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Emergency medical service and law enforcement personnel responded to a one-vehicle accident at the 180 mile marker of Interstate 20 Wednesday afternoon. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center with undisclosed injuries.

Boot scootin' just got better

By **STEVE REAGAN**
 Staff Writer

The Big Spring Senior Citizens Center has a shiny new dance floor, and officials there are eager to show it off to the public.

The center will hold a "grand re-opening" dance to celebrate the new floor Friday, Aug. 9, from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m.. The dance, featuring live country-western music, is free to the public and refreshments will be served, Director MaryJo Toomire said.

A portion of the roof over the dance area collapsed under the weight of heavy snow 17 months ago, resulting in major damage to the floor, Toomire noted.

Until funds could be secured

for the floor's repair, the area around it had to be cordoned off with yellow crime scene tape. As might be expected, this caused no small amount of inconvenience to center visitors.

"That part of the building couldn't be used for anything," she said. "It was a big eyesore — it looked like a construction site — and we were really glad to see it repaired."

Lee George Construction crews recently repaired the roof and dance floor and it is now ready for use, Toomire said.

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 235 or by e-mail at reporter@big-springherald.com

Long time BSSH administrator retiring

By **BRIAN MCCORMACK**
 Staff Writer

Longtime Big Spring State Hospital Superintendent Ed Moughon has announced his retirement after serving at the facility in various capacities for 25 years.

Moughon, 64, will step down at the end of the month. He has played an integral role in not only keeping the hospital in Big Spring, but turning it into a model facility.

Moughon and his wife came to Big Spring from the Dallas-Fort Worth area when he had the opportunity to get back in the psychiatric care field. It's been the people — his staff, his clients and the residents of Big Spring — that have kept him here since his 1988 arrival.

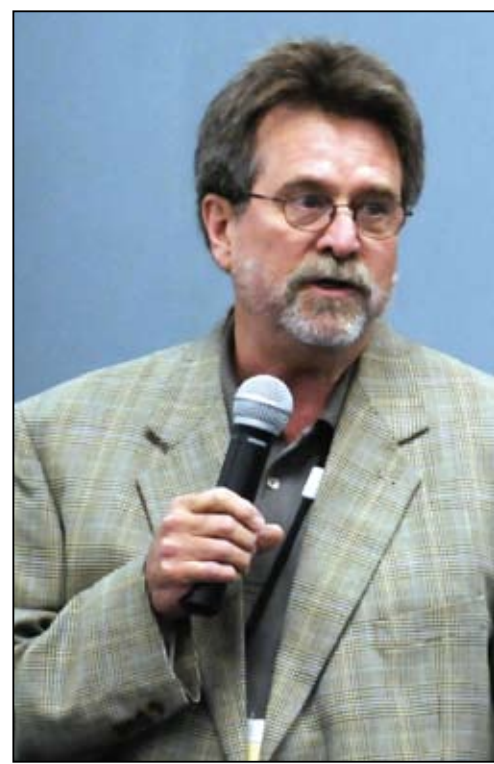
When Moughon took over as superintendent 17 years ago, the hospital's future was uncertain. Now, similar facilities in Texas have been known to take cues from Moughon and his methods of transforming state hospitals from cold, institutional settings to warm, inviting places of residence

for those who stay at them. He has earned accolades in the past for running a compassionate business, including the Texas Public Employees Association's highest honor, the Preston E. Harrison Award in 2001, which recognized Moughon as an innovator in his field.

Another achievement was the assembly of the volunteer council, which is comprised of about 100 local residents who strive to ease the burden of patients under the care of BSSH. The program has helped create a friendlier atmosphere within the hospital, but according to Moughon, it wasn't an earth-shattering proposal.

"Business listens to customers all the time," Moughon said when the committee was created. "A lot of times, a hospital will hire one person to get feedback. We have people from all over West Texas and we thought, why not get feedback from people here right now? They've been incredibly valuable."

One major contributor to the posi-



Ed Moughon

tive change is the staff-to-patient ratio. According to Moughon, when he started in Big Spring, there were

about 500 patients and 400 staff. The hospital now boasts 600 staff to attend to 200 patients — a huge change for the better regarding the distribution of care.

"I went to school in the late '60s," Moughon explained. "As a product of that generation — we were going to save the world. I met this guy, a professor at undergraduate school, a fellow named Donald Whaley. He engaged us in working with kids who had learning disabilities and showed us how we could help folks. I just became absolutely committed to the idea that we could help people in this business."

Fearing the possibility BSSH could wind up in the state budget's chopping block, Moughon decided to streamline the unit. He opted to provide only inpatient services and began handling overflow from East Texas, ensuring the beds would stay filled and the doors would stay open.

"I found a hospital that was already

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Coahoma reunion a week away

Herald Staff Report

Coahoma High School will hold an All-School Reunion on Saturday, July 20, at the elementary school in Coahoma.

Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. Anyone who attended Coahoma schools or taught or worked in the Coahoma school system is invited to attend.

Rather than a theme, the emphasis will be visiting with old friends and renewing acquaintances, organizers said. Individual classes are encouraged to utilize this opportunity for their milestone

class reunions (20th, 40th, etc.). Invitations have not be mailed, so everyone is asked to help spread the word to all CHS alumni. E-mail information will be sent upon request to Michael Hinsley at mdhinsley@mac.com.

The reunion is expected to last until 2 or 3 p.m. and will include an auction and drawings to raise money for college scholarships to CHS students. Attendees are asked to bring new or novelty items for the auction. That evening, a CHS Reunion social for all classes will be held in Big Spring at Kokapelli's. Additional

details will be available by e-mail, Facebook (Michael Hinsley) or at the reunion.

If you need further information, contact any of the CHS Reunion officers:

Joyce York Baumann, president, at jefnjoyce@yahoo.com or 432-816-1588

Barbara Ballard Reilly, vixie president at reillyb@coahoma.esc18.net or 432-263-7808

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Obituaries

Dale Gene Zant



Dale Gene Zant, 86, of New Home, Texas, left this earth July 9, 2013, to be with his Heavenly Father.

Dale was born April 13, 1927, to H.N. and Zona Zant in Clauene, Texas. He was the oldest of seven boys. He married Ethel Lynn Gill on Nov. 27, 1946. They were blessed with four children during their 61 years of marriage. Dale served in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Belleau Wood.

He was a member of the New Home Church of Christ, where he served as an elder. He was also a member of the Wilson Lions Club, Lynn County ASCS, Soil Conservation and Federal Land Bank boards, as well as the Wilson School board and Wilson Coop Gin. Dale was a well respected and much beloved member of the New Home, Wilson and Tahoka communities.

Dale was an avid Texas A&M and Texas Tech Red Raider fan, as well as a diehard New Home Leopards fan. He loved watching the sporting events and other activities that his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren participated in over the years.

Those left to cherish his memory are his son, Leland Zant and wife Susan of New Home; two daughters, Karen Cook and husband Coy of Midland and

Renea Zant of Follett; seven grandchildren, T'auna Ramsey and husband Brett of Big Spring, Lanny Zant and wife Cindi of New Home, Shannon Zant and wife Crystal of New Home, Maranda Ribera and husband Rick of Spicewood, Shane Zant and wife Ashlie of Lorena, Lora Ferguson of Portales, N.M., Jenny Ferguson of Garland; 11 great-grandchildren, Tristan, Kincade and Zona Ramsey, Karson and Reagyn Zant, Jaxxon and Maddox Zant, and Averie, Kallie and Charlie Zant; four brothers, Dudley Zant of Paris, Joe Don Zant and wife Dena Bell of Vealmoor, Rex Zant and wife Patsy of Ackery, and Warren Zant and wife Anna of Westbrook; as well as numerous friends and additional family.

Dale was preceded in death by his wife, Ethel Lynn; parents, H.N. and Zona Zant; brothers, Max Zant and Cates Zant; and son, Raymond Zant.

Memorials may be made to the Lubbock Children's Home, Sunset International Bible Institute, Green Memorial Cemetery in Wilson, Blue Haven Youth Camp or New Home PTO.

Visitation will be 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursday, July 11, 2013, with family receiving friends from 6-8 p.m. at Combest Family Funeral Homes in Tahoka. Celebration of Life will be held 10 a.m., Friday, July 12, 2013, at New Home Church of Christ. Interment will follow at Green Memorial Park Cemetery in Wilson, Texas.

Please celebrate the life of Dale by visiting www.combestfamilyfuneralhomes.com.

Paid obituary

Earl H. Bedell Sr.

Earl H. Bedell Sr., age 88, of Stacy died Wednesday morning, July 10, 2013, at his home following a lengthy illness.

Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, July 13, 2013, in the Stacy Cemetery under the direction of Walker Funeral Home of Coleman.

He was born June 3, 1925, in Big Spring, Texas, the son of Clay C. and Stella Mae Richardson Bedell. He grew up in Garden City where he graduated from high school. He later served in the U. S. Army. He married Betty Ringener at Big Spring on Oct. 16, 1948. He had lived in Stacy for the past 16 years, moving from Odessa.

He was a welder and loved to build things and his hobby was working. He enjoyed being outdoors. He was a Baptist.

He is survived by his wife, Betty Bedell of Stacy; a son, Earl H. Bedell Jr. and wife Dee of Weatherford; three granddaughters, Stephanie Torres and husband Steven of Benbrook, Kimberly Neely and husband Dylan of Weatherford and Melany Bedell and husband Michael of Mineral Wells; two great-grandsons, Devin Bedell and Ethan Bedell; two brothers, Ed Bedell of Oklahoma and Deecye Bedell of Kermit; and two sisters, Nokie Roberts of Nevada, Texas, and Frankie Sours of Alaska.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Fern Bedell; and two brothers, Clay R. Bedell and Brooks G. Bedell.

Memorials are requested to be made to the donors favorite charity.

Walker Funeral Home of Coleman is in charge of arrangements.

Paid obituary

Raellen Thompson

Raellen Thompson, 73, of North Richland Hills, formerly of Big Spring, passed away Wednesday, July 10, 2013. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Police/Sheriff/EMS

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

- BRYAN ALLEN KENNEMUR, 29, of 2317 Cornell, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- ANTHONY A. VASQUEZ, 38, of 106 NE Eighth on a charge of theft greater than or equal to \$50 but less than \$500.
- JOSEPH JUSTIN LAROCQUE, 34, of 1406 S. Runnels, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- JOHN FLORES JR., 48, of 701 S. Lancaster was arrested Wednesday on a warrant from another agency.
- PHILLIP JON ROSE, 30, of 1614 E. 15th Street, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.
- DIANA MARIA LOPEZ, 37, of 1210 Wood St., was arrested Thursday on a charge of assault, family violence.
- EDWARD GLEN MEYERS, 47, of 1800 S. Monticello, was arrested Wednesday on a warrant for possession of a controlled substance.
- KEVIN EUGENE BENTLY, 35, of 807 Lorilla, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of bigamy.
- PATRICK MICHAEL SHARP, 44, of 1108 Mulberry Ave., was arrested Wednesday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY was reported at the 3600 block of Hamilton and the 400 block of Birdwell.
- MINOR ACCIDENT was reported at the 1200 block of West Third, 1100 block of Kenny and the 1800 block of Owens.
- ASSAULT was reported at the 1300 block of Mt. Vernon Ave.

James Holt

James Holt, 78, of Big Spring died Tuesday July 9, 2013, at the George H. O'Brien VA Medical Center. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported at the 1600 block of E. 15th Street, 1200 block of Wood – two incidents.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported at the 1900 block of Wasson.

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

- Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 88 inmates at the time of this report.
- ANTHONY A. VASQUEZ, 38, was booked on a charge of theft of property less than or equal to \$50 but less than \$500.
- EDWARD GLEN MEYERS, 47, was booked Wednesday on a warrant for possession of a controlled substance.
- JOSEPH JUSTIN LAROCQUE, 34, was booked Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- KEVIN EUGENE BENTLY, 35, was booked Wednesday on a charge of bigamy.
- JOHN FLORES JR., 48, was booked Wednesday for parole violation.
- PATRICK MICHAEL SHARP, 44, was booked by the HCSO Wednesday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- PHILLIP JON ROSE, 30, was booked Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.

The Big Spring Fire Department/Emergency Medical Servie reported the following activity:

- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported at mile marker 180. One patient transported to SMMC.
- FIRE reported at the 4800 block of West Highway 80. Extinguished.

Take Note

- Coahoma High School classes of 1952 through 1956 will hold a reunion at Papa Chon's Restaurant at 6 p.m. Friday, July 19. Contact Sue Buchanan Tindol at 432-394-4363 for more information or to reserve a seat.

- The Howard County Sheriff's Posse will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 6 at Crispy's Cafe, located near the intersection of Birdwell Lane and FM 700. The local group is looking for new members and would like to encourage anyone interested in joining to attend the meeting. For more information on the Howard County Sheriff's Posse or the meeting, contact Steve Gray at 432-213-6104 or Bert Sheppard at 432-263-4483.

- Coahoma High School will hold an All-School

Reunion on Saturday, July 20, at the Elementary School in Coahoma. Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. For further information, contact Joyce York Baumann at 432-816-1588.



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Carrol Dean Yater

Carrol Dean Yater, 78, of Stanton, died Thursday, July 11, 2013 at the Hospice House of Odessa. His services are pending with Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton.

Today's Weather

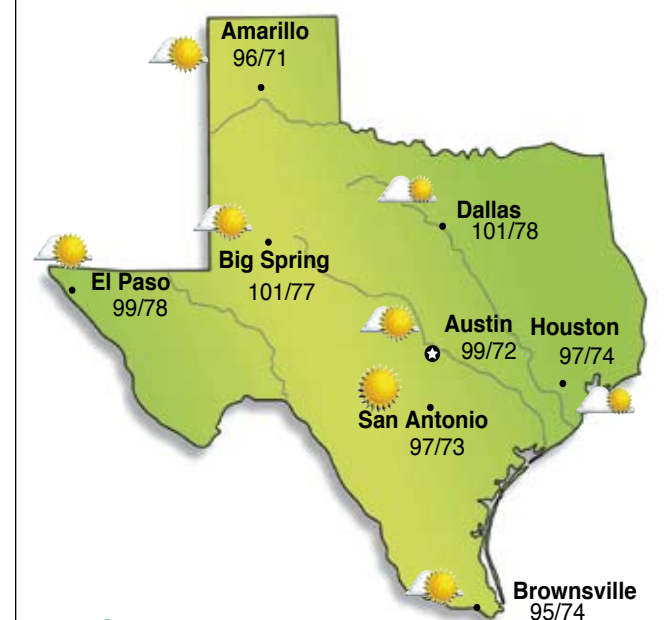
Local 3-Day Forecast

Fri 7/12	Sat 7/13	Sun 7/14
101/77 Sunshine and some clouds. Near record high temperatures. High 101F. Winds SSE at 10 to 15 mph.	101/75 Sunshine. Highs 99 to 103F and lows in the mid 70s.	100/76 Plenty of sun. Highs 98 to 102F and lows in the mid 70s.
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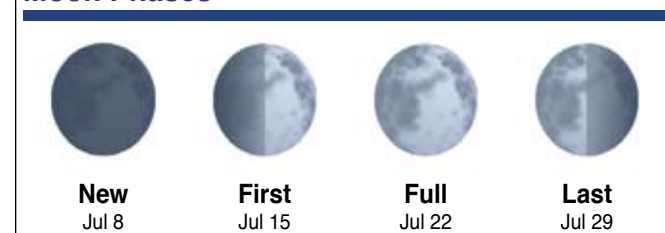
Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	100	76	pt sunny	Kingsville	98	73	mst sunny
Amarillo	96	71	mst sunny	Livingston	96	72	pt sunny
Austin	99	72	mst sunny	Longview	95	75	t-storm
Beaumont	94	74	pt sunny	Lubbock	99	73	pt sunny
Brownsville	95	74	mst sunny	Lufkin	92	74	pt sunny
Brownwood	102	75	pt sunny	Midland	100	77	mst sunny
Corpus Christi	96	76	mst sunny	Raymondville	96	73	mst sunny
Corsicana	98	75	pt sunny	Rosenberg	97	74	pt sunny
Dallas	101	78	pt sunny	San Antonio	97	73	sunny
Del Rio	100	78	sunny	San Marcos	99	72	mst sunny
El Paso	99	78	mst sunny	Sulphur Springs	98	75	t-storm
Fort Stockton	97	71	mst sunny	Sweetwater	100	76	pt sunny
Gainesville	99	74	pt sunny	Tyler	96	76	t-storm
Greenville	98	74	t-storm	Weatherford	101	75	pt sunny
Houston	97	74	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	104	76	pt sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	83	70	t-storm	Minneapolis	86	67	sunny
Boston	82	66	rain	New York	82	71	t-storm
Chicago	81	61	sunny	Phoenix	96	83	pt sunny
Dallas	101	78	pt sunny	San Francisco	63	52	pt sunny
Denver	94	67	mst sunny	Seattle	71	54	pt sunny
Houston	97	74	pt sunny	St. Louis	85	66	sunny
Los Angeles	79	66	cloudy	Washington, DC	82	70	t-storm
Miami	88	78	t-storm				

Moon Phases



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good," he said. "I came out here and found a great group of committed folks who do this work. I was assistant superintendent for five years before I became superintendent. I got to do all the dirty work, but you learn the real infrastructure. I found that this hospital is a gold mine, because of the people we get to hire in this community. When they built state hospitals in the middle of nowhere, they were basically embarrassed of mental illness. That's changed, of course. The good news is, now we're in the middle of nowhere, so we can attract a really interested workforce. I knew if I ever got the opportunity to be superintendent, we could work to make this an even better hospital. We could make it a better place for the customer, a place where the patients would want to come back. It was a good hospital when I got here, but it wasn't as customer-friendly as it needed to be. So that's been

my contribution." Beyond practicing sound business policy to avoid being shut down, Moughon wanted to create a kinder, gentler atmosphere for the patients. He began meeting with patient representatives faithfully once per week for an hour or more to discuss things directly with the clients — something most superintendents don't do. "The patients have most of these answers. Psychiatry has done a poor job of listening to patients. I always found that even though they may have delusions or may be psychotic in some ways, it doesn't mean they don't have good observations about other things." Moughon said when he first took over, there were 200-300 situations in which restraint had to be used on a patient. Today, the hospital may restrain 20 per month — a significant improvement which leads to a safer environment for clients and employees. "It's been a process of empowering staff to problem solve with patients,"



Moughon said. "Understanding that they're adults, they don't want to be bossed around." Moughon plans to spend time with wife Becky and three daughters, Amanda Wadsworth, Bond Ryan and Arielle Castle and his grandchildren, all of whom live in Big Spring.

"We may do some traveling, but we will maintain our anchor here in Big Spring," Moughon added. "My dream was to take a hospital and turn it into a place where the patients would send you a thank you card. It sounds hard, but it was easy. We have the employees here. But I will miss the patients the most. They're so authentic. They've typically had such a rough road that they're so appreciative when you relate to them as a friend." As he prepares to leave his beloved post, Moughon hopes the community appreciates what the hospital means to the city of Big Spring. "These facilities," Moughon said, "state hospitals, federal prisons, VA hospitals — they belong to the community. It's important the community be as interested in them being run well. You can't let the buildings run down, you have to have professionals, we have to be innovative recruiting doctors. ... We want to be good enough where we're considered a go-to place." As Moughon prepares for

retirement, he expresses gratitude for his colleagues. "When I won the Preston Harrison Award, people were coming up and congratulating me and there was a district judge here named Bob Moore (Robert Moore III)," Moughon said. Well, he was at the reception and when he shook my hand he said, 'Congratulations.' I said, 'Well, I probably don't deserve it.' I was being self-deprecating. Then he said, 'Well, you probably don't. All these people who work for you do.' And he was right. They've made me look great. You don't do any of this without an incredible group of people working around you." The search for a new superintendent has begun, but a successor has not yet been named. Moughon expects a decision to be made soon.

Brian McCormack is the Herald's sports editor and a staff writer. He can be reached at 263-7331 ext. 237 or by e-mail at sports@bigspringherald.com

Support Groups

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

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

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

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

• Circle of Hope, a Celebrate Recovery group, meets at 6:30-8 p.m. at Spring Creek Fellowship, located in the College Park Shopping Center. Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery program dealing with life's hang-ups, hurts and habits, covering many areas. Circle of Hope group is a ministry of Spring Creek Fellowship. For further information, contact Dale at 432-270-8462.

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

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

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

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• 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.

• RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy, a chronic pain disease), a new support and informative group meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207 for more information.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 & 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

THURSDAY
• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

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

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

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• Overcomer's: Recovery & Restoration (R&R), a Christ-centered recovery program is held at Cornerstone Covenant Church from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the "Green Room" of the East Wing. For more convenient access to the meeting room, park in the back of the church and enter through the metal door across from the fellowship hall. If you need more information, contact the church secretary at 432-264-0015.

• Visual Awareness Support Group (VASG) is open to the public but specifically aimed for people who suffer from vision problems and their caregivers. For more information, call 263-2501.

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

FRIDAY
• AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

SATURDAY
• Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. Covered dish supper at 7 p.m.

SUNDAY
• Alcoholics Anonymous closed meeting from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 7 p.m. until 8 p.m.

Okla. man jailed after woman spots him in the toilet

SAND SPRINGS, Okla. (AP) — A Tulsa man remained jailed Monday on a peeping Tom complaint after authorities discovered him inside a septic tank beneath a women's bathroom at a Sand Springs water park.

Kenneth Enslow, 52, was arrested Sunday after a woman called police. She had taken her 7-year-old daughter to the bathroom and noticed a man looking up at her from inside the toilet, Tulsa County Sheriff's Maj. Shannon Clark said.

"He went in there, climbed down in the septic and was looking up at the people utilizing that facility," Clark said.

Enslow, who was covered in human waste, was helped from the septic tank by members of the Keystone Fire Department, who sprayed him off with a fire hose and then transported to a hospital for evaluation, according to a sheriff's report.

Enslow told police that a woman hit him in the head with a tire iron and dumped him in the toilet, according to the report.

But Clark said: "There were no injuries consistent with that."

Enslow remained jailed on a felony warrant from Okmulgee County related to a 1998 embezzlement case, court records show.

A formal arraignment in the peeping Tom case is scheduled for July 15.

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Good job, city council

We applaud Big Spring City Council for addressing the welfare of citizens first when it comes to the oil boom.

Visions of a ramshackle tent city cross our minds and we don't believe anyone wants that. Frankly, we already have more than our share of run-down neighborhoods, abandoned buildings and vacant, uninhabitable houses.

However, a lack of decent dwellings does seem to call for some improvisation, some innovative ideas.

We thought Councilman Marcus Fernandez's suggestion that the council visit a group of sea containers-turned-living quarters before making a decision was a good one. Not everyone agreed, as the council approved on first reading to place restrictions on new housing, but that doesn't mean it is not a bad idea or one the council shouldn't reconsider.

Every idea should be followed up. After all, it's the future of Big Spring we are concerned with.

To protect the city, we believe the council should consider allowing temporary housing, but only in an orderly manner. Housing owners should be held accountable and ensure the dwellings are humane, have decent water and sewer lines and heating and air conditioning. They should also be placed in a nice-as-possible setting and not just scattered haphazardly or “racked and stacked” and create an eyesore.

If we are worried about the aftermath of the boom — and we should be — the council should pursue avenues to protect the that aspect. Should landlords be required to haul off any sea containers or temporary housing after they have been vacated for two or three months, for instance? Obviously, an abundance of deteriorating “homes” is not what we or visitors to our city need to be seeing.

Again, we applaud the council — and Howard County commissioners as well — for studying these issues and making the best possible choices for the citizens.

Making a quick buck

There are few things in this world that will make you feel as insignificant as the roaring winds and rain of a full-on hurricane as it makes landfall.

That was a lesson I learned when I was 15 years old and growing up in Sumter, S.C. Despite living nearly two hours inland and well outside of what most people would have considered the potential path of an ocean-born storm, Hugo was a lesson for everyone in the Palmetto State that sometimes, just sometimes, you can chuck everything you think you know out the proverbial window.

After riding out some of the scariest winds, rain and associated weather conditions — at one point, my mother and I were pretty sure the roof of our home was going to fly away, off to Oz or some other wondrous place — the sun once again came up and what was left was absolute destruction.

Trees were down everywhere, as if God had ran his immense index finger over the landscape, knocking over everything in its path. Most of the eastern part of the state was without power — and would be without it for more than two weeks, as I remember it — and the vast majority of the roadways were impassable.

Now, for a 15-year-old kid, the times that followed would be some of the most cherished memories I have, as going to school each day and homework took a back seat to ATVs, chainsaws and hard, but satisfying work. Meals cooked on a Coleman stove and nights spent sitting around candles and lanterns were actually a nice break from the norm.

One memory that has stuck with me all of these years involved a mom-and-pop owned convenience store just a few miles from our home. We'd stopped there for years when we wanted a chili dog — and massive indigestion, for that matter — or needed fishing bait and other hunting and angling supplies.

After the storm hit, one of the most important commodities for everyone was gasoline. It ran the trucks, ATVs, chainsaws

... pretty much everything that was needed to get life back to normal. And, with the power out everywhere in our town, it was extremely hard to come by.

However, the owners of the nearby convenience store had been one step ahead of mother nature, keeping generators close at hand. It was an odd circle of supply and demand to me, how you would use gasoline to power a generator that would then power a gas pump, giving you more gas. It was, however, no laughing matter to the families who desperately needed it.

That need, unfortunately, would spawn a type of greed I had never seen before. While everyone was working together in a way that made the heart soar — it was no longer about us and them, it was about everyone — there were a few who approached the tragedy in a slightly different light.

When the gas pumps came on at the little ramshackle store, the bidding began. Fuel was going for as much as \$20 a gallon, sometimes slightly lower, quite often, much higher. It was, in its essence, a flavor of greed I had never encountered before.

It's that type of greed we are now seeing in Big Spring and the surrounding communities. Instead of gasoline or another traded commodity, however, today it is all about housing.

Just here in the Herald newsroom, we've been seeing the effects of the housing shortage for some time now. One person's lease on his apartment came up for renewal and went from \$650 a month to more than \$1,100, while another's also skyrocketed. Then, the storm hit home for me and my daughter, Hayley, as the house we had rented for more than a decade went from \$350 a month to more than \$900.

We were, effectively, priced out of our home and forced to move.

I have to tell you, it was one of the most degrading and disgraceful moments of my entire life. And, the powers that be should know mine is not an isolated incident, as hundreds of families in the Crossroads area have been forced to find substandard housing or leave the area they have called home for many years.

In 1989, when the horror of Hurricane Hugo had subsided and the unbelievable mess cleaned up, the owners of the convenience store were held ac-

countable. They were brought up on charges of price gouging, paid a stiff fine and may have even done some time. It was justice. It was humanity saying, “No, you will not be allowed to take advantage of the weak and the poor in this, their most terrifying hour.”

Unfortunately, there is no state or federal agency waiting to slap a pair of handcuffs on the slum lords and landlords who have doubled — even tripled — what they charge local residents, the men and women who were here long before any influx of oilfield workers. It's all just marked up to capitalism and the demands of the market, while, in the meantime, families living just shy of the poverty line are being priced out so oilfield workers making huge salaries can temporarily take their place.

What these folks trying to make a quick buck forget, however, is these high-paid oilfield employees won't be here forever. Eventually, they will move to the next big discovery or oil play, and the boom will be over. Then, as the housing market shrivels up, landlords will have to face the families and hard working Crossroads natives they once priced out of their homes.

It's a sad commentary on our society, that loyalty and compassion have come to mean so little. I've spoken to a few landlords who have said they won't raise the rent on their properties just to take advantage of the boom, but those men and women are few and far between. For the most part, those in the business of renting and leasing are out to make as much as they can, as quickly as they can.

In the meantime, families like my daughter and I are forced to struggle to find housing we can afford, which, for many, will translate into substandard situations. As monthly rent for a two bedroom, one bath house or apartment eclipses the \$1,000 mark, many of the families who have kept the Crossroads alive prior to the oil boom are being forced to move away.

No one wants to see the oil boom turn to bust, but it always does. Then, what will we have left? What will Big Spring have become?

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The Swede with the swagger

He was not a big man, but he was barrel-chested and walked with a bit of a swagger, leaving you to remember him as bigger than he was.

He was dressed as if he was on his way to a regatta: white pants, deck shoes with no socks and an oiled, wool sweater with a rolled collar.

That latter item is almost surely wrong, though, a trick of my memory. We were in Barbados, and it was 90 degrees. Nobody would have worn such a sweater. Still, I remember him that way, though I realize I am confusing him with Ernest Hemingway.

He walked into the bar and surveyed its inhabitants: Me, a dozen other reporters and a bartender reading a newspaper. It was 10 a.m.

“So,” he said smacking his hands together with a crack that brought every head in the room snapping up with attention. “We go to war, no?”

The more experienced reporters went back to their drinks. “Another Swede,” one sighed.

It was late October 1983, and the United States had just invaded the small island nation of Grenada in the southeastern Caribbean. In what we called “Operation Urgent Fury,” the U.S. Army's Rapid Deployment Force, the U.S. Marines, the U.S. Army Delta Force, the U.S. Navy SEALs and other forces total-

ing about 7,000 men blasted their way on shore to confront about 1,500 members of the Grenadian Army and about 700 Cubans, most of whom were engineers helping Grenada expand its airport.

The United States was invading either to restore order after a military coup, to keep Cubans from building an airstrip that could serve as a military outpost, to protect American students attending a medical school in Grenada or to make the American public forget that just two days before, the Marine barracks in Beirut had been blown up, killing 241 American servicemen. Take your pick.

The world press had gathered, but nobody could get to Grenada because the U.S. military had cordoned off the island with jets and ships. The legality of such a blockade was an open question, and an American TV network rented a plane and headed for Grenada.

But a U.S. jet appeared off its wingtip, warned the small plane away and then “bounced” it. This meant the jet flew close enough to the small plane to catch it in the turbulence from its jet wash. The pilot of the network plane lost control and spiraled toward the sea, before pulling up at the last second and turning back safely.

After that, the media lost their taste for challenging U.S. airpower, and the world press was happy to congregate on the island of Barbados, about 160 miles away from Grenada. The U.S. military promised they would ferry us over by transport plane as soon as things were pacified.

I was very happy to hang out in Barbados. It was a lovely resort island, with restaurants and beaches and bars. But the barrel-chested guy with the swagger had other ideas.

“We go to Grenada!” he said, slapping down a business card from a Swedish newspaper in front of me. “And we go by sea!”

After a few beers, I learned that Swedish reporters were ferocious competitors, they knew all about oceans, and if oceans couldn't stop the Vikings, they couldn't stop the press. We would rent a boat and sail to Grenada.

He and I got into a cab and went down to the harbor to look at the vessel that would take us across 160 miles of open ocean while evading the U.S. Navy.

The tub made the “African Queen” look like an ocean liner. It was a tiny, paint-peeling thing, with no mast or any other visible means of propulsion. There was also another problem.

The water seems very, very close to the top of the boat, I said.

“Gunwales,” my Swedish friend corrected me. “The water is close to the gunwales. But it will be OK. We will scoop everyone! We will scoop the world!”

The owner of the vessel saved me. He wanted \$1,000 in cash from each of us to rent his floating bathtub, and I explained my newspaper would not spend that kind of money to purchase an island, let alone to rent a boat to get to one.

I thought the Swede would be dejected, but nothing could dent his

spirit. “So,” he said, “back to the bar!”

The next day we flew to Grenada via U.S. military transport plane, and I linked up with a military video team there to record things for history. We careened around the island in a jeep, driving on the right side of the road even though Grenadians drive on the left side. Conquerors make their own rules.

Last week, I was in Sweden to talk about U.S. politics, as a guest of Aftonbladet, the largest media outfit in Scandinavia. On a whim, I tried to find the reporter I had met in Barbados, hampered only by the fact I could remember neither his name nor his newspaper.

He was friendly, I told people. Charming. He liked the sea. And reminded one of Hemingway.

Which narrowed it down to a good portion of all the men in Sweden, I was told.

I still have hope, though. It's been only 30 years. And the next time we invade somebody, I'm looking for him.

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News in brief

Texas Senate to vote on roads, criminal justice

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Texas Senate is expected to vote Thursday on key road building and criminal justice measures that have been overshadowed by the intense debate over abortion.

State lawmakers are considering a constitutional amendment that would pump billions into road building from the state's cash reserve fund. That fund is supported by oil and gas severance taxes. If approved by the Senate and House, the measure would go to voters statewide in November.

Texas transportation leaders say the state needs about \$4 billion more for roads per year. The measure before lawmakers would spend less than a quarter of that.

The Senate also is considering a bill that would bring Texas in line with a recent U.S. Supreme Court ruling banning sentences of life in prison for 17-year-old capital murder defendants.

Attorney General Abbott says he raised almost \$5M

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Attorney General Greg Abbott, who is widely expected to run for governor, says he raised a record \$4.7-plus million in the last two weeks of June.

The Republican already had a war chest of \$18 million. But Abbott Finance Director Sarah Whitley said on a podcast Wednesday that 2,100 people made donations during the two-week window before the end of the latest fundraising period June 30.

Officeholders were prohibited from raising money during most of the period because of the legislative session.

Whitley said: "We broke all records in the history of Texas" for statewide officeholders after the session.

Gov. Rick Perry announced Monday he won't seek a fourth full term in office next year.

Abbott hasn't declared his candidacy, but has made no secret he'd like to be governor.

East Texas deputy accused of selling drugs on duty

TYLER, Texas (AP) — An East Texas sheriff's deputy has been accused of selling methamphetamine and crack cocaine while on duty.

Smith County sheriff's Deputy Kimbrick Bernard Jones has been charged with two counts of narcotics distribution. He was arrested early Wednesday at the Smith County Jail sallyport.

At a news conference, Sheriff Larry Smith said officers found drugs in Jones' patrol car, Jones was advised of the charges and he was terminated.

Jones was turned over to federal authorities for prosecution. If convicted, the 38-year-old Tyler man could receive up to 20 years in prison for each drug count and at least five years in prison for a firearms count.

A spokeswoman for the U.S. attorney's office said she did not know where Smith was being detained or if he has an attorney.

Boy, 12, charged after deadly fire

GRANITE SHOALS, Texas (AP) — Investigators say a 12-year-old boy has been charged with arson after a Central Texas mobile home fire left an 8-year-old boy dead and a woman hurt.

Police in Granite Shoals say the suspect was detained following the fire Wednesday. The youth, whose name hasn't been released, remains in juvenile custody on a charge of arson causing bodily injury or death.

Granite Shoals police didn't im-

mediately release the names of the child who died or the injured woman, who's been transported to a San Antonio hospital for treatment of burns. Investigators also did not immediately confirm whether the boys and the woman are related.

Authorities have not released further information on how the fire apparently started.

Granite Shoals is 50 miles northwest of Austin.

Trooper fatally shoots car burglary suspect

HOUSTON (AP) — A trooper with the Texas Department of Public Safety shot a man dead after he said the man tried to break into cars outside a suburban Houston department store.

DPS spokesman Tom Vinger said the trooper was in the parking lot of a Wal-Mart store at Texas 6 and Farm Road 529 northwest of Houston. Vinger says the trooper saw the man trying to break into several vehicles about 3:15 p.m. Wednesday, so he approached. Vinger said the man pulled a gun, drawing the trooper's gunfire.

The suspect's identity hasn't been released.

Funeral set for girl found dead, wrapped in tarp

RICHLAND HILLS, Texas (AP) — Friends and family will gather to say their final farewells to a young girl found dead and wrapped in a tarpaulin near Fort Worth.

Funeral for Alanna Keely Gallagher is scheduled for Thursday at Calvary Lutheran Church in the Fort Worth suburb of Richland Hills. Burial will be at Greenwood Memorial Park in Fort Worth.

Meanwhile, police are still searching for clues to the 6-year-old girl's final moments, how she died and who wrapped her in a tarp at a residential corner in Saginaw, another Fort Worth suburb. The Tarrant County Medical Examiner's Office has yet to release a cause of death.

Teenage boy charged with murder in mother's death

JACINTO CITY, Texas (AP) — A teenage boy is charged with murder after police found his mother stabbed to death on her bed in their suburban Houston home.

The stabbing was reported in the pre-dawn hours Wednesday in the eastern Houston suburb of Jacinto City. Police Chief Joe Ayala says the boy told investigators that he stabbed his 31-year-old mother after she slapped him during an argument late Tuesday. Ayala says the boy told police that he grabbed a knife from the kitchen then blacked out. He said he came to and found his mother's bloody body.

Police haven't released the suspect's name because he's a juvenile, but Ayala says he's confined to the Harris County Juvenile Detention Center in Houston.

Contract worker at El Paso airport electrocuted

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — Investigators say a contract employee has been electrocuted while doing work at El Paso International Airport.

El Paso police on Wednesday identified the victim as 22-year-old Cheyenne Rhoades of Avinger.

The worker was located early Tuesday on the ground near the east concourse. Police spokesman Darrel Petry says Rhoades was transported to an El Paso hospital where he was pronounced dead.

Rhoades was an electrical contractor for Johnson Controls Inc., which was doing airport upgrades. The project includes retrofitting lights, window film installation and a central plant upgrade.

Further details on the accident weren't immediately released.

Brownsville man convicted in prison smuggling ring

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — A South Texas man faces up to life in prison for his role in a drug and contraband smuggling ring linked to a state prison.

A federal jury in Corpus Christi on Wednesday convicted 40-year-old Juan Ledezma (luh-DES'-muh) of Brownsville of drug trafficking conspiracy. The case involved prison gangs, drug deals and items such as cellphones smuggled into the McConnell Unit near Beeville.

Prosecutors say Ledezma acted as an intermediary between drug traffickers in South Texas and Mexico.

No sentencing date was immediately set for Ledezma, who also could be fined up to \$8 million. He remains in custody.

Federal authorities earlier this year announced 32 people were indicted, including some McConnell Unit guards. Investigators say 29 people have been convicted, two are fugitives and one defendant awaits trial.

Ex-Texas officer appeals in teen beating case

HOUSTON (AP) — A former Houston police officer convicted in the videotaped beating of a 15-year-old burglary suspect during a daylight arrest is seeking a new trial, citing juror misconduct.

The Houston Chronicle reports attorneys for Drew Ryser say the jury foreman researched the case online outside the courtroom, looking up the word "mistreatment" and sharing the search results with fellow jurors.

The defense motion was filed Wednesday. Special prosecutor Tommy LaFon says the issue will be reviewed.

Jurors convicted Ryser last month of misdemeanor official oppression in the beating of Chad Holley in March 2010. Ryser was sentenced to two years of probation.

Holley was convicted of burglary and sentenced to probation, then last year was arrested on another burglary charge and sentenced in April to six months in jail.

Vandals use bleach to damage Habitat home

BEAUMONT, Texas (AP) — Police are seeking vandals who dumped bleach on floors and broke holes in the walls of a soon-to-be occupied Habitat for Humanity house in South-

east Texas.

Beaumont police say the damage was discovered Wednesday in the future home for Marilyn Dartest.

The Beaumont Enterprise reports Dartest peeped through a window and saw bleach-covered carpets, ketchup smeared on beige walls and broken counters. Police believe canned goods were used to knock holes in the walls of all of the rooms.

Sgt. Rob Flores says the way the house was trashed indicates juveniles are likely to blame. Damage was estimated at \$6,000.

Authorities say Habitat for Humanity owns the home and plans to file an insurance claim but group officials fear the repair costs still won't be covered.

Smuggler ingested 70 heroin packets

DALLAS (AP) — U.S. customs agents in North Texas have arrested a man they say tried to smuggle more than 2 pounds of heroin by ingesting small packets of the drug.

A federal complaint says Walter Lippmann-Aviles swallowed 70 packets with the intention of transporting them to New York. He flew into Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport from Mexico City on Saturday and was questioned about his travel plans.

Agents became suspicious when Lippmann-Aviles said he intended to purchase two vehicles and export them to Guatemala, despite having only \$1,200 on him.

He later admitted to agents that he was to be paid \$75 for each packet he delivered.

Lippmann-Aviles was taken to a hospital where the packets were recovered.

Todd Durden, his court-appointed attorney, declined to comment.

Ferry loses power, hits pier, nobody hurt

PORT ARANSAS, Texas (AP) — A South Texas pier has been closed after a ferry hauling vehicles and passengers lost power and crashed into part of the walkway.

Port Aransas police say nobody was hurt when the ferry hit the Station Street Pier.

The Coast Guard will help investigate Tuesday night's accident that happened when both engines failed during the ferry crossing from Aransas Pass. The ferry carried about a dozen vehicles and more than 20 passengers during the accident around 10:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Authorities say the current sent the ferry nearly a mile off course.

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Probe studies pilot interaction

in flight that crash-landed

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Investigators are examining the cockpit interaction of two Asiana Airlines pilots who had taken on new roles before the crash of Flight 214 — one of whom had seldom flown a Boeing 777 and an instructor who was on his first training flight.

There were four pilots on board but the National Transportation Safety Board is focusing on the working relationship between Lee Gang-kuk, who was landing the big jet for his first time at San Francisco International Airport, and Lee Jeong-Min, who was training him.

While the two men had years of aviation experience, this mission involved unfamiliar duties, and it was the first time they had flown together.

The flight came to a tragic end when the airliner, which came in too low and too slow, crash-landed on Saturday, killing two passengers and injuring many others as it skittered and spun 100 feet.

The pilots were assigned to work together through a tightly regulated system developed after several deadly crashes in the 1980s were blamed in part on inexperience in the cockpit, NTSB chairman Deborah Hersman said Wednesday.

Quebec train crash's missing all presumed dead, police say; attention focuses on CEO

LAC-MEGANTIC, Quebec (AP) — Everyone missing in the fiery crash of a runaway oil train in Quebec is presumed dead, police told grieving families, bringing the death toll to 50 in Canada's worst railway catastrophe in almost 150 years.

Meanwhile, attention focused on the CEO of the railway's parent company, who faced jeers from local residents and blamed the train's engineer for improperly setting its brakes before the disaster.

Officials said Wednesday evening that 20 bodies had been found in this burned-out town, and 30 people were missing.

"We informed them of the potential loss of their loved ones," said Quebec police inspector Michel Forget, who came to an afternoon news briefing from a meeting with families of the

dead and missing. "You have to understand that it's a very emotional moment."

Edward Burkhardt, the head of the train's U.S.-based parent company blamed the engineer for failing to set the brakes properly before the unmanned Montreal, Maine & Atlantic Railway train hurtled down a seven-mile (11-kilometer) incline, derailed and ignited in the center of Lac-Mégantic early Saturday. All but one of its 73 cars was carrying oil, and at least five exploded.

House GOP goes piecemeal on immigration, rejects comprehensive approach, shrugs off Bush nudge

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Republicans are embracing a step-by-step approach to immigration, in contrast to the sweeping plan passed by the Senate and backed by the White House. But they're offering neither specifics nor a timetable — nor any mention of possible citizenship for an estimated 11 million immigrants living in the country unlawfully.

Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, and other Republican leaders said in a statement the administration "cannot be trusted to deliver on its promises to secure the border and enforce laws as part of a single, massive bill like the one passed by the Senate."

House GOP lawmakers streaming out of a two-hour meeting on immigration Wednesday also shrugged off a long-distance nudge from former President George W. Bush, who called on Congress to reach a "positive resolution" on the issue.

"America can be a lawful society and a welcoming society at the same time," Bush said at a naturalization ceremony at his presidential library in Dallas.

"We care what people back home say, not what some former president says," declared Rep. Tim Huelskamp, R-Kan.

Egypt offered \$12 billion in aid, but money seen as temporary solution to long-term problems

CAIRO (AP) — A promise of \$12 billion in aid from wealthy Arab Gulf nations would give Egypt's new military-backed leadership breathing room by paying for vital food and fuel

imports. But the benefits would be only temporary, because Egypt's broken economy remains unrepaired.

More than two years of political turmoil, violence and deterioration in security have frightened away tourists and foreign investors. Just as harmful, badly structured subsidies on food and fuel eat up almost a third of Egypt's strained budget.

The most recent round of violence, when more than 50 supporters of ousted Islamist President Mohamed Morsi died in clashes with the military on Monday, is likely to ripple through the economy, spreading doubts over the new leadership's ability to provide stability.

A key demand among millions of people who demonstrated against Morsi was better living conditions. Little improved when he took office a year ago, after poverty, rampant corruption and crony capitalism propelled millions to join the youth-led uprising against President Hosni Mubarak in 2011.

Morsi inherited critical economic problems, and the economy deteriorated further under his one-year rule. The Egyptian currency lost more than 10 percent of its value against the dollar this year, unemployment rose to 13 percent and his government relied on handouts from sympathetic neighboring countries to survive.

Fla. cities on guard for any potential post-Zimmerman verdict unrest, stressing non-violence

MIAMI (AP) — Police and city leaders in Florida say they have taken precautionary steps for the possibility of mass protests or even civil unrest if George Zimmerman is acquitted in the killing of unarmed teen Trayvon Martin, particularly in African-American neighborhoods where passions run strongest over the case.

For months, officials in Sanford and South Florida have been working with pastors, youth coaches, community activists and summer camp counselors to stress a non-violent approach if Zimmerman walks free. At the same time, police say they have quietly been making plans for dealing with any potential emotional flare-ups that could quickly turn into storefront-smashing, car-burning riots.

"It's all right to be vocal, but we don't want to be violent," said the Rev. Walter T. Richardson, a long-time pastor and chairman of Miami-Dade County's Community Relations Board, which has been holding town hall-style meetings about the case. "We've already lost one soul and we don't want to lose any more."

Martin, from the suburb of Miami Gardens, was 17 when he died. He was in Sanford visiting his father and father's fiancée when Zimmerman, a neighborhood watch volunteer, fatally shot him during a physical confrontation in a gated community in February 2012.

Martin's supporters portrayed the shooting as racially motivated, while Zimmerman, who identifies himself as Hispanic, claimed self-defense. Charged with second-degree murder, Zimmerman is pleading not guilty at the trial unfolding in a Sanford courthouse.

50 years on, Romania takes first steps toward punishing brutal Communist-era gulag guards

BUCHAREST, Romania (AP) —

Guards slammed doors on prisoners' fingers, beat them on the soles of their feet and burned them with cigarettes. They served rotten meat and forced inmates to eat excrement as punishment. In extremes of heat and cold, they made their victims haul crushing loads until they collapsed.

After decades of denial, chilling details are emerging about the torment guards inflicted upon political prisoners in Romanian communist-era gulags, as part of a first small step toward holding them to account. The names of 35 guards — now in their 80s or 90s — are to be handed to authorities starting next week for possible prosecution by a government institution tasked with investigating communist-era crimes, The Associated Press has learned.

The perpetrators of communist-era crimes have long been shielded by Romania's establishment, whose ranks are filled with members of the former Securitate secret police. But the movement to expose Romanian gulag guards has a powerful champion in the Liberal Party, which is now part of the governing coalition. Members of the party were targeted by the Communists in their crackdown on all perceived dissent after it came to power in 1946.

Of Romania's 617,000 political prisoners, 120,000 died in the gulags. The inmates included politicians, priests, peasants, writers, diplomats and children as young as 11. Most survivors died before seeing any chance of justice.

Those still alive — about 2,800 in all — now see a glimmer of hope as the Institute for Investigating the Crimes of Communism and the Memory of the Romanian Exile begins probing allegations against the 35 guards on the list, as well as other communist-era crimes.

Vocal support for country star Randy Travis after stroke, brain surgery

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Country music stars and fans joined together to urge prayers for Randy Travis overnight as he recovered from brain surgery following a stroke at a Texas hospital.

Travis remained in critical condition after surgery Wednesday night to relieve pressure on his brain, publicist Kirt Webster said. The 54-year-old Grammy Award-winning singer had been improving while being treated for heart failure caused by a viral infection when he had the stroke.

Steady concern for Travis, a popular and pivotal figure in country music, turned to active support as stars like Hillary Scott of Lady Antebellum and Martina McBride and the Grand Ole Opry used Twitter to join Webster's call for prayers. Hundreds of users reached out using the hashtag PrayforRandy.

"We're all pulling for you Randy," Brad Paisley said via Twitter.

The setback occurred hours after doctors said Travis was showing signs of improvement since the start of treatment Sunday for congestive heart failure.

Question of baby's name puts souvenir manufacturers in race against time

LONDON (AP) — It's a royal bonanza — but for Britain's souvenir makers, also a royal headache.

The upcoming birth of Prince William and his wife Kate's first child is a golden opportunity that comes with a mystery: the name and gender of the baby.

It all means that, while merchants have known for months that the future heir to the throne is due in mid-July, they'll be sent into a mad dash to create, or at least put finishing touches on, royal baby memorabilia.

Sophie Allport, a designer of fine bone china, is one manufacturer waiting for the future monarch's name to send her commercial plans into motion. She has thousands of pre-orders for hand-crafted commemorative mugs but can't fill them until the baby's name can be etched on the rims.

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Israeli Settlements: Are They a Threat to Middle East Peace?

The Palestinians refuse to join peace talks unless Israel stops building in Jerusalem and parts of the West Bank. But who "owns" the West Bank? And are settlements really the problem?

What are the facts?

While many in the media refer to the West Bank as "Palestinian territories," Palestinians in fact have never actually possessed or controlled this land. Beginning 3,000 years ago these territories between the Jordan River and Jerusalem were a part of the Jewish kingdom known as Judea and Samaria. Jews have lived on these lands continuously until the current day. For several hundred years, through the 19th century, Judea and Samaria were part of the Ottoman Empire, where both Arabs and Jews lived. In 1922, these lands became part of the British Mandate, designated for partition into Jewish and Arab nations. The Arabs rejected this partition, but in 1949, following Israel's declaration of independence, Jordan seized and occupied Judea and Samaria, which included such Jewish communities as Hebron and the Jewish quarter in eastern Jerusalem. All Arab residents of these lands were declared citizens of Jordan.

Finally, in 1967, when Israel was attacked by Jordan, Egypt and Syria, Israel defeated these invading Arab armies and again took control of Judea and Samaria, then also called the West Bank. After the 1967 war, the United Nations decreed that unspecified parts of these captured territories would be granted to the Arab Palestinians as part of a negotiated peace. Indeed, Israel has demonstrated numerous times its willingness to give up land for peace—for example, the Sinai Peninsula to Egypt, and Gaza to the Palestinians. But so far, the Palestinians have refused to accept a peaceful settlement with Israel on ownership and borders of Judea and Samaria.

Do Jews have a right to settle in Judea and Samaria? Since 1967, Israel has reclaimed all of Jerusalem as its capital, and, as Israel's population has grown, its citizens have built new communities—settlements—in the eastern part of the city and on Israel's eastern front. Currently some 534,000 Israeli citizens live east of the 1948 armistice lines, in Judea and Samaria. The area on which these settlements are located constitute a mere three percent of the West Bank.

While critics have cited Article 49 of the Fourth Geneva Convention to declare the settlements illegal, this argument is based on a false reading. First, Article 49 prohibits "individual or mass forcible transfers, as well as deportations of protected persons from occupied territory to the territory of the Occupying Power or that of any other country."

However, no Israelis are being transferred to the settlements—all are moving to them voluntarily. Also, the areas of the settlements are neither under the legitimate sovereignty of any state, nor on private Arab land. Most importantly, they have never displaced any legitimate Arab inhabitants. What's more, any instances of illegal Israeli homes in the West Bank have been disallowed by the Israeli High Court and dismantled.

Second, no Palestinian Arabs are being deported from their places of residence to any other place. Third, the Geneva Convention applies to actions by a signatory "carried out on the territory of another." However, the West Bank is not the territory of a signatory power—since the Palestinians have never had a state—but rather is an unallocated part of the British Mandate.

If Arabs can live in Israel, why can Jews not live in a future Palestinian state? Every effort by Israel and the United States to bring the Palestinians to peace negotiations is met with refusal by the Palestinians, who demand as a precondition that 1) Israel give up all rights to Judea and Samaria, including the settlements, and 2) that all Jewish settlement building cease. Given that the Arabs lost the war in 1967 and that Palestinians have never possessed Judea and Samaria (the West Bank), these preconditions seem overreaching and unreasonable.

Indeed, the Palestinians insist that their proposed new country be entirely free of Jewish residents, even as 1.5 million Palestinian Arabs are permitted to live as fully enfranchised citizens in Israel. What's more, the Palestinians insist that five million descendants of Arab refugees from Israel's war of independence be permitted to settle in the Jewish state. In short, they are demanding both a new Palestinian state with no Jews and the right of Arabs to take over Israel demographically.

The only solution to the settlement issue: Negotiations. The entire territories of the West Bank are disputed. They cannot legitimately be said to belong to the Palestinians or to Israel. Clearly, the only way to determine the final borders of Israel and those of a future Palestine is through peaceful negotiations. Likewise, the disposition of Israeli settlements and Israel's Jewish character will be resolved by mutual agreement.

In short, the settlements are not the issue. The only path to a resolution to all these disagreements will be reached when the Palestinians finally agree to sit down with Israel and forge realistic compromises for achieving their own autonomous state, as well as peace and security for Israel.

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Raines named HC men's basketball coach

By **BRIAN MCCORMACK**
Sports Editor

Howard College wasn't without a head men's basketball coach for too long. Scott Raines, who is entering his ninth year as an employee at HC, has been tapped to take over for Mark Adams, who departed after accepting the director of basketball operations position at Texas Tech University.

Raines has spent the past couple of years on the administrative side of things at Howard, but basketball is in his blood. Raines was originally hired as an assistant to Adams and has served in various coaching capacities during his time in Big Spring.

An Oklahoma native, Raines brings a lengthy resume filled with coaching experience to the table. In addition to his years with Adams, he played the sport at the junior college level in Colorado and at the university level at Oklahoma Christian University of Science and Arts. He was an assistant coach to both the men and women's basketball programs at the University of Oklahoma, assistant and head coach at Midland College, head coach at a Missouri high school and head coach at Moberly Area Community College.

He briefly took some time off from coaching to serve as director of the Harold Davis Fitness Center, dean of students and district registrar before the opportunity to replace Adams came along.

"Basketball has always been my passion," Raines said. "I'm very excited. I seem to always be involved in basketball in some form or fashion. I can't think of

a better place to be. Both Kelly (Raines' wife, who is the head softball coach at Howard) and I love Big Spring. We love Howard College."

Though enthusiastic, Raines understands the challenge which lies ahead.

"I'm excited, but I'm very nervous," he explained. "I'm coming in and I have to fill some pretty big shoes. Howard College was always very competitive in the '80s and the '90s, but Mark came in and took the program to another level. It's so hard to get to Hutch (Hutchinson, Kansas, site of the junior college national championship tournament), especially out of this region. He did it three times and won it all once. But I can't be Coach Adams, I have to be myself. He set the bar extremely high."

Also joining the new-look Hawks will be two new assistant head coaches, Carter Jase Coburn and David Lewis, who replace Jase Coburn and Grant McMillan.

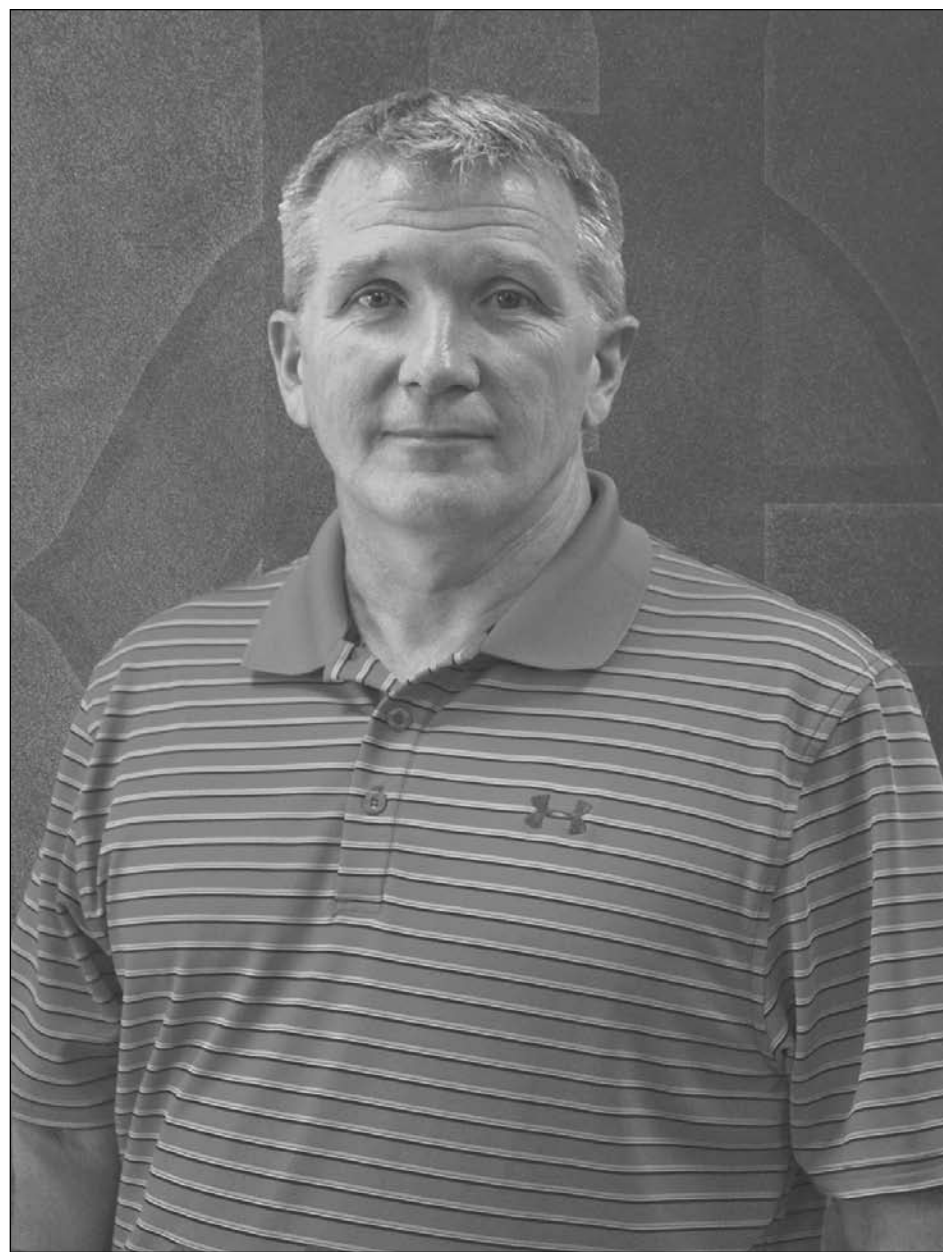
"They've already helped out so much," Raines said of his assistants. "They have proven to be valuable assets already."

Fans can expect the same "in your face" style defense and uptempo offense Adams relied on.

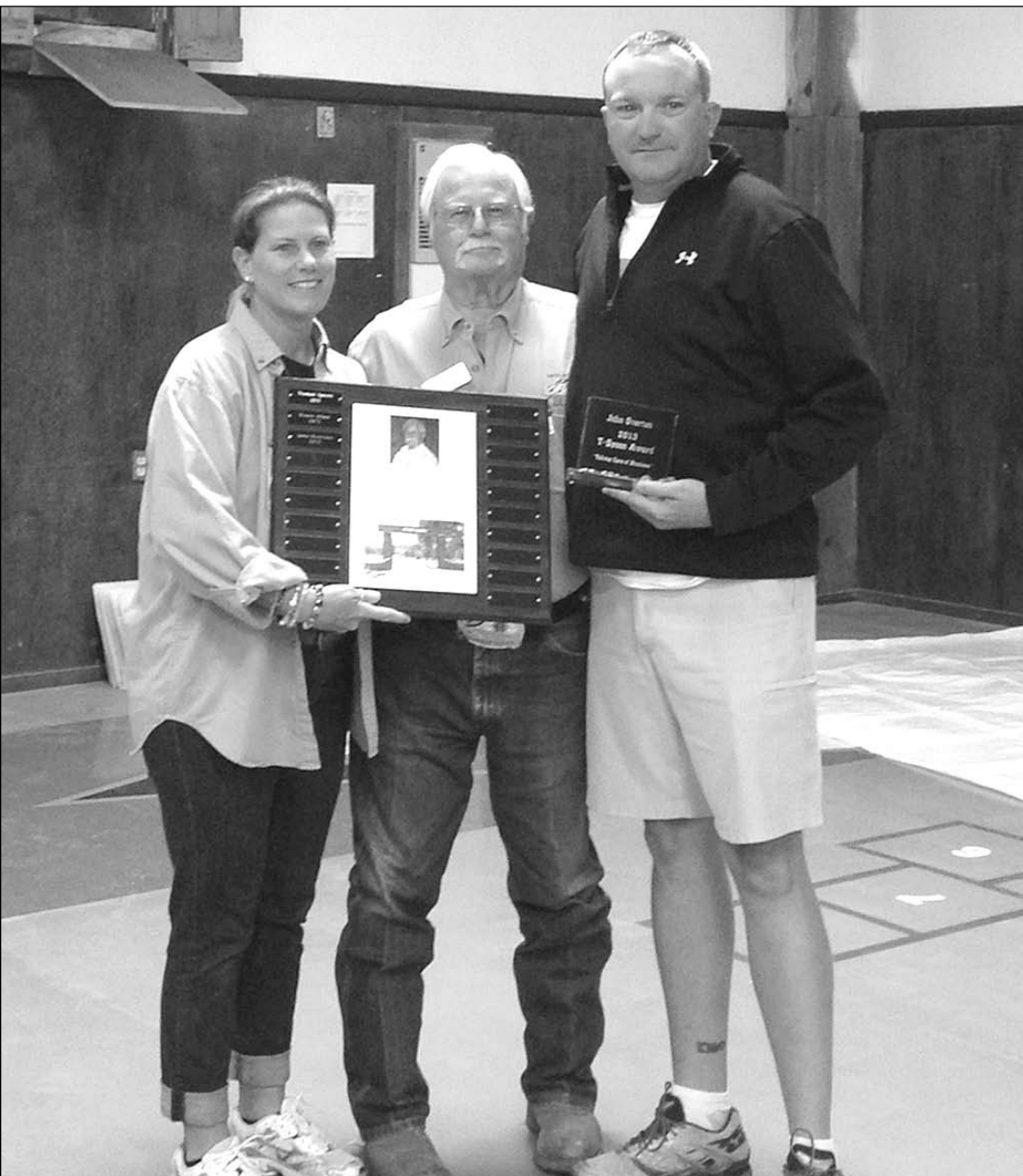
"Mark and I are about 80 percent alike," Raines said. "We share a lot of the same philosophies about the game. We will play man-to-man defense, we will try to keep the other team uncomfortable and make them work."

It's unclear whether or not the Hawks can maintain the success they've enjoyed under Adams, but if anyone has a chance to maintain the status quo or improve the program, it may be

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Scott Raines



Courtesy photo

Howard College Head Athletic Trainer John Overton was recently awarded the Truman Spoon Exemplary Service Award at the Davis Mountain Sports Medicine Symposium. Named after a respected former athletic trainer known throughout the state of Texas, the award is given to recipients who "have made significant contributions to the athletic training profession in the roles of service, leadership and camaraderie." Overton had to be nominated for the award by a peer, then voted on by a committee. In addition to his duties at Howard College, Overton volunteers time in the community and plays an active role in mentoring young athletic trainer hopefuls in the area. Pictured is Overton (right) with Dawn Allen and Truman Spoon.

Rangers tamed by Chen in 6-1 loss to Baltimore

BALTIMORE (AP) — For the first time in a week, the Texas Rangers' bats went silent.

The Rangers had no answer for Orioles left-hander Wei-Yin Chen, who came off the disabled list to throw seven sparkling innings in Baltimore's 6-1 victory Wednesday night.

Texas came into the game with a streak of six straight games with at least five runs. The Rangers tallied eight runs in each of the first two games of the series, but they couldn't mount much of anything against Chen, who allowed only one run and three hits.

"He was using his fastball on both sides of the plate. He got us. He did great," left fielder Jurickson Profar said. "It was a good outing by him. We couldn't get anything."

Chen (4-3) had not pitched since May 12 because of a strained right oblique. He showed absolutely no sign of rustiness.

"You've got to give him credit," Texas manager Ron Washington said. "He may not have pitched in a while, but he certainly didn't look like it out there tonight."

Adrian Beltre extended his hitting streak to 12 games and drove in a run for the Rangers, whose four-game road winning streak ended.

Texas starter Josh Lindblom (1-3) gave up six runs, nine hits and four walks in 5 1-3 innings. The right-hander started for Nick Tepesch, who went on the disabled list Sunday.

"I compete, and really I think that's all you try and do as a starter," said Lindblom, who has split time between the rotation and bullpen. "You go out and give your team a chance to win."

Texas right-hander Yu Darvish joined Tepesch on the disabled list Wednesday with a strained upper back. Darvish was scheduled to start Thursday night; he will be replaced by Ross Wolf.

Nolan Reimold hit a three-run homer and Manny Machado had three hits and an RBI for the Orioles, who won for only the third time in nine games. Baltimore will seek a split of the four-game series on Thursday night.

Major league home run leader Chris Davis went 0 for 3 with a walk and is hitless in his last 17 at-bats. He hasn't gotten a hit since Major League Baseball announced he was the leading vote-getter in All-Star fan balloting.

Reimold was a later replacement at designated hitter for Chris Dickerson, who was scratched with a strained left shoulder. Batting ninth in the order, Reimold delivered his first home run since May 4 to put Baltimore up 6-0 in the fourth inning.

Reimold was on the disabled list from May 12 to July 1 and was playing in only his 37th game of the season.

"It felt good that I was able to come through," he said. "Something to build on."

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MLB drug probe litigation could be lengthy

NEW YORK (AP) — We may never know exactly what Alex Rodriguez and Ryan Braun are being accused of in Major League Baseball's Biogenesis investigation — if they beat the rap.

That's because details likely will be caught in a tangle of legal gymnastics involving MLB, the players' union and probably an arbitrator, who could rule no discipline is warranted.

Lengthy proceedings make it nearly a certainty most, if

not all, suspensions would be served in 2014.

Among the early legal issues: Does the commissioner's office have the right to announce any suspensions before grievances are decided by an arbitrator? Can a player not previously disciplined under the drug agreement be suspended for more than 50 games because of multiple violations?

Three people familiar with the investigation said if management and the union can't

agree on the process, arbitrator Fredric Horowitz likely would be asked to decide. The people spoke on condition of anonymity because no public statements were authorized.

MLB has spent most of the year investigating about 20 players for their links to Biogenesis of America, including A-Rod and Braun, both former MVPs. Miami New Times reported in January that the closed Florida anti-doping clinic had distributed banned performance-enhanc-

ing drugs to major leaguers.

Lawyers for the commissioner's office have been interviewing players and many, including Braun, have refused to answer questions about their dealings with Biogenesis, the three people said. Braun was interviewed in late June, and Rodriguez is scheduled to be interviewed Friday.

Braun and Rodriguez have said they didn't do anything that merits discipline.

The players' refusal to re-

spond to MLB's questions were first reported by ESPN and the New York Daily News.

MLB hopes to complete the player interviews in mid-July but is not sure whether it will meet that schedule. Management then will have to decide what discipline it intends to impose.

Baseball's joint drug agreement calls for a 50-game suspension for a first

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). You don't have to worry



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about your trade secrets getting out. Even if they did, the others wouldn't know what to do with them. It turns out what's relevant to you would be a lot of work for the others to get into.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You used to have location envy, but you're starting to realize that you can connect with the world

Legals

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

you want to be a part of from wherever you live right now. Use the library and the Internet or, if need be, the Internet at the library.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You'll examine the elements that make up your lifestyle. It's the people you talk to, the pictures and notes on your wall, the errands and habits and decor and food... Bit by bit, you're building something beautiful.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Don't be afraid to speak your true opinion today, especially when you sense that you're with a kindred spirit. You'll likely say the thing the other person has always thought, too.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). A handshake will convey secret meaning. Beware of the one who turns the shake so that the top of your hand faces the ground and his is on top. This dominating person won't treat you as an equal.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There's wisdom in playing it cool, but not so cool that you don't show emotion.

Showing your feelings, or at least a glimpse of them, takes confidence. People will see you as real.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). By being open to your wilder instincts, you keep yourself on your toes and heighten the energy level of everyone around you. But go too far with this, and people get jumpy.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Someone will always say that the ship is sinking, but don't be too quick to jump off. Show a little faith in your vessel. The same goes for your idea, project or

relationship.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Have you ever heard of "decision fatigue"? Maybe you haven't named it yet, but you've felt it every time you leave the grocery store after a big shop. It drains your willpower. That's why fewer options are better today.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You've created a steady stream of activity and joy — or at least you thought that's what it was going to be. Now it may feel more like a hectic schedule. Cut back now. Take it easy.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). In food, bitterness is made palatable by adding something sweet, salty or sour. As for internal bitterness, salty or sour thoughts won't balance it at all. Go for the sweetness, and you'll get a delicious result.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You've let go of minor grudges and resentments before, and now you're in the same place all over again. Should you forgive one more time? No. Forgive a thousand more times.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 11). A retreat in the next six months will change your perspective and help you earn big, too. You'll act to improve your family dynamic and influence your kin to lead healthier lives. What you accomplish in September will put you in the running for an award. An enthusiastic partner is part of your success equation in September. Pisces and Gemini people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 22, 19, 35 and 16.

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INTUITION, CANCER: As the first water sign of the zodiac, you truly possess psychic powers that defy conventional explanation. To expand your abilities, put them to the test on a daily basis. When the phone rings, decide who's calling before you look at the Caller ID. Ask yourself what themes the day will bring before you start your day. Think of what you'd like to see, or write down your heart's desire, and then see whether it manifests in your reality. The more you playfully engage your intuition the stronger it becomes. But what if you put your psychic ability to the test and repeatedly come up with the wrong answer? It's a cold streak — don't take it too seriously. "Oh, well, try again" is the proper response. It may help you to think of your psychic self as a child learning to walk. You wouldn't punish the child for falling. Instead, you recognize that walking is a complex process (ask any robot builder!) and falling is part of the learning that allows for successful walking in the end. Be gentle and encouraging with your psychic self. With daily practice, you will learn to tap your insightful gifts.

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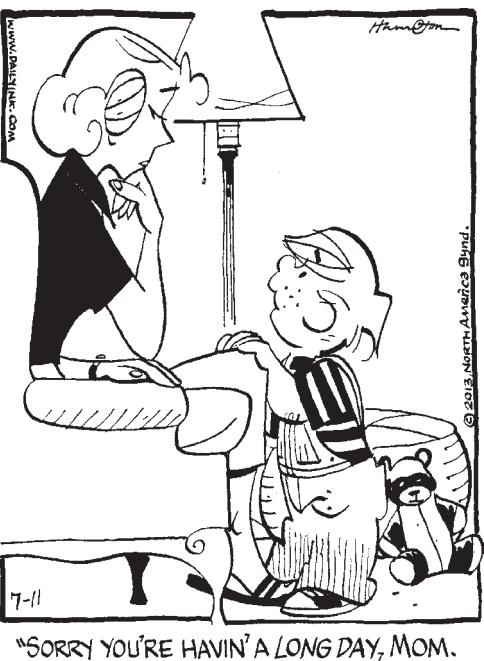
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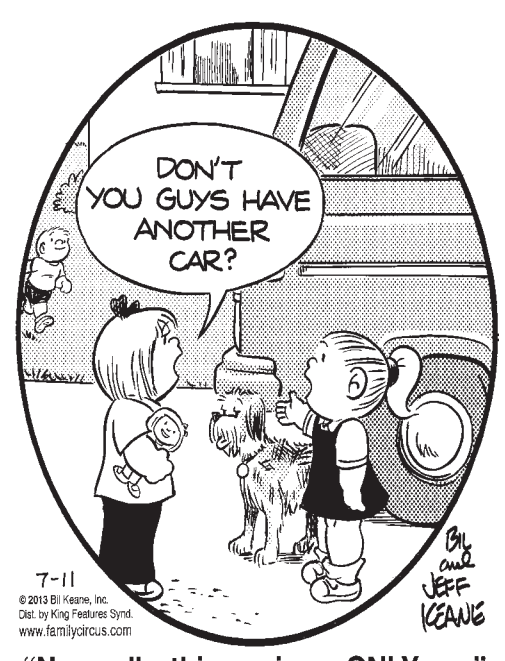
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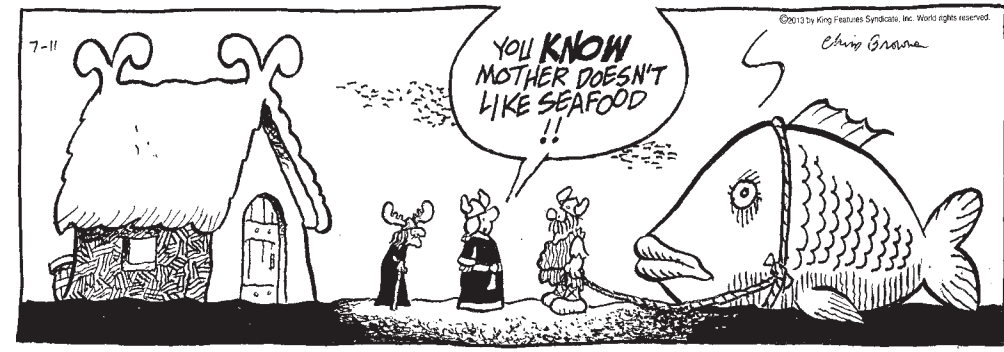
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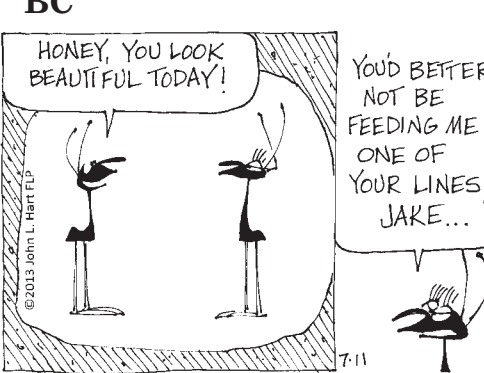
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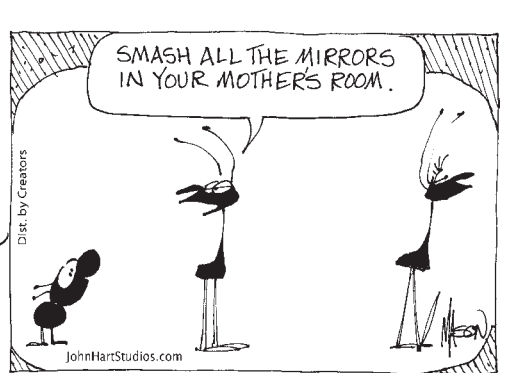
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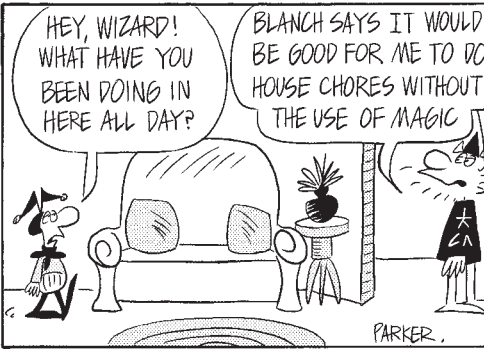
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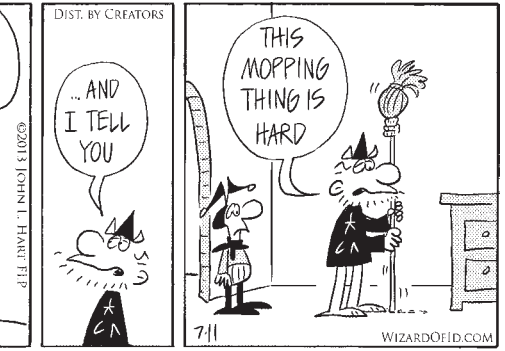
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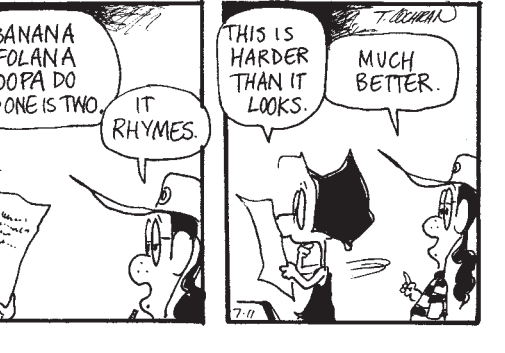
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This Date In History

Today is Thursday, July 11, the 192nd day of 2013. There are 173 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 11, 1533, Pope Clement VII issued a bull of excommunication against England's King Henry VIII for the annulment of the king's marriage to Catherine of Aragon and subsequent marriage to second wife Anne Boleyn.

On this date:

In 1767, John Quincy Adams, the sixth president of the United States, was born in Braintree, Mass.

In 1798, the U.S. Marine Corps was formally re-established by a congressional act that also created the U.S. Marine Band.

In 1804, Vice President Aaron Burr mortally wounded former Treasury Secretary Alexander Hamilton during a pistol duel in Weehawken, N.J.

In 1859, Big Ben, the great bell inside the famous London clock tower, chimed for the first time.

In 1922, the Hollywood Bowl officially opened with a program called "Symphonies Under the Stars" with Alfred Hertz conducting the Los Angeles Philharmonic.

In 1937, American composer and pianist George Gershwin died at a Los Angeles hospital of a brain tumor; he was 38.

In 1952, the Republican national convention, meeting in Chicago, nominated Dwight D. Eisenhower for president and Richard M. Nixon for vice president.

In 1960, the novel "To Kill a Mockingbird" by Harper Lee was first published by J.B. Lippincott and Co.

In 1973, a Varig 707 from Brazil made an emergency crash-landing outside Paris after fire broke out on board, sending smoke into the cabin; 123 of the 134 people on board perished.

In 1979, the abandoned U.S. space station Skylab made a spectacular return to Earth, burning up in the atmosphere and showering debris over the Indian Ocean and Australia.

In 1988, nine people were killed when suspected Palestinian gunmen attacked hundreds of tourists aboard a Greek cruise ship, the City of Poros, which was steaming toward a marina in suburban Athens.

In 1995, the U.N.-designated "safe haven" of Srebrenica (SREH'-breh-need-sah) in Bosnia-Herzegovina fell to Bosnian Serb forces, who then carried out the killings of 8,000 Muslim men and boys.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Tab Hunter is 82. Actress Susan Seaforth Hayes is 70. Singer Jeff Hanna (Nitty Gritty Dirt Band) is 66. Ventriloquist-actor Jay Johnson is 64. Actor Bruce McGill is 63.

Answer to previous puzzle

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Trades, contracts finalized around NBA

(AP) — Just about every NBA team would like Dwight Howard.

Only the Houston Rockets could get him, and on Wednesday a couple of his other suitors announced their backup plans — while one lost out on another big target.

Paul Millsap is headed to Atlanta. The Golden State Warriors acquired Andre Iguodala. But the Dallas Mavericks missed out on another center when Andrew Bynum agreed to sign with the Cleveland Cavaliers.

The Los Angeles Clippers never had to look beyond their top target, with Chris Paul committing to stay on the first day of free agency. They also added Darren Collison, Jared Dudley and J.J. Redick to a team that won the Pacific Division last season, surpassing the Lakers as the best team in Los Angeles. "We're loaded at every posi-

tion," said Matt Barnes, who resigned with the Clippers.

It's hard to see anything changing in Los Angeles next season after Howard passed on re-signing with the Lakers and instead opted for the Rockets in a deal that still hadn't become official as of Wednesday night.

That was the first day transactions could be completed and contacts signed following the completion of the NBA's moratorium period. The Rockets couldn't wait to talk about their All-Star center, getting fined \$150,000 by the league on Tuesday for premature comments about Howard on TV and in social media.

While they were celebrating, Bynum was meeting with Dallas, another team that wanted Howard. But he went with a previous two-year offer from the Cavs, according to a person who spoke on condition of anonymity because the deal was not yet

announced.

Bynum was part of the four-team trade that sent Howard from Orlando to Los Angeles last summer, but never played a game for Philadelphia because of knee problems.

Atlanta missed out on Howard, and forward Josh Smith left for a \$54 million, four-year deal with Detroit, but the Hawks bounced back by giving Millsap a two-year, \$19 million contract.

The Jazz also got involved in the deal that landed Iguodala with the Warriors, who gave him a four-year, \$48 million deal last week. Golden State cleared more than \$24 million by sending Richard Jefferson, Andris Biedrins and Brandon Rush to the Jazz with four draft picks and cash.

Chris Andersen signed a \$1.7 million, one-year deal to stay with the Miami Heat, who will have to hold off some stronger challengers next season.

Jeter set to rejoin Yanks after 9-month layoff

NEW YORK (AP) — Derek Jeter is rejoining the New York Yankees following a nine-month layoff.

The 39-year-old captain was in the starting lineup for Thursday's series finale against the Kansas City Royals. He is the designated hitter, batting second.

Jeter broke his left ankle during the AL championship series opener against Detroit last Oct. 13.

He had said he would return by opening day, then fractured the ankle again in April during his rehabilitation.

A 13-time All-Star with a .313 career average, Jeter hopes to jolt a batting order that is next to

last in runs in the AL. The Yankees started Thursday fourth in the AL East at 49-42.

New York hopes to get third baseman Alex Rodriguez back this month following January hip surgery and center fielder Curtis Granderson next month after his broken pinkie has healed.

First baseman Mark Teixeira is out for the season following wrist surgery.

Jeter went 1 for 9 during a four-game injury rehabilitation assignment at Triple-A Scranton/Wilkes-Barre that started Saturday, including 0 for 3 during seven innings Wednesday night.

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offense, 100 games for a second and a lifetime ban for a third. Among the players linked to Biogenesis, Toronto's Melky Cabrera, Oakland's Bartolo Colon and San Diego's Yasmani Grandal have served 50-game penalties following positive testosterone tests.

The drug agreement specifies that if a suspension for a first PED

offense is challenged by the union, the violation is not made public unless the penalty is sustained in arbitration. However, discipline for second and third offenses are announced and served while the grievance is litigated.

There also is a provision stating "the commissioner's office may publicly announce the discipline of a player if the allegations relating to a player's violation of the program previously had been made public

through a source other than the commissioner's office or a club" or their employees. The sides or the arbitrator will have to decide whether the media accounts of Biogenesis are covered by that clause.

Each player's case probably will be handled in a separate arbitration, which could slow down the process while the sides secure dates before Horowitz or agree to retain other arbitrators.

The three players who already have served suspensions also may claim they can't be penalized under a provision prohibiting multiple disciplines for the same use. In addition, they

can't be penalized for conduct that took place before they were given notice of their positive drug test.

It may be difficult to discipline players for refusing to answer questions

Commissioner Bowie Kuhn suspended Ferguson Jenkins in September 1980 after the Texas pitcher was arrested in Toronto and charged with possession of cocaine, hashish and marijuana. Kuhn wrote to Jenkins saying he imposed the penalty because the pitcher "declined to cooperate with this office's investigation."

Following a grievance hearing, arbitrator

Raymond Goetz lifted suspension two weeks later.

"As a practical matter, the commissioner was compelling Jenkins to jeopardize his defense in court. While this may not actually violate any principles of constitutional or criminal law, it offends the moral values of our society on which the legal privilege against self-incrimination is based," Goetz wrote.

He said players should not be required to prove their innocence because "this approach would stand the requirement of just cause for discipline on its head."

In the Biogenesis case, an arbitrator would

have to rule whether refusing to answer questions while no criminal charges are pending may be penalized under the "just cause" provision of the drug agreement.

Horowitz, a veteran of baseball and NHL salary arbitration cases, was appointed baseball's arbitrator in June last year. Shyam Das, who had served since 1999, was fired in May 2012, three months after overturning a 50-game suspension imposed on Braun. Das ruled the urine sample of the Milwaukee star was not handled by the drug collector in the manner specified by baseball's drug agreement.



By Steve Becker

Lay That Pistol Down

East dealer.
East-West vulnerable.
NORTH
♠ K 7 5 3
♥ 7 4
♦ K 6
♣ A Q 10 9 5
WEST
♠ A 8 4
♥ K J 9 6 3
♦ J 9 2
♣ 7 2
EAST
♠ 10 9 6
♥ 10 8 2
♦ Q 7 5 3
♣ K 6 4
SOUTH
♠ Q J 2
♥ A Q 5
♦ A 10 8 4
♣ J 8 3

The bidding:
East South West North
Pass 1♦ Pass 2♣
Pass 2NT Pass 3NT
Opening lead — six of hearts.

If someone points a gun at your head, it is a good idea — as a matter of self-preservation — to disarm him if you can safely do so. An analogous situation arises at the bridge table when a particular opponent threatens your chances of making the contract. In that case, you should do all you can to eliminate the threat.

Consider this deal where West leads a heart and you win East's ten with the queen. Obviously, you'll

have no trouble making three notrump if West has the king of clubs. Indeed, in that case a successful finesse would net you 11 or 12 tricks.

But if you begin by attacking clubs and East has the king, you might not make the contract. This could occur if West started with five or six hearts and the ace of spades.

Once you recognize the nature of the threat posed by West, it is not difficult to find the right countermeasure. So at trick two you lead the queen (or jack) of spades instead of attacking clubs. This play virtually eliminates any chance of going down.

If West has the ace and takes it, you plan to duck his heart return and win the next heart. When you now try the club finesse, you're on safe ground. Even if the finesse loses, either East will not have a heart to lead (because West had five originally), or East will have a heart (because he started with four, which means that West had only four).

Of course, if West does not take the first spade, you can then turn your attention to the club suit to guarantee making nine tricks. Thus, whatever West does when you lead the first spade, the contract is assured by attacking spades first.

Tomorrow: Test your play.
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The Orioles used a four-run fourth to take a 6-0 lead. Lindblom walked the first two batters before Brian Roberts hit a liner to center that bounced out of the glove of Engel Beltré and off the wall. It went for an RBI single, and Reimold followed with a towering fly ball that carried into the left-field seats, a few feet inside

the foul pole.

Texas got its lone run in the sixth when Ian Kinsler walked, took third on a single by Nelson Cruz and scored when Beltré hit into a fielder's choice.

Chen used 21 pitches in a 1-2-3 first inning, and Lindblom needed 31 to get through a bottom half in which the Orioles got two singles.

Baltimore went up 2-0 in the third. After Nate McLouth beat out an infield roller and Machado

tripled to center, a wild pitch allowed Machado to score.

Chen retired 11 of the first 12 batters he faced, allowing only a walk until Beltré singled with two outs in the fourth.

Just like old times.

"Winning the ballgame is real huge to me," Chen said through an interpreter. "I proved myself tonight. I'm healthy, and I'm back. I feel like I helped the team to win. Everything is for the Orioles."

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

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9	2	1		7	3			6

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RAINES

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someone like Raines, who has coached at just about every level this side of the NBA.

"I'm going to do my best and hopefully pick up where Coach Adams left off," Raines added. "I'm thankful for the the board and Dr. (Cheryl) Sparks for giving me this opportunity."

As for HC President Cheryl Sparks, she's pleased to have promot-

ed within.

"We are certain that Scott Raines will be an excellent fit for the position of head coach with the Hawks men's basketball program," added Sparks. "He brings some new excitement to the program and we are looking forward to the 2013-2014 season," Sparks said.

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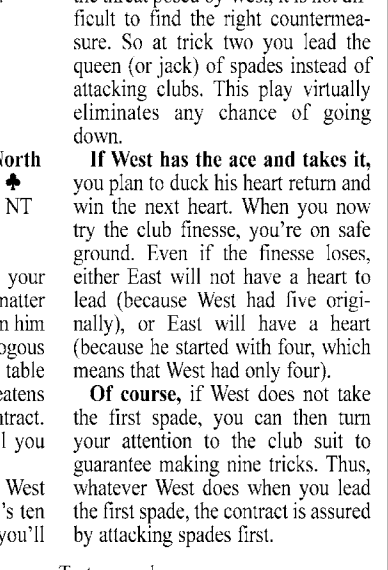
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