Pass	Pass
?			

\* strong, artificial

Assume you're South and the bidding goes as shown. West's seven-heart bid over your Blackwood four notrump has robbed your partner of the opportunity to indicate how many aces he has. As a result of West's nuisance bid, you don't know whether to double seven hearts (and collect a few hundred points) or to bid seven spades (and collect 2,210 points if North has the missing ace).

**Problems of this sort occur once**

Tomorrow: When to abandon the percentages.  
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## POLICE

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greater than or equal to 0.15 and resisting arrest search or transport.

• ERLINDA EVETTE RIOS, 25, of 1906 Winston St., was arrested Tuesday on a charge of theft greater than or equal to \$500 but less than \$1500.

• YSA RUBIIO, 51, of 621 Sgt. Paradez St., was arrested Tuesday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 28 grams.

• LUPE MENDOZA CHAVARRIA, 59, of 605 S. Abrams St., was arrested Wednesday on warrants for expired motor vehicle inspection certification, disregarding a stop sign, parked with wheels over 18 inches from curb or edge of roadway, driving while intoxicated and two counts of failure to appear.

• RUDOLFO LEO GUTIERREZ, III, 21, OF 2613 S. Monticello St., was arrested Wednesday on a warrant for no drivers license.

• JORGE LUIS GOMEZ, 24, of 508 State St., was arrested Tuesday on a warrant from another agency.

• ABIGAIL VALENCIA, 17, of 1907 S. Main St., was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for

possession of marijuana less than or equal to 2 ounces.

• THOMAS ROY WHITE, 22, of 400 NW Broadway, Coahoma, was arrested Tuesday on charges of disregarding a stop sign, possession of a controlled substance less than 28 grams in a drug free zone, possession of a dangerous drug and burglary of a habitation.

• RUSSELL CHARLES HESSON, 44, of 1301 Colby, was arrested Tuesday on charges of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram, possession of drug paraphernalia and for two warrants from another agency.

• BURGLARY IN PROGRESS was reported at the 3500 block of Gail HWY.

• MINOR ACCIDENT was reported at the 1000 block of S. Gregg.

• BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported at the 100 block of W. Second St.

• THEFT was reported at the 1000 block of Birdwell Ln. and the 2300 block of S. Monticello,

• FORGERY was reported at the 3600 block of W. HWY 80.

• UNWANTED SUBJECT was reported at the 200 block of NE 12<sup>th</sup> St.

• ASSAULT was reported at the 1700 block

of W. Third St.

• SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY was reported at the 1000 block of N. Main St.

• CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported at the 2600 block of Ent St.

• ASSAULT was reported at the 1400 block of Wood St.

• ASSAULT was reported at the 1500 block of Princeton Ave.

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

• ABIGAIL DAISY VALENCIA, 17, was booked into the HCSO on a charge of possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces.

• NED RANDAL HILDEBRAND, 39, was booked to begin sentence for DWI and evading arrest.

• KENNETH RAY PEACOCK, 24, was booked to begin sentence for DWI.

• RICHARD LEE OLIVAS, 26, was booked by the Big Spring Police Department on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

• THOMAS ROY WHITE, 22, was booked by the HCSO on a charge of disregarding a stop sign, possession of a controlled substance less than 28 grams in a drug free zone, possession of a dangerous drug and burglary of a habitation.

• RUDOLFO GUTIERREZ, 21, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license suspended.

• LUPE MENDOZA CHAVARRIA, 59, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for expired motor vehicle inspection certification, disregarding a stop sign, parked with wheels over 18 inches from curb or edge of roadway, driving while intoxicated and two counts of failure to appear.

• BRANDON JOE ROBINSON, 27, was booked by the BSPD on charges of bail jumping, failure to appear and a parole warrant.

• BYRON DELOREAN SHEDD, 30, was booked by the BSPD on charges of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, evading arrest/detention and aggravated robbery.

• ERLINDA EVETTE RIOS, 25, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of theft greater than or equal to \$500 but less than \$1500.

• YSA RUBIO SR., 51, of 621 Sgt. Paradez St., was booked by the BSPD Tuesday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 28 grams.

• JAMIE JONES CHAPPELL, 36, was booked by the BSPD on charges of driving while intoxicated with a blood alcohol level greater than or equal to 0.15 and resisting arrest search or transport.

• RUSS C. HESSON, 45, was booked by the HCSO on capias warrants for failure to display expired motor vehicle inspection, speeding in a school zone 42 MPH in a 20 MPH zone, possession of drug paraphernalia, and possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

• RUDOLFO GUTIERREZ, 21, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license suspended.

• LUPE MENDOZA CHAVARRIA, 59, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for expired motor vehicle inspection certification, disregarding a stop sign, parked with wheels over 18 inches from curb or edge of roadway, driving while intoxicated and two counts of failure to appear.

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 83 inmates at the time of this report.

The Big Spring Fire Department/EMS report was unavailable at press time.

## Sudoku Answer on Page 14

# sudoku

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# Bufs recognized by District

By **BRIAN MCCORMACK**

Sports Editor  
FORSAN — Six Forsan baseball players were named by the 2-1A coaches to the All-District squad after the Buffaloes turned in another successful season on the diamond.

Senior Trevor Burchett — who has received offensive MVP and Newcomer of the Year honors in the past two years — was again named to the first team, this time in the infield category. Junior pitcher Clayton Galloway was also on the first team infield roster.

Senior Marcus Cervantes received first team recognition for his work as a catcher, Blaise Coffman was named

to the first team as a pitcher and Tyler Evans rounded out the first team choices, as the junior made the cut in the outfield.

Sophomore Garrett Kligora was named to the second team outfield.

Though FHS Athletic Director and Head Baseball Coach Jason Phillips would have liked to see more of his athletes on the list, he agreed with the selections that were made.

“All of those guys are very deserving,” he said. “It seems like every year, you think a few more should have made it, but the coaches in the district vote and they don’t always agree with you. It was a good showing for us, I’m please with what he have.”

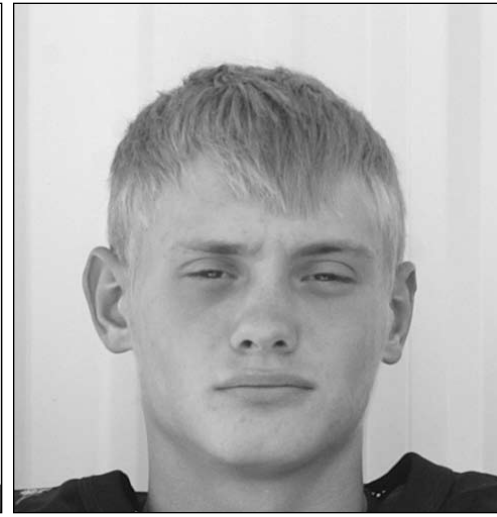
The seniors — Burchett, Cervantes and Coffman — will be missed by Phillips for their hard work.

“Trevor has been a superstar in district, winning MVP and Newcomer of the Year,” Phillips said. “I thought maybe he had a chance at receiving offensive MVP, but we have a lot of good hitters in this district. Marcus has played outfield for the past couple years and was voted in at first team catcher. That goes to show the hard work he’s put in. Blaise is a kid who doesn’t throw a 90 mile per hour fastball, but he throws strikes and works his pitches and has been consistent on the mound for us all year.”

And as usual, Forsan has a slew of underclassmen expected to return, including the three All-District honorees, Evans, Galloway and Kligora.

“We’ve got some talented kids coming back,” Phillips added. “We won’t necessarily be the most experienced team — some were on the junior varsity team, but they had a real successful season. I think if we put some guys in the right places, we have a shot at making the playoffs again. Clayton did a good job on the mound. He throws hard. Garrett and Tyler will be back. I think we

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Trevor Burchett Marcus Cervantes Clayton Galloway Garrett Kligora

## Spurs blow late lead, but beat Grizzlies 93-89 in OT

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — When Tony Parker started running low on masterful plays, Tim Duncan was there to take over and lead the San Antonio Spurs to a 2-0 lead in the Western Conference finals.

Parker had 15 points and a career playoff-high 18 assists, Duncan scored San Antonio’s first six points of overtime and the Spurs bounced back after squandering a 13-point lead in the fourth quarter to beat the Memphis Grizzlies 93-89 on Tuesday night.

“I hate that we gave up that big of a lead in that situation,” Duncan said. “But we were resilient enough to go to overtime and not let it affect us.”

Duncan opened the extra period with a layup, and then made a tiebreaking putback on Parker’s missed jumper. He then made a runner that bounced high of the

back iron and rattled in for a 91-87 lead with 1:08 to play.

The Grizzlies had a chance to tie after Jerryd Bayless hit a jumper and Parker missed one of two free throws with 14.6 seconds left, but Bayless’ 3-pointer from the left wing was off-target.

Memphis has fallen behind in all three playoff series so far, including rallying from an 0-2 deficit in the first round against the Los Angeles Clippers.

Game 3 is Saturday in Memphis.

“We’re in the same boat we were when we left L.A. We’re down 0-2. We’ve got to go home and take care of business at home,” coach Lionel Hollins said. “It’s not going to be easy, but that’s where we are.”

Bayless and Mike Conley each had 18 points to lead Memphis.

Duncan had 17 points and nine

rebounds, missing most of the second half with foul trouble before coming up with the key baskets in overtime — even if it wasn’t by design.

“It was just what was there more than anything,” he said.

Memphis stormed back from a 13-point deficit with a 15-2 run over the final 8 minutes of regulation to tie it at 85 on Conley’s runner in the lane with 18.2 seconds to play.

The Grizzlies got the chance to pull even after Manu Ginobili was called for a flagrant foul for pulling down Tony Allen by his left arm on a fast-break layup try.

Allen hit both free throws and Memphis got possession, setting up Conley’s tying basket at the end of a string of seven straight Grizzlies points.

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## Darvish can’t save Rangers in 1-0 loss to A’s

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Texas Rangers ace Yu Darvish threw a cut fastball, then turned and watched the ball go over the wall.

That homer by Yoenis Cespedes was the only run Darvish and the Rangers allowed, but that was all the Oakland Athletics needed to win 1-0 behind seven scoreless innings by rookie pitcher Dan Straily.

“Initially, I didn’t think it was a home run,” Darvish said through his translator. “Being in this stadium, there was nothing you could do about it.”

Darvish had won his last seven regular-season starts at Rangers Ballpark, going back to last season. He had won all five of his previous starts this year when pitching after a Texas loss, and the right-hander from Japan was getting a league-high 9.1 runs per nine innings pitched.

“I’ve been really pampered with all the support I’ve been getting,” Darvish said. “You’re going to have games like this.”

Darvish (7-2) struck out five, but walked three and hit a batter while giving up five hits in six innings. With the help of a couple of defensive plays, the only run he allowed came when Cespedes’ ninth homer went just beyond the reach of Craig Gentry’s outstretched glove.

“As soon as Cespedes hit that home run, I knew just keep it there, 1-0 our best chance,” Straily said.

Straily allowed only two singles while facing 22 batters — just one over the minimum for his seven scoreless innings. The right-hander struck out five as the A’s won their

fifth straight game.

Even with consecutive wins to start the series, Oakland still trails the Rangers by 4½ games in the AL West. The Athletics go for a three-game sweep on Wednesday.

Grant Balfour pitched a perfect ninth for his ninth save in as many chances this season, and his 27th in a row since April 2012, to close out Oakland’s third shutout of the season. Sean Doolittle pitched a scoreless eighth for the A’s.

Texas was held scoreless for the third time this season.

It was only the 13th 1-0 game ever at Rangers Ballpark, which opened in 1994.

A.J. Pierzynski, the Rangers catcher activated from the disabled list earlier Tuesday, had a one-out single in the third. Jurickson Profar had a single in the sixth, but the rookie was caught stealing when he took off toward second base before Straily threw his pitch.

Darvish, who raised his majors-best strikeout total to 91 in 66 2-3 innings, came out after 101 pitches. He had averaged 121 pitches his last three starts, including a career-high 130 five nights earlier against Detroit in a 10-4 victory.

“I was as usual, nothing affected from the last outing,” Darvish said. “I really begged Wash. I wanted to keep pitching. A lot of you guys (media) talked so much about pitch count that he wanted to take me out.”

Washington, who has defended the recent high pitch counts,

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## Royals end skid, down Astros 7-3

HOUSTON (AP) — Bud Norris rolled through six scoreless innings for the Houston Astros on Tuesday night.

A tight back forced him out of the game before he threw a pitch in the seventh, and then the bullpen fell apart, sending the Astros to a 7-3 loss to the Kansas City Royals.

Mike Moustakas tied it with an RBI single before George Kottaras walked with the bases-loaded to drive in the go-ahead run in a four-run eighth inning, and the Royals rallied for win to end a four-game skid.

The Royals trailed 3-0

and couldn’t get much going offensively until the seventh when they cut the lead to one on RBI singles by Alcides Escobar and David Lough.

Eric Hosmer chased Wesley Wright in the eighth when he singled to load the bases. He was replaced by Jose Cisnero, who gave up the one-out RBI single by Moustakas, which snapped a 0-for-18 slump. Cisnero then walked Kottaras on four pitches to put the Royals on top.

They added two more runs when Escobar grounded into a force out to score Hosmer be-

fore an error by Marwin Gonzalez allowed Moustakas to go home.

Paul Clemens (1-2) took the loss after allowing three hits and two runs while getting only one out before Wright replaced him.

“That is one of those things where you feel like you have the right matchups,” manager Bo Porter said of the bullpen. “For a long time, Clemens has been great, and Wesley has been really good against lefties. Tonight, we just didn’t get it done, and you have to give the Royals a lot of credit. They battled, put balls in play and had

some really good at-bats late in the game.”

Houston’s Jimmy Paredes tied a career high with three hits, including a three-run homer in the fourth inning. Paredes, who was elevated from Triple-A on May 6, said he’s starting to feel more comfortable at the plate.

“I am just trying to (have) a good approach, and to make good contact to get good base hits,” he said. “I don’t want to try to do too much. I am working on all my game to hopefully get better. I think tonight, I had an all right game but I am still working.”

## Woods: Garcia comment was hurtful, time to move on

VIRGINIA WATER, England (AP) — Tiger Woods says the “fried chicken” comment from Sergio Garcia was hurtful and inappropriate.

Two weeks after they verbally sparred at The Players Championship, Woods say it’s time to move on.

Garcia was at a European Tour awards dinner Tuesday night when he was jokingly asked if he would have Woods over for dinner during the U.S. Open. The Spaniard replied, “We’ll have him round every night. We will serve fried chicken.”

Woods took to Twitter on

Wednesday and said the comment wasn’t silly, rather it was wrong and hurtful. He says he’s confident there is “real regret” the comment as made.

The world’s No. 1 player also said their flap is two weeks old and that “it’s long past time to move on and talk about golf.”

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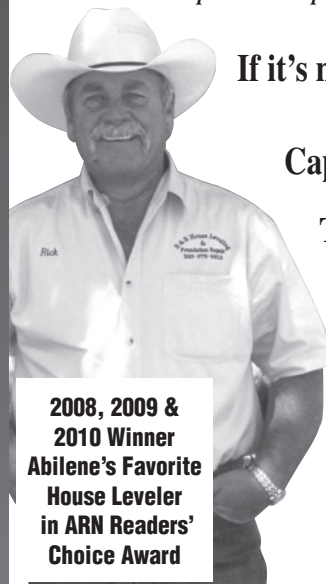
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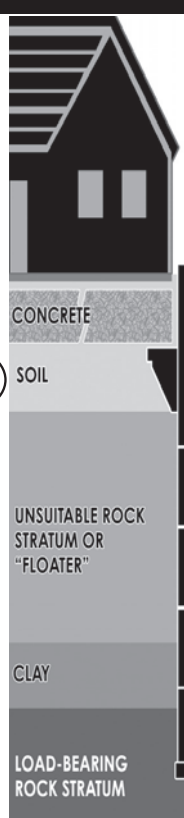
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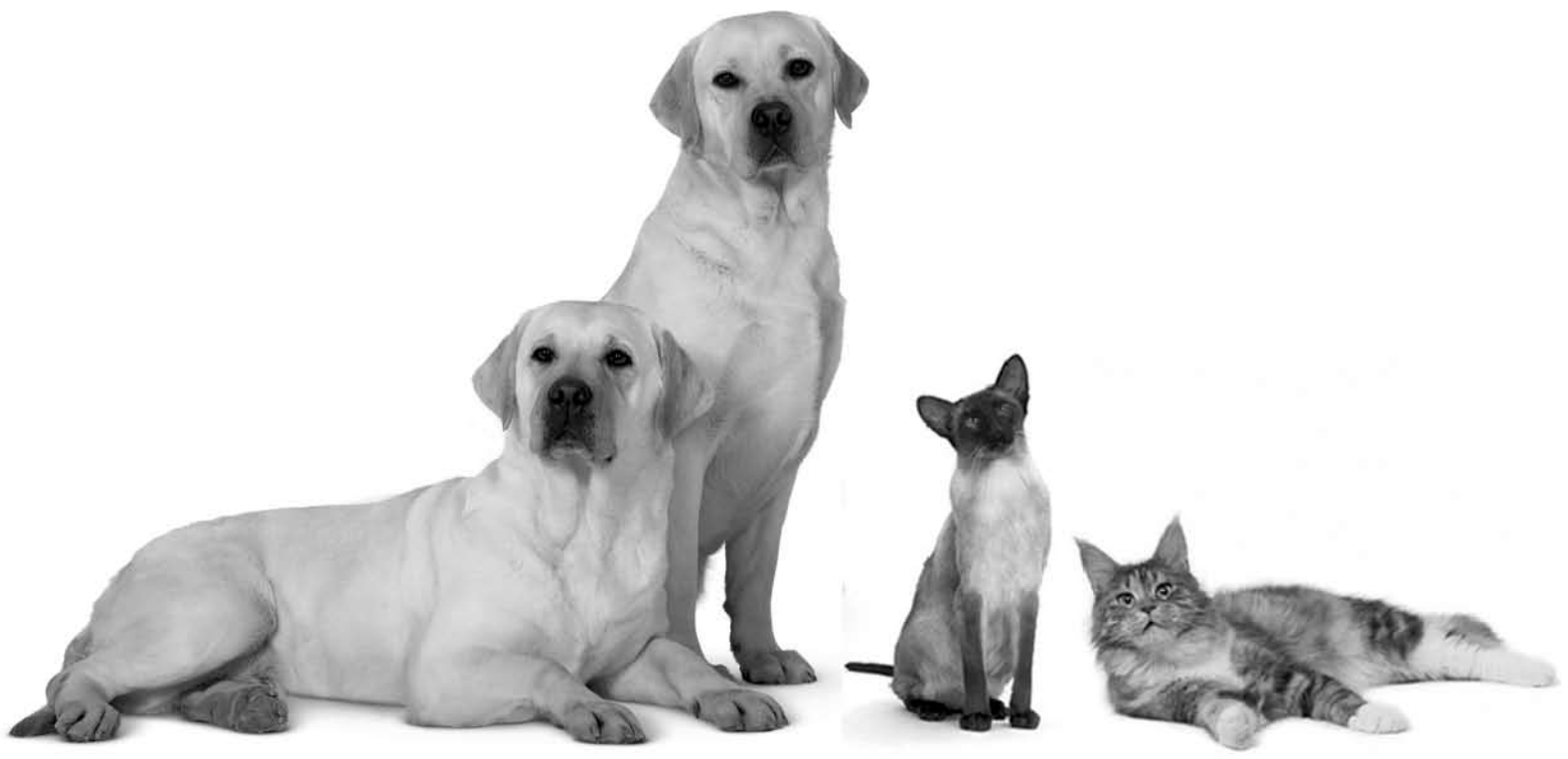
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A recent survey revealed that 55 percent of cat owners feel appearance is one of the most important qualities when choosing a cat, while 62 percent of dog owners cite size as most important. However, experts encourage people to first consider the animals' temperament, health and nutritional needs when selecting a pet.

"Matching a dog or cat's personality with that of your family is essential," said Steve Dale, certified animal behavior consultant and host of "Steve Dale's Pet World" radio show. "Before bringing home a new pet, owners should research typical traits of that breed to make sure it matches up with their lifestyle."

When bringing home a new pet, here are some important factors to

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- **Energy Level:** Compare your family's activity level to that of the prospective pet. For example, the Labrador is a very active breed that typically needs lots of training, attention and exercise. This breed works best for active families who have the time to give them the exercise and structure they need.
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- **Grooming:** Grooming your pet can be an expensive and time consuming chore. For instance, a Persian cat needs to be brushed daily, however a Siamese requires very minimal grooming help from its owner.
- **Nutritional Needs:** Different breeds have different, and sometimes complex, nutritional needs. For

example, a Maine Coon cat is at risk for certain types of cardiovascular conditions and needs help maintaining a strong heart. A food formulated specifically for them, like Royal Canin's Maine Coon 31, includes antioxidants to help keep their hearts healthy.

"It's interesting to learn how different dog and cat owners can be when choosing and making decisions for their pets," said Dr. Brent Mayabb, veterinarian and manager of education and development at Royal Canin. "Whatever factors come into play, understanding an animal's physical and physiological traits is critical to providing the best care for your four-legged family

member." To find out more about your favorite breeds, visit [www.RCBestInBreed.com](http://www.RCBestInBreed.com).

## Tomorrow's Horoscope

### Multitasking Gemini Planets

Mercury, Venus, Jupiter and the sun all in Gemini highlights the best and worst aspect of the twins. The ability to multitask falls in both categories. In a fast-paced world, multitasking can be a necessity. It can also be a productivity and civility killer — or an actual killer if one of the tasks happens to be driving a car. Take it one thing at a time today.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Is experience really the best teacher? For today, anyway, the manual will have her beat. Don't fumble around trying to figure it out in real time when someone else has already written down exactly how to do it.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). You will devote yourself to investigations of the unknown, and not because you want to uncover the mysteries of life, but because you want to enjoy them. You appreciate the fascinating magic of unanswered questions.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Usually a social butterfly, today you'll be more like the flower: a stationary attraction that has all the other butterflies fluttering about and occasionally landing for a visit.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Don't expect yourself to know everything already. Even if you think you know, it won't hurt to do more research. Gather the bits. Before you can fit the pieces of a puzzle together, you have to have all of the pieces.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). You're more like a lone wolf than a lion today. There's something you must do on your own. You want the freedom of going where your instincts lead you without having to compromise along the way.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You are socially generous. You know when to step up, get the ball rolling, tell a good story, ask an

astute question and, perhaps most importantly, when to get off the stage.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). It is not difficult for you to form bonds. In fact, sometimes it's a little too easy. Many people want to be close to you, and yet there's not enough time in the day for so many associations. Choosing wisely will be key now.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'll bring life to a gathering. The most important moment happens at the end of the meeting, when commitments are made for the future. It's better to under-promise and over-deliver than the other way around.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You need space and privacy. When this need isn't met, you become frustrated and irritable. But if you have enough time in solitude, you'll be happy, easy-going and charming when it's time to socialize.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). No one likes a know-it-all until a situation arises in which that knowledge is valuable or even crucial to moving the action along. That's why it's important to share information on a need-to-know basis.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Solutions are at hand when helping hands are around you. Honest, practical people don't care about who gets the credit; they just want to get the job done.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). Because you prize the beauty of imagination and wonder, you're careful not to interfere with what other people believe. Even asking questions can threaten a belief system. You'd rather mind your own business.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (May 22). You are clear about what you desire. You'll put out as much physical energy and enthusiasm as you can muster next month, and this boomerangs back to you in the form of all the support you need to launch your project. In July, much will depend on whose side you're on. November and January are windfall months. Capricorn and Libra people adore

you. Your lucky numbers are: 39, 48, 44, 37 and 45.

**ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS:** "Our two-year marriage is already in trouble. We both have high-pressure careers that involve travel and plenty of opportunity for behaving like singles. He messed up, and I caught him. I don't even believe in divorce — but maybe I'm being naive. I'm a Scorpio, and he's a Gemini. Is there any hope we'll still make it?"

Scorpios like to understand the mysterious forces of the universe, and love is among the most mysterious. As a society, our ideas about love are constantly changing. Fairytale love continues to be a popular movie theme, though divorce rates in the U.S. typically run in the 40 percent to 50 percent range. There are all kinds of partnership arrangements around the globe, including polygamous societies that might include one wife for multiple husbands or several wives for one husband or as many variations on that theme as you might imagine. So even though society likes to claim there is a right way and a wrong way to love, much depends on the society you happen to be in. Therefore, why not do it your way? Your Gemini is a reasonable, communicative man. So make the rules together, and design a relationship that works for you — or don't. This is not predestined. It's up to you to do the work.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** Ginnifer Goodwin expresses her Gemini duality in the role of Mary Margaret Blanchard, a.k.a. Snow White, in the hit television series "Once Upon a Time." The twins love the mischief and intellectual challenge of multiple roles in one. Her natal Mars and Saturn in Leo gives Goodwin an edge in show business, as these aspects indicate a natural-born entertainer.

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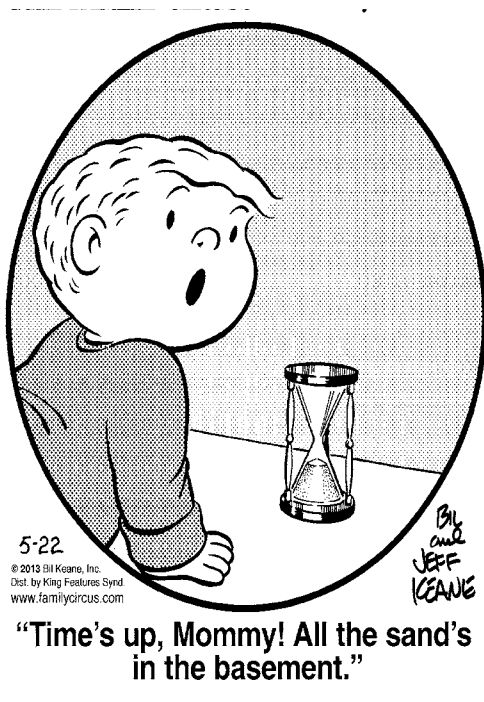
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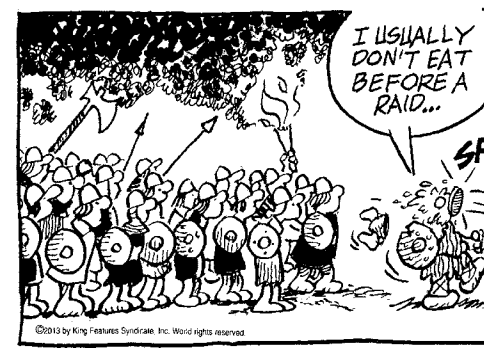
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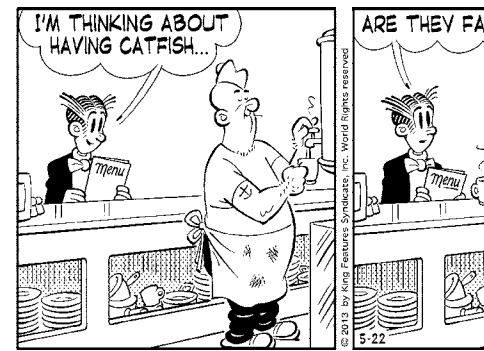
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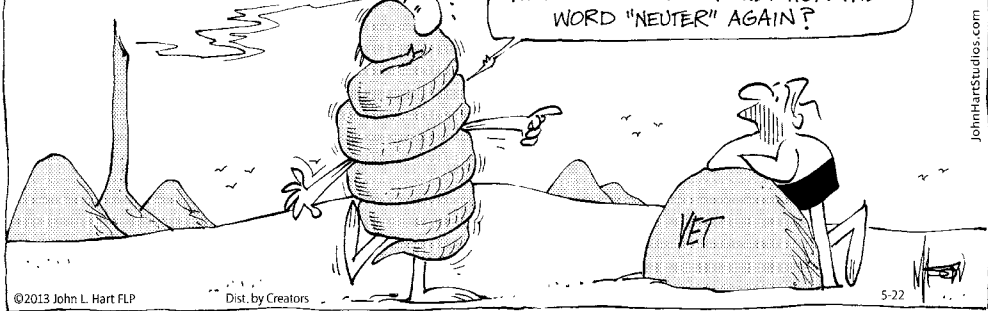
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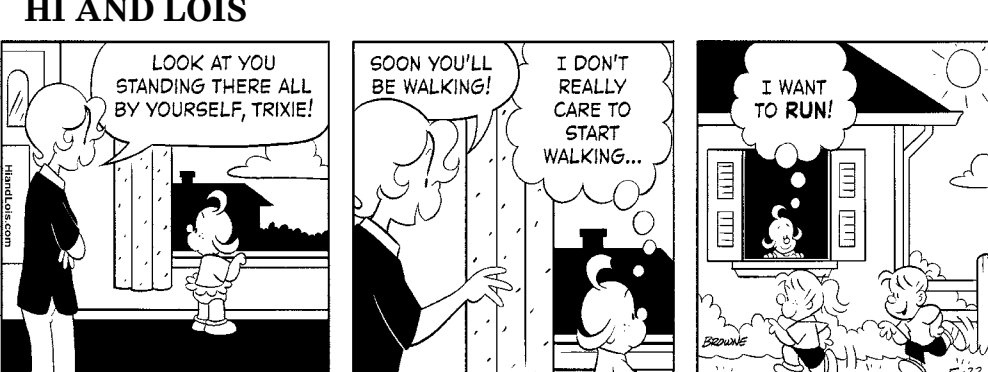
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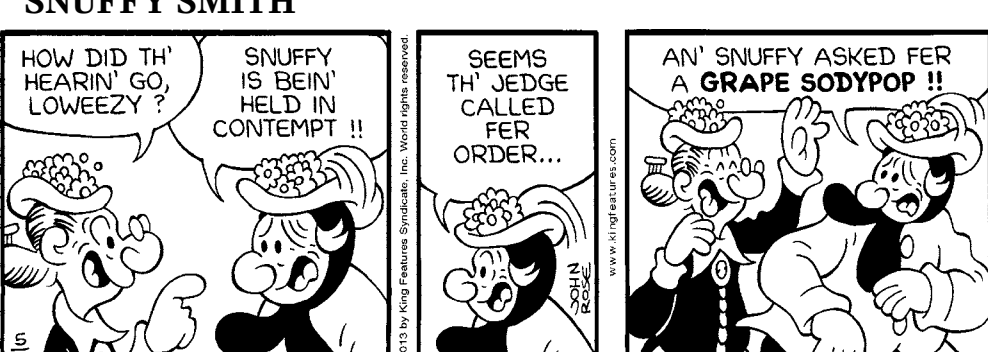
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This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, May 22, the 142nd day of 2013. There are 223 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 22, 1913, the American Cancer Society was founded in New York by a group of doctors and business leaders under its original name, the American Society for the Control of Cancer.

On this date:

In 1813, composer Richard Wagner was born in Leipzig, Germany.

In 1860, the United States and Japan exchanged ratifications of the Treaty of Amity and Commerce during a ceremony in Washington.

In 1935, President Franklin D. Roosevelt appeared before Congress to explain his decision to veto a bill that would have allowed World War I veterans to cash in bonus certificates before their 1945 due date.

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Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

DOWN THE LANE by Charles Slack Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

- ACROSS
- 1 Satisfied an IOU
  - 5 Tête-à-tête
  - 9 Pleasurably palatable
  - 14 Wander about
  - 15 Top-rated
  - 16 Silly
  - 17 Fairway club
  - 18 Lavish party
  - 19 Homes made of twigs
  - 20 Hits the jackpot
  - 23 Ancient Mexican
  - 24 Pay attention to
  - 25 Wears well
  - 29 Suitable
  - 33 Noisy dispute
  - 36 Opinions
  - 38 Word-game piece
  - 39 Doesn't care what it costs
  - 43 Wind direction indicator
  - 44 Hiking path
  - 45 Danson of CS/
  - 46 Fabric folds
  - 49 Cut-and-\_\_\_ (routine)
  - 51 Job
  - 53 Software test versions
  - 57 Selects candidates from multiple parties
  - 61 Aware, with "in"
  - 63 Sounds from Santa
  - 64 Object of admiration
  - 65 Sudden attack
- DOWN
- 1 Light refractor
  - 2 Major artery
  - 3 Off-white
  - 4 Disavowal
  - 5 Informal eatery
  - 6 Works in the garden
  - 7 Prefix like
  - 8 Parts of a saw
  - 9 Much smaller
  - 10 Speechmaker's story
  - 11 Cumberbund
  - 12 Explosive initials
  - 13 "You bet!"
  - 21 Scoundrel
  - 22 Agent, for short
  - 26 Bro's counterpart
  - 27 Circus venue
  - 28 Cavalry weapon
  - 30 Ale serving
  - 31 Alternatively
  - 32 Marsh grass
  - 33 Initials on an invitation
  - 34 Iridescent gem
  - 35 Decrease gradually
  - 37 Scorch
  - 40 Pop up again
  - 41 Top of a grandfather clock dial
  - 42 Military academy freshman
  - 47 "See, I was right!"
  - 48 Hit the slopes
  - 50 Work out
  - 52 Set of principles
  - 54 Currently
  - 55 Do penance
  - 56 Tennis great Monica
  - 57 Positive
  - 58 Hot under the collar
  - 59 Overly diluted
  - 60 Party thrower
  - 61 Corporation's money mgr.
  - 62 Chop (off)

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BSHS Athletic Director and Head Football Coach Phillip Ritchey poses with senior Haley Dimidjian, recipient of the Highest Academically Ranked Female Athlete award at the Big Spring Sports Banquet on Tuesday.

**RANGERS**

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said Darvish was "throwing 16 or 17 per inning. That was as far as I wanted him to take us."

Elvis Andrus made a nifty play to end the fourth, when the shortstop was fully extended when he made a diving stab to catch the ball and then scrambled to his feet and threw out Chris Young at first. Darvish smiled and nodded at Andrus as they made their way to the dugout.

An inning later, after Darvish fielded a bunt by Adam Rosales, the pitcher turned and made a quick throw that went to the left-field side of second base. Andrus caught the ball while stepping on the base, then falling away from the base made a sidearm sling to get Rosales out at first — with a fully extended stretch by second baseman Profar covering the bag.

After winning his season debut April 5 with 11 strikeouts at Houston, Straily was optioned to Triple-A the next day when Bartolo Colon was reinstated.

**DISTRICT**

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will have a good team. We should have a good nucleus of kids."

**2-1A All-District Offensive MVP:** Dawson Halfmann, sr., Miles.

**Defensive MVP:** Hayden Ray, sr., Miles.

**Newcomer of the Year:** Daniel Gerhart, fr., Winters.

**Infield 1st Team:** Trevor Burchett, sr., Forsan; Clayton Galloway, jr., Forsan; Corey Pritchard, jr., Winters; Marshall McFadden, sr., Miles.

**Infield 2nd Team:** Garrett Kligora, so., Forsan; Rodrick Mayberry, fr., TLCA; Kahalid Valencia, sr., TLCA; Ty Cortez, so., Winters; Austen Green, jr., Winters; Kyle Fischer, jr., Miles; Paul Krueger, sr., Miles.

**Catcher 1st Team:** Marcus Cervantes, sr., Forsan; Travis Fischer, jr., Miles.

**Catcher 2nd Team:** Kolton Alexander, sr., Winters.

**Utility Player:** Haze Wood, jr., TLCA.

**Outfield 1st Team:** Tyler Evans, jr., Forsan; Ryan Walter, sr., Miles; Bryce Mikeska, sr., Winters.

**Outfield 2nd Team:** Jimmy John Ripley, so., Winters; Daryl Hagle, so., Winters; Abram Cantu, fr., TLCA.

**Pitcher 1st Team:** Blaise Coffman, sr., Forsan; Shelton Hohensee, so., Miles; Michael Kalina, so., Miles.

**Pitcher 2nd Team:** Chris Gerhart, jr., Winters.

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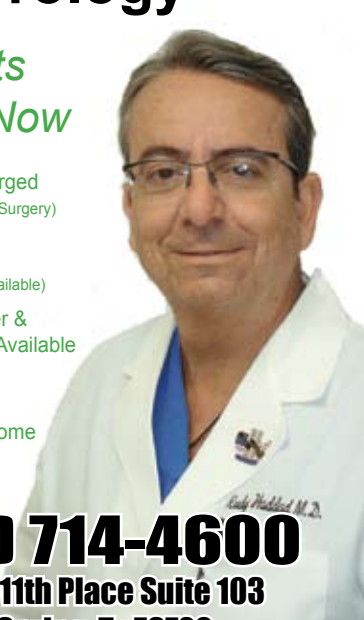
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**Big Spring senior Trent Thomas is pictured with Athletic Director Phillip Ritchey at the BSBS Sports banquet on Tuesday. Thomas was awarded the Antwoyne Edwards Award. Not pictured is Connor Furqueron — winner of the Highest Academically Ranked Male Athlete Award.**

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**SPURS**

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But Memphis, which trailed by as much as 18 in the second half, could never pull ahead. Up until the final stretch, Parker had

been in control for 2½ quarters.

Parker kept San Antonio humming along after Duncan went to the bench with four fouls, the last three picked up within a span of 30 seconds, early in the third quarter. Parker pro-

vided the assist on the Spurs' first seven baskets of the second half, and then scored the next two on mid-range jumpers before getting pulled for a rest with a 72-54 lead.

The Grizzlies mounted a 16-6 comeback

while Parker was on the bench, getting as close as 78-70 after Zach Randolph scored inside following back-to-back Bayless jumpers.

Parker checked back in and soon had the lead growing again, ducking under Darrell Arthur to hit a floater and then knocking down a 3-pointer from the right wing to make it 83-70 with 8:14 to play. But then Parker finally went cold, missing five straight shots down the stretch as the Grizzlies rallied back.

He had 14 assists in the second and third quarters and went past his career-high for the regular season of 17 during overtime.

"He was unbelievable," Duncan said. "I know he's exhausted. We asked a lot of him. He was controlling the ball every time down the floor and he was making every right play there was.

"He was finding people, and people knocked down shots for him."

After Game 1, Memphis' guards outlined a game plan that involved picking up their defense earlier on Parker to keep him from getting into the lane and putting the Grizzlies into the scramble mode that allowed San Antonio to hit a franchise playoff record 14 3-pointers in the opener.

It wasn't until late that any of their plans started working.

"He's a Hall of Fame guard, people. He's been around, he's done great things in his career," Hollins said. "He just controlled the pace and got in the paint, found open guys. ... We battled him, though, and we wound up being in the game."

The Spurs put all five starters in double figures.

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- Submit your story to us by Monday, June 17. email link: [newsdesk@bigspringherald.com](mailto:newsdesk@bigspringherald.com) or walk in.
- Include stories along with photos about your day, the people you encounter, your commute, milestones or even a day's recap of work. We want to know what Howard County does on June 12, and preserve that for future generations.

**We're looking for stories that will help form a Snapshot in Time about life in Howard County, so keep in mind that no detail is too small or unimportant.**

- Resident's Name:
- City of residence:
- Occupation:
- My day began at (time):
- The first thing I did today was:
- How was the morning?:
- Did anything unusual happen today:
- Who was the most memorable person you met today (name not necessary):
- What was the day's biggest success?:
- What was the day's biggest disappointment (if any):
- How was your drive home?:
- Would you consider today typical?:
- Anything else relevant to your day:

**This is a brief outline of the kind of stories we are seeking.**

The Herald staff will also be putting together a By The Number list on June 12 as well as taking photos around the county throughout the period that show what a typical day is like. If you are interested in becoming part of this unique effort, contact us at the newspaper at 263-7331 or via the e-mail link: [newsdesk@bigspringherald.com](mailto:newsdesk@bigspringherald.com) Be sure to read the June 30 edition to see how June 12 unfolded for your friends and neighbors in Howard County.

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

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