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Despite the rain, members of Templo Belen braved the wet conditions for a 5K run Saturday at Comanche Trail Park. The Faithrun 2013 was held to raise money for the church's missionary program.

Happy Father's Day!

It's almost rodeo time

Herald Staff Report

The Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo is set at 8 o'clock nightly Thursday through Saturday at the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl. Gates will open at 7 p.m.

Advance tickets are \$10 for adults and \$6 for children under 12 and are available at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, Ward's Boot and Saddle, H-E-B Grocery, Western Bank, Compass Bank, Wells Fargo Bank, Lonestar State Bank, Citizens FCU and State National Bank.

Tickets purchased at the gate will be \$12 for adults and \$8 for children under 12

Reserved Box seats are available. They are \$250 and come with six tickets per performance. Contact Linda Berry at 432-394-4802 to learn more.

This will be the 80th annual rodeo and will be produced by Carr Pro Rodeo.

Specialty acts include: The Wild Child, who jumps over large objects on his motorcycle and the

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Perry vetoes 24 bills, makes minor changes to budget

WILL WEISSERT
Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas — Gov. Rick Perry vetoed 24 would-be laws late Friday, wiping out proposals to prevent wage discrimination against women, tighten ethics laws, limit the power of university regents and ban the sale of sugary drinks at many public schools — but leaving the roughly \$100 billion budget mostly intact.

The governor has the authority to scrutinize the budget line by line and remove what he doesn't like. Perry didn't do much, however, except for making good on a threat to erase all funding for the state's Public Integ-

rity Unit after the district attorney who oversees it was convicted and jailed for drunken driving. The unit investigates wrongdoing by elected officials.

Perry carried out other cuts to the supplemental spending plan and main budget that appeared relatively minor. His office tweeted that they added up to \$500 million, though it wasn't entirely clear what that tally included and what it didn't.

The final burst brings to 28 the number of vetoes Perry has issued since the legislative session ended May 27, and he line-itemed parts of the budget and one other measure. Perry summoned lawmakers into a 30-day spe-

cial session immediately, but they cannot override any of his vetoes because they are only allowed to work on issues he places on the agenda.

The budget uses a surging state economy to restore large chunks of the historic spending cuts of two years ago and includes a ballot initiative that will ask voters to approve \$2 billion for major water infrastructure projects.

"This session we took broad steps to strengthen our state for generations to come," Perry said in a statement. "With the state growing by more than 1,000

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43-year-old jailed on drug, firearm charges

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

A narcotics investigation lasting several months led to the arrest of a Big Spring man Thursday afternoon in the 300 block of Tulane, according to law enforcement officials.

Jose Lopez Chavez III, 43, of 300 Tulane, was arrested Thursday on charges of pos-

session of a controlled substance—more than four grams and less than 200 grams (two counts) and unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon.

According to Sgt. Tony Everett, public information officer with the Big Spring Police Department, investigators with the BSPD and Homeland Security served the warrant at approximately 2 p.m.

"Investigators executed a search warrant at an apartment complex located at 300 Tulane," Everett said. "The search warrant was the result of a several month investigation into the trafficking of narcotics. The search uncovered four firearms — one of which was stolen — and approximately 1.5

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Herald Staff Report

ABILENE, Texas — A 51-year-old Big Spring man, was sentenced this week, by U.S. District Judge Jorge A. Solis, to the statutory maximum of 10 years in federal prison for possessing child pornography.

In addition, Judge Solis ordered that Juan Jose Guerra pay \$150,000 in restitution to a victim whose photographs were included in his child pornography collection.

Guerra has been in federal custody since Dec. 6, 2011. He pleaded guilty in February 2013 to one count of possession of child pornography. According to documents filed in the case, Guerra owned a computer, which he kept at his residence in Big Spring, which contained numerous images of child pornography.

The case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative

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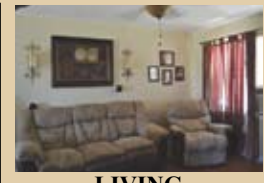
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Obituaries

Robert P. Hayes, MD



Robert P. Hayes, MD of Big Spring, Texas, passed away Thursday, June 13, 2013 at age 73. Visitation is Sunday, June 16 from 4-6 p.m. at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. The celebration of Dr. Hayes' life will be held Monday, June 17 at 2: p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church, 1701 E. FM 700, Big Spring.

Bob was born Nov. 18, 1939, in Malden, Mass. He graduated from the University of Cincinnati in 1967 and served in the United States Army from 1967-1971. He took care of the servicemen during the Vietnam War and had a great love and respect for the military.

He came to Big Spring April 1, 1985, where he began practicing as an orthopedic surgeon at Malone & Hogan Clinic and served as president from 1990-1997. Healing and caring for his patients was his life-long goal. He has loved all of the physicians he has come in contact with, as well as their staff. He was on staff at the VA Medical Center in Big Spring, the Federal Prison System in Big Spring and had a weekly clinic in Snyder, Texas. He lived life to the fullest and enjoyed it up until his final days.

With everyone he met, he was always teaching and wanted to stop others from saying "Don't make me think." As he "Turns over a new leaf," he will be sorely missed by anyone he has come in contact with.

He is survived by his loving wife, Rhonda Hayes. He is the devoted father of three daughters, Emily (Kyle Peters) Hayes, Angie (Chad) Williams and Amy Jackson and four sons, Shawn, Patrick (Jaisy), Shane (Huyen), and Joseph (Paige) Jackson. Loving grandfather of Ryan Hayes, Reilly Peters, Jay Coley Peters, Zakerie Hayes, Dylan Aker, Jordan Hayes, Ellie Hayes, Hannah Cao Hayes, Collin Cao Hayes, Trevor Williams, Hannah Williams, K'Leigh Williams, Ricky Prater, Joseph Kole Jackson and Brodie Patrick Jackson. Also survived by his sister Patricia (Joseph) Finegan; his mother and father in law, Jeanette and Butch Floyd of Sterling City, Texas; sisters-in-law; brothers-in-law; and several nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Wounded Warriors Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, KS, 66675.

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

Melba Passmore



Melba Passmore, 72, of Big Spring died Friday, June 14, 2013, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. The family will receive friends from 2 until 3 p.m. Sunday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be Monday at 2 p.m. at Myers & Smith Chapel.

She was born Sept. 1, 1940, in Locker, Texas, to Bill and Richard Rawls. She grew up in Lomax and attended Lomax school but spent most of her life in Big Spring. She was a homemaker along with working for a number of years at Klondike School Cafeteria. She was a Baptist.

She is survived by her husband, Ron Passmore of Big Spring; one son, Richard Rowden and wife Monette of Forsan; three daughters, Minnie Darlene Burcham, Brenda McPeak and husband Joe and Teresa Pierce, all of Big Spring; two brothers, Johnnie Rawls of Big Spring and Owen Rawls and wife Brenda of Forsan; four grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by two grandchildren.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersand-smith.com

Linda Groebl

Linda Groebl, 62, of Midland, died Monday, June 10, 2013. The family will receive friends from 5: p.m. to 7 p.m., Sunday, June 16, 2013, at the funeral home. Memorial services will be held at 12 p.m., Monday, June 17, 2013, at Cornerstone Christian Fellowship.

Survivors include children, Kevin Gordon, Kristian Gilbert, Natalie Permenter and Deborah Co-silla.

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



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Take Note

• Healthy Woman and the Big Spring YMCA are partnering to bring the community "Summer Melt-down" on June 20 at 5 p.m. The event will be held at the YMCA and will consist of a facility tour, information from the Scenic Mountain Medical Center dietician, a short talk on the benefits of living an active lifestyle and a Zumba demonstration. Admission is free and door prizes will be awarded. For more information or to RSVP, call 432-268-4902 or 432-268-4721. You can also sign up on SMMCCares.com by clicking the Healthy Woman tab.

• Howard County Fair Association is seeking volunteers to help with the Howard County Fair which will be held Sept. 26-28. To find out more information or to volunteer, contact Jamey Stegall at 214-717-9210 or jamey.stegall@gmail.com. The fair association is also accepting applications for exhibitors at the fair. All booths rent for \$100. Contact Stegall for more information.

• Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 263-9669.

• 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.

• 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.

• Every Friday night from 7:30 p.m. until 10 p.m. is dance night at the Senior Citizen Center. The cost is \$8 per person.

• 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.


• The Homeownership Preservation Foundation (HPF) is an independent national nonprofit dedicated to helping distressed homeowners navigate financial challenges and avoid mortgage foreclosure. If you want to stop foreclosure and are in need of foreclosure help, the time to call 888-995-HOPE is now. The Homeowner's HOPE hotline is a counseling service provided by HPF to work with you to find a solution to your problem. HPF can provide counseling free of charge, in English and 170 other languages, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Free free foreclosure help, call the hotline.

• The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nurturing and permanent home. We need your help. If you're interested in volunteering, please contact Sara Basaldua at 1-877-316-8346 or visit www.BecomeCASA.org or www.casawtx.org.

• Legal Aid of Northwest Texas is accepting appointments from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of each month. Individuals seeking legal advice for matters concerning family law, divorce, custody and child support issues, social security cases, employment and housing may contact the office to schedule an appointment. Criminal cases are not accepted. Anyone recently served with legal documents should call the office immediately at 800-926-5630 or 432-686-0647.

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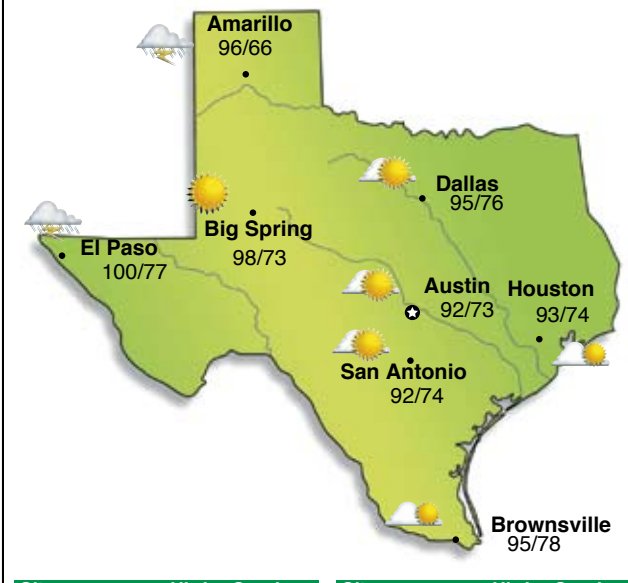
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Texas At A Glance



Correction

Big Spring High School student Tyler Graves was listed incorrectly as Taylor Graves in the Honor Roll section published Thursday, June 13, 2013, in the Big Spring Herald.

Editor's Note: Information from First Baptist Church was inadvertently left out of Friday's Church News.

First Baptist Church

FBC invites you to bring your smart phone, your ipad, or your Kindle Fire to the Sunday morning service and interact with the message brought by Pastor Mark Lindsey.

Praise and worship service begins at 10:50 a.m. Come and give thanks to our Heavenly Father as we honor our earthly dads this Sunday on Father's Day.

Sunday school classes for all ages meet each Sunday morning at 9:30, and are a great way to meet new people and learn about God through the study of His Word.

Thank you to all those who attended, supported, and worked our Vacation Bible School this past week. Many children (and adults!) were greatly blessed and will carry those blessings into their homes and throughout the community of Big Spring.

Our Mother's Day Out program resumes Tuesday. Contact Tracy Boeker at 267-8223 or tboeker90@gmail.com for information about available openings and to register for the fall term.

The children's department is having a blast this summer on "Wacky Wednesdays." The fun begins each Wednesday evening at 6. The Wednesday activities for all ages begin with a meal in the Family Life Center at 5, followed by prayer meeting, adult choir rehearsal, and/or youth fellowship. On the menu this week is spaghetti. Stop by after work for some food and encouragement.

Blessed Hands Deaf Church meets each Sunday morning inside FBC. Sunday school classes start at 9:30, followed by the worship service at 10:50. Pastor Jim and Debbie Waltherhouse lead this growing congregation. For additional information about Blessed Hands Deaf Church, contact FBC.

Feeling stressed by the world we live in and have questions about God's role in your life?

Stop by First Baptist Church or call us at 432-267-8223 and someone will be happy to listen, pray with you and talk with you about Jesus Christ. He is the one and only stress reliever.

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RODEO

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All American Cowgirl Chicks, who perform trick horseback riding.

Rodeo dances begin at 9:30 p.m.

Friday's dance features Jake Hooker and the Outsiders. Tickets are \$10 per person.

Saturday's dance features Noel Olivas opening for Aaron Watson. Tickets are \$20 each.

In addition to the traditional events, bull riding, saddle bronc riding, bareback, calf roping, team roping, steer wrestling and barrels, there will be junior bull riding for youngsters 13-15 and mutton busting for children under 50 pounds. There is a \$20 fee for each child. Contact Diane Hofacket at 432-267-8041.

The Rodeo Parade will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday at Main and 11th.

Entry forms are available in issues of the Big Spring Herald and at the Herald

office at 710 Scurry. Parade participants will line up at 11th and Main and make their way north on the divided street, circle the courthouse and come back south on Main to where they started. It won't be going south on Scurry this year, except for the one block stretch between Third and Fourth streets.

Those planning to participate are asked to turn in a parade entry form to the Big Spring Herald, 710 Scurry, by noon Monday so organizers can line up the various vehicles and four-legged animals.

There will be awards presented in eight categories: float, riding club, custom/classic car, bicycle, tractor, antique car, antique tractor antique truck.

Who's eligible to participate?

"Anyone at all can enter. The more the merrier," said Coordinator Quail Dobbs.

Entry forms are available in most issues of the Herald or at the Herald office.

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-

Support Groups

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.

- 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, 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.

- Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

- "A Journey to a New Normal," a grief support network, meets from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at 602 S. Main. For information, call 263-5999.

PERRY

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people a day, the citizens of Texas entrusted us to make important investments in our communities while being responsible with hard-earned taxpayer dollars. I'm proud to say we've done just that."

Indeed, Perry's only major modification to the budget came when he followed through on threats to strip the integrity unit of its funding. He wants Travis County District Attorney Rosemary Lehmborg, who directs the Austin-based unit, to resign following an April drunken-driving conviction that saw her serve about half of a 45-day jail sentence.

Lehmborg will now have to decide whether to resign or lose funding for the unit, which had stood to receive

about \$7.5 million through fiscal year 2015 for more than 30 employees to investigate 400-plus active cases.

But the Legislature also passed many bills Perry blocked from becoming law Friday. Among them were new ethics rules requiring public officials to divulge more about their personal financial holdings, as well as a measure designed to limit the power of university regents that comes amid a nasty battle at the University of Texas between President Bill Powers and some members of the board of regents.

Tom "Smitty" Smith, Texas director for the watchdog organization Public Citizen, said he was shocked by the veto of the proposed ethics law changes, which he noted passed with broad, bipartisan support.

"It is a bad sign for democracy when a single person can veto the will of almost an entire Legislature," Smith

said.

Perry also vetoed the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act, which would have helped ensure that employers provide women in Texas with equal pay for equal work.

The law passed after lengthy debate and a close vote in the Texas House, but had an easier road in the Senate. It sought to ensure that Texas law mirrored gender wage protections from the federal Ledbetter Act, which was adopted in 2009.

Sen. Wendy Davis, a Fort Worth Democrat, learned about the veto even before the governor's office announced it.

"By vetoing the equal pay for equal work bill, Gov. Perry shows a reckless disregard for the wages that are required to support Texas families," said Davis, who was once a single, teenage mother herself. She added that the average woman will make

\$430,000 less in her career than a man.

Davis also rejected the premise that the act duplicated federal law, because she said it allowed women to sue in state courts and not have to go through a more expensive federal court case.

Perry also overruled a bill that prohibited the sale of sugary beverages in public elementary and junior high schools, limiting sales to water, low-fat milk and pure juice instead. Supporters said it would lower public health costs by helping to guard against obesity in young people.

But the governor said in his explanation statement that the measure took efforts to promote healthy eating "to an unreasonable and unnecessary extreme" while limiting "access to such innocuous beverages as 2 percent milk."

JAILED

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ounces of heroin, 2.5 ounces of methamphetamine, one-quarter pound of marijuana, a small quantity of

cocaine and miscellaneous prescription pills."

Everett said law enforcement officials also seized approximately \$5,000 in cash and a pair of vehicles. Chavez was booked into the Howard County Deten-

tion Center shortly after his arrest. Chavez has also been charged with a Tom Green County warrant for theft by check, according to officials with the county detention center.

No injuries were re-

ported as a result of the raid on the residence, according to Everett.

Bond has been set at a total of \$43,500 — \$20,000 for each count of possession of a controlled substance, \$3,000 for unlawful possession of

a firearm by a felon and \$500 for theft by check — according to detention center records.

Everett said federal charges against Chavez are currently pending. Chavez was scheduled to be released on bond

Friday afternoon.

Contact Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at citydesk@bigspringherald.com

PRISON

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launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice, to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse.

The case was investigated by the FBI, the Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Border Patrol, and the Midland and Big Spring Police Departments. Assistant U.S. Attorney Steven M. Sucsy, of the U.S. Attorney's Office in Lubbock, Texas, was in charge of the prosecution.

In other cases: Victor Lopez, 47, of

San Angelo, Texas, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Sam R. Cummings to 210 months in federal prison, following his guilty plea in March 2013 to one count of receipt of child pornography. Cummings also ordered that Lopez serve an additional 20-year term of supervised release.

Lopez has been in federal custody since his arrest following the execution of a federal search warrant at his residence by special agents with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) on January 23, 2013. He

was indicted in February 2013 on several counts of receiving and possessing child pornography.

According to plea documents filed in the case, Lopez admitted that he used file-sharing software to collect numerous videos of child pornography, including depictions of sadistic and masochistic conduct.

Roy Paul Granger, 42, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Solis to 10 years in federal prison, following his guilty plea in January 2013 to one count of receipt of child pornography. Granger has been in custody

since Jan. 25, 2013.

According to documents filed in the case, Granger owned a computer, which he kept at his residence in Abilene, Texas, that was connected to the Internet. In April 2012, while searching online, using peer-to-peer software,

for sexually explicit images of minors, Granger downloaded an image of child pornography onto his personal computer.

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Frances Walker, 98, died Wednesday. Funeral Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Myers and Smith Chapel with burial at Salem Cemetery. The family will receive friends Saturday from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. Melba Passmore, 72, died Friday. The family will receive friends from 2 p.m. until 3 p.m. Sunday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be Monday at 2 p.m. at Myers & Smith Chapel.

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EDITORIAL

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—FIRST AMENDMENT

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Child support that never comes

The internet has become a huge part of my life. Much larger than I imagined it would be when I got my first PC, but not exactly at the “living in virtual reality 23 hours a day” level my parents predicted. You know, the eventual downfall of the human race.

So, near the top of my browser I have a series of bookmarks for my favorite and most visited websites. From my personal blog — gotta keep one eye on that number of hits, right? — to Facebook and LifeHacker online magazine, I like to think of it as my “short list” of sites I can’t necessarily live without.

One of the bookmarks on my short list is the Texas Attorney General’s website, which includes a portal for parents to keep track of their child support payments and that sort of thing.

Thank goodness Google is nice enough to remember my username and password, because a crew of Al-Qaeda suicide bombers couldn’t scare it from my subconscious, where it quietly resides, adjacent to all of the things my daughter has told me but I’ll pretend I never heard.

Now, I’m sure for some parents this particular website is a thing of beauty, a beacon of fiscal hope shining its light into the deep, dark bowels of inequity. Unfortunately, I imagine it’s the same for me as it is for most custodial parents trying to get a less-than-responsible ex to cough up their child support ... an entertaining distraction.

For those of you lucky enough to have never visited the site, let me lay it out for you.

First, you enter your case ID number and password. For the record, it took nearly two months and numerous phone calls just to get the stupid thing set up, but that’s a story for another day.

Once you’re logged in, you’re greeted by a bevy of handy information. It gives you a list of the payments which have been sent to the attorney general, including how much they were and when they were received. It also gives you a “case status,” but judging from the ambiguous nature of it, I imagine most everyone’s reads the same:

“Your case is currently in the enforcement process. We use several methods to collect child support. Our office may withhold wages, unemployment insurance benefits, worker’s compensation, military allotment, and other sources of periodic income. For those parents who have fallen behind in their payments we may use collection letters and calls, interception of income tax refunds, credit bureau reporting, license suspension, administrative liens and interception of lottery winnings.”

Now, if you’ve ever actually had to track down and try to get a parent to pay their child support, you know there’s a secret code at word beneath the surface of this simple statement. What it should read is:

“Your case is hopeless, at best. We have several methods at our disposal to collect child support, but the chances we’ll actually use any of them in anything that resembles an efficient manner is little to none. For those parents who have fallen behind in their payments, you can stop worrying. Worst case scenario, you might spend the night in jail. In all, if you’re hoping to receive any sort of child support payment through these efforts, you had best hope the non-custodial parent plays the lottery. A lot.”

However, the most entertaining part of the site — at least in my opinion — is the “arrears” section, which is just a fancy way of saying the “deadbeat” section. This is where you get to see just how far behind your former significant other is on their child support.

I recently reached a milestone, as the non-custodial party in my case surpassed the \$16,000 mark. That’s right. During the past six to seven years, she has accrued \$16,230.02 in back child-support. Say what you will, but the woman is incredibly consistent.

Just for the record, if I were her I’d pay the 2 cents, simply because I can’t stand pennies. Seriously, she could just snag them from the “leave a penny at 7-Eleven.”

I suppose the entertainment in all of this comes from having watched that number steadily grow over the years. I can remember a time when I was in absolute amazement she had reached \$10,000 and hadn’t so much as gotten a slap on the wrist from

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Roy’s adventures on the midway

Roy Hobbs grew up at Murchison, a small community just outside Athens. He had four brothers, two younger and two older.

“I wore hand me downs or hand me ups, so all my clothes were either two big or too small.”

Roy didn’t participate in sports while he was in school.

“I wasn’t good at sports or anything else for that matter,” he says. “I was excellent at playing hooky, though. I could do that just as good as anybody.”

His daddy made syrup. “It was the best syrup you ever tasted in your life. We’d get 25 cents a gallon for it.”

Murchison is about eight miles from Athens and Roy and his buddies would sometimes hitchhike to or from town. Once, one of Roy’s friends got a ride back to Murchison with a most conservative driver. He told his passenger, “Now I’m gonna slow down and you jump out when I tell you to. I don’t want to wear my brakes out.”



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One day, Roy put a nickel in a marble machine.

“I hit the jackpot for 45 cents. That’s nine nickels. I had friends, you wouldn’t believe how many. I spent all of it but one nickel. I went back to that same machine and hit the jackpot again for nine more nickels. I bought lots of soda pop and candy.”

Every fall, a carnival came to town and Roy and a friend ended up in the boxing ring.

“We didn’t have any money, but we’d go for the entertainment and try to get in something free. They had these boxers and wrestlers out on this stage and they were trying to draw a crowd by putting kids up there and getting them to holler real loud. They picked me and Davy Jones because we were hollering louder than the rest of them.

“They invited us to box and we did. We put the gloves on and got after it. He caught me on the chin in the first round and the next thing I knew I heard the referee say ‘three.’ I didn’t hear one or two.

“I gave him a pretty good fight for the rest of the time and the crowd threw in nickels and pennies and dimes. We gathered it up and I headed for the hot dog stand and bought one for a nickel.

“It was in a napkin and when I

pulled the napkin back to get me a bite, I couldn’t open my mouth. I was injured a lot worse than I thought I was from that lick on the chin. Anyway, I had to give that hot dog away and that was a low period in my lifetime.”

Once, Roy hopped on a freight train to take him to a tomato harvest in Arkansas.

“We woke up the next morning in Poplar Bluff, Missouri. We finally got to where we wanted to go and found out there had been a drought and there was no crop. If we had been able to pick tomatoes, we would have made 15 cents an hour.”

Roy lives in Big Spring now and keeps his 91-year-old body in shape by working out in a gym three mornings a week. After his workout, he sits down with some of his friends and tells them about things.

He has made and given away about 300 fancy birdhouses that resemble houses from fairy tales. He also makes walking sticks with saw handles.

His faithful dog Hagar is his constant companion.

Tumbleweed lives in Big Spring and produces “The Sound of Texas” syndicated radio series. His website is tumbleweedsmith.com

LETTERS

To be commended

TO THE EDITOR:
Friday night we decided to take in a late movie at the Cinemark theater in our mall. We arrived at the mall around 9 p.m. Since our movie didn’t begin for a while, we decided to sit in the parking lot and visit until time to go in.

We were immediately shocked at the number of kids hanging out near the entrance of the mall. I understand that this is nothing new, but we were surprised at how young some of these kids were.

We watched as the Big Spring police officer on duty talked to

them, offered his cell phone for them to call for a ride, kept them under control, and continuously had to walk back behind the dumpsters and other covered areas to chase the kids out from behind there.

At one point, he started asking the kids to leave that did not have rides. I assume he was making the “walkers” leave because the kids that had rides were able to stay. He asked two boys, about 9 or 10 years old, to leave. As they were walking away, they became very disrespectful and began cussing at the officer.

About 20 minutes later, this

woman came speeding into the parking lot. She was the apparent mother of the two boys. She got into a verbal altercation with the police officer and was extremely disrespectful. She was raising her voice, displaying a horrible attitude, talking down to the officer, etc. At one point she told him that his “job” was to protect her kids. She asked for his name and assured him that she was going “to the top” with her complaint.

I would like to commend the officer on duty Friday night for the respect that he showed, even

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Who are you busier than?

A guess — not even an educated one — is that the average person these days believes himself or herself far too busy for engagement in conversational drivel about, uh, who we are “busier than.”

Where we live, quasi-retired, our busiest hours precede twice-a-month housecleaner visits.

My wife simply can’t abide the thought of the cleaner-upper catching us with a disorderly house. “Busier than” comparisons

brought smiles for the longest stretch, even when we’d heard the expressions dozens — maybe hundreds — of times. Rarely did we give thought to deeper meanings. (“Googling” sounded like something we’d do with crawdads; even then, most of our thinking was done at the shallow end of the pool.)

My Uncle Mort, 101 in July, remembers being asked occasional “what-do-you-think” questions.

After a brief pause, he’d answer, “If you’re interested in anything that calls for thinking, you’ll do well to ask someone with more experience in thinking!... ”

Anyways, thanks to Google, we’re mere seconds away from learning origins of almost anything, including hundreds of expressions about folks we’re “busier than.”

When first hearing of a guy claiming to be “busier than a cranberry merchant,” my mind whirled. Why, thought I, would a merchant dealing in cranberries be any busier than a strawberry merchant? Or dewberry? Or

raspberry?

Add your own “infinities.”

A couple of computer clicks and I learned what should be obvious: Need for cranberries peaks sharply in November, thanks to Thanksgiving, of course. It is for this annual national observance that our turkey population is thinned out. And what would Thanksgiving dinner be without turkey AND CRANBERRIES? Or cranberry sauce? Or assorted cranberry-flavored something or others? Such augmentations are “musts.”

No doubt, farmers, processors, distributors and grocers truly are exceedingly busy meeting the demanding crush for cranberries.

At other times of the year, perhaps growers and processors — mostly turning out cranberry juice — have long lists of people busier than they are.

I once knew a travelling salesman somewhat like Mr. McFeely, the little guy perpetually hurrying his “speedy deliveries” on Mr. Rogers’ Neighborhood. My friend always looked forward to twice-monthly visits to a certain town.

He stayed at a modest motel there, always requesting a room on the second floor. It had a small balcony, and he loved the sound of a babbling stream down below. In fact, he often dropped a line in the water, enjoying a few treasured fishing moments. But he was torn — they had pinball machines in the lobby — and he loved pinballing, too.

An idea light flashed when he devised a way to do both. He tied the fishing line to the phone receiver before hastening to the lobby. Every few minutes, he’d call his room, and if the line was busy, he’d hurry upstairs to fetch the fish.

A florist friend thinks there

ought to be a mention of the “busyness” of his profession — at least at Christmas, Valentine’s Day and Mother’s Day, when about three-fourths of the year’s roses are sold.

In fact, he said if I’m lucky, my demise will occur outside these annual holiday periods. “There are just too many possibilities for errors,” he said. I asked why.

“One time, a customer ordered roses for a business that had re-located, and another ordered roses for a funeral. There was a mix-up in the messages attached. One wished for the new business to ‘rest in peace,’ and the funeral note extended ‘best wishes in your new location.’ ”

I know — there are many expressions worth chasing down that have nothing to do with how busy we are. We’ve gotten sloppy with a lot of ‘em, sometimes fragmenting them badly.

How about comparative happiness? We’ve all heard the short version — “Happy as a clam.”

It is important to add the often-omitted phrase: “and it at high tide.”

Clam aficionados believe that except at high tide, clams are no happier than mussels, snails and other water-loving organisms.

Bring on tidal elevation, however, and they’re happy to be alive, straining in their shells to be the life of the party.

Now you’ve got a “bone to pick” — or maybe a shell — but my office — like our kitchen — is “closed until further notice.” You wouldn’t believe how “un-busy” we are....

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as he was being disrespected. He stayed calm and tried to diffuse the situation the best he could. He, along with our other police officers, took an oath to protect and serve our community. I am pretty sure when he took that oath, babysitting kids at 9:30 p.m. outside of a movie theater was not on his heart.

Police officers are a special breed of people and I am extremely thankful for them. What I am not particularly fond of is parents who leave their children at a movie theater, by themselves, and think that everyone else is in charge of taking care of their kids.

I know that Midland, and surrounding areas, have really cracked down on this nuisance. Maybe the city should look into having a strict curfew for these kids and not allow them to congregate outside of the mall late at night. It is simply asking for trouble. Plus, I know a plethora of people who refuse to even go to the movies on the weekends because of the kids that hang out after their movie is over.

Most importantly, our police officers are needed elsewhere and their time would be better served outside of a babysitting endeavor.

Kudos to the officer on duty at the mall on Friday night. You, sir, are a class act and the majority of citizens appreciate your heart and sacrifice. I think it is time for our city to consider a rule like they have in surrounding areas: No unaccompanied children (under 17) on Friday and Saturday nights. I believe it is in the best interest of our city, the economy, our police officers, and most of all, the safety of the kids.

REBECCA CHOATE
COAHOMA

Water event

TO THE EDITOR:

On May 1, 2013, a water event occurred in our area that drastically lowered the water pressure.

As of today, the city has still not done necessary repairs to return the pressure to its previous level.

We have made five contacts, by phone and in person, requesting information as to the cause of the problem and when will it be corrected. The general response has been that the city does not know what the problem is and they did not know when repairs would be made, but they were working on it.

The cause of the lower pressure level was expressed to be faulty pressure valve(s). We were also told that the approach the city was taking to try to return the pressure to its former level was to switch supply areas, observe the results, and if that did not work, try something else. Evidently not enough information is available about the distribution system in our area to make an analysis and correct the fault. This does not speak well for our

utility records. We were told a consultant has been retained by the city to find a solution to the problem, so maybe something will be done soon.

As of this date, we still have very low water pressure. This affects the operation of dishwashers, washing machines and water use in general. As an example, our commodes used to take 25-30 seconds to refill. They now take over three minutes. Several people in our area have also contacted the city about this, but nothing positive has been accomplished.

Another possible concern is fire protection. Are the fire hydrants on the same system as our domestic water?

The Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 290 specifies that a certain minimum pressure will be maintained in the water distribution lines in communities. This is not being done in our area.

People in this area have been patient with the city, but it has been over six weeks since the event, and patience is wearing thin.

Our current mayor and the council have expressed the desire to improve the quality of our water and sewer systems. This is admirable, but not new. At the same time, the mayor has stated that he wants to see additional money budgeted toward improvements to the golf course, sports complex and waterpark. I would think it would be in the citizens' best interest to see that the necessary services required for basic operations would take precedence over items that are nice to have but are not absolutely necessary for the welfare of the community. We should take care of the basics first.

If we are simultaneously going to devote money to necessary infrastructure improvements at the same time money goes towards the "frills," where would all of this money come from? Would a tax increase be required? Hopefully not, since we have a tremendous tax burden already from the many multi-million dollar bonds already issued for items that did not do anything to improve our basic needs.

Hopefully, bringing our local water problem in the open will encourage the city to find a solution quickly.

ARDIS McCASLAND JR.
BIG SPRING,

Let's go caroling!

TO THE EDITOR:

We, of Comanche Trail Festival of Lights, are planning some additional activity to our event this year. We are asking for talent from the public to participate in caroling at Belaski Pavilion.

We did some caroling at our historic spring in 1999, but the parking was a problem for everyone, and now, we have Belaski Pavilion with plenty of room and parking. So, we thought this was a good time to bring in a new attraction — Christmas caroling — this year to our festival.

We have Santa for five nights, and

all of this can work nicely along with our gift shop. What we would like is community involvement, carolers from everyone who loves to sing and especially at Christmas time. We would like churches, families, schools, scouts, Howard College and any other organization that loves to sing get involved.

We already have Big Spring High School Band, Big Spring High School Chorus, Midway Baptist Church.

If you are interested, and I hope you are, please contact me at 263-4607.

What we need presently, will you participate during the Festival of Lights? The dates are Dec. 15 through Dec. 31 and will be nightly from 7 to 10.

Let me hear from you as I know we have plenty of talent out there. We will work out the date and time frame when the event gets closer, around the first of December and we will be able to list your participation in our brochures. So, let me hear now!

THANKS,
PAT SIMMONS
CHAIRMAN

Sewer water

TO THE EDITOR:

The U.S. drills wells in Africa so the people do not have to use sewer water. The people of Big Spring are supposed to use recycled sewer water.

That would be water from hospitals, slaughter houses, dairies, hog farms, etc. Animals get lots of medications. Can germs that are in urine be completely purified?

Muddy rain water sounds better.

We have a record number of our young people dying of kidney cancer. Could it be from the water?

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Impeachment

TO THE EDITOR:

Impeachment is a former process in which an official is accused of unlawful activity, the outcome of which may include the removal of that official from office as well as criminal or civil punishment.

The U.S. House of Representatives passed a resolution on three occasions to impeach President Andrew Jackson. All three times, the 35 Senators voted "guilty" and 19 "not guilty" falling short of the two-thirds majority required for impeachment.

One hundred and six years later, President Richard (I'm not a crook) Nixon resigned when it became obvious he would be impeached for the Watergate coverup. Then, 24 years later, William (I did not have sex with that woman) Clinton was charged by the House of Representatives with perjury and obstruction of justice. The Senate voted 45 "guilty" and 55 "not guilty" on the perjury charge and 50-50 on the obstruction charge, both votes falling short of the two-thirds requirement.

Now, there are those calling for the

impeachment of President Barrack Obama. Have you noticed that the reported scandals have been committed by the White House, the Obama Administration, IRS, FBI or some other government agency. How could the president be held responsible when he is busy flying around the country making speeches and getting donations from his wealthy supporters?

Syndicated talk show host Michael Medved wrote an opinion in the May 20 edition of USA Today which he titled "No, Obama won't be impeached." With the Democrats controlling the Senate is it doubtful that impeachment will occur. The question is, will the Senate Democrats choose to represent the party or the people.

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the courts.

However, after several court dates and the presiding judge sounding much like I imagine British police officers sound — "Pay your child support, or in three months we'll come back to this courtroom and I'll tell you to pay your child support again!" — it's hard to believe what has and hasn't happened.

Despite being placed on probation and threatened with 180 days in jail on three separate occasions, her first no-nonsense sentence from the judge was for 10 days in jail, which ended up being less than five days after she behaved herself. That's taking a hard-line stance against deadbeat parents if I've ever seen one.

So, every so often I'll log into my OAG account online to see how high the child support lotto has gotten in my case. I imagine what it would be like if I actually got a check for that amount and what kinds of improvements it could help make for my little girl, who is 13 years old now and harboring a serious case of resentment toward deadbeat parents in general.

Sometimes I like to smile and envision Miss Deadbeat buying a lottery ticket — a winning lottery ticket, mind you — and being forced by the state to pay up what she owes. Granted, I'm sure the state could find a way to screw that up, but, hey ... it's a fantasy, so back off and let me dream.

Unfortunately, I'm smart enough to know that day will never come. So, for now, I'll just keep logging on to the OAG website and watching the deadbeat-deficit grow the first of each month, tipping my hat to the attorney general's office and their fantastic record keeping and impotent attempts to do their job.

You know, if the males in this state were as impotent as the Texas OAG, we'd have a lot fewer deadbeat parents. Hey, it's just a thought.

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Early results in Iran presidential election give Rowhani wide lead

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Iran's reformist-backed presidential candidate surged to a wide lead in early vote counting Saturday, a top official said, suggesting a flurry of late support could have swayed a race that once appeared solidly in the hands of Tehran's ruling clerics.

The strong margin for former nuclear negotiator Hasan Rowhani may be enough to give him an outright victory and avoid a two-person runoff next Friday.

Rowhani had just over 50 percent of the more than 12 million votes tallied, the Interior Ministry reported, well ahead of Tehran Mayor Mohammad Bagher Qalibaf with about 15.3 percent. Conservative Mohsen Rezaei was third with about 12.6 percent.

It was unclear when the final count would be known. Iran has more than 50 million eligible voters, and turnout in Friday's election was believed to be high.

Many reform-minded Iranians who have faced years of crackdowns looked to Rowhani's rising fortunes as a chance to claw back a bit of ground.

Google unveils Internet beaming balloons launched into stratosphere

CHRISTCHURCH, New Zealand (AP) — Wrinkled and skinny at first, the translucent, jellyfish-shaped balloons that Google released this week from a frozen field in the heart of New Zealand's South Island hardened into shiny pumpkins as they rose into the blue winter skies above Lake Tekapo, passing the first big test of a lofty goal to get the entire planet online.

It was the culmination of 18 months' work on what Google calls Project Loon, in recognition of how wacky the idea may sound. Developed in the secretive X lab that came up with a driverless car and web-surfing eye-

glasses, the flimsy helium-filled inflatable beams the Internet down to earth as they sail past on the wind.

Still in their experimental stage, the balloons were the first of thousands that Google's leaders eventually hope to launch 20 kilometers (12 miles) into the stratosphere in order to bridge the gaping digital divide between the world's 4.8 billion unwired people and their 2.2 billion plugged-in counterparts.

If successful, the technology might allow countries to leapfrog the expense of laying fiber cable, dramatically increasing Internet usage in places such as Africa and Southeast Asia.

"It's a huge moonshot. A really big goal to go after," said project leader Mike Cassidy. "The power of the Internet is probably one of the most transformative technologies of our time."

As hunger strike roils Guantanamo, ex-prisoner talks of his long protest and forced feeding

GUANTANAMO BAY NAVAL BASE, Cuba (AP) — For more than three months, the U.S. military has faced off with defiant prisoners on a hunger strike at Guantanamo Bay, strapping down as many as 43 each day to feed them a liquid nutrient mix through a nasal tube to prevent them from starving to death.

The standoff, which prompted President Barack Obama to renew his call to close the detention center, has grown to involve 104 of the 166 prisoners as of Friday, and may be nearing a crisis point. Yet the experience of a former detainee demonstrates that a hunger strike at Guantanamo can be as indefinite as the open-ended detention that is at the heart of essentially every conflict at the military prison.

The men undergoing forced-feeding aren't permitted to speak to journalists, but Ahmed Zuhair knows what the experience is like. Until he was

released from U.S. custody in 2009, he and another prisoner had the distinction of staging the longest hunger strikes at the prison. Zuhair kept at it for four years in a showdown that at times turned violent.

The military acknowledges a "forced cell extraction team" was repeatedly used to move him when he refused to walk on his own to where striking detainees were fed. He says his nasal passages and back are permanently damaged from the way he was strapped down and fed through a nasogastric tube.

Court papers show that Zuhair once racked up 80 disciplinary infractions in four months, refusing to be forced among them, and that he and fellow prisoners smeared themselves with their own feces for five days to keep guards at bay and protest rough treatment.

Facebook, Microsoft says they have new permission to talk about government's user surveillance

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Facebook and Microsoft Corp. representatives said that after negotiations with national security officials their companies have been given permission to make new but still very limited revelations about government orders to turn over user data.

The announcements Friday night come at the end of a week when Facebook, Microsoft and Google, normally rivals, had jointly pressured the Obama administration to loosen their legal gag on national security orders.

Those actions came after Edward Snowden, a 29-year-old American who works as a contract employee at the National Security Agency, revealed to The Guardian newspaper the existence of secret surveillance programs that gathered Americans' phone records and other data. The companies did not link their actions to Snowden's leaks.

Ted Ullyot, Facebook's general counsel, said in a statement that Facebook is only allowed to talk about total numbers and must give no specifics. But he said the permission it has received is still unprecedented, and the company was lobbying to re-

veal more.

Using the new guidelines, Ullyot said Facebook received between 9,000 and 10,000 government requests from all government entities from local to federal in the last six months of 2012, on topics including missing children investigations, fugitive tracking and terrorist threats. The requests involved the accounts of between 18,000 and 19,000 Facebook users.

Obama faces stiff resistance from Democrats on proposed free-trade pacts with Europe and Asia

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama is aggressively pushing an ambitious agenda to liberalize global trading.

But already political trade wars are forming, and they're with fellow Democrats rather than with Republicans, his usual antagonists.

Obama is promoting free-trade proposals with Europe and Asia that could affect up to two-thirds of all global trade.

The ambitious deals would reduce or eliminate tariffs and other trade barriers. But there's trouble ahead for both the Trans-Pacific Partnership and the Trans-Atlantic Trade and Investment Partnership — at the negotiating table and from Congress.

The deal with Europe will be a top item this coming week in Northern Ireland at the Group of Eight summit of major industrial democracies. But French and other objections have recently surfaced which could delay the planned launch of the negotiations.

With flames in check, some evacuation orders lifted in devastating Colo. wildfire

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — Firefighters advanced against a monstrous wildfire outside of Colorado Springs, expanding containment lines and lifting evacuation orders for thousands of anxious residents in the most destructive blaze in state history, which has destroyed nearly 500 homes and killed two people.

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Rangers' skid ongoing, fall to Jays

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Batting helmets were slammed, a bat was tossed, and the star shortstop was kicked out of the game.

The slumping Texas Rangers are definitely showing their frustration.

Elvis Andrus was ejected in the sixth inning, and the Rangers struggled against Mark Buehrle in their fourth straight loss, an 8-0 defeat to the Toronto Blue Jays on Friday night.

The Rangers have scored only five runs during their losing streak, which has come at home. They have dropped 12 out of 18 to fall into second place in the AL West behind Oakland.

The exasperation over the recent lack of offense was most evident when Andrus was ejected after being called out on strikes.

Andrus yelled at umpire Eric Cooper from the dugout, and a bat was thrown onto the field after the two-time All-Star was tossed. Craig Gentry and Leonys Martin also showed emotion by slamming their batting helmets after outs.

"When going through the spells they're going through, they're going to get upset." Rangers manager Ron Washington said. "If they don't get upset, that probably means they don't care."

This is Texas' first four-game slide this

season and its longest home losing streak since July 8-11, 2010.

The team known for its power and high-scoring offense during playoff runs the past three years is in a funk. The Rangers got only one runner to second base as they were shut out for the fourth time this season.

The 2 hour, 8 minute game ended when Lance Berkman grounded into a double play, the Rangers' third of the game. It was the quickest game played at Texas since May 23, 2011.

"We're playing out of character

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Big Spring Steers Varsity Football

Aug. 16
Lubbock High, 7 p.m., (H) (scrimmage).

Aug. 23
Lubbock Estacado, 7 p.m., (H) (scrimmage).

Aug. 30
Fort Stockton, 7:30 p.m., (H).

Sept. 6
Midland Christian, 7:30 p.m., (T).

Sept. 13
San Angelo Lake View, 7:30 p.m., Homecoming.

Sept. 20
Andrews, 7:30 p.m. (T).

Sept. 27
Seminole, 7:30 p.m., (T).

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Oct. 11
**Abilene-Wylie, 7:30 p.m. (T).

Oct. 18
**Snyder, 7:30 p.m. (H).

Oct. 25
**Sweetwater, 7:30 p.m. (T).

Nov. 1
**Greenwood, 7:30 p.m. (T).

Nov. 8
**Monahans, 7:30 p.m., (H).

** Denotes district game

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Ap photo
Texas Manager Ron Washington pulls starting pitcher Justin Gimm (5-5) in the eighth inning of Friday's 8-0 loss to the Toronto Blue Jays. The Rangers have lost four games straight.

Mattingly, Gibson among 8 suspended

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Major League Baseball came down hard on the Los Angeles Dodgers and Arizona Diamondbacks on Friday, handing out eight suspensions and a dozen fines as punishment for a bench-clearing brawl.

Yet even with Arizona

pitcher Ian Kennedy getting 10 games and infielder Eric Hinske five for their roles in Tuesday's fight, it might not be enough to quell the lingering hostility between the NL West rivals.

"No, it's not over yet, not at all," said Dodgers reliever

Ronald Belisario, given a one-game ban. "I don't think anybody thinks it's over."

Kennedy's suspension is the longest handled out by the league for on-field conduct since Chicago Cubs catcher Michael Barrett was handed a 10-game suspension for an in-

cident with White Sox catcher A.J. Pierzynski on May 20, 2006.

Kennedy is appealing the decision, pointing to his track record as proof he's not a troublemaker.

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Comanche Trail Ladies Golf Association news

The Comanche Trail Ladies Golf Association held its couples play round last Thursday, at which Sherrill and Betty Farmer and Jimmy and Deanna Foresyth won with an even par score.

Coming in second with one stroke over par was Donald and Shirley Long and Bill and Bobbie Holden. Closest to the pin on Hole No. 3 was Jimmy Foresyth, while Shirley Long landed closest on Hole No. 6.

Nine showed up for the ladies Playday event, including two new members, whom the LGA extends a warm welcome to: Lisa Simer and Cassie Lewis.

Joan Daniel took low gross with a 41, while Connie Fowler shot a low net with a 37. Ramona Harris took the fewest putts.

In Thursday's couples play, John and gus Leonardi and Vaughn Martin and

Annie Ward placed first with three-under par. Coming in second was Donalds and Shirley Long with one-under par.

John Leonardi was closest to the pin on Hole No. 3, while Shirley Long took the honors on Hole No. 6.

The LGA always welcomes new members. For more information, call the pro shop at Comanche Trail at 264-2366.

Local briefs

80th Annual Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo kicks off Thursday

The parade, the concerts, the livestock — it can only mean one thing. The 80th Annual Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo will officially begin Thursday at 8 p.m. and continue through Friday and Saturday, also starting at 8 p.m. each evening.

Tickets are \$12 apiece for adults and \$8 for children

The rodeo parade will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday.

Jake Hooker and The Outsiders will provide entertainment Friday, while Nole Olivas will open for Aaron Watson on Saturday following the rodeo.

Beat the Heat Ragball Tournament in C. City

An all-night ragball tourney will be held June 21-22 at the Sports Complex in

Colorado City.

Registration is now open. Each team requires a minimum of 10 players — five guys and five gals. Cost will be \$10 per player, with first and second place teams receiving T-shirts.

Signups will be from 5 p.m. until 6:30 p.m., with the tournament beginning at 7 p.m.

For more information, call 325 242-4119 or 325 242-2083.

Crossroads of West Texas Golf Classic to be held at BSCC

The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring the Crossroads of West Texas Golf Classic at the Big Spring Country Club with a shootout beginning June 21 and a two-day tournament slated for June 22-23.

The event is limited to the first 100 paid two-man teams. The scramble format tourney will be pre-flighted by

tournament committee and local golf pro (handicap required).

Winners may receive pro shop merchandise at 100% of winnings or may take cash at 70% winnings. 100% of entry fees will be returned to participants.

All entries must be accompanied by cash, check or credit card — no charges or unpaid reservations.

Entry fee includes lunch on Saturday and Sunday, free beverages, Friday's shootout and access to the hospitality tent.

To register, call the pro shop at 267-5354 or the chamber at 263-7641.

BSHS Basketball Camps set for this month

Big Spring Athletics will be hosting basketball camps in June, with the girls camp being held June 17-20 and the boys June 24-27.

Second through ninth grade girls will report from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. Sixth

through eighth grades will attend from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m.,

Boys grades second through eighth will all attend together from noon until 3 p.m.

All camps will be held at the Big Spring Junior High West Gym.

The registration fee is \$25 per child. For more information, call 264-3662. Big Spring athletic camps are open to children enrolled at other schools.

Volleyball Camp slated for July-August

Big Spring Athletics will hold a summer volleyball camp July 29-August 1 for grades 3-9 at the junior high gymnasium. Grades 3-6 will be instructed from 8:30 a.m. until 10 a.m., while the 7-9 camp will be from 10:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

Registration is \$25 per child with T-shirts available for \$10 apiece.

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NFL briefs

First female NFL star could be seen in 2014

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Sarah Thomas is on her way to becoming a female official in the NFL and it could happen as early as the 2014 season.

Thomas spent three days at the Indianapolis Colts' three-day minicamp this week. The league says she could be the first to come through its officiating development program and then handle games.

Tebow back on field, now with Patriots

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. (AP) — Tim Tebow was back on the field with an NFL team — the New England Patriots.

The Patriots announced the signing of the former Jets quarterback on Tuesday, six weeks after he was cut by New York and just in time for the start of the three-day Patriots minicamp that runs through Thursday.

Tebow practiced with veteran New England starter Tom Brady and backup Ryan Mallett. The newest Patriot wore No. 5, not his familiar 15 — which belongs to Mallett — on his shorts and helmet.

RGIII hypes fellow athletes in news conference

ASHBURN, Va. (AP) — After

showing that he can now do "explosive sprinting," Robert Griffin III held a news conference that referenced LeBron James, Tim Tebow and "Bridezillas."

Next up for Griffin: working his rehab into his honeymoon.

Griffin again worked on the side as the Redskins begin their spring minicamp.

Wearing the now-familiar large black brace on his right knee, he ran drills with other rehabbing players — as he's done all spring — but the newest element to his routine is the ramped-up sprinting that he hopes keeps him on pace to be full-go when training camp starts in late July.

Custody case beginning in aftermath of murder/suicide

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — The mother of a Kansas City Chiefs player who killed his girlfriend and himself late last year, leaving his baby daughter an orphan, said in court that relatives from both sides of the family should be involved in the girl's life.

Cheryl Shepherd of West Babylon, N.Y., testified at hearings to decide who will get custody of the 9-month-old child of Chiefs player Jovan Belcher and his girlfriend, Kasandra Perkins. Perkins' cousin, Sophie Perkins of Pflugerville, Texas, also is seeking custody of the girl.

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"Ten games, I think they're trying to set an example," he said before Arizona's game in San Diego on Friday night.

Hinske is also appealing and put most of the blame on Dodger rookie Yaisel Puig, who was right in the middle of things but only received a fine.

"I've been a model citizen in this league for 12 years," Hinske said. "And then there's Puig, who's been in the league for 12 days and he gets no games. So you tell me what's right."

Belisario served a one-game suspension on Friday night for "aggressive actions" while Dodgers reliever J.P. Howell and infielder Skip Schumaker appealed the two-game suspensions they received from MLB Senior Vice President Joe Garagiola Jr.

Los Angeles manager Don Mattingly and Arizona's Kirk Gibson were given one-game bans, while Dodgers hitting coach Mark McGwire must sit two games. Bench coach Trey Hillman filled in for Mattingly on Friday night when Los Angeles played at Pittsburgh while Arizona bench coach Alan Trammell took over for Gibson in San Diego.

Garagiola cited Kennedy for intentionally throwing a pitch at the head of Zack Greinke after a warning had been issued and Hinske for leaving the dugout and his "aggressive actions."

Mattingly was penalized for his conduct and Gibson for Kennedy's actions following a warning. While Kennedy feels singled out, Mattingly disagrees.

"To me (Kennedy) seemed like he was kind of the instigator and started it and piled on and he got the most," Mattingly said. "It just seems fair."

Mattingly seemed a bit puzzled by Schumaker's penalty, saying he felt if the veteran infielder "had his hands on anybody, he was pulling people off."

Schumaker declined to talk about the suspension, saying only he has feelings about it but didn't want to share them.

All eight handed suspensions were also fined, as were Puig, Greinke, Arizona catcher Miguel Montero and Diamondbacks outfielder Gerardo Parra.

MLB fined the Dodgers for allowing players on the disabled list to leave the dugout and enter the field during the brawl.

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right now," catcher Geovany Soto said.

Buehrle (3-4) threw seven shutout innings and improved to 13-5 against the Rangers. The left-hander gave up four singles and equaled his season high with seven strikeouts to win his first road game of the year.

In his last five starts, the 34-year-old Buehrle is 2-1 with a 1.91 ERA. His ERA has dropped from 6.33 to 4.66 in that span.

"I'm in a groove right now," Buehrle said. "Hopefully it won't change."

Colby Rasmus hit a three-run shot in the fourth, and J.P. Arenecibia capped the inning with a solo shot as the Blue Jays won for the sixth time in eight games.

"We know we can hit, and now we're putting everything together," Toronto designated hitter Edwin Encarnacion said. "The pitching is good and the offense is good."

Texas starter Justin Grimm (5-5) allowed 10 hits and seven runs in 7 2-3 innings. The rookie is 0-2 with an 11.66 ERA in his last three starts.

"This was a learning experience for me," Grimm said. "I have to learn a little damage control. It seems like the difference in my past couple of outings has been that one big inning."

Encarnacion led off the fourth with a double, and Adam Lind followed with a single.

Rasmus then lined an 0-2 pitch from Grimm over the fence in right field. One out later, Arenecibia gave the Blue Jays a 4-0 lead with a solo shot to left.

Texas' only scoring threat came in the second when Adrian Beltre led off with a single, and Nelson Cruz walked. Buehrle got out of trouble when Chris McGuinness bounced into a double play to end the threat.

Buehrle had been 0-3 with a 6.75 ERA in six road starts this season.

The Rangers were without infielder Jeff Baker, who missed the game after spraining his right wrist receiving a high five from what he called an "overexcited" teammate before Thursday's game. Baker didn't identify the teammate.

The right-handed hitting Baker, who is batting .386 against left-handers, was expected to start against Buehrle.

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► Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. W.P.
"Bill" Criswell



Mr. and Mrs. W.P. "Bill" Criswell will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary June 19, 2013. Bill and Carol Willene Fletcher were married June 19, 1953 in McCamey. They are the parents of Carol Lynne Criswell of Big Spring, Barry Criswell of Midland, and Sherri Samuels of Sinton. They have three grandchildren.

The couple has lived in McCamey, El Paso, Big Spring, Merkel and San Angelo since their wedding. He served in the Army, was employed by WTU and is retired from the VA Medical Center. She was employed as a medical secretary in Big Spring and Abilene. She is retired from Shannon Medical Center.

They are members of Glen Meadows Baptist Church and of the National Association of Retired Fed-

eral Employees (NARFE).

They will be honored by their children with a trip this summer.



Baby Bounce: Royal infant may help UK economy

LONDON (AP) British officials are hoping that the impending royal birth will produce a bouncing baby buoy for the economy.

With the Duchess of Cambridge due to give birth to an heir to the throne next month, it's time for citizens and groups to consider how to best mark the moment.

Happy occasions often boost consumer confidence, sparking a spring in the step that leads right to the shopping mall for street party snacks, summer frocks and suntan lotion.

And happy national occasions with the royal family and a new heir hit an emotional jackpot in Britain, boosting national pride along with tea, cakes and commemorative china.

"Royal fever is more

intense now, actually," said Pauline Maclaran, a professor of marketing and consumer research at Royal Holloway and the co-author of "Tiaras, Tea Towels and Tourism: Consuming the British Royal Family," which will be published by the University of California Press.

"At a time of crisis, when there is financial depression, people look for something to lift themselves."

Britain really could use some consumer confidence right now. The economy is so flat no one has any idea how to pick it up.

It grew last quarter at the less-than-stunning rate of 0.3 percent.

But trend watchers say the royal birth is being seen as the country's latest installment of "Big Events."

First, in April 2011,

there was the royal wedding of Prince William and Kate Middleton, an extravaganza of horse-drawn carriages, breast-plated soldiers and white lace gowns. Then came the June 2012 Jubilee flotilla down the River Thames, a procession of some 1,000 highly decorated boats, all honoring Queen Elizabeth II's 60 years on the throne.

Within months, London hosted the 2012 Summer Olympics, kicking it off with a flag-waving, torch-lit procession celebrating every scenic bit of this island nation, from Land's End in the west to the Scottish village of John o'Groats in the north.

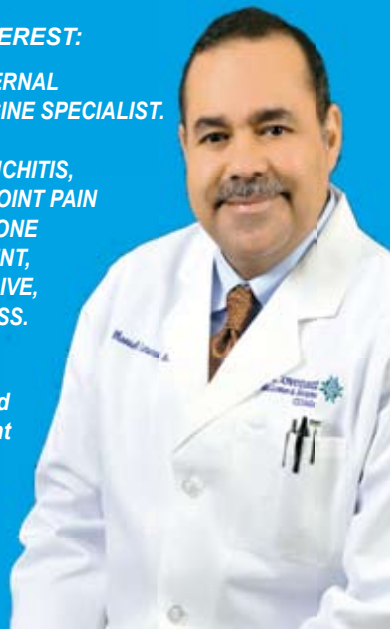
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Spence and Parsons

Kayla Beth Spence of Big Spring and Richard Lester Parsons of Champion will exchange wedding vows June 29, 2013 at First Baptist Church in Big Spring.

Kayla is the daughter of Paul and Beth Spence of Big Spring. She is a 2006 graduate of Forsan High School and a 2010 graduate of Angelo State University.

Richard is the son of Bruce and Carol Parsons of Champion. He is a 2009 graduate of Highland High School and will graduate with a bachelor's

Martinez and Salazar

Mary Jane Martinez and Mario Salazar, both of Big Spring announce their engagement and impending marriage.

Mary is the daughter of Martha and Arnulfo Martinez of Stanton. She is a 2002 graduate of Big Spring High School and is currently employed by What-A-Burger.

Mario is the son of David and Lolita Salazar of Big Spring. He is a 2008 graduate of Big Spring High School and is currently employed as a welder. The wedding will take place Feb. 15, 2014 at the Dora Roberts Community Center.



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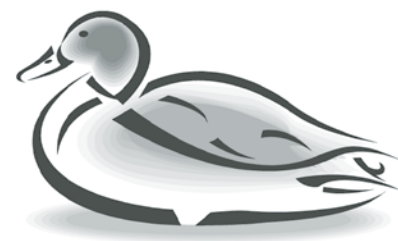
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► **Anniversary**



Robert H. and Magdalen E.(Wollney) Carter

Robert H. and Magdalen E.(Wollney) Carter will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary June 15 at Parkview Nursing and Rehabilitation Facility, where Mrs. Carter now resides. A small gathering of friends and relatives will celebrate the occasion with cake and punch.

The couple were wed June 13, 1953. They are the parents of Ronald B. Carter and fiancée Debbie Hunter of San Antonio, Texas., William H. (Bill) Carter, Cheryl Carter Joy and husband Frank and Jeffrey P. Carter, all of Big Spring, Texas.

Their grandchildren include: April Talamantez and husband Paul of Big Spring, Texas., Paul Carter and Tracy Carter, all of San Antonio, Texas.; Leslie Carter and fiancée Marcus Oneal, Jeremy Joy and wife Honey and Justin Joy, all of Big Spring, Texas.; and Taylor Joy and wife Krystal of Midland, Texas.

Mr. Carter was born and raised in Big Spring and graduated from BSHS. He retired from civil service at Webb Air Force Base after 27 years. He is a lifetime member of the Big Spring Men's Bowling Association. He was an avid hunter and fisherman. He loves to garden and raise vegetables that he shares with his neighbors.

Mrs. Carter was born and raised Kosciusko, Texas. She met Robert at a friend's wedding and they were married the next year. Mrs. Carter worked at Airport Grocery for many years. She enjoyed gardening, bowling and cooking. She was a very good cook and all the kids' friends would fight for a place at the dinner table.

► **Menus**

Big Spring ISD

Monday - Breakfast: Cocoa Krispies, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch, Nacho grande, lettuce/tomato topping, border beans, fruit cocktail, fresh fruit, milk.

Tuesday - Breakfast: Pancake on a stick, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch, steak fingers, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, peaches, fresh fruit, bread, milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast: Mini maple pancakes, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch, Chicken nuggets, mac and cheese, carrots, pineapple chunks, fresh fruit, milk, ketchup and mustard.

Thursday - Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch, baja fish sticks, French fries,

celery sticks, ranch, bread, pears, fresh fruit, milk.

Friday - Not serving.

Senior Center

Monday - Hamburger steak, brown gravy, buttered potatoes, cauliflower, fruit, rolls, milk.

Tuesday - Grilled chicken on a bun, baby carrots, lettuce and tomatoes, strawberries, milk.

Wednesday - Roast turkey, sweet potatoes, green beans, Waldorf salad, pie, milk.

Thursday - Chicken enchilada, casserole, Spanish rice, tossed salad, oatmeal raisin cookie, milk.

Friday - Fish fillet on a bun, tartar sauce, lettuce and tomato slice, cool corn salad, pineapple cake, milk.

► **Who's Who**



Boeker

Landon Boeker, son of Lewis and Tracy Boeker, was selected to receive a \$4,000 college scholarship from the ConocoPhillips Dependent Scholarship Program.

Landon is a senior at Forsan High School. He will attend Texas A&M University in College Station in the fall.



Stanley

Charlene Janell Stanley, daughter of A.J. and Sherrie Stanley, was the 2009 valedictorian of Forsan High School. Charlene attended Angelo State University (ASU) in San Angelo, Texas, for two years before transferring to Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC) in Lubbock, Texas. While at ASU, she was on the Dean's list all four semesters and also a member of the Honors program for one year. At TTUHSC, Charlene was on the Dean's Honor list two semesters and the President's Honor list for an additional two semesters. She was a member of the TTUHSC chapter of the National Student Speech-Language & Hearing

Association for two years. In the fall of 2012, Charlene was inducted into the TTUHSC chapter of the National Honor Society for the Allied Health Sciences, Alpha Eta. On May 21, 2013, Charlene graduated summa cum laude from TTUHSC, School of Allied Health Sciences with a Bachelor of Science in Speech, Language, & Hearing Sciences. Charlene plans to continue her education beginning a Master of Science degree in Speech-Language Pathology through Texas Woman's University this summer.

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Last week we opined on the Federal Reserve's (Fed) policy of increased "transparency" in its communications with the general public. One of Chairman Bernanke's main goals has been to allow investors to look behind the curtain at the Fed to better see what monetary policy levers are being pulled and why. In our view, this increased transparency had gone too far in recent months and only served to confuse investors as well as increase stock market volatility. Some Fed officials were making statements suggesting that the current pace of quantitative easing should be reduced soon, while others stated that the policy should be continued for the foreseeable future.

But over the course of the last week, several colleagues suggested something more sinister was possibly at work. Their theory was that the Fed, always being afraid of creating asset bubbles, was purposefully attempting to take a little air out of the stock and housing markets, both of which have made meaningful price gains over the last twelve months.

Given this strategist's propensity to dismiss most conspiracy theories as pure make-believe, I quickly moved on and attempted to seek out other reasons why the Fed would allow various officials to not toe-the-company-line when it came to monetary policy opinions. But I kept coming back to my colleagues' arguments that the Fed never says anything that is not well planned out in advance.

After multiple decades of trying to decipher "Fed-speak" and reading between the lines to find any hints of future Fed decisions, I had to agree that it would be highly unusual for our central bank to not carefully orchestrate the manner, method, and meaning behind all communication with the public. So, now I was slowly starting to get pulled into the conspiracy theory vortex.

As Chairman Bernanke looked back over the last 15 years of monetary policy decisions, he certainly had to think the Fed contributed, at least to some extent, to the technology stock bubble in the late 1990s and the housing bubble in the middle of the last decade, by leaving interest rates too low for too long. Each of those episodes ended badly for the economy and the stock market. When one looks back in history, easy money policies have frequently led to asset bubbles. And the Chairman does not want a repeat anytime soon.

So, why not try to nip the surging stock and housing markets in the bud, before they reach bubble territory? The S&P 500 was recently trading more than twenty-two percent higher than last November's lows, a gigantic move in such a short period of time. And the housing market? While still well off the 2006 peak, overall prices jumped more than ten percent in the last year with bidding wars erupting for properties in some parts of the country. Even "flipping" is coming back in vogue. This is not what the Fed wants to see.

Uncertainty as to the timing of any change in the pace of quantitative easing has given the stock market pause and bond yields have risen, pushing mortgage rates higher. Higher mortgage rates appear to have taken a little steam out of housing, at least for now. Was this the Fed's plan all along? We are not sure, but this strategist may be thinking of becoming a conspiracy theorist.

Past performance is no guarantee of future results. This article was produced on June 6 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. Wells Fargo Advisors, LLC, member SIPC, is a registered broker-dealer and a separate non-bank affiliate of Wells Fargo & Company.



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A grand opening and ribbon cutting was held June 10 at West Texas Injury Prevention, 1111 S. Scurry in Big Spring. The business is owned by Tessa Reid and managed by Stephanie Ferguson. To contact them, call 432-264-1920. Holding the ribbon cutting was the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

Ideas for keeping your data safe from spying

RAPHAEL SATTER

Associated Press

Phone call logs, credit card records, emails, Skype chats, Facebook message, and more: The precise nature of the NSA's sweeping surveillance apparatus has yet to be confirmed.

But given the revelations spilling out into the media recently, there hardly seems a single aspect of daily life that isn't somehow subject to spying or surveillance by someone.

Experts say there are steps anyone can take to improve privacy, but they only go so far.

Using anonymity services and encryption "simply make it harder, but not impossible," said Ashkan Soltani, an independent privacy and security researcher. "Someone can always find you — just depends on how motivated they are."

With that caveat, here are some basic tips to enhance your privacy:



ENCRYPT YOUR EMAILS

Emails sent across the Web are like postcards. In some cases, they're readable by anyone standing between you and its recipient. That can include your webmail company, your Internet service provider and whoever is tapped into the fiber optic cable passing your message around the globe — not to mention a parallel set of observers on the recipient's side of the world.

Experts recommend encryption, which scrambles messages in transit, so they're unreadable to anyone trying to intercept them. Techniques vary, but a popular one is called PGP, short for "Pretty Good Privacy." PGP is effective enough that the U.S. government tried to block its export in the mid-1990s, arguing that it was so powerful it should be classed as a weapon.

Disadvantages: Encryption can be clunky. And to work, both parties have to be using it.

USE TOR

Like emails, your travels around the Internet can easily be tracked by anyone standing between you and the site you're trying to reach. TOR, short for "The Onion Router," helps make your traffic anonymous by bouncing it through a network of routers before spitting it back out on the

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Chrysler freezes pension plan for 8,000 employees

Chrysler Group LLC said Friday that it is freezing the pensions of roughly 8,000 U.S. salaried employees at the end of the year.

The U.S. automaker said it is making the move to stay in line with industry trends and to comply with IRS regulations.

The Auburn Hills, Mich.-based company declined to detail the specifics of the IRS issue, but said it is currently in compliance. Company spokeswoman Shawn Morgan said the compliance mat-

ter is not related to underfunding of the pension.

U.S. companies in general have moved away from traditional, or "defined benefit," pensions due to the cost. General Motors made a similar move last year when it froze traditional pension benefits for 19,000 salaried workers hired before 2001. Such pensions guarantee a specific payment to retirees.

Chrysler said that all of its affected employees will be shifted to a defined contribution plan.

It also lowered the age at which employees can begin claiming all of their retirement savings to 58 from 62.

The company closed its pension plans to new participants at the start of 2004. The freeze does not affect those hired from that point forward, or those who have already left the company or retired. All of the benefits accrued through Dec. 31 will remain in place, and employees will not lose what they have earned to that point.

Don't get smished! New scam goes after your banking info

It's hard to keep up with all the new tech-savvy terms for internet scams. First there was phishing—the scam where an e-mailed links send you to bogus websites designed to trick you into giving up your bank information.



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"Smishing" is basically a mobile device version of phishing that uses text messages, but this

time the scammers will send you a text message (aka short message service, or SMS).

More and more people are conducting business through their smart phones and the scammers have noticed. Better Business Bureau warns consumers to be on the lookout for smishing.

You may receive a text message that appears to be a bank alert asking for you to confirm account information by following a link or calling a phone number. It might appear to come from your bank, or one you

don't have an account with. Like phishing e-mails, these are attempts to steal your personal information.

The details vary. Scammers have impersonated banks of all sizes, from local businesses to multi-national institutions, using a variety of messages and techniques.

Their goal is the same, however. If you call a number or go to a website, scammers will try to get your bank information and rip you off.

The phone number or website may ask for your ATM card number and PIN in order to "reactivate your

ATM card." Or the link may download malicious software that gives scammers access to anything on the phone, including bank details and passwords.

BBB has these tips in case you receive a misleading message:

- Ignore instructions to text "STOP" or "NO." This is a common ploy by scammers to confirm they have a real, active phone number.
- Forward the texts to 7726 (SPAM on most keypads). This will alert

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other side. Each trip through a router provides another layer of protection, thus the onion reference. Originally developed by the U.S. military, TOR is believed to work pretty well if you want to hide your traffic from, let's say, eavesdropping by your local Internet service provider. And criminals' use of TOR has so frustrated Japanese police that experts there recently recommended restricting its use. But it's worth noting that TOR may be ineffective against governments equipped with the powers of global surveillance. Disadvantages: Browsing the web with TOR can be painfully slow. And some services — like file swapping protocols used by many Internet users to share videos and music — aren't compatible.

DITCH THE PHONE

Your everyday cellphone has all kinds of privacy problems. In Britain, cellphone safety was so poor that crooked journalists made a cottage industry out of eavesdropping on their victims' voicemails. In general, proprietary software, lousy encryption, hard-to-delete data and other security issues make a cellphone a bad bet for storing information you'd rather not share. An even bigger issue is that cellphones almost always follow their owners around, carefully logging the location of every call, something which could effectively give governments a daily digest of your everyday life. Security researcher Jacob Appelbaum has described cellphones as tracking devices that also happen to make phone calls. If you're not happy with the idea of an intelligence agency following your footsteps

across town, leave the phone at home. Disadvantages: Not having a cellphone handy when you really need it. Other alternatives, like using "burner" phones paid for anonymously and discarded after use, rapidly become expensive.

CUT UP YOUR CREDIT CARDS

The Wall Street Journal says the NSA is monitoring American credit card records in addition to phone calls. Some cybercriminals can use the same methods. So stick to cash, or, if you're more adventurous, use electronic currencies to move your money around if you want total privacy. Disadvantages: Credit cards are a mainstay of the world payment system, so washing your hands of plastic money is among the most difficult moves you can make. In any case, some cybercurrency systems offer only limited protec-

tion from government snooping and many carry significant risks. The value of Bitcoin, one of the better-known forms of electronic cash, has oscillated wildly, while users of another popular online currency, Liberty Reserve, were left out of pocket after the company behind it was busted by international law enforcement.

STEER CLEAR OF MALICIOUS SOFTWARE

If they can't track it, record it, or intercept it, an increasing number of spies aren't shy about hacking their way in to steal your data outright. Edward Snowden, the NSA leaker, warned the Guardian that his agency had been on a worldwide binge of cyberattacks. "We hack everyone everywhere," he said. Former officials don't appear to contradict him. Ex-NSA chief Michael Hayden described it as "commuting to where the information is


stored and extracting the information from the adversaries' network." In a recent interview with Bloomberg Businessweek, he boasted that "we are the best at doing it. Period."

Malicious software used by hackers can be extremely hard to spot. But installing an antivirus program, avoiding

attachments, frequently changing passwords, dodging suspicious websites, creating a firewall, and always making sure your software is up to date is a good start.

Disadvantages: Keeping abreast of all the latest updates and warily scanning emails for viruses can be exhausting.

Contract Bridge



By Steve Becker

A Matter of Logic

East dealer.
 Both sides vulnerable.

<p>NORTH ♠ Q 10 9 ♥ A 6 2 ♦ 8 4 2 ♣ K Q 7 4</p>	<p>EAST ♠ 7 5 4 3 2 ♥ J ♦ 9 7 6 3 ♣ 6 5 3</p>	<p>SOUTH ♠ K J 8 ♥ Q 7 5 ♦ K Q J ♣ A J 10 8</p>
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The bidding:
 East South West North
 Pass 1 NT 2♥ 3 NT

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South could now have cashed

Tomorrow: Famous Hand.
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	5						7	6
6			3		5		8	7
	2			6				9
3	8		7		4			2
8	9						5	
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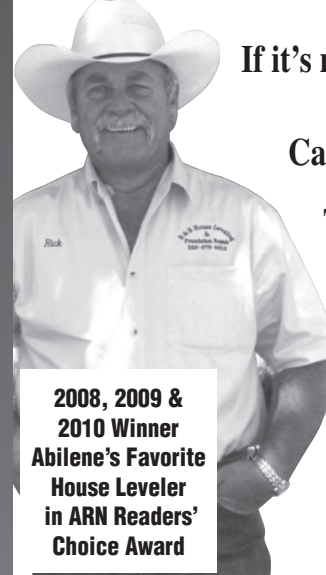
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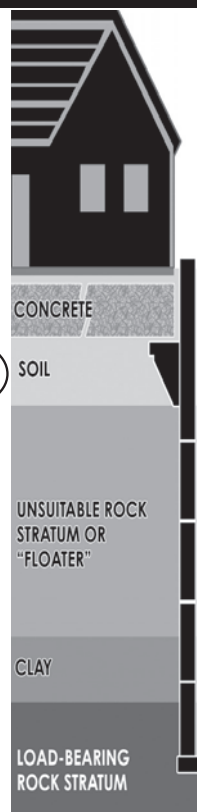
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1967 Chevrolet Pickup
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Fleet Side
Said Chevrolet Pickup may be inspected at the following address:
707 E. 11th Place-

Big Spring High School in Big Spring, Texas, with an appointment by calling Dennis Witt, 432-270-1584. THE 1967 CHEVROLET PICKUP WILL BE SOLD "AS IS," "WHERE IS," AND WITHOUT ANY WARRANTY. By submitting a bid for this vehicle, bidder acknowledges and agrees that if his/her bid is selected, bidder will bear all risk as to the fitness and condition of said vehicle and that the District has expressly disclaimed any and all warranties.

Sealed written bids should be addressed to "BSISD 1967 Chevrolet Pickup c/o Susan Bryan, Assistant Business Manager, Big Spring ISD, 708 E. 11th Place, Big Spring, Texas 79720." Sealed written bids for the purchase of the above-described vehicle may be submitted beginning June 17, 2013. All bids must be received by the BSISD business office no later than 3:00 p.m. on June 19, 2013. Sealed written bids may be submitted by U.S. mail or hand delivery. No faxed bids or late bids will be accepted. Bids received after the deadline will be returned to sender unopened.

All bids will be opened and read out loud by the Assistant Business Manager at 3:00 p.m. June 19, 2013. Big Spring ISD reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids, to waive any and/or all technicalities, and accept the bid which will best serve the needs of the District. All bidders must be capable of tendering, via cash or certified check, the full price bid at the time bids are opened. #7828 June 9 & 16, 2013

Legals

Notice to Creditors
Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Edward Reeves Moren, Deceased, were issued on June 10, 2013, under Docket No. 14,171, pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, to Diane Murphy. Claims may be presented in care of the attorney for the estate, addressed as follows:
Elizabeth Moren
Estate of Edward Reeves Moren, Deceased
C/O Walter L. Shipman,
Attorney at Law
309 South Main St., Suite 5
Big Spring, TX 79720
All persons having claims against this estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.
Dated: June 12, 2013
Walter L. Shipman,
Attorney at Law
By /s/ Walter L. Shipman
309 South Main St., Suite 5
Big Spring, TX 79720
(432)264-6660 (telephone)
(432)264-9599 (facsimile)
Attorney for Elizabeth Moren, Independent Executor
State Bar No. 18269900
#7832 June 16, 2013

Legals

CITATION BY PUBLICATION IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN AS FOLLOWS:
TO: Albert Eugene Kelley aka A.E. Kelley

if living, and if any or all of the above named Defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of such person if he should be deceased, and any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, owning or claiming or having any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause; and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees, devisees, trustees, officers, directors, stockholders, partners, managers or other governing persons of the above named persons or entities, who own or claim some interest in the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause, to-wit:

Lt 11, Bk 34, Original Town of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$1,136.72, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and cost thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against ALBERT EUGENE KELLEY AKA A.E. KELLEY, DECEASED and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on May 30, 2013, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL vs. ALBERT EUGENE KELLEY AKA A.E. KELLEY, DECEASED, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 6239 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE. Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

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

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 15th day of July, 2013 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 31st day of May, A.D. 2013.
Jury Padron
Clerk of the District Court
Howard County, Texas,
118th Judicial District.
#7829 June 9 & 16, 2013

Legals

Virgo Father's Moon
Historically, Mother's Day came first, and then Father's Day was created so as not to leave out poor dad and to keep him in fresh ties until Christmas. This Father's Day occurs under a Virgo

Legals

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR INJECTION WELL PERMIT
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LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil & Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.
Requests for public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil & Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P. O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, TX 78711-2967 (Telephone (512)463-6792). #7834 June 16, 2013

Legals

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO THE FOLLOWING:
D. CALLAHAN, L.L. HARRIS A/K/A LARKIN LEONIDES HARRIS, N.G. HARRIS, IRA C. HARRIS, ARTHUR C. HARRIS, WILLIAM F. HARRIS, WILLIAM L. HALL, JAMES DANIEL HARRIS, HUGH S. HARRIS, JOHN G. HARRIS, RUTH E. HEAD, STELLA MARIE POWERS, LOVELL H. HARRIS, CLAYTON C. HARRIS, NELL HOPKINS, NORVEL F. MELTON, W.R. PURSER, B.A. PURSER, AV CAMPBELL, MARGUERITE CAMPBELL, MARTHA CAMPBELL, J.D. PURSER, ESSIE FAY PURSER C.D. PURSER, J.W. PURSER, DOROTHY FAY MITCHELL, HARRY LEES, ETHEL RAY LEES, B.B. LEES, EDDY RAY LEES CLARK, ANITA MAUK LEES, JT ROGERS, H.L. CLINGHAN A/K/A K.L. CLINGAN, C.A. SCHULL, ANNIE SCHULL, FRANK SCHULL, ESTER SCHULL A/K/A ESTER POWELL, F.L. SCHULL, LALLAH SCHULL, MAX WIESEN, SUSIE G. WIESEN, C.W. SPENCE, ALICE SPENCE, MOLLIE RAYBURN, A.E. RAYBURN, PEARL SHIFFLET, JEFFERSON DAVIS, NADA MAE DAVIS A/K/A NOTA MAE DAVIS, ALL THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE FOREGOING INDIVIDUALS, ALL PERSONS CLAIMING ANY TITLE OR INTEREST IN LAND UNDER DEEDS HERETOFORE GIVEN FROM C.W. SPENCE AND ALICE SPENCE TO D. CALLAHAN, LL HARRIS, W.R. PURSER, AV CAMPBELL, JD PURSER, HARRY LEES, H.L. CLINGHAN, J.T. ROGERS, C.A. SCHULL, F.L. SCHULL, MAX WIESEN, AND SUSIE G. WIESEN.

EACH OF YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO APPEAR AND ANSWER HEREIN at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this citation. You may employ an attorney. Your answer must be filed at the Office of the District Clerk, Colleen Barton, at 312 Scurry, Big Spring, Texas 79720.

The suit is numbered 49165 and is styled "Phillip Hancock, Independent Executor of the Estate of Lavon Hancock v. D. Callahan et al." The petition in this cause was filed on May 20, 2013 in the 118th District Court of Howard County, Texas. This lawsuit is an action for ownership and title of Tracts 102, 104, 202, 204, 301, 302, 304, 401, 402, 403 and 404, Spence Subdivision, in Section 18, Block 34, T-1-S, T&P Ry Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas. Plaintiff is Phillip Hancock as Independent Executor of the Estate of Lavon Hancock.

Plaintiff's Attorney Name and Address:
Joshua Hamby P.C.
107 W. 4th
Big Spring, Texas 79720
NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANTS: You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this citation a default judgment may be taken against you.

ISSUED AND GIVEN under my hand and seal of office on **May 22, 2013**, at 312 Scurry, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas.
Colleen Barton
Clerk of the 118th District Court
312 Scurry
P.O. Box 2138
Big Spring, Texas 79720
Howard County, Texas
By: Colleen Barton
#7805 May 26, 2013 and June 2, 9, & 16, 2013

Tomorrow's Horoscope

moon, highlighting the salt-of-the-earth qualities some Dad's possess and helping us celebrate in practical but thoughtful ways.
ARIES (March 21-April 19). If a problem is important to you, it's important — but not as important as a problem that affects many. If you are able to improve something that will help many people, do so, and your own problem might get solved in the process.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Why you do what you do speaks to what kind of person you are. Different people have different reasons. The same act can be cowardly or brave, depending on the reason motivating it.
GEMINI (May 21-June 21). No one is all good or all bad. The action today highlights the complex mix that's inside each

individual. You'll watch loved ones closely, and their unpredictable behavior will intrigue you.
CANCER (June 22-July 22). Deal only with the things you're pretty sure you can change today, because many of the issues presented will not be worth your time. You have a talent for staying on purpose.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The amount of attention you give someone determines whether they are major or minor characters in your day. You're the director of this scene, so don't cast people who make you miserable.
 VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You're no stranger to feeling displaced and bewildered. Your lovely characteristics will be a contrast to your environment at some point today, and you'll have to take a step back to remember: "How did I land here?"
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There is creativity in your soul that needs a vehicle. You won't be satisfied by doing the same kind of work you did last week. You need the stimulation of a new challenge.
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Every day is special to you, but some days, you have to try a little harder to see why. Not now. Your eyes will be open to the unique qualities of this time, and your heart will be tender with the realization of how precious life is.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). There's a group you're thinking of joining, and it's a good idea. Belonging to a group will make you more comfortable with groups in general. The more you interact the higher your confidence will rise.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Personal space becomes an issue as noisy circumstances or obtrusive people threaten to invade your peace. Take precautions, and stand up for yourself sooner rather than being overly polite.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You may be surprised at what flies out of your mouth when you're feeling comfortable. The person who can make you drop your defenses is attractive on many levels.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Become a teacher of what you most need or want to learn. There's no reason to wait. No one is going to give you permission. Dive in and start figuring it out.
TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (June 16). Mystery, marvel and romance come together for you this year and play out like a book, and it's a real page-turner, too. A wait will be over in July. Money is part of the reward for your patience. Loved ones excel because of you in August. November is your chance to go for a coveted position. Practice makes perfect. Capricorn and Scorpio people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 31, 22, 15 and 37.



HOLIDAY MATHIS

Legals

Notice is hereby given that Laredo Petroleum, Inc., Operator 486610, has filed with the Texas Railroad Commission the following: P-17 application for the exception to SWR 26 and/or 27 to surface commingle production, allocate production and for off-lease storage, from oil and gas leases on Section 214, Block 29, W & NW RR Co Survey, 560.8 Acres being all, Save & Except the W/2 of the NW/4 of Section 215, Block 29, W & NW RR Co Survey, Section 192, Block 29, W & NW RR Co Survey, Section 219, Block 29, W & NW RR Co Survey, Section 191, Block 29, W & NW RR Co Survey all in Glasscock County, Texas under other leases. Any affected mineral interest owners who wish to protest this application must do so by contacting the Texas Railroad Commission, P-17 Department, P.O. Box 12987, Austin, TX 78711-2987 within 21 days of this ad. #7835 June 16, 23, 30, 2013 and July 7, 2013

Legals

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Requests for public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil & Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P. O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, TX 78711-2967 (Telephone (512)463-6792). #7833 June 16, 2013

Legals

Colleen Barton
312 Scurry
Big Spring, TX 79720
Joshua Hamby
P.O. Box 2199
Big Spring, TX 79721-21
THE STATE OF TEXAS
NOTICE OF DEFENDANT: "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on Monday next following the expiration of 42 days after this citation was issued, a default judgment may be taken against you."
To: Erica Fowler, aka Erica Posey, Defendant, Greeting:
You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the Monday next after the expiration of 42 days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday July 1, 2013, before the Honorable 118th District Court of Howard County, at 312 Scurry Street in said County in Big Spring, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 05/17/2013 in the entitled cause IN RE: CHLOE MICHELLE POSEY
A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: Adoption of a child as is more fully shown by the Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.
Issued and given under my hand seal of said court at office this 17th day of May, 2013.
Colleen Barton
District Clerk of Howard County, Texas
#7802 June 2, 9, 16 & 23, 2013

Microsoft brings Office to iPhone, but not tablets

NEW YORK (AP) — Even as a pared-down version of Microsoft's Office software package arrived on the iPhone, the company is holding out on extending that to the iPad and Android devices as it tries to boost sales of tablet computers running its own Windows system. Microsoft also isn't selling Office Mobile for iPhone separately. Instead, it comes as part of a \$100-a-year Office 365 subscription, which also lets you use Office on up to five Mac and Windows computers. Microsoft made the app available through Apple's app store Friday. Microsoft Corp. is treading a fine line as it tries to make its subscription more compelling, without removing an advantage that tablet computers running Microsoft's Windows system now have — the ability to run popular Office programs such as Word, Excel and PowerPoint.

Microsoft has been pushing subscriptions as a way to get customers to keep paying for a product that has historically been sold in a single purchase. The company touts such benefits as the ability to run the package on multiple computers and get updates for free on a regular basis. Microsoft said it wants to give customers yet another reason to embrace subscriptions by offering Office on the iPhone only with a subscription.

The iPhone app will let people read and edit their text documents, spreadsheets and slide presentations at the doctor's office or at a soccer game. But many people will prefer doing those tasks on a tablet's larger screen. Office is available on those devices through a Web browser, but that requires a constant Internet connection, something many tablets don't have.

"The nature of the Office suite, being productivity-focused, makes it better-suited for a larger mobile screen," said Josh Olson, an analyst with Edward Jones. "The issue then becomes, 'How do you provide the Office offering in its best-suited mobile environment without negating a distinguishing characteristic of the Windows 8 tablets?'"

He said Microsoft isn't likely to offer Office on the iPad and other tablets until it sees sufficient adoption of Windows tablets first. Because of that, the new mobile app is likely to increase consumer awareness, but it won't significantly increase subscriptions.

Another analyst, Rick Sherlund of Nomura

Securities, warned that delaying a tablet version on non-Windows devices will merely help competitors.

"Office is a bigger business for Microsoft than Windows, so we see more urgency to preserve and extend the Office franchise cross platform," he said.

Apple, for one, is refreshing its iWork package this fall, while Google bought Quickoffice last year. The two offerings are among several that are capable of working with Office files on mobile devices, though people using them may lose formatting and other details.

Chris Schneider, a marketing manager with Microsoft's Office team, would not comment on any plans for the iPad or Android.

The regular version of Office works on Windows 8 tablets, and most of the features are available on a version designed for tablets running a lightweight version of Windows called RT. Customers needing to use Office on a larger screen than a phone might be drawn to the Windows tablets, which have lagged behind in sales and cachet compared with Apple's iPad and various devices running Google's Android system.

The iPhone app comes with Word, Excel and PowerPoint and will sync with Microsoft's SkyDrive online storage service. Microsoft said people will be able

to pick up a Word document exactly where they left off on another computer tied to the same account, while comments they add to a Word or Excel file will appear when they open it up on another machine.

Although documents will be reformatted to fit the phone's screen, the company said the iPhone app will preserve charts, animation, comments and other key properties. That's not always the case with programs offered by Google and other companies to work with Office files on mobile devices.

But the app doesn't offer the same range of features available on regular computers.

It's meant for lightweight editing, not complex calculations or heavy graphical work, Schneider said. Someone about to give a speech can review a PowerPoint presentation and fix a typo, for instance. Someone getting a Word or Excel document as an email attachment can add comments or make changes, then send it back, either as an email attachment or through a sharing feature on SkyDrive.

Rather than have it do everything, Schneider said, "we designed the Office Mobile for iPhone to meet the scenarios that make the most sense."

The iPhone app also won't have Outlook for email, Publisher for desktop publishing and Access for databases.

Microsoft's OneNote software for note-taking has been available for free separately for iPhones and iPads.

People with Office 365 subscriptions will be able to run the new app on up to five iPhones, in addition to the five Mac or Windows computers. People in the United States were able to get it from Apple's app store Friday. Availability in other countries will follow in the coming days. Downloading is free, but a subscription is needed for the app to work.

It's possible to use the iPhone app on an iPad, but the documents are merely blown up to fit the size of the screen. You won't get to see more of a document despite the larger screen, and text and graphics won't look as sharp when enlarged.

Microsoft, which is based in Redmond, Wash., already makes a version for phones running its Windows Phone 8 operating system. An Office 365 subscription isn't required for that, and those apps do not count toward the five mobile devices permitted for each subscription.

Colt to welcome Texas governor on Monday visit

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — The president of West Hartford-based Colt Manufacturing said Friday he will be pleased to host a visit by Gov. Rick Perry of Texas, a state he called a loyal supporter of the gun maker.

Perry is traveling to Connecticut on Sunday for a Northeast job-poaching tour that will also take him to New York.

A number of gun makers in Connecticut have said they are looking into leaving after the state passed some of the toughest gun laws in the country, a response to last year's massacre at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown in which 20 children and six educators were gunned down.

Colt president Dennis Veilleux said he welcomes Perry's visit Monday morning.

"While we have been proud to call Connecticut home for 175 years, as we look to future growth we have a responsibility to consider all options that ensure we remain competitive and meet the needs and expectations of our customers," Veilleux said.

In March, Veilleux closed down his Connecticut factory for a day and bused 400 of his workers to the state Capitol in Hartford so they could personally urge lawmakers not to pass gun control legislation that they say could risk their livelihoods.

Caterpillar to begin S. Milwaukee layoffs

SOUTH MILWAUKEE, Wis. (AP) — Caterpillar Inc. says it is placing about 260 production employees at its South Milwaukee plant on indefinite layoff because of weaker demand for mining equipment.

The layoffs represent about a third of the more than 800 workers represented by the Steelworkers union at the plant. The layoffs go into effect June 24.

The Milwaukee Journal Sentinel reports the layoff notices come just three days after members of United Steelworkers Local 1343 ratified a six-year labor contract.

Caterpillar says the Peoria, Ill.-based company earlier announced plans to lay off production employees at the plant. The company says customer orders for mining equipment made at the plant are weaker than they were a year ago.

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A Day in the Life of Howard County

We Want Your Input
 Here's how you as a resident of Howard County can take part:

- In whatever focus you choose, chronicle your activities on June 12 • You can write a first-person essay about your day's events. You can do it as a group project with your club, team or social circle. Photos encouraged.
- Submit your story to us by Monday, June 17. email link: 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:
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- 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. 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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Tereshkova marks 50 years of her historic flight

MOSCOW (AP) — It was another Soviet first in space 50 years ago — putting a woman in orbit. And 26-year old Valentina Tereshkova carried her part with grace, shouting “Take off your hat, sky, I’m coming!” as she blasted off.

President Vladimir Putin praised her during a meeting at his residence Friday, marking the anniversary of her flight, which came a little more than two years after the Soviet Union put the first man into orbit. Putin awarded her the Order of Alexander Nevsky for meritorious public service, one of the highest Russian honors.

Tereshkova’s three-day mission instantly made her a global celebrity and a poster image

for Soviet space glory. However, behind the scenes there were strong concerns about the flight and Tereshkova’s account of the mission differs dramatically from recollections of other veterans of the nation’s space program.

Recalling her flight, the 76-year old cosmonaut says she felt no fear despite what she described as a glitch that might have stranded her in space. Others have faulted her performance and questioned whether she was able to deal with an emergency on descent.

Soviet space officials started considering a space mission by a woman soon after Yuri Gagarin’s flight in April 1961, seeing it as another chance to advertise the nation’s prowess.



To make the mission even more spectacular for propaganda purposes, Moscow decided to score another first by making it the first simultaneous flight of two spaceships. Valery Bykovsky blasted off aboard the Vostok-5

ship on June 14, 1963, and Tereshkova followed him on June 16.

Tereshkova, who was given the call sign of Chaika (Seagull), blasted off faultlessly and stayed in good shape until day two, when flight controllers noted

that she was slow or unable to fulfill their commands and looked tired and unresponsive. “She sounded apathetic in conversations with ground control,” Vladimir Yazdovsky, the chief doctor of the Soviet space program wrote in his memoirs. “She largely limited her movements and kept sitting almost motionless.”

Yazdovsky said Tereshkova felt unwell because of weightlessness, and Sergei Korolyov, considered the father of Russia’s space program, was so concerned about her condition that he suggested an early landing. Officials decided, however, to stick to the original plan for a three-day mission.

Korolyov’s deputy, Boris Chertok, later recalled in his chronicle of the Soviet space program that worries about Tereshkova were exacerbated by her failure to properly align the ship during a simulation testing her ability to perform a manual landing in case of autopilot failure during descent.

Her ship landed faultlessly in automatic mode on June 19, 1963, but Chertok said that Korolyov and others spent yet another agonizing moment when Tereshkova failed to communicate with ground controllers during the descent.

Tense moments of Tereshkova’s mission remained hidden from the public until the Soviet collapse when top figures in the space program spoke about it for the first time. Tereshkova dismissed all the talk about her feeling unwell during the flight as groundless speculation.

Tereshkova told reporters last week that engineers made a mistake in designing the ship’s controls, which would have left her stranded if she hadn’t noticed it in time.

“It was programmed to raise the orbit instead

of landing,” she said. “I put the new data in and it worked fine.”

Tereshkova said that Korolyov himself pleaded with her after the flight to keep the flaw secret: “He told me: ‘Chayechka (a nickname for Chaika), please don’t talk about it.’”

She said she kept the promise and only spoke about it because a space engineer disclosed the glitch in 1993.

Chertok and other top figures in the Russian space program told a sharply different story, saying that Tereshkova simply couldn’t pilot the ship in manual mode during in-orbit training. Chertok recalled Tereshkova’s meeting with engineers focusing on the issue that involved a private conversation with Korolyov, from which she emerged teary-eyed.

Doctors also had their share of complaints. Yazdovsky wrote that after landing in the Altai region in southern Siberia, Tereshkova drank horse’s milk and ate food offered to her by local farmers, giving them what was left of her space ration in violation of medical regulations. He also claimed that Tereshkova cleaned the mess on the ship after her landing and made retrospective entries in the ship’s log, making it impossible for doctors to objectively evaluate her condition.

Tereshkova received a hero’s welcome after the flight and was showered with awards. A few months later she married cosmonaut Andrian Nikolayev with Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev presiding over the wedding party.

Tereshkova moved on to an official career, holding various jobs and honorary titles.

She now holds a Parliament seat on the ticket of the main Kremlin party, serving as deputy chairman of the foreign affairs committee in the lower house.



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