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In the above photo, a Howard County sheriff's deputy directs traffic away from the scene of a trailer home fire in the 300 block of Hoover Avenue in Coahoma Wednesday afternoon. At right, firefighters pour water into the burning structure. No injuries were reported in the blaze.

HERALD photos/Steve Reagan

Blaze destroys Coahoma residence

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

COAHOMA — An early afternoon fire here Wednesday destroyed a trailer home, but its occupants fortunately escaped injury.

The fire started shortly after 2 p.m. in the 300 block of Hoover Avenue. Several units from the Howard County Volunteer and Big Spring fire departments arrived shortly thereafter to find the



home engulfed in flames.

HCVFD Chief Tommy Sullivan said the fire appeared to have started in the living room area and quickly spread to all other areas of the trailer home.

"When we first got the call, it was unsure whether there was anybody still inside the trailer," Sullivan said. "Fortunately, they were able to get out in time, because by the time we got there, it was

fully engulfed."

Seven volunteer units, along with a BSFD engine and ambulance, responded to the scene. The fire was contained within an hour of the first call, although a volunteer unit remained on scene checking for "hot spots" until 7 p.m., Sullivan said.

No injuries were reported, but the home was a total loss, he added.

The trailer home fire capped a busy 24 hours for the county volunteers, who battled six blazes — including two tank battery fires — during that time frame. No injuries were reported in any of the incidents.

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

WEST NILE

Two cases confirmed in local community

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

There have been at least two confirmed cases of West Nile Virus within the city limits of Big Spring, according to a report from the Texas Department of State Health Services issued Wednesday.

The Texas Department of State Health Services notified officials with the city of Big Spring regarding the confirmed cases, according to a press release issued by Big Spring Fire Department Chief Craig Ferguson this morning.

"These two people are currently being treated in a hospital," Ferguson said. "The state of Texas is actively trapping and studying the local mosquito population to deter-

"The city of Big Spring and state of Texas are working closely together to determine the extent of the problem and to educate the public regarding West Nile Virus."



Ferguson

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Ferguson said the municipality is also taking steps to protect the local population against the disease.

"The city staff has been

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Botched robbery try nets jail time

Herald Staff Report

A local woman was allegedly caught in the act of robbing a local convenience store late Wednesday evening.

Big Spring police officers responded to a "robbery in progress" call at the 7-Eleven store at 300 Owens at approximately 11:45 p.m., BSPD Information Officer Sgt. Tony Everett said.

The store clerk said the woman entered the store wearing a hoodie and a pillow case covering the top portion of her head.

"The clerk saw her put what appeared to be a small blue flashlight under her shirt and then told the clerk, 'This is a stick-up, give me all your money or I'm going to shoot you,'" Everett said. "The

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Water topic for public meeting

Herald Staff Report

A public meeting has been scheduled for 7 p.m. today on the Howard College campus to discuss a company's proposal to bring water to Big Spring and other Colorado River Municipal Water District cities.

According to a press release, "The effort to bring spring water to this area is now ready for action by the public and their elected representatives as they consider their hope

What: Public meeting.
Topic: Bringing water to Big Spring.

Where: Hall Center for the Arts auditorium, Howard College campus.

When: 7 p.m. today.

for the future of this community."

The presentation will be

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Obituaries

Martin C. Meissner



Martin C. Meissner was born in Midland County to Gustav and Alma Meissner and grew up on a farm with his parents, four sisters and two brothers. He was baptized at, confirmed at and attended Grace Lutheran Church. Martin attended Prairie Lee School as a young child and graduated from Midland High School. Martin then went to college at Tarleton State and Texas Tech, where he took part in Army ROTC.

After graduation, Martin was commissioned as a second lieutenant and was stationed in Germany and promoted to captain. He was an active member of the army reserves and retired as a lieutenant colonel. He served as president of the Texas chapter of Reserve Officers Association for one year. As an active member of the ROA Midland chapter, he helped sponsor several ROA conventions in Midland.

Martin was a noted businessman in Midland as an independent insurance agent from the late 1950s through the mid 1990s and also held a real estate brokers license. In 1957, he married Rosenell Meyer. In 1960 they moved into a house that was referred to as the Pepto-Bismol house, known for its vibrant pink and green colors.

Martin loved the Lord Jesus and remained active in church throughout his life and was a member of the church council and a Sunday school teacher.

After retirement, Martin was active in several dancing groups from Odessa, Midland and Big Spring, where he met his wife, Jackie Robertson. Martin and Jackie were married in September 2005. They both were active in dancing.

During this time, Martin and his wife were active at the Midland Senior Center and enjoyed the Gospel singing activity on Wednesdays, followed by the noon meals and other activities.

Martin was preceded to heaven by his father, Gustav and mother, Alma; and wife, Rosenell.

He is survived by his four sisters, Marie Hanna, Lillie Lippe, Leona Foster and Ada Hill; two brothers, Melvin Meissner and Fred Meissner; his wife, Jackie Meissner; his two sons, Ed Meissner and Ivan Meissner; and Jackie's daughters, Sherri L. Hill, Patty Hooper, Pamela Robertson, Peggy Eggleton, Patti Lee Robertson and Vicki Cook.

The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 9, 2013, at the funeral home. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10, 2013, at Cornerstone Christian Fellowship. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to Lutheran World Relief, P.O. Box 17061, Baltimore, MD 21297-1061; or Crossroads Hospice, 421 Main St., Big Spring, TX 79720.

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

Paid obituary

Beulah Mae Stoeger

Beulah Mae Stoeger, 90, of Odessa, formerly of Big Spring died Tuesday, Aug. 6, 2013, in an Odessa hospital. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Police blotter

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

- LYNDON TRENT FRALEY, 53, of 1425 East Sixth Street, was arrested Wednesday on charges of disregard stop sign, expired motor vehicle inspection and expired registration.
- ROBERT LEE EVANS III, 21, of 4416 West Dengar, Midland, Texas, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of failure to identify – fugitive give false information and a warrant from another agency.
- OLIVIA TALIETHACOMENE THREATS, 34, of 1208 Blackmon, was arrested Wednesday on charges of disregard stop sign and no drivers license – when unlicensed.
- JENNIFER L. IRISH, 38, OF 800 West Marcy Drive apartment 38, was arrested on warrants from another agency – three counts.
- CHRISTOPHER ALLEN DANIEL, 27, of 801 Texas, Stamford, Texas, was arrested Wednesday on charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.
- PENNY RENEE HAMILTON, 41, of 720 Poverty Point, Abilene, Texas, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.
- ROBERT RUBEN SANCHEZ, 44, of 1023 Stadium, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of public intoxication.
- SHEILA KAY BARBER, 48, of 4109 Muir, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of robbery.
- REYNALDO CHAVERRIA JUAREZ, 48, of 1514 East 17th Street, was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.
- LEONARD ANTHONY AGUINAGA, 24, of 1018 Ridgroad, was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.
- JESSE RENE LOPEZ, 23, of 114 Hooser Road, was arrested Thursday on charges of disorderly conduct language and failure to identify.
- JOSHUA MICAH TUCKER, 32, 9715 North FM 620 apartment 3110, Austin, Texas, was arrested

Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.

- LYNN SPRINGFIELD, 41, of 800 County Road 389, Granger, Texas, was arrested Thursday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY was reported at the 1900 block of Rannels and the 1100 block of Blackmon and the 100 block of Hooser.
- MINOR ACCIDENT was reported at the 1600 block of East 4th Street and the 700 block of West FM 700.
- FORGERY was reported at the 3600 block of West Highway 80.
- THEFT was reported at the 200 block of West FM 700, the 3600 block of West Highway 80 and the d1800 block of FM 700.
- DISTURBANCE was reported at the 600 block of Interstate Highway 20.
- INTOXICATED SUBJECT reported at the 2400 block of Scurry.

Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 87 inmates at the time of this report.

- LYNDON TRENT FRALEY, 53, was booked by the BSPD on charges of disregard stop sign, expired motor vehicle inspection and expired registration.
- ROBERT EVANS III, 21, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of unauthorized use of a vehicle.
- DUSTIN DALE LAPPEN, 24, was booked by the HCSO for violation of parole.
- MICHAEL GLENN COX, 51, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.
- BILLY WAYNE STARR, 35, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of assault causing bodily injury – family member.
- OLIVIA TALIETHA BALLIN, 34, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of running a stop sign.
- ENRIQUE GARZA, 49, was booked by the Glasscock County Sheriffs Department on a charge of unlawful possession of a firearm.
- JENNIFER LEANN IRISH, 38, was booked by the BSPD on charges of failure to identify – two counts, fugitive intentionally giving false information and theft of property greater than or equal to \$50 but less than \$500.
- LEONARD ANTHONY AGUINAGA, 24, was booked by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.
- JESSE RENE LOPEZ, 23, was booked by the HCSO on a charge of disorderly conduct language and failure to identify.
- CHRISTOPHER ALLEN DANIEL, 27, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.
- PENNY RENEE HAMILTON, 41, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.
- The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity:
 - ROBERT RUBEN SANCHEZ, 44, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
 - SHEILA KAY BARBER, 48, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of robbery.
 - JOSHUA MICAH TUCKER, 32, was booked by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.
 - LYNN SPRINGFIELD, 41, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

Fire/EMS

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

- Tuesday
- MEDICAL reported at the 1900 block of Simler. One patient transported to SMMC.
 - MEDICAL reported at the 3600 block of West Highway 80. One patient transported to SMMC.
 - MEDICAL reported at the 2000 block of Nolan. One patient transported to SMMC.
 - MEDICAL reported at the 1600 block of Cardinal. One patient transported to SMMC.
 - MEDICAL reported at the 300 block of Veterans Boulevard. One patient transported to SMMC.
 - MEDICAL reported at the 1900 block of Simler. One patient transported to SMMC.
 - MEDICAL reported at the 2500 block of March. One patient transported to SMMC.
 - MEDICAL reported at the 800 block of East 16th. No transport.
 - TRAUMA reported at the 1800 block of North Highway 87. One patient transported to SMMC.
 - STRUCTURE FIRE reported at the 600 block of Northwest 5th Street. Out on arrival.
- Wednesday
- TRAUMA reported at the 300 block of South Aylesford. One patient transported to SMMC.
 - MEDICAL reported at the 1900 block of Simler. One patient transported to SMMC.
 - MEDICAL reported at the 1700 block of Lancaster. One patient transported to SMMC.
 - MEDICAL reported at the 200 block of Pine. One patient transported to SMMC.

Today's Weather

Local 3-Day Forecast

Fri 8/9	Sat 8/10	Sun 8/11
 101/76 Sunny skies. Hot. High 101F. Winds ENE at 5 to 10 mph.	 99/77 Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the upper 70s.	 98/77 More sun than clouds. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the upper 70s.
Sunrise: 7:06 AM Sunset: 8:36 PM	Sunrise: 7:07 AM Sunset: 8:35 PM	Sunrise: 7:08 AM Sunset: 8:34 PM



Texas At A Glance



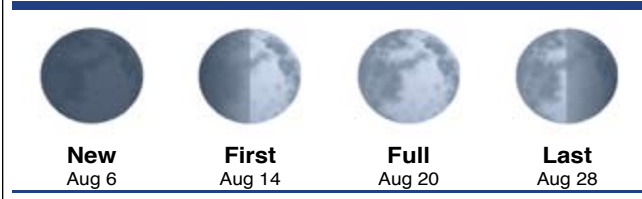
Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	99	76	mst sunny	Kingsville	101	77	sunny
Amarillo	86	63	sunny	Livingston	100	74	sunny
Austin	102	74	pt sunny	Longview	100	76	sunny
Beaumont	95	76	mst sunny	Lubbock	93	68	sunny
Brownsville	98	77	sunny	Lufkin	100	75	sunny
Brownwood	104	75	mst sunny	Midland	101	77	sunny
Corpus Christi	97	80	pt sunny	Raymondville	101	76	sunny
Corsicana	103	77	sunny	Rosenberg	99	76	sunny
Dallas	104	80	mst sunny	San Antonio	103	76	pt sunny
Del Rio	106	79	sunny	San Marcos	103	74	pt sunny
El Paso	99	76	t-storm	Sulphur Springs	102	77	mst sunny
Fort Stockton	99	74	mst sunny	Sweetwater	99	74	mst sunny
Gainesville	100	75	pt sunny	Tyler	101	77	sunny
Greenville	102	76	mst sunny	Weatherford	102	76	mst sunny
Houston	98	77	sunny	Wichita Falls	102	71	mst sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	88	72	t-storm	Minneapolis	78	54	sunny
Boston	77	69	t-storm	New York	82	74	t-storm
Chicago	82	62	pt sunny	Phoenix	102	77	sunny
Dallas	104	80	mst sunny	San Francisco	58	52	pt sunny
Denver	72	55	t-storm	Seattle	80	58	pt sunny
Houston	98	77	sunny	St. Louis	81	67	t-storm
Los Angeles	78	60	pt sunny	Washington, DC	88	76	t-storm
Miami	89	79	t-storm				

Moon Phases



Support Groups

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.

• 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.

• 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.

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Altercation brought under control at FCI Big Spring

Herald Staff Report

Federal Correctional Institution Big Spring is on lockdown following a fight involving a group of inmates.

According to a press release obtained from FCI Big Spring, the fight took place at approximately 7 a.m. Wednesday in the facility's recreation area. It was quickly brought under control by staff. The news release indicated a "small number" of inmates received minor injuries which did not require outside treatment.

There were no injuries to staff and the public was never in danger, according to the release.

FCI Big Spring houses about 1,500 low-security offenders and 200 minimum-security offenders.

"The minimum security satellite camp was not impacted by the incident and is currently maintaining normal operations," the press release read. The cause of the disturbance is under investigation. The press release gave no indication of how long the prison would remain in a lockdown situation.

VIRUS

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actively treating areas throughout the city in an attempt to reduce the mosquito population," Ferguson said. "The city of Big Spring and state of Texas are working closely together to determine the extent of the problem and to educate the public regarding West Nile Virus."

According to Ferguson, area residents can take steps to protect themselves against the disease.

"First, be sure to use an approved insect repellent every time you go outside. Approved repellents are those which contain DEET, picaridin or oil of lemon eucalyptus," he said. "Follow the instructions on the label. Also, regularly drain standing water, including water that collects in empty cans, tires, buckets, clogged rain gutters and saucers under potted plants. Mosquitoes breed in stagnant water."

"Wear long sleeves and pants at dawn and

dusk, when mosquitoes are most active. Be sure to use air conditioning or make sure there are screens on all doors and windows to keep mosquitoes from entering the home."

Ferguson said West Nile Virus is a serious infection and area residents should do what they can to protect themselves against it, although it's just as important not to let the danger trigger hysteria throughout the community.

"The intensity of West Nile virus activity in Texas fluctuates from year to year and depends on a variety of factors including the weather, the numbers of birds and mosquitoes that maintain and spread the virus and human behavior. The season can last up until the first hard freeze of the year.

"Symptoms of the milder form of the illness, West Nile fever, can include headache, fever, muscle and joint aches, nausea and fatigue. People with West Nile fever typically recover on their own, al-

though symptoms may last for several weeks. Symptoms of the more serious form, West Nile neuroinvasive disease, can include those of West Nile fever plus neck stiffness, stupor, disorientation, tremors, convulsions, muscle weakness and paralysis. However, up to 80 percent of people infected with the virus will have no symptoms."

Ferguson said there is no way to vaccinate against the disease and no medications currently designed to treat it, although most who become infected will suffer only mild symptoms, if any at all.

"People 50 years old or older and those with other health issues are at a higher risk of becoming seriously ill or dying when they become infected with the virus. If people have symptoms and suspect West Nile virus infection, they should contact their healthcare provider.

"The risk of becoming infected is very low. Even in areas where the virus is circulating,"

The state comptroller's office has stipulated the following items to be tax-free this weekend.

- Adult diapers
- Aprons (household)
- Athletic socks
- Baby bibs
- Baby clothes
- Baby diapers (cloth or disposable)
- Backpacks (for use by elementary/secondary students)
- Belts with attached buckles
- Blouses
- Boots (general purpose)
- Bow ties
- Bowling shirts
- Bras
- Camp clothes
- Caps (baseball, fishing, golf)
- Chef uniforms
- Children's novelty costumes
- Clerical vestments
- Coats and wraps
- Coveralls
- Diapers (cloth and disposable)
- Dresses
- Employee uniforms (unless rented)
- Fishing caps
- Fishing vests (non-floation)
- Gloves (generally)
- Graduation caps and gowns
- Gym suits and uniforms
- Hats
- Hooded shirts and hooded sweatshirts
- Hosiery, including support hosiery
- Hunting vests
- Jackets
- Jeans
- Jogging apparel
- Knitted caps or hats
- Leg warmers
- Leotards and tights
- Mask, costume
- Neckwear and ties
- Nightgowns and night-

- shirts
- Painter pants
- Pajamas
- Pants
- Panty hose
- Raincoats and ponchos
- Rain hats
- Religious clothing
- Robes
- Scarves
- Scout uniforms
- Shawls and wraps
- Shirts
- Shirts (hooded)
- Shoes (generally)
- Shorts
- Skirts
- Sleepwear, nightgowns, pajamas
- Slippers
- Slips
- Soccer socks
- Socks
- Suits, slacks, and jackets
- Support hosiery
- Suspenders
- Sweatshirts
- Sweat suits
- Sweaters
- Swimsuits
- Ties (neckties - all)
- Tights
- Trousers
- Underclothes
- Underpants
- Undershirts
- Uniforms (school, work, nurse, waitress, military, postal, police, fire)
- Veils
- Vests (generally)
- Work clothes

Work uniforms
Workout clothes

All-inclusive list of qualifying school supplies (if priced less than \$100)

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- Book bags
- Calculators
- Cellophane tape
- Blackboard chalk
- Compasses
- Composition books
- Crayons
- Erasers
- Folders; expandable, pocket, plastic, and manila
- Glue, paste and paste sticks
- Highlighters
- Index cards
- Index card boxes
- Legal pads
- Lunch boxes
- Markers (including dry erase markers)
- Notebooks
- Paper; loose leaf ruled notebook paper, copy paper, graph paper, tracing paper, manila paper, colored paper, poster board, and construction paper
- Pencil boxes and other school supply boxes
- Pencil sharpeners
- Pencils
- Pens
- Protractors
- Rulers
- Scissors
- Writing tablets

BOTCHED

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clerk refused to give her money, at which point she took the pillow case from her head and asked the clerk if he could just give her \$20 or \$40."

The clerk had activated an alarm and a BSPD officer arrived on scene as the woman was attempting to leave the store.

"The officer stopped the woman as she approached a vehicle and attempted to get in the driver's seat," Everett

said. "The vehicle was parked on the north side of the store in a position to quickly get away."

The suspect was subsequently identified as Shelia Kay Barber, 48, of Big Spring. She is currently awaiting arraignment on robbery charges.

WATER

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made by Dr. John Littlejohn, president of VV (Val Verde) Water Company.

The water would be drawn from the Edwards-Trinity Aquifer system, delivered via 48-inch pipeline, and would take two to three years to construct, according to the San Angelo Standard Times, which was reporting on a meeting held Tuesday between the San Angelo City Council and the water company. In that meet-

ing, the council decided to place consideration of any agreement on hold until more information can be obtained and research conducted.

Val Verde Water Company has not met with the Big Spring City Council formally,

though it has had several meetings with the Snyder City Council.

Today's meeting will be held in the Hall Center for the Arts auditorium. Questions from the public will be answered, according to the press release.

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Women's Fair and Expo this weekend in Midland

MIDLAND — "Be Inspired" is the theme of the fourth Annual Women's Fair & Expo scheduled Saturday and Sunday at the Midland county Horseshoe.

Nearly 60 vendors will be offering everything from home products and décor, health and homeopathic products to purses, clothing, footwear, makeup, jewelry and gifts galore.

And, since this will be the Tax Free Weekend, visitors will save even more money on lots of items. There will also be fashion shows and Kid's and Women's Workshops.

Dr. Leslie Chupp, MD/FACOG, regional director of the Laura W. Bush Institute for Women's Health will present a lecture on various types of pelvic disease, symptoms associated with these diseases and treatment options available. Audience members will be able to ask questions during the Q&A portion.

Also making presentations at The Expo are Patty Pisklak, executive director of CASA, Stacy Wilson with the Gladney Center for Adoption and Dianne Eggemeyer, founder of ABC Ministry (Angel Baby Creations).

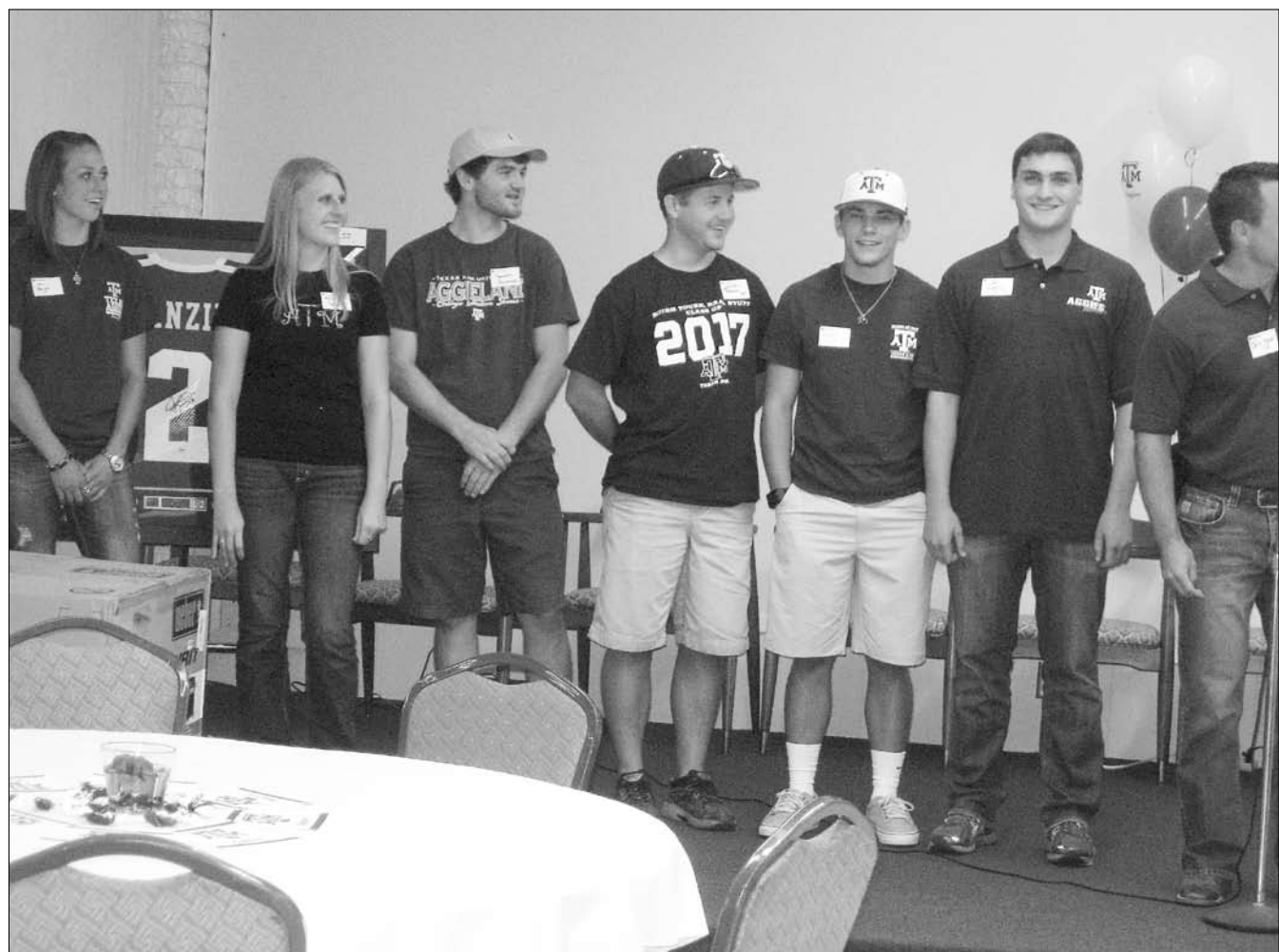
Sudoku Answer on Page 3

sudoku

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

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

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Courtesy photo

Recent high school graduates, from left, Ali Knight, Kelly Sage, Cameron Churchwell, Landon Boeker, Trevor Burchett, Connor Furqueron and Chris Olson, were named recipients of scholarships to Texas A&M University during the Howard County A&M Club's annual WestTexAgs Shootout this past weekend. The event, which included a golf tournament and auction, raised enough money for the club to endow two new scholarships, including one named in honor of Hayes Stripling IV, grandson of Big Spring resident Hayes Stripling Jr.

Around the area

'Noises Off' set in Lamesa

LAMESA — The Lamesa Community Players presents "Noises Off," directed by Gwen Allison and Virginia Leonard. Performance dates are:

Aug. 9, 10, 15, 16 and 17 at 7 p.m. and Aug. 11 at 2 p.m.

Head to jail before Labor Day

ODESSA — Head to jail before Labor Day will be held at 9 a.m. Aug. 26 at the University of Texas at Permian Basin courtyard, 4901 E. University Blvd. in Odessa.

Event Details: Put on an orange jumpsuit and step inside jail to get your mug shot taken. Of course, this is simulated jail. Texas Department of Transportation is bringing its "Drink. Drive. Go to Jail." mobile jail cell to campus — complete with a toilet, sink and bunk bed. The Labor Day holiday should

be fun, not deadly.

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San Angelo site for Aug. 27

genealogy fair
SAN ANGELO — In addition to hosting more than 40 exhibits on Concho Valley history and genealogy, the San Angelo Genealogical and Historical Society will be giving away \$1,300 in door prizes at the Genealogy Fair on Aug. 27.

Prizes include subscriptions to MyHeritage.com, Ancestry.com, World Deluxe, GenealogyBank.com, Newspapers.com and Fold3.com.

The fair will be held at Stephens Central Library in downtown San Angelo, 33 W Beauregard, from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 27.

Admission is free to the event.

Seliger to meet constituents

State Senator Kel Seliger is kicking off his annual tour of Senate District 31, conducting county town hall meetings across the Panhandle, South Plains and Permian Basin to discuss the activities of the 83rd Legislature.

"I am excited to start the very important process of reporting to my bosses in District 31 and getting their ideas," Seliger said.

During the next several months, Senator Seliger will make stops in each county in District 31 to communicate with constituents about the critical issues facing their communities and our state. Upcoming meetings include stops in Big Spring, Garen City and Stanton Aug. 27.

Seliger's Big Spring town hall meeting will be from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the Settles Hotel.

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Hobson's Choice

South dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ 10 9 8 5 2
♥ A K 7
♦ K 7 3
♣ Q 6

WEST
♠ 7 4
♥ J 10 9 6 4
♦ J 2
♣ A J 10 8

EAST
♠ 6
♥ Q 8 5 3 2
♦ Q 5 4
♣ 7 5 4 2

SOUTH
♠ A K Q J 3
♥
♦ A 10 9 8 6
♣ K 9 3

The bidding:
South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 3 ♠* Pass
6 ♠

* forcing to game
Opening lead — jack of hearts.

It may seem that declarer must lose a diamond trick and a club trick at six spades and go down one, but when the deal occurred, South made the slam. Furthermore, the defenders could do nothing to stop the contract once declarer found the winning line of play.

West led the jack of hearts, and it was here that South made the key

play. Instead of taking the trick with the king or ace, declarer played low from dummy and ruffed the jack. Had he not done this, he would have gone down one against proper defense.

South next played the A-K of trumps followed by a low club toward dummy's Q-6, presenting West with a Hobson's choice. If he went up with the ace of clubs, South would later discard one of dummy's diamonds on the king of clubs and thus escape a diamond loser.

And if West did not go up with the ace of clubs, declarer would win with dummy's queen and discard his K-9 of clubs on the A-K of hearts. South would later lose a diamond trick, but no more.

Observe that if declarer incorrectly wins the opening heart lead in dummy, he places himself in a position where he must decide prematurely whether to discard a diamond or a club. Whichever he chooses, he will eventually go down one.

By delaying his discard until a more propitious moment, declarer can present West with a losing choice of plays at trick four, instead of subjecting himself to a losing choice of discards at trick one.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz.
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Bufs counting on size, control in 2013

By **BRIAN MCCORMACK**
Sports Editor

FORSAN — Quality, not quantity. That's what Forsan Head Football Coach Jason Phillips is working with this year as he prepares his team for another season in what is quickly becoming one of the most competitive Class A districts in the state — one which includes defending state champion Stamford and Anson, who compiled a 10-2 record and finished with a top 10 ranking. As for the Buffaloes, they earned a playoff berth in 2012, but were ousted in the bi-district round by Quanah. Phillips' goal is to take his team deeper into the postseason in 2013.

"First of all, our overall numbers are down," Phillips said. "We have about 10 less kids than usual. We've been spoiled the last couple years.

The kids we do have, we're extremely impressed with."

Though confident, Phillips does have some adjustments to make. Most notably, the transition from a finesse game to more of a power game as size replaces speed on both sides of the ball.

"We don't have the speed we've had for the past couple of years," Phillips explained. "But our offensive line is as good as its ever been. They average about 240-250 pounds. We will have a bit of a different look. We will also be using tight ends more, try to use our size to our advantage. We will try to control the line of scrimmage."

Four players are currently vying for the quarterback position, according to Phillips. The Buffs lost veteran QB Marcus Cervantes to graduation and Polo Morin — who took some

snaps last season — is dealing with an injury.

"I think we'll be OK," Phillips said of his prospective field generals. "The goal is to have one starting quarterback by Week One — someone who is ready to go. All four candidates have worked extremely hard. They have been pushing each other and they all want the job. They all get along. It's a healthy competition."

A run-based spread offense from the shotgun — with even more options on the passing side utilizing tight ends in addition to receivers is what Phillips is shooting for.

The element of diversity on the offense could aid the Buffaloes in scoring, but Phillips is equally excited about the defense.

"Our defense was really good last year," Phillips said. "Ten-of-11 guys

we have, started on defense at some point last year. It's a good group of kids."

Phillips is tasked with guiding his team through a gauntlet of perennially strong and up-and-coming squads in District 4-1A, but Forsan — who finished with a 6-5 record in 2012 — has yet another roster filled with gritty athletes who are up for the challenge.

"It will be tough to win district, but that's our goal," Phillips added. "It's going to be difficult again, but I think if we can stay healthy and get our positions lined up and play good defense, we could be very effective."

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Local briefs

Youth Football Association sign-ups being held now

Crossroads Youth Football Association is holding sign-ups for players and cheer squads at the Big Spring Mall Saturday from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m.; and Saturday, Aug. 17, from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m. Weekday registrations will be held Monday through Friday next week, from 6-8 p.m.

Flag football (5-7 years), will be \$85 per child; tackle (8-9 and 10-12 years), will cost \$160; and cheer (K-12 years) will be \$125.

For more information, visit www.freewebs.com/cyfa/

Big Spring Youth Soccer Association registration open

Kids ages 3-15 are invited to participate in the Big Spring Youth Soccer Association. Sign-ups are slated at the Big Spring Mall starting Saturday from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Additional times include Saturday, Aug. 17 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. and Monday, Aug. 19 through Friday, Aug. 23 from 5:30 p.m. until 7 p.m.

Cost is \$75 per child. For more information, contact Bryan Kligora at 816-2582.

BSHS season tickets on sale now

Steer football fans can now pick up their tickets at the Athletic Training Center. The books — which can be purchased Monday through Thursday, from 7:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m., until Aug. 23 — cost \$20 apiece and includes admission to all four home games, rapid access to the stadium and guaranteed seating in Section C. Call the athletic office at 264-3662 for more information.

Hidden Gems basketball skills showcase coming to Big Spring

Three nationally known women's college basketball scouts will be joining Roy Green in hosting the Hidden Gems in West Texas individual showcase on Friday and Saturday. Girls interested in taking their basketball game from the high school court to a college arena are invited to participate.

The focus will be on the recruitment process and each player will be evaluated by experienced college personnel representing Division II, Division III, NAIA and JUCO schools. The cost is \$75 each. For more information, email Green at rgreen10@att.net.

Over 80 Scramble to be held at Country Club

The Big Spring Country Club will be hosting the Over 80 Scramble — meaning the combined age of each two-person team must add up to 80 or more — Aug. 17-18.

A shotgun start will be held each day, with the field flighted by first round score.

The \$100 entry fee per player includes both rounds, Mulligans and barbeque on the course Saturday. Cart fees apply.

For more information, contact the Pro Shop at 267-5354.

Rangers steal 7 bases in rout of Angels

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — The Texas Rangers are back atop the AL West after a ferocious surge that has given them confidence they can win a third division title in five seasons without the suspended Nelson Cruz.

Adrian Beltre had a homer and three RBIs and scored three runs, Alexi Ogando won for the first time in his last five starts, and the Rangers completed a three-game sweep of the Los Angeles Angels with a 10-3 victory Wednesday night that lifted them into a virtual tie with Oakland for the AL West lead.

This is the first time Texas has had at least a share of first place since July 1, when the Rangers led the Athletics by a half-game.

"That's the place we were supposed to be," Beltre said. "I know

Oakland's been playing well this season, but we assumed we would be there. We haven't won anything yet, but at least we're going in the right direction. We've been more consistent and getting the big hits in clutch situations."

The Rangers, who have won nine of 10, were a season-worst six games off the pace on July 28 after getting shut out for the second straight time at Cleveland. Manager Ron Washington held a closed-door postgame meeting that day with his players, and they began their dramatic turnaround with a three-game sweep at home against the Angels — with each game being decided by a game-ending homer.

"The change is not because of my meeting. The change is be-

cause of the players," Washington said. "I just put it out there for them and they did the rest. That's what I'm special at. The opportunity presented itself, and their attention needed to be gotten. I must have said something that hit home for them. But it's the players."

The Rangers, who had six stolen bases in their 8-3 win on Tuesday night, picked up right where they left off with a season-high seven steals — tying the Angels' record for most allowed. Four of them came in the first inning against Tommy Hanson and batterymate Hank Conger — including a double-steal by Leonys Martin and Elvis Andrus.

"They were aggressive on

See **RANGERS**, Page 10

Cowboys' injury problems in O-line getting serious

OXNARD, Calif. (AP) — Tony Romo drew plenty of laughs when he joked on the first day of training camp that his offensive line looked good "running up and down the sideline."

It's getting to the point where it's not funny for the Dallas Cowboys.

Dallas has had injury problems at guard since training camp started more than two weeks ago. And now the Cowboys are in serious pursuit of a veteran.

They've already been turned down once. Former New York Jets lineman Brandon Moore decided not to sign with the Cowboys on Wednesday, a day after the 10-year veteran tentatively agreed to a deal.

The Cowboys didn't want Moore as a fill-in. They wanted the 33-year-old to start before he told them he was planning to retire.

Both of last year's starting guards, Nate Livings and Mackenzy Bernadeau, have missed significant time at training camp. Livings might not be ready for the regular season after two surgeries on his right knee in six months.

"We're pretty depleted on the offensive line right now," Cowboys coach Jason Garrett said. "You just try to address the needs where you have them."

Livings missed the first week of camp with a cut on his foot, and was just days into this return when the surgically repaired knee that also bothered him in offseason workouts flared up again.

Bernadeau didn't even make it to the first workout. He strained a hamstring in the pre-camp conditioning test and missed two weeks. He returned last week and could play in the second preseason game Friday night at Oakland.

But the pursuit of Moore — and the continuing pursuit of someone else after his change of heart — made it clear the Cowboys aren't counting on Livings and Bernadeau just a year after signing both as free agents.

"I think the fact that they're limited, they've had injury, they've been out of camp, they were out of the preseason," Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said.

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Autographs by college stars are easy to find

NEW YORK (AP) — A simple search on eBay reveals Heisman Trophy winner Johnny Manziel is far from the only college football player whose autograph is for sale.

Pick a star and you can find memorabilia with a supposedly verified signature.

South Carolina's Jadeveon Clowney. Ohio State's Braxton Miller. Oregon's De'Anthony Thomas. Louisville's Teddy Bridgewater. Alabama's AJ McCarron. The list goes on and on.

The difference is ESPN has reported the NCAA is investigating whether Manziel, the Texas A&M quarterback, got paid to sign autographs, which would violate amateurism rules. If the allegations against Manziel, made by unidentified sources to ESPN, are proved true by the NCAA, his eligibility for the coming season could be in doubt as well as his status as a Heisman winner.

ESPN reported that a top autograph authenticator had authenticated nearly 1,000 Manziel autographs.

Brandon Steiner of Steiner Sports, which is the official collectible and memorabilia company of the NBA, the New York Yankees and Notre Dame, among others, said his company does not do business with college athletes.

He said Manziel would likely be able to sign a contract with a collectibles company of at least \$100,000 after he went pro.

"I know there is a vibrant Heisman Trophy collectible audience out there," he said.

A market flooded with Manziel autographs could cost him money later, Steiner said.

"It creates market confusion and takes a lot away from the category," Steiner said Wednesday.

Other college athletes might want to take note.

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Mercury Wears Whiskers

Four weeks of Hollywood-style communication begin as Mercury zips into the sign of the theatrical cat. With the sun already basking in this part of the sky, reality takes a heightened tone. We cherish the excellent storytellers, while the communication planet explores Leo, too. Those who want to cultivate

this skill will make progress.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). When it happens easily, you usually take it as a sign that it was meant to be. Of course, there's a difference between "easy" and "automatic."

What happens automatically could just be a bad habit.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Readers are leaders. Unfortunately, it doesn't always go both ways. If your leader today isn't up on the latest literature in your area of interest, time will be wasted. Do your own research. Don't take anyone's word for granted.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Being aware of others will be tough if you're dealing with too much personally. That's why it's never selfish to take excellent care of yourself. Move commitments and clutter from your schedule to spend time nurturing yourself.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You don't have to be graceful, artful or precise about it — just get it done. The obstacles you

overcome today will have a story of woe to tell once you're done with them!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll like the exclusivity of today's arrangement. Your Pulitzer Prize-winning sign mate Russell Baker noted, "People seem to enjoy things more when they know a lot of other people have been left out of the pleasure."

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Today has that road-trip feel: life blurring by and you trying to capture pieces of it from a rolled-down window. Of course, you could always pull over and stop awhile.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Mental escape is not quite as relaxing as physical escape, but when you're as committed and busy as you are today, it will have to do. At least you can visit that happy place in your mind as often as possible.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). A fascinating person doesn't just talk to you; this person finds a way into the conversation and under your skin. You'll be challenged and moved by the interaction.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You have advocates, not that you need defense or are trying to inspire passion

in your devotees. But still it's nice to know that people are on your side and will be there when and if you ever need them.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Don't waste your breath explaining yourself. You can't tell people what to think about you. What you say won't matter. But what you inspire others to say about your message will matter.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Hitchhikers walking toward their destination are more likely to be picked up than those standing in one place with a sign. Move toward your purpose, and someone is likely to give you a ride.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You have an extensive list of things you need in order to tackle a project. Rip that list in half, and things will work out even better. Also consider how some people get by in life without many "essential" things.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 8). The restlessness you feel at the top of this new cycle quickly fuels an adventure that spans over the next seven weeks. You'll thrive in a nontraditional setting in September. Public

position is featured in November; you'll obtain something that will be handed down to future generations. December brings creative rebirth. Taurus and Aries people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 39, 4, 20 and 3.

MERCURY IN LEO: The ability to suspend disbelief for the sake of having a bit of fun will be a much used and highlighted skill over the next four weeks as Mercury dances theatrically through the royal realm of Leo. In this age of ubiquitous media (even some gas pumps have televisions), it boggles the mind that good storytellers are still few and far between. But there will be plenty of opportunities to try to get better at it during this Mercury transit through Leo. And why should you? Because people need stories. It's how they connect with one another and how they learn. Scientists have proved that storytelling activates more of the brain than other information delivery systems. That's why corporations pay millions to expert advertisers who can turn their product into a story that can be played in a commercial or expressed

via new media. As you hone your abilities, remember to keep it simple. The best storytellers know that people will tune out at the first sign of an overcomplicated tale. Be clear on the point of your story, too, so that you avoid adding nonessentials or going off on tangents. Grabbing and holding attention through storytelling during Mercury's transit through Leo will benefit both your personal and professional life.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Tennis champion Roger Federer was a child prodigy who trained constantly and grew up to become one of the world's best. With the current sun and Mercury positioned similarly to the position they were in on the day of Federer's birth, these are exceptionally lucky times for the star athlete. Jupiter, Saturn and Pluto in Libra, the sign of partnership, suggests that close relationships are Federer's top priority.

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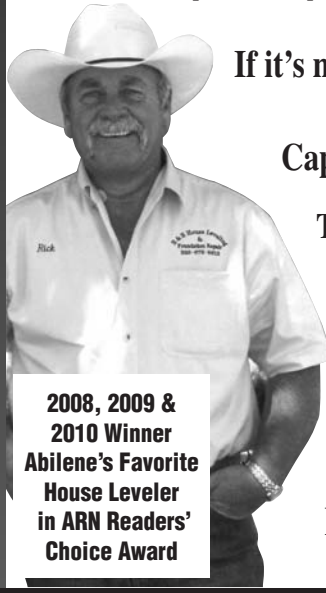
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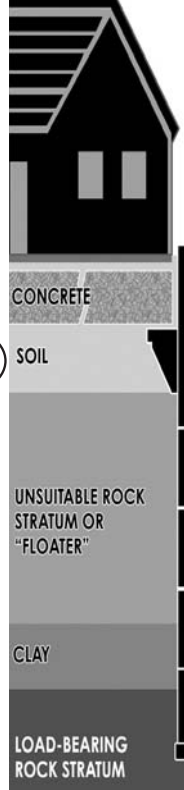
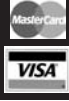
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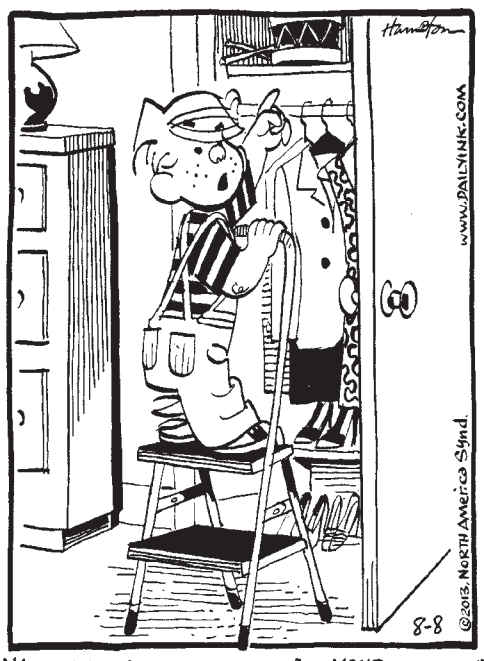
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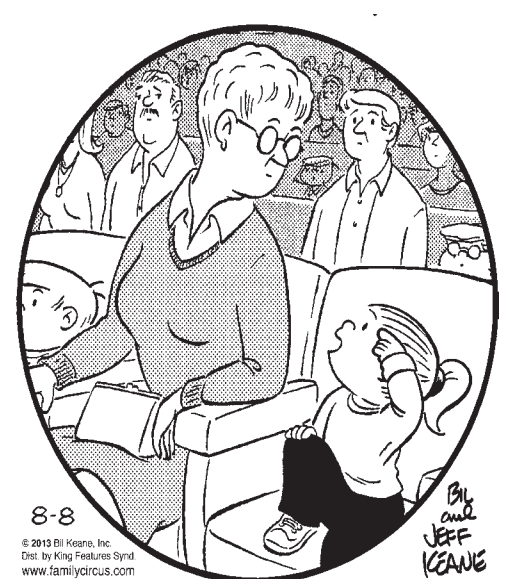
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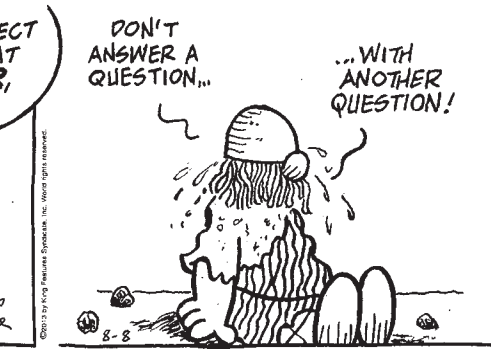
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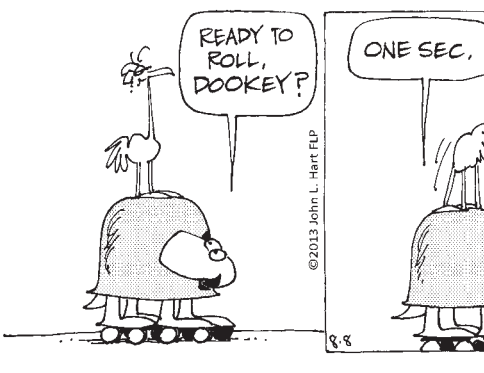
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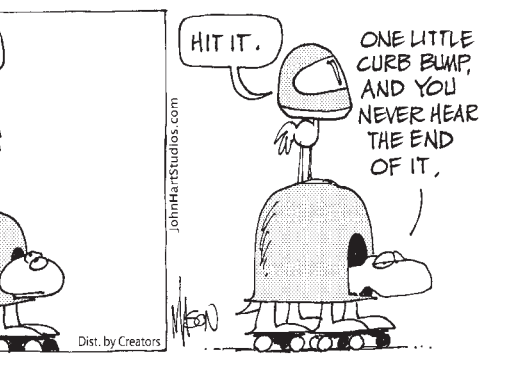
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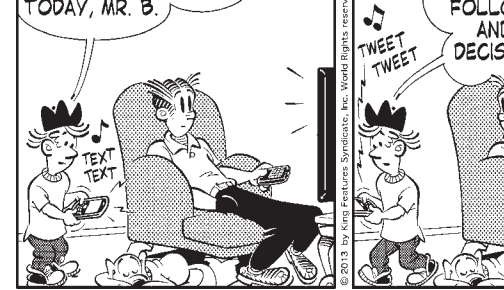
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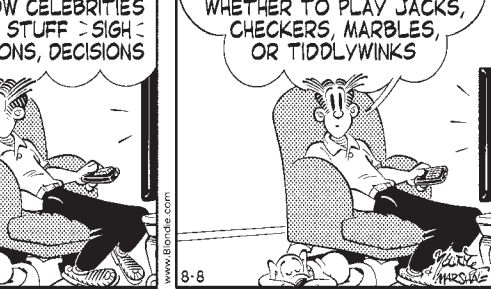
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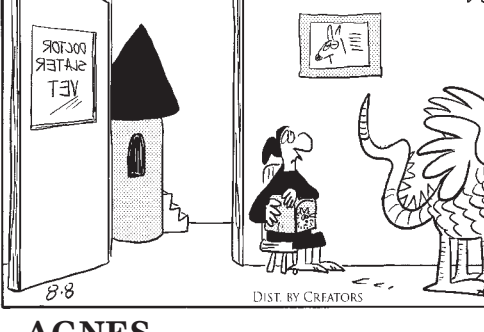
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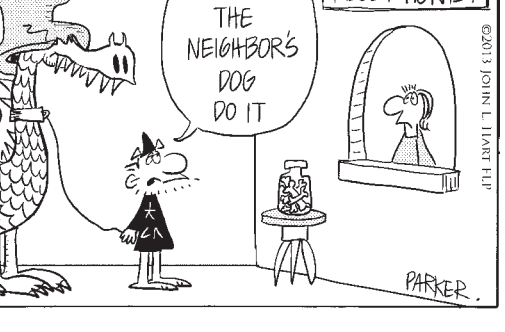
HECK, WHEN I WAS A KID, THE BIGGEST DECISION WAS WHETHER TO PLAY JACKS, CHECKERS, MARBLES, OR TIDDLYWINKS

AGNES



OK, KIDS! TODAY WE MAKE LANYARDS!

AGNES



ARE WE FILMING A SPAGHETTI WESTERN? WHAT POSSIBLE USE WOULD I HAVE FOR A LANYARD IN THIS CENTURY?

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, Aug. 8, the 220th day of 2013. There are 145 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On August 8, 1963, Britain's "Great Train Robbery" took place as thieves made off with 2.6 million pounds in banknotes.

On this date:

In 1815, Napoleon Bonaparte set sail for St. Helena to spend the remainder of his days in exile.

In 1911, President William Howard Taft signed a measure raising the number of U.S. representatives from 391 to 433, effective with the next Congress, with a proviso to add two more when New Mexico and Arizona became states.

In 1937, during the Second Sino-Japanese War, Japan completed its occupation of Beijing.

In 1942, during World War II, six Nazi saboteurs who were captured after landing in the

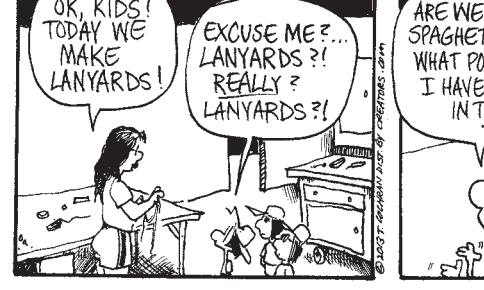
land mine was detonated under-neath their vehicle, prompting President Bill Clinton to order Army Rangers to try to capture Somali warlord Mohamed Farrah Aidid.

In 2007, space shuttle Endeavour roared into orbit with teacher-astronaut Barbara Morgan on board.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Richard Anderson is 87. Joan Mondale, wife of former Vice President Walter F. Mondale, is 83. Actress Nita Talbot is 83. Singer Mel Tillis is 81. Actor Dustin Hoffman is 76. Actress Connie Stevens is 75. Country singer Phil Balsley (The Statler Brothers) is 74. Actor Larry Wilcox is 66. Actor Keith Carradine is 64.

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HI AND LOIS



HOW CAN YOU DRINK COFFEE? IT'S YUCKY!

HI AND LOIS



HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES?

Newsday Crossword

NOT QUITE HOMONYMS

- ACROSS
- 1 Big name in teas
 - 5 At the heart of
 - 9 Instant
 - 14 Letters on a "Welcome to" sign
 - 15 Crumbly cheese
 - 16 Inappropriate
 - 17 Dresden's river
 - 18 Bit of truth
 - 19 Betray surprise
 - 20 Start of a wedding proverb
 - 23 Woodworking tools
 - 24 Florida Keys, e.g.
 - 28 Hasty escape
 - 29 Proscription
 - 31 Grammy category
 - 32 Pseudonym
 - 35 State east of Omaha
 - 36 Hitter's stat
 - 37 2012 role for Sally Field
 - 41 Commotion
 - 42 Summer shirts
 - 43 Back street
 - 44 Buddhist sect
 - 45 After-school grps.
 - 46 Health advocacy org.
 - 47 Make certain
 - 49 Sanctifies
 - 53 What a nursery rhyme king is called
 - 56 Note in the F major scale

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- 1 Abounds
 - 2 Koran's Creator
 - 3 Safari sight
 - 4 Exaggerate
 - 5 Declare true
 - 6 Wherewithal
 - 7 Allergic reaction, maybe
 - 8 Crunched numbers
 - 9 Precisely
 - 10 Silicon Valley giant
 - 11 Vitamin regulator
 - 12 Koala's coat
 - 13 Thus far
 - 21 Brewer's supply
 - 22 Mideast peninsula
 - 25 One of the Potter books
 - 26 Shelve
 - 27 Like cacti
 - 29 Junction points
 - 30 Night fliers
 - 32 Bowl over
 - 33 Encumbered
 - 34 Smooths sleeves
 - 35 Inkling
 - 38 Badger cousin
 - 39 Identified
 - 40 Time-tested favorites
 - 45 Quite
 - 46 Totally mistaken
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 - 49 Uncouth ones
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THE OTHER COAST



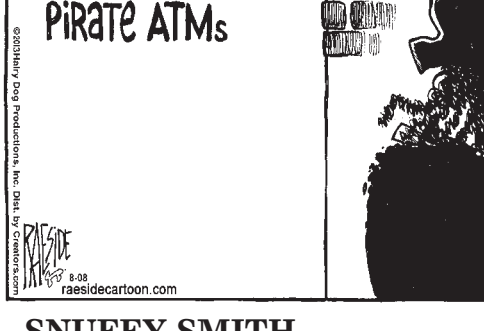
PIRATE ATMs

THE OTHER COAST



FROM WHICH ACCOUNT DO YOU WISH TO WITHDRAW FUNDS?

SNUFFY SMITH



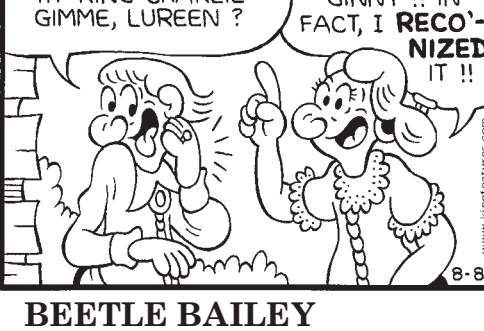
DIDDA NOTICE TH' RING CHARLIE GIMME, LUREEN?

SNUFFY SMITH



THAT RING HAS BEEN PASSED AROUN' MORE'N LAST YEAR'S FRUITCAKE !!

BEETLE BAILEY



HEY! MY SCOTCH BOTTLE IS EMPTY!

BEETLE BAILEY



YOU SHOULD KNOW BY NOW WHAT I MEAN WHEN I SAY, "GET THE CAR READY"

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O-LINE

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"I think that you could say yes that had something to do with it. That and the fact we're relatively young in there."

Romo could have two new starting guards for the second straight year, not to mention a rookie center in Travis Frederick. One of those guards could be Ron Leary, a second-year player who was undrafted out of Memphis in part because of chronic knee problems.

Leary also missed the start of camp because of a back problem.

If Leary and Frederick are starters for the season opener Sept. 8 against the New York Giants, it will be the first NFL game for both. Even if Livings and Bernadeau are ready,

there's a chance somebody not on the roster right now will be on the depth chart ahead of them.

"I think you have to recognize that you've got a young group," Jones said. "If we bring in a substantive veteran, it will be about him more than a couple of the things that we would be looking at."

Jones said the Cowboys were looking to give Romo an "extra half-second" of protection when they passed on chances to upgrade their defensive line in the draft and traded down to get Frederick at No. 31.

"It's always urgent," Garrett said. "It was urgent in the offseason leading up to the draft. It was urgent after that. And it's getting more and more urgent."

They're getting serious enough that Romo probably won't be joking anytime soon.

RANGERS

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the base paths, and they're making our job easier," Beltre said. "When you've got guys like that who get on with a base hit or a walk then steal second and steal third, it makes it that much easier to give our pitching staff some more run support."

Martin and Andrus each stole three bases, with Andrus reaching the 30 mark for the fourth time in five big league seasons. Andrus has stolen 14 consecutive bases since June 25, when the Yankees' Chris Stewart threw him out at second with David Robertson on the mound.

"Elvis couldn't have come back to us at a better time and get his game back together," Washington said. "Martin is beginning to show the abilities that we as an organization thought he had. I knew he could run, but I didn't know he could run like that."

The Rangers' franchise record for stolen bases is nine, set on April 20, 2010 at Boston.

Ogando (5-3) allowed two runs four hits over five innings and struck out four in his 14th start

and 11th on the road, shrugging off a two-run homer Mike Trout hit in the first inning. The victory was the right-hander's first since May 15 at Oakland.

Hanson (4-3) was charged with five runs, seven hits and three walks in 4 2-3 innings following four straight no-decisions.

Josh Hamilton, who signed a five-year, five year, \$125 million contract with the Angels as a free agent after six seasons with the Rangers, was 0 for 12 in the series with five strikeouts. He is batting just .217 with 16 homers and 51 RBIs.

When asked if Hamilton would be struggling at the plate this much had he re-signed with the Rangers, Washington said: "That's a loaded question. I would like to say yes, but I don't know that. I do know they've got a quality player here — five tools, baby. Five tools. He can take a ballgame over and do a lot of things. Maybe he's not doing them right now, but he hasn't lost that skill. I don't care if he keeps swinging and missing, he's still dangerous.

"I think that he is still adjusting to his new environment, and it's a big adjustment," Washing-

ton added. "I think everybody's going to be very happy with him as (things evolve.) I think next season, they'll see what Josh is all about."

Mitch Moreland drove in the only run of the Rangers' hitless first inning with a bases-loaded sacrifice fly after an intentional walk to Beltre. But the Angels responded with two runs in the bottom of the first, as Kole Calhoun drew a leadoff walk and Trout followed with a drive to left-center for his 20th home run.

It was the second straight year that Trout homered on his birthday. Last year at Oakland he became the fifth player in major league history to hit one on the day he turned 21, joining Ted Williams, Frank Robinson, Alex Rodriguez and Jason Heyward. The Angels' All-Star center fielder also robbed Craig Gentry of a home run in the fourth.

The Rangers hustled themselves into three runs in the third to grab a 4-2 lead. Martin led off with a double, and Andrus just beat out a bunt single that Hanson fielded in front of the mound. Ian Kinsler followed with an RBI single, and Andrus scored when Beltre barely beat the relay.



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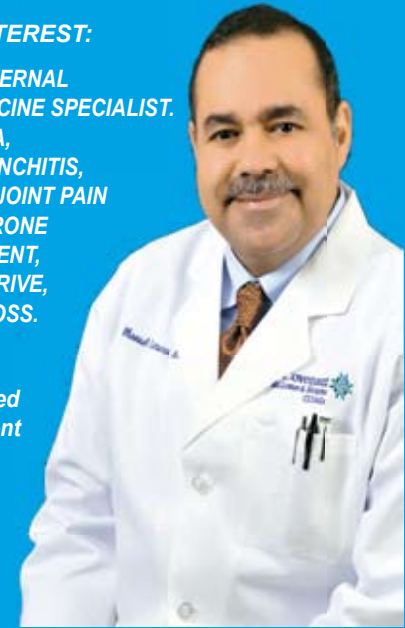
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