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Tax free holiday is under way

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

It seems like every store has some kind of back-toschool sale, so why shouldn't the state of Texas get into the

Parents shopping for backto-school items for their children — and others just looking to save a little money - will get a helping hand from the

state as its annual Tax Free Holiday kicks off today and runs through Sunday.

As in previous years, most clothing, footwear, school supplies and backpacks priced under \$100 will be exempt from sales and use taxes

including those sold online, by telephone or mail — which could save shoppers about \$8 on every \$100 they spend.

A list of items included in the tax free holiday can be found on Page 3

The exemption applies to each eligible item that sells for less than \$100, regardless

of how many items are sold on the same invoice to a customer. However, the exemption does not apply to the first \$99.99 of an otherwise eligible item that sells for more than \$99.99. For example, if a customer purchases a pair of pants that cost \$110, then sales tax is due on the entire \$110.

The exemption also does

not apply to sales of special clothing or footwear the manufacturer primarily designed for athletic activity or protective use, like golf cleats and football pads. Tennis shoes, jogging suits and swimsuits, however, are commonly worn for purposes other than athletic activity and thus

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The sky's the limit

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Despite some rough weather conditions Tuesday afternoon — including lightning and heavy rains - the 2013 U.S. National Hang Gliding Championship remains ontrack to wrap up one of its best years Saturday at the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark.

According to U.S. National Hang Gliding organizer Belinda Boulter, the pilots more than 40, including competitors from the U.S., Mexico and Guatemala — continue to enjoy amazing flying conditions in and around the Crossroads area.

"Monday was a blue day, but the lift over the canyons was excellent and there was a strong tail wind," Boulter said. "Pilots got well over

9,000 feet, and the winners averaged nearly 40 miles per hour."

With a lack of clouds which pilots use to identify areas providing thermal lift

— in the early afternoon, Boulter said the pilots prepared to take to the skies earlier this week with a slightly different game plan in mind. However, that plan gave way quickly when not only clouds, into the area.

"Tuesday, the task committee was still anticipating a blue day, so they chose a task to Brownfield where they felt they would have the best chance of clouds," Boulter said. "By the time launch opened at 1 p.m., clouds were indeed developing in that area and they were growing



but thunderstorms moved Competitors prepare for flight during the U.S. National Hang Gliding Championship, going on at McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark.

quickly.

"Some pilots took the first start time, hoping to maximize their distance before a storm might force them to land. Others were still hanging back, thinking a later start would give them a faster time. Just before 4 p.m., Davis

(Straub, event co-coordinator) was approaching Lamesa and saw lightening nearby. After discussion with him and an attempt to contact the safety committee, I declared the task to be stopped, then called all the retrieve drivers to radio their pilots to land

safely." Luckily, the high winds and heavy rains didn't cause any accidents or injuries to the pilots or pick-up teams, accord-

ing to Boulter. "Many drivers were calling

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Former teacher charged in attacks; 4 murdered

JAMIE STENGLE and URIEL J. GARCIA

Associated Press

DESOTO, Texas — A former teacher and Dallas Mavericks hip-hop dancer was charged with capital murder Thursday after police said he attacked the homes of his estranged wife and his girlfriend, killing the women and two of their children and wounding four other people. Erbie Lee Bowser, 44, was arrested late

Wednesday following the second attack in the Dallas suburb of DeSoto, during which police say he fatally shot his estranged wife Zina Bowser, 47, and her daughter Neima Williams, 28. He also shot and wounded two boys there, ages 11 and 13, who were in critical condition Thursday, DeSoto police Cpl. Melissa Franks said. Bowser was charged Thursday with two

counts of capital murder in that attack, which happened about 15 minutes after an attack in southwest Dallas, about 10 miles away. Dallas police said they were expecting to file two capital murder counts against Bowser in that attack.

Police called to the Dallas home at about 10:30 p.m. Wednesday found four people who had been shot, including Bowser's girlfriend Toya Smith, 43, and her daughter Tasmia Allen, 17, who were killed, Dallas police Maj. Jeff Cotner said. Smith's 14-year-old son and a 17-year-old family friend were wounded, he said. Smith's mother, Lurlean Smith, walked

in on the bloody scene after going to the home because she had received a disturbing phone call from her daughter. She said the lights were on but no one answered

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Guild tuning up for season

The public is invited to "Tune Up" for the new symphony season with the Big Spring Sym-

phony Guild. The event will include a salad luncheon and information on becoming a Guild member.

"Tune Up" will be held at noon Saturday at 2800 Crestline Road in Big Spring.

The Guild promotes the Big Spring Symphony through volunteerism in service, education and fundraising. RSVP at 432-264-7671.

Guild membership is voluntary. Meetings are held the second Saturday of each month at 10:30 a.m., either at the Symphony Assiciation Office, 808 Scurry, members' homes or other locations. "We Like the Big Symphony" is the theme for the 2013-2014 season, which opens Sept. 21.



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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 Mid-

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 Lu-

theran 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

Jeffrey Alan Schubert



Family and friends will gather to celebrate the life of Jeff Schubert, 67 of Lubbock, Texas, at 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10, 2013, at Lake Ridge Chapel and Memorial Designers, Lubbock. Jeff died Aug. 7, 2013. He was born on March 16, 1946,

in Downers Grove, Ill. and was a 1964 graduate of Downers Grove High School. Jeff graduated from Western Michigan University in

1968 with a bachelor's degree in science and entered the Air Force in 1969. Jeff spent most of his active duty in the Strategic Air Command, flying B-52 bombers. He was awarded with the Meritorious Service Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for Outstanding Service in 1986. Before his retirement as a lieutenant colonel, he was stationed at Dyess AFB, where he performed flight commander duties as well as instructed new offensive systems operators. He earned his master of science in counseling and human development from Troy University, Troy

Ala., in 1982.

Following Jeff's retirement from the Air Force. he moved to Lubbock and earned his master of education from Wayland Baptist University in 1999. He taught in Lubbock ISD and Plainview ISD until

Jeff married Jean Shockey on March 17, 2001. He enjoyed golf and fishing.

He was preceded in death by his father, Roy Schubert; mother, Betty Schebert-Williams; and a sister, Sally Schubert.

He is survived by his wife, Jean; two daughters, Erin Needham and husband Gary of Wylie and Megan Leese and husband Ben of Brooklyn, N.Y.; a step-daughter, Susan Cevallos and husband Cecil of Big Spring; and a step-son, Terry Don Harris and wife Janet of Pampa; three grandchildren; six step-grandchildren; and three step-great-grandchil-

Memorials are suggested to the Wounded War-

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Paid obituary

Wanda Petty



Wanda Beauchamp Petty, 81, of Big Spring, died Thursday, Aug. 8, 2013, in a local nursing home. Funeral services will be held at 4 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 10, 2013, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Elder Troy Barrington officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., Friday, Aug. 9, 2013, at the funeral home.

Wanda was born June 6, 1932, in Midland, Texas, and married Estil Petty Sept. 24, 1950, in Big Spring.

Kelly Newton

1701 Lancaster

Big Spring, TX 79720

He preceded her in death March 28, 2005. Wanda was employed at Montgomery Wards until they closed and then Johanson's nursery for 20-plus years. She loved growing orchids and flowers in

her greenhouse next to her home in Sand Springs. She was a member of Philadelphia Primitive Bap-

Survivors include one sister, Eileen Boen and friend Pete Jones; two sons, Freddy Petty of Sanger and Joel Petty and wife Rhonda of Meadville, Miss.; one daughter, Brenda Petty of Big Spring; six grandchildren, Chad Ober and wife Mindy, Kelly Russler and husband Malachi, Bruce Petty, Lauren Petty, Joanna Petty and Clint Petty; six great-grandchildren Austin, Haylee, Knox, Jude, Jayden and La-

In addition to her husband, Wanda was preceded in death by her parents, Jake and Iva Beauchamp and two infants brothers, Allan and Jimmy.

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

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Roy Lee Williams Sr., Roy Lee Williams Sr., 62, of Big Spring, died Thursday, Aug. 8, 2013. His services are pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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Charlene Rinard

tist Church of Big Spring.

Charlene Rinard, 72, of Big Spring, died Thursday, Aug. 8, 2013, at her residence. Her services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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Aubrey Darden



Aubrey Ray Darden, 70, of Big Spring, went peacefully to be with his blessed Lord on Thursday, Aug.8, 2013, at his residence with his wife and family by his side. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 10, 2013, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with his brother, Billy Jack Darden, officiating and Pastor Guy White Sr. delivering his eulogy. His Interment will fol-

low at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Friday, Aug. 9, 2013, at the funeral home.

Aubrey was born Jan. 4, 1943, in Big Spring, Texas, to Jack and Lena Ellen (Coffman) Darden. He married Claudia June 12, 1970, in Ruidoso, N.M. He graduated from Coahoma High School in 1961

and then began his 52-year career for Texas Elec-

tric/TXU/Oncor. He loved hunting, fishing, golfing

and horseback riding. His real love though, was spending time with his family and friends. He was affectionately known as "Grumpy" by the grandkids. Grumpy was an excellent role model to all his kids and grandkids. His sense of style and good humor will be greatly missed. Survivors include his wife, Claudia of Big Spring; one daughter, Brenda Thomas and husband Duane of Lake City, Colo.; five sons, Scott and wife Donna

of Brownwood, Todd and wife Teresa, Carey, Ray and wife Melissa, and Ronald and wife Tammy, all of Big Spring; 14 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; and a host

Aubrey was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, G.A. and Joe Darden.

Pallbearers will be Harold Aberegg, Jr. Alexander, Ronnie Dodson, Larry Henderson and Bill Turner. Honorary pallbearers are friends and co-workers of

If you choose, donations can be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis TN 38105.

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

Paid obituary

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. Aug. 8, 2013 and 7 a.m. today:

• SHEILA KAY BAR-BER, 49, of 4109 Muir was arrested Thursday on a charge of robbery.

 REYNALDO CHAV-ERRIA JUAREZ, 45, of 1514 East 17th Street, was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.

ADELA DEANDA, 45, of 623 Caylor, was arrested Thursday on a warrant from another agency.

• MICHAEL JOSEPH MCNEW, 22, of 1007 South Nolan was arrested Thursday on warrants from another agency – three counts.

LONNIE RAY GREEN, 54, of 910 East 6th Street, was arrested Thursday on charges of public intoxication and possession of drug paraphernalia.

• BRAD LUCERO, 39, of 1709 North Avenue K, Portales, N.M., was arrested Thursday on a charge of burglary of a habitation.

PETEMARKAN-THONY ANCHONDO,

26, of 1315 Mulberry, was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.

JOSHUA MICAH TUCKER, 29, OF 9715 North FM 620 apartment 3110, Austin, Texas, was arrstd Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.

 LYNN SPRING-FIELD, 41, of 800 County Road 389, Granger, Texas, was arrestd Thursday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• LESLYE DAWN RO GRS, 51, of 507 Union, was arrested Thursday on a charge of possession of three controlled substances.



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Tax free items

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

Aprons (household) Athletic socks Baby bibs Baby clothes Baby diapers (cloth or disposable) Backpacks (for use by elementary/ econdary students)

Belts with attached buckles **Blouses** Boots (general purpose)

Bow ties Bowling shirts Bras

Camp clothes

Adult diapers

Chef uniforms Children's novelty costumes Clerical vestments

Caps (baseball, fishing, golf)

Coats and wraps Coveralls

Dresses Employee uniforms (unless rented) Fishing caps

Diapers (cloth and disposable)

Fishing vests (non-flotation) Gloves (generally) Graduation caps and gowns Gym suits and uniforms

Hooded shirts and hooded sweat-

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 nightshirts Painter pants **Pajamas**

Pants Panty hose

Raincoats and ponchos

Rain hats Religious clothing

Robes Scarves

Scout uniforms Shawls and wraps Shirts

Shirts (hooded)

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the door. Near a win-

dow, she heard what she

thought was someone

gasping for breath. Once

inside, her granddaugh-

ter's wounded friend fell

"She fell in my arms

and she was bleeding

and I moved her back to

the sofa and that's when

I saw my grandbaby

there," said Smith, who

said her granddaugh-

ter had been shot in the

She said there appar-

ently had been a strug-

gle. "He tore that whole

wall out, evidently he

was throwing them. I

don't know what he was

She said she had been

warning her daughter

for two years to stay

away from Bowser, say-

ing, "He's controlling.

He thinks he can control

women, but he did, he

controlled my daughter.

And it caused my baby's

that

Bowser went to the DeS-

oto home of his 47-year-

old estranged wife Zina

Bowser and fatally shot

death."

After

doing," Smith said.

into her arms.

head.

DEAD

Shoes (generally) **Shorts**

Slips

Skirts Sleepwear, nightgowns, pajamas Slippers

Socks Suits, slacks, and jackets Support hosiery

Suspenders **Sweatshirts**

Sweat suits Sweaters **Swimsuits** Ties (neckties - all)

Soccer socks

Tights Trousers Underclothes Underpants **Undershirts**

Uniforms (school, work, nurse, waitress, military, postal, police, fire)

Vests (generally) Work clothes

Work uniforms Workout clothes

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

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 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 her and her daughter,

ical condition Thursday, she said. Russ Morrison, spokesman for the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, said Bowser set off an explosive device in the DeSoto home,

28-year-old Neima Wil-

liams, Franks said. He

also shot and wounded

two boys there, ages 11

and 13, who were in crit-

harm anyone. Police took Bowser to a hospital to be examined, and Franks said detectives have found him difficult to interview.

but Franks said it didn't

"He does lapse into periods where he sits there quietly or wants to lay down or doesn't want to speak," she said.

In a statement, JPS Health Network in Fort Worth said Zina Bowser served as a nurse practitioner in their employee health clinic. "She touched the lives of many and she will be greatly missed," the statement said.

Tommy Johnson, who lives in the DeSoto neighborhood, said he heard a loud boom coming from the direction of the home where the vic-

tims were later found. "We thought it was coming from upstairs, because the kids are always upstairs making noise," Johnson said. "I went up and asked, 'Did you hear anything?' and one of my daughters said it came from outside. So I peeped out the front and that's when I saw a bunch of officers walking down the sidewalk and about 10 houses up."

Carolyn Webb, a friend of the DeSoto victims, said Zina Bowser was in the process of divorcing her estranged husband. "He just tore so many

hearts," Webb said. Zina Bowser obtained a protective order in February 2011 after an associate judge reported that "family violence has occurred and is

Take Note

• A trash pick-up event will be held from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday at Comanche Trail Park. Interested individuals are asked to meet at the First Pavilion. For more information, contact Emily Flores at 432-466-1852.

An enchilada casserole lunch will be held Saturday to raise funds for Garrett

Huitt, who is recovering from an ATV accident. Plates — carry out or delivery

only — will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Big John's Feed Lot, 802 W. Third St. Plates are \$10 each and can be ordered by calling Ronda Holguin at 432-935-2070 or Brittani Marlow at 432-270-0296. Plates include the main dish, beans and rice, salsa and a dessert. • The Chalet is accepting donations of magazines. They should be brought to

the Community Relations office. For more information, call Jamey Stegall at 268-7535 or james.stegall@dshs.state.tx.us

"When a task is

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me already because their pilots were worried," she said. "Some people were able to fly back to the Big Spring airport and two pilots went around the storm to the east. One team had to pull over on their way home because they were having trouble keeping the gliders on the car in the wind. At the end of the day everyone was safe and accounted for."

Boulter said the early stoppage of the competition took a heavy toll on the number of points earned by the pilots.

TAX FREE

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The sales tax exemp-

tion also does not ex-

tend to rental clothing

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cluding embroidery) or

cleaning services per-

formed on clothes and

shoes. Additionally, tax

is due on sales of acces-

sories, including jew-

likely to occur in the

future." It barred her

husband from coming

within 200 yards of her

and her children and

from communicating

with the children. He

later was arrested for

In seeking the order,

Zina Bowser said her

husband had threat-

ened the lives of her

and her sons after she

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violating the order.

stopped, the clock is set back 20 minutes and pilots are given points for their farthest distance flown up to that time," Boulter explained. "So, we made the decision at 3:57 p.m. and the pilots were scored according to where their GPS's showed them (20 minutes earlier). That way, no one gets the advantage of knowing the stoppage is being discussed. As it turned out, the day was worth only 140 points out of 1,000. Mitch Shipley of Florida won, followed by Attila Bertok of Hungary."

Pilots' task Wednesday took them east, toward Sweetwater, according elry, handbags, purses,

briefcases, luggage, um-

brellas, wallets, watches

Backpacks priced un-

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backpack, and messen-

Texas families also get

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and similar items.

to Boulter. Following Tuesday's task, Zac Majors (United States) was in the lead with 1944.67 points, with James Stinnett (United States) in second place with 1901.19 points and Bertok in third place with 1803.81 points. Olav Olsen (Norway)

came in at fourth place with 1753.77 points, Ben Dunn (United States) held at fifth place with 1700.94 points and Matt Barker (United States) came in at sixth place with 1652.90 points.

The competition continues through Saturday at the McMahonthe Big Spring Airport.

Wrinkle Airpark, near school supplies priced at less than \$100 purchased for use by a student in an elementary or secondary school. Layaways are also included in the annual tax holiday. The

sale of a qualifying item under a layaway plan qualifies for exemption if the customer places the qualifying merchandise on layaway during the holiday or makes the final payment during the holiday, accord-

a sales tax break on most she tried to take any of

their belongings, "I will

bury you." She said he

took a pocketknife from

a drawer, opened it and

said, "Call the police

and I will execute your

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and fled with her sons,

and Erbie Bowser was

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Our View

Texas highway funding solution is pay as you go

he Texas Legislature's special-session effort to address the state's increasingly critical transportation needs veered into the ditch last week, when House leaders couldn't corral the necessary votes to pass compromise legislation.

That's the immediate reason the Department of Transportation still stands at the Capitol door holding up a worn "NEED MONEY" poster. The more basic reason is that craven lawmakers just can't bring themselves to pay for the things we buy. The plan the House rejected — the Senate is expected to pass it — splits oil and gas production money between the rainyday fund and highway spending. Needing a hundred votes to pass, it got 84. At least 25 members didn't even show up to vote.

Some House members opposed the plan out of concern for the integrity of the rainy-day fund. Others complained that it didn't do enough to fix the problem. TxDOT has said it needs an additional \$4 billion annually to keep up with the state's need for new roads overall and an additional \$1 billion to repair or protect existing roads torn up by increased oil and gas produc-

Those are legitimate concerns, but they could be addressed without the need for complicated schemes if lawmakers were willing to increase the gasoline tax, if they were willing to adhere to what we always believed was a bedrock conservative principle: Pay as you go.

That was state Sen. Kevin Eltife's idea during the regular session. Arguing that it was more conservative to raise taxes than to assume billions of dollars of debt, the Tyler Republican proposed adding a dime to the state's 20-centsa-gallon gas tax — which hasn't been raised since 1991 — and then index it to inflation.

His colleagues scurried away like scared roadrunners on a country byway.

Raising the gasoline tax isn't ideal. As cars

become more fuel-efficient, the money it raises will inexorably decline. Still, it beats monkeying around with the rainy-day fund or going into long-term debt.

Gov. Rick Perry has called a third special session, but it could be just as futile as the second, as House Speaker Joe Straus, R-San Antonio, observed.

"Legislators know that Texas needs a much more comprehensive approach to funding our growing state's growing transportation needs, and another 30-day special session will not change that," he said in a statement. "Until members are free to consider real options — beyond simply shuffling taxes from one purpose to another — we will not find a responsible solution to this issue."

With apologies to Robert Frost, we're eager to see whether Straus will take the road less trav-

Will he push for such "real options" as a gasoline-tax increase? Will skittish members follow his lead? When it comes to road funding, real options would make all the difference.

— Houston Chronicle

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What we (don't) need to know

The leaders of al-Qaida in Pakistan and Yemen now know that it was the conversation last week between Ayman al-Zawahiri, Osama bin Laden's successor in Pakistan, and Nasser al-Wuhayshi, Yemen-based head

of al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula, in which the former instructed the latter to attack American targets on Sunday, that led the United States last week to take the unprecedented steps of closing embassies and missions in the Middle East and North



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Africa and declaring a global terrorist alert for travelers.

I didn't know it until my daughter woke me up at dawn, calling from the Middle East. But frankly, I didn't need to. I was terrified enough without the details. Making them public hardly makes us safer, does it?

The following day, The New York Times made clear to the skeptics, and there were certainly some noisy ones, that the threats were indeed serious (that much I had figured out) and that, at the request of the administration, it was not revealing all of the details that proved it. A day later, another newspaper chain named names, leading to the widespread coverage on Monday of the communications between the al-Qaida leaders.

So now everyone knows that the administration wasn't just playing Benghazi politics (if only) when they issued the warnings. They were real. But, oh, yes, we didn't know where the attack might take place. We

Translate: No place is safe. The group in Yemen is the same

one that tried to blow up a plane headed for Detroit. They hate us. They target civilians. What I can do with the extra information being reported today is exactly nothing — except be even more terrified and hope its release doesn't make it more difficult to gather further intelligence, which we obviously desperately need.

All the while, in the background, there was Vladimir Putin, no friend of the First Amendment, being hailed by some supporters of fugitive Edward Snowden for affording the NSA leaker one year of asylum.

I understand that the government can go too far in the name of national security, and that a free press (and yes, sometimes leakers) is essential to our democracy.

But if you'd been lulled into complacency, then last week's announcements and this week's explanations are reminders of how dangerous the world is, of how dependent we are on secret sources of information and on those who risk their lives to do things like sneak bombs made for U.S.-bound airplanes out of Yemen (which is what a CIA double agent reportedly did last year), and of how critical secrecy can be in protecting them and us.

To those who claim that we don't need to balance civil liberties against national security, that Snowden is a hero and Putin a great diplomat, I can only say this: Wake up.

I'm not exactly sure how we are supposed to live in this

When I was my daughter's age and got raped in my parking lot, I made a conscious choice to keep living — to take reasonable precautions, yes, but not to let a bastard who held an ice pick to my throat turn me into a person

who was afraid to go anywhere alone, who was afraid of her shadow. I wasn't going to let the "bad guy" win.

I have learned over these many years to try to live with fear rather than have it send me to bed. But I don't pretend the same rules hold true for al-Qaida, which is scarier, more dangerous, bigger, stronger and more evil than the thug who attacked me. And of course, I am so much older, which does not make me braver. It is my children I worry about, more than I ever worried about myself.

This leaves me, at the end of the day, with only one choice. Worrying doesn't help. Stay away from the embassy, I tell my daughter; she knows that. It is no guarantee. All I can do is trust my government and hope that this administration is doing everything it can to ensure that such trust is earned and deserved.

I can hope the people in Congress who get briefed on such matters are exercising proper oversight. I can hope the judges on the secret courts exercise good judgment. I can hope the administration is providing wise, temperate, responsible leadership. I can pray for those I love, for those I don't know and for a future in which we somehow find a way to move beyond hate. I don't need names to do all of these things. Hopefully, naming names will not make the world even more dangerous.

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Fort Hood court-martial madness

he accused Fort Hood shooter, Maj. Nidal Malik Hasan, began his court-martial Tuesday admitting he's guilty. "The evidence will clearly show that I am the shooter," said Hasan, who faces 13 counts of premeditated murder and 32 counts of attempt-

ed murder for those he wounded. But because this is a death penalty case, the Army won't allow Hasan to plead guilty.

Hasan, an American-born Muslim, also described himself as mujahedeen. Witnesses say that he yelled "Allahu akbar"



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Hope the Pentagon was listening. To date, the Department of Defense has refused to call the shooting a terrorist attack. In 2010, the Department of Defense released a report that classified the shooting as an episode of "workplace violence" and suggested the use of violence prevention programs modeled on those used by the Postal Service.

The report was in keeping with the military's willful tonedeafness to warning signs that Hasan was a radical Islamist. He had vocally defended suicide bombers and given a lecture

defending Osama bin Laden at the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center. Superiors described the Army psychiatrist as a zealot and "ticking time bomb." No worries. The Army promoted Hasan to the rank of major in 2009.

The FBI discovered Hasan had exchanged more than a dozen emails with U.S.-born militant cleric Anwar al-Awlaki, who later was killed by a U.S. drone strike in Yemen in 2011. Unfortunately, the feds dropped the ball; there was no thorough investigation, which might have prevented this vicious crime.

The trial has given Hasan new opportunities to pour salt in the wounds of not only victims and family members but also the

In June 2012, Hasan showed up in court with a beard, which is against Army regulations.

The judge ordered Hasan to shave. Hasan and his lawyer used the legal standoff to prompt a higher court to remove the judge. The new judge, Col. Tara Osborn, just gave up and let Hasan keep his facial hair. Because higher courts have overturned 11 out of 16 death penalty sentences since 1984, the brass bench is taking no chances. Hasan fired his attorneys and

announced he wanted to defend himself. More delays. Osborn ordered two attorneys to serve as standby counsel; they asked to be excused, as Hasan's admission likely had helped the pros-

ecution. Voila, another delay. And delays pay. The Army has paid about \$280,000 as legal

antics repeatedly have jammed

the wheels of justice. Geoffrey S. Corn, a South Texas College of Law professor, defends the system on the grounds that rights that protect the wrongly accused also apply to the "obviously guilty." Ultimately, with so many victims willing to testify that Hasan was the shooter, Corn told me, "it is really unimaginable that he will not be convicted."

It also is inconceivable that the military designates the attack as work-related and will not designate the victims' deaths and injuries as "combat-related."

Retired Army Staff Sgt. Alonzo Lunsford took the stand Tuesday knowing that the man who shot him seven times would have the opportunity to cross-examine him. (Hasan declined.) Lunsford and others risked their lives defending this country. Perversely, Hasan gets all the benefit, and they get all the doubt.

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Church News

Family Faith Center

Family Faith Center, across from the high school track, will host Just for Kicks Shoe Drive, Saturday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Shoes will be available for children kindergarten through 12th grade who must be present to receive one pair of shoes while supplies last.

Hot dogs, chips, drinks and bouncy houses are free. Spon-

sors for the event Kingdom include: Connect Television Broadcast, Flo Lite Sign, Big Spring Collision, Bealls, Sid Richardson, Christy's Hair Studio and Salon.

Children must be present!

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free.. Hotdogs, chips, drinks.

Cornerstone Covenant Church

Cornerstone Covenant Church would like to invite you to join us Sunday, Aug. 11 at 10:30 a.m. for worship followed by the Word. Our 2013 Vision Focus is "Restoring Hope to the Hopeless." This week our guest speaker Pastor Lamar Turner will offer his contribution to our

new series "American Ido,l" Topic: Confronting Idol Worship, Title "Glory of a Fool" Message Text: Romans 1:20-

Discipleship 101 Bible Study is held on Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the main sanctuary. Overcomers: Recovery and Restoration class con-

tinue meeting each Thursday from 6:30-8 p.m. in the Misfits Lounge.

plan to join us on Saturday Aug. 24, noon, as we gear up for back to school with our Annual Back to School Pic-

Mark your calendar and

We will be located at Comanche Trail Park in The Old Settlers Pavilion. There will be lots of food, games, fun and fellowship, plan to come and bring a friend.

CCC offers ministries in the following areas: New Beginnings (Newborn to 18 months); Tiny Tots (19 mos.- Kindergarten); Kovenant Kids (1st-6th grade); Chosen Generation (7th - 12th grade); Covenant U - College Ministry (18-24 yrs.); Men's & Women's Ministries; and Marriage Enrichment. CCC meets on Wednesdays at 7pm for Discipleship 101 Bible Study and Sundays at 10:30 am for worship. Sunday morning services are recorded, so if you'd like a free copy of a CD for those services, please see our Multimedia Department. Mother's Lounge and Children Church are offered for both mid-week and Sunday services. CCC is located at 706 East 12th Street, (on the corner of 12th and Owens St.) For more information please contact us at 264-0015, visit us on the web at www.cccbigspring.org or check out Covenant Connect on Facebook

Blessed Hands Deaf Church

or Twitter.

Pastor Jim Walterhouse and wife Debbie invite you to join them for worship service at 10:50 Sunday morning. Bible study precedes the service at 9:30. Come and be a part of this growing congregation.

They are excited to be a part of God's plan for bringing new worship opportunities to the deaf community in the west Texas region.

Currently, Blessed Hands Deaf Church meets inside First Baptist Church at 705 W FM 700. Come by or call 2678223 for more information.

First Baptist Church

Sunday evening, First Baptist's community outreach, "Backpack Blessings," will take place. The distribution of school supplies will assist those students who might have difficulty acquiring the supplies needed to start the school year. You can bring donated supplies to the

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all ages and are a great way to

get acquainted. We'll do our

best to make you feel right at

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Click on the link on the

home page or you may print

the form and bring it to FBC.

There is an early-bird dis-

count if you register by Sept.

30. If you have questions

about "Upward Basketball"

Youth pastor Jonathan

Raffini will be traveling to

the Czech Republic Aug. 15

on mission. He will be part of

a group that will be minister-

ing to the Roma gypsies; the

group will be working in the

area in many other ways as

well. We praise God for pro-

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First Baptist Church is located at 705 W FM 700. We can't wait to meet you Sunday.

First **Presbyterian** Church, **Big Spring**

The Lectionary Bible study, led by Craig Holstedt Tom Koger, meets at 5:17 Wednes-

Regular Wednesday choir rehearsals began Aug. 7 at 6 p.m. and will continue every Wednesday.

Ken-Kay nemur and Sarah Burch continue to teach the Children's Sunday School class, using the computer software and DVDs until regular classes resume Sept. 8. The adult

Covenant Class continues its study, "God's People Worship." During August, the study, "Worshipping in Jerusalem,' Again is based on the book of Nehemiah.

The adult Discovery Class continues the 10-session study by Dr. Francis Schaeffer, "How Should We Then Live?" A sweeping epic filmed in the late '40s on the rise and decline of Western thought and culture. This series forms an innovative analysis of the past but is more

than history. Each episode focuses on a significant era, yet speaks clearly to 21st Century people with answers for modern problems.

Nancy Little is in charge of Take Ten for Sunday, Aug. 11. Danny Kennemur is liturgist for August. Ushers for the month are Janie Conley, Christine, Don, and Charlie Boling.

The lectionary for the Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost is Isaiah 1:1,10-20; Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23; Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16; Luke 12:32-40.

In the absence of the Rev. Craig Holstedt, Elder Tom Koger, former Commissioned Ruling Elder at Coahoma and Sanderson, will present the sermon. The Chancel Choir will offer, "Sing to the Lord with Joy," by John Carter for

How will we be remembered?

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me does change things. My high-school classmates who didn't seem to have much in

common the day after graduation are now trying to reconnect. We are dusting off yearbooks and digging up old pictures. We've embellished stories and challenged each other's memories. We've dis-

cussed coaches, and mentally scrolled down the roster of both elementary and highschool teachers. In all of this. I have realized just how much memories are tinted by experience.

Out of all this reflection. the name of Guff Lafoon has emerged. Guff was a self-made legend in our little town. Claiming to have been a frontier Texas Ranger, Guff had plenty of stories about fighting outlaws and capturing bandits. He loved to entertain children of all ages with his

Some of my old friends remember him as a whitebearded old man who ran a junk yard. I just thought that he was a crusty old collector whose weather-beaten house was surrounded by miscellaneous car parts, bedsteads, tin cans, signs, and mysterious blocks of rusty metal. I didn't realize that he actually sold some of his treasures.

In the email exchange between classmates, there seems to have been some disagreement about Guff's car.

One classmate remem bered the one-of-a-kind, little car as something called an Angelina made in Europe.

Another thought it was an English Ford. To me, it was just and old black car.

In spite of all the curiosity about Guff's car, only one classmate claimed to have been inside the car. It was highly rumored that Guff carried a wire cage of rattlesnakes behind the driver's seat. Several attested to having seen a large wasp nest hanging inside the car.

Some had been told that this was a ploy to keep kids away from his car. It worked. In reflection, I suppose that all of us have a few unforgettable characters in our past. We remember some of them because of their quirks. Others, though maybe not well known, are remembered for their positive traits. In the Scripture, we are told that a tree is known by its fruit. (Matthew 7:15-23) We are also admonished to develop what the apostle Paul calls the fruit of the Spirit: "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, selfcontrol..."(Galatians 5:22-23 NASB).

How will you and I be known by those who recall our names after we are gone? Will we be remembered for the quirks in our behavior, or will we be known for the fruit that we demonstrated during our lifetimes.

Bonnie Wheat is a minister's wife and an author. She can be contacted at brwheat@suddenlink.net

the anthem and "I Will Sing everyone who participated Please note that our worship service begins at 10:50 a.m. for announcements and parish concerns before our radio broadcast begins at 11.

If you cannot attend worship, you may listen in on KBST 1490 AM., beginning at 11 a.m. If you wish to have a printed bulletin for Sunday services, please call the church office at 263-4211. You also see what's happening at the church by visiting our website: www.fpcbs.org

On our website, you can find a link that will enable you to listen to several recent sermons by the Rev. Holstedt.

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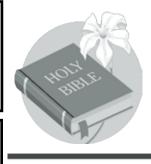


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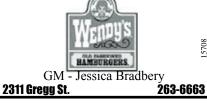
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"Every Member a Minister"-1 Peter 4:10 NKJV

▶ Club News

Keep Big Spring Beautiful

Keep Big Spring Beautiful met Monday Aug. 5 in the Cactus Room of Howard College. President Jan Hansen opened the meeting and Lee Emerson gave the invocation.

It was announced that we had received an honorable mention for our City Government book at the State level. Bobby McDonald thanked the City for their help in replacing the tree at the Memorial for Russ McE-

Proper watering has been installed to protect the new tree. Johnny Womack reported on the CAN campaign and discussed the future training for GCAA which we will host on Nov. 14. Area units will come from all around for this training.

The meeting will be held at Dora Roberts Convention Center. Peggy Hopper reported on plans of the education Committee and Tammy DePauw gave information about the August Doing Your Part winners.

Willia Ledford gave an update on a grant we have applied for on beautification. Love Our Lake Will be Aug. 24 to clean for the Triathalon. Sponsors will be Taco Villa, HEB and Sonic. Prizes will be awarded to clean-up volunteers. We need lots of groups and individuals for this effort. Be at Comanche Trail Lake at 8:30 a.m. Aug. 24. We welcomed a new member--Dottie Long. Next meeting—Sept. 9.

Bloom of a Lifetime

By JANET JACOBS

Corsicana Daily Sun

Ruby Stewart has lived in Corsicana for 83 years, but 35 years ago she took a little trip to South Carolina and came home with a couple of plants. One of those plants suddenly shot up more than 20 feet into the air and blossomed for the first time.

It's a century plant, a native of Central America, that blossoms only once then dies.

Stewart was surprised when the plant suddenly took on ladder-like dimensions in her backyard on North Fourth Street in Corsicana."It's the first time it's ever bloomed," she said. "I'm so proud of it."

She found the plant growing in her sister's yard back in the 1970s while on a trip to visit and brought it back

in her daddy's car, along with a mountain cedar tree. Both plants are still thriving.Once the century plant took off for the sky, Stewart began coming out to talk to it, affectionately naming it "CP," short for Century Plant, of course. It's a girl, Stewart likes to Although the plants are rare, they

aren't unheard of in this part of Texas. Stewart has given away dozens of CP's babies to friends in the past. She's keeping a few, though, that she has already planted in her yard. The three decades of watering and tending it are all worth it, she said.

"I was shocked, and amazed,," Stewart said.

Janet Jacobs may be reached via email at jjacobs@corsicanadailysun.

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Family Reunions

TINSLEY

) rummers offer opportunity for families to gather for the annual reunion:

aunts, uncles and cousins, some twice removed. and, to complicate things, some twice or thrice married. Some find famil-

iar faces that frame the memories of their youth, and plunge into stories passed down through the years, embellished with each cycle of telling.

"Do you remember when .?" The stories don't even require a complete telling.

Laughter fills the circle before the story can be told because everyone who is listening has either heard it or told it countless times. Others hang back along the fringe, looking puzzled, trying to figure out who these people are and how they might be remotely related to them.

The young and the newly added "in-laws" are usually in this number.

Sometimes they seek each other out to share the common bond of amnesia regarding the inside jokes and familiar references to names not present.

The reunion has a strange mix of sorrow and laughter. Significant people are missing.

Voices that once echoed at the tables of past reunions are silent. Over the years, the same people who gather for the reunion have gathered and wept at the funerals for those who no longer come. Their memories are like the deep colors that form the background for vivid paintings or the rich bass tones of the cello and the french horn that enrich the orchestra.

At the same time, these sorrows are offset by giggling chil dren who appear like bright colors that dance on the canvas, whose laughter picks up future melodies like the flute.

We somehow have confidence that Heaven is about reunions.

We all look forward to seeing those we loved and those who loved us when we get to Heaven. Somehow, this earthly reunion helps us look forward to that day.

We don't know exactly how it will happen or how God could manage all the intertwined family relationships when we get to Heaven, but, somehow, family reunions portend the Heavenly event.

When I was a child we sang, "Will the circle be unbroken?" It was a way to ask the question together and look forward to something more perfect that God has planned for us.

Jesus did not shy away from using this image to help us look forward to a more perfect day.He said, "In my Father's House are many mansions. If it were not so, I would have told you.

I go and prepare a place for you that where I am, there you may be also." The book of Hebrews uses this metaphor to spur us on to better living: "Seeing that we are surrounded by so great a host of witnesses, let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the originator and the finisher of the race." It seems to me that God takes pleasure in our reunions, just as He takes pleasure in reuniting Himself with us through His Son.

Bill Tinsley is former Associate Executive for the Baptist General Convention of Texas. He lives with his wife, Jackie, in Rockwall. Email bill@tinsleycenter.com

You deserve a factual look at . . .

Israel: A 65-Year Miracle One of the proudest accomplishments in world history.

There can be little doubt when, 500 or 1,000 years from now, the history of the world will be written, that the creation and the development of the State of Israel will be considered one of the proudest and most shining successes. Now, as Israel's 65th birthday has just been celebrated, it is a good time, in our own day, to review what has been accomplished.

"One can only hope that wise

What are the facts?

The Birth of a Nation: The State of Israel was born out of the ashes of the Nazi Holocaust, probably the most horrible crime in the blood-stained history of mankind. The

"yishuv," (the Jewish population of the country) consisted of barely 400,000 people. On the very day of its birth Israel was invaded by the armies of five neighboring Arab states. Almost miraculously, the vastly outnumbered and outgunned Jewish forces managed to overcome

the combined Arab might. But they paid a horrendous price for their victory. More than 6,000 combatants and civilians perished in that War of Independence. It was as if the United States were to lose over 6 million people in combat. But the War of Independence was not the only one that Israel's implacable enemies foisted on it. There was, perhaps most importantly, the 1967 Six-Day War, in which Israel gained a spectacular victory, which will be studied and analyzed in military academies of the world until the end of time.

The Jewish People's Renaissance. There is no comparison in history to the Jewish people's renaissance after 2,000 years of persecution, discrimination and exile, and its transformation into a Jewish nation. Jews from all over the globe flooded into the newly established haven of the Jewish nation. All received a brotherly welcome and were seamlessly integrated into the new state. One of the proudest accomplishments of the Jewish State of Israel was the ingathering of the black Jews of Ethiopia. They, also, are now an integral part of their new country. As an aside, the current Miss Israel is a lovely woman of Ethiopian Almost one-half of the world's Jews now live in Israel,

having immigrated from all corners of the world. These

millions are now fully part of their country, truly an unprecedented accomplishment.

One of Israel's major successes is the revival of the ancient Hebrew language. It had been used only as a

religious language for the over 2,000 years of the Jewish diaspora. It has been fully "modernized" and leaders in those Muslim countries is used as the daily vernacular of Israel for all purposes. There is will eventually emerge, who will nothing comparable to it in the realize that Israel is here to stay ..." history of the world.

To the amazement of all, including perhaps many Jews, Israel, forced by necessity, has emerged as one of the world's important military powers. It has proven more than able to hold its own though surrounded by enemies, who almost singlemindedly are fixated on its annihilation.

An Economic Powerhouse. Economically, Israel's position at its 65th birthday can only be described as miraculous. It is economically comparable to most European countries and superior to quite a few. It is a font of innovation, a high-tech powerhouse, fueled by the country's world-class universities and technical schools. Most United States high-tech companies have branches and laboratories in Israel. They consider them as a source of creativity and of new development. Next to the U.S. itself and Canada, Israel has more companies listed on U.S. stock exchanges than any other country. One of the weak parts of Israel's economy is the

production of oil and gas. Until now Israel has been almost totally dependent on imports of gas from Egypt, a most unreliable supplier. But discoveries of huge oil and gas fields in its territorial waters in the Mediterranean make it clear that Israel will be independent of oil and gas imports in just a few years and may emerge as a major exporter of such products.

On its 65th birthday Israel is in very good condition. Congratulations are in order. But all is not yet perfect, and improvements can be made. There are social problems. There still is too much disparity between rich and poor. There is also disparity between the largely secular majority and the ultra-orthodox "haredim," and also between the Jewish majority and the over one million Arab citizens who are not yet entirely accepting of their country. The biggest and most intractable problem, however, is the stubborn enmity of the surrounding Muslim countries and those beyond its borders, such as Iran. One can only hope that wise leaders in those Muslim countries will eventually emerge, who will realize that Israel is here to stay and that the welfare of their countries and of their citizens will only be assured by accepting Israel and allowing it to lead the region into a new age of democratic advancement and prosperity.

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Courtesy photo Paula Sue Sisson, Scenic Mountain Medical Center diabetes and nutrition educator, speaks at the Greater Big Spring Rotary meeting last week. She talked about the prevalence of diabetes in the nation and Howard County and informed the group about the new diabetes and nutrition self management education program starting at SMMC.



Annie's Mailbox ®

Dear Annie: Twenty-five years ago, my ex-wife left me and took our four children with her. I married again a few years later and now have four lovely, intelligent children who make me very happy.

The children from my previous marriage are now in their 30s.



By Steve Becker **Bidding Quiz**

Your right-hand opponent opens One Heart, both sides vulnerable. What would you bid with each of the

- 1. Double. There is too much danger of missing a spade fit if you overcall with two diamonds instead of doubling. Partner might have nothing but five spades to the queen, in failing to double for takeout. If partner bids two clubs in response to the double, you plan to retreat to two diamonds; you have the sufficient
- extra strength necessary to justify this action. 2. Pass. Despite your 14 high-card points, it is best to pass. It would be wrong to double with inadequate support for either spades or diamonds, and it would be equally dangerous to bid two clubs on such a weak suit with four heart losers on the side. The heart opening has substantially reduced the value of your
- pass would be courting disaster. 3. One spade. The choice lies between a double and a simple overcall, with the latter getting the nod.

hand, and any action other than a

The double of a suit generally indicates support for the three remaining suits, or a very powerful hand, and overcall on the one-level shows a good suit and about nine to 16 highcard points, and partner should respond accordingly.

4. Double. This hand is worth a competitive bid, but with reasonable support for all of the unbid suits, a double is preferred to bidding two diamonds. Most likely only a partscore is at stake, but partscore battles cannot be ignored merely game or slam hands. It should be kept in mind that in rubber bridge. two partscores, back to back, usually make a game and are therefore worth fighting for, while in duplicate bridge, competing for partscores is an essential part of the game.

5. One notrump. You have the that reason should be preferred here.

Tomorrow: A skillful swindle.

high-card values for a double, but your point count and balanced distribution can be more accurately described by a notrump overcall. A double is always a highly ambiguous bid, since it may be based on anywhere from 12 to more than 20 points in high cards and may also be made with various distributions. A notrump overcall is not ambiguous; it tells a very precise story, and for

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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

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daughter, oldest My "Jean," is a psychologist. Jean has never said I was a bad father, but she makes strange accusations in sporadic messages, such as that I want her to tell me that her life has been terrible.

She sent me a birthday gift, never acknowledges things I send to her, including a photo of her half-siblings. I simply don't understand

her, and for a psychologist, she communicates poorly.

The psychologist has now informed the oldest daughter of my present marriage that she will visit us soon, regardless of whether she is in my "good book or bad book" (her phrase).

It seems that Jean is saying she doesn't care how I feel about her visit, and that she is tryand knows next to nothing about them.



KATHY MITCHELL Marcy Sugar

myself. — *Perplexed* Father Newfoundland Dear Perplexed: You and Jean obviously have a distant relationship.

suspect she thinks

I have great faith

in the judgment of

the children of my

present marriage. I

want them to meet

their half-sister. But

I simply don't know

how to deal with her

you "abandoned" her for your new family, whether true or not, and is still nursing some hurt over it.

Consider this visit an opportunity to remedy the situation. Welcome her with open arms. Tell her how much you love her and hope to get to know her better as the competent adult she is. Don't rehash the past or place blame on her mother. You also can enlist the help of your other children to create a warmer relationship. Please try.

Dear Annie: An acquaintance ing to form an alliance recently gave me a gift for my home. she has never met them living room. This gift is not one I would have chosen, nor is it one I can easily put out every time the giver is expected to visit. There is no other room to which the gift can be moved. What do I do now? — Recipient of Unwanted Gift

Dear Recipient: You are under no obligation to keep a gift you do not like (unless it is some type of valued family heirloom). Return it for something more to your taste and display that instead. If the giver should stop by and mention it, be sure to thank them for whatever it is you selected in exchange. After all, they still "bought" it for you.

Dear Annie: I think you miscalled the advice to "Frustrated," the mother of the graduate who received only two RSVPs out of 40 invitations sent for a catered graduation party. It is high time that someone spoke for the American public. Here's my proposed invitation with an RSVP:

"You are cordially invited to an event on such-and-such a date and time. Since venue size and refreshment requirements must be firmly committed a week in advance, we will make plans accordingly for all who RSVP by that date.

We look forward to your celebrating with us. If we have not received your RSVP by the date requested, we will children The intention of the giver is that the regretfully assume you will not be in against me, even though gift be permanently displayed in the attendance and will plan accordingly. Please let us know by returning the RSVP card, calling this phone number or emailing us at this address."

Then have a grumpy uncle stand by the front door with a list of those who responded and politely inform anyone else that the event is limited to those who sent an RSVP.

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Gardner's task: rebuild the Bulldogs

By BRIAN MCCORMACK

Sports Editor

COAHOMA—Decimated by injuries in 2012, The Coahoma Bulldogs who expected a playoff berth at the very least — were forced to settle for a 2-8 record. With just about every starter absent at some point during the season, CHS Head Coach Trey Gardner had to improvise. He played backups, he pulled guys from junior varsity, he changed up positions anything to keep 11 relatively healthy players on the field.

The result was a hard-fought season the team can be proud of, despite the lopsided record. That's not pity-speak, either. In the midst of the injuries,

Coahoma stunned Sonora with a 27-21 victory and helped provide Crossroads football fans with one of the most thrilling games of the year in a shootout with rival Forsan. The Bulldogs lost 30-27 in the first game to kick off in the state of Texas, but it could have gone the other way just as easily.

So what is in store for Coahoma football fans this season? According to Gardner, it's finding a new identity as he coaches a very young squad.

"We're going to be real young," Gardner, who is entering his fourth year as head coach of the Bulldogs said. "We knew three years ago that this would be a rebuilding year for us.

You never know what you're going to get with young kids. They may be ready to play, or they may need a year to adjust. They have a lot to learn."

With so many underclassmen getting playing time as a result of the myriad injuries last season, Gardner sees a potential silver lining.

"A lot of these guys got experience last year because of the injuries," Gardner said. "Braxten Iden's a junior, he will be our quarterback, he saw a lot of playing time last year. Our J.V. Team — even though we robbed from them every week — managed to go 9-1. That bodes well down the road. The guys we have are working

About 50 kids have reported to two-adays and gardner doesn't expect much of a fluctuation. He is counting on Iden to remain under center barring any injuries. One of the biggest question marks will be the offensive line, which was gutted upon graduation.

"That's one concern, we were hit hard by graduation," Gardner said. "We will have Joe Melendez back at linebacker. He's a junior who saw a lot of playing time as a sophomore. We won't have Tanner Ruiz in the backfield this year, either. We don't have a go-to guy who will get 20 or 30 carries per game. It will be more

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Braxten Iden



Joe Melendez



Cage Miller



Zak Walton



Shanen Warneke

Trades which have helped shape Rangers

(AP) — The Texas Rangers made a quick big splash when they acquired right-handed Matt Garza.

That was nine days before the July 31 non-waiver trading deadline, when the Rangers sent three players plus one or two more to be named later to the Chicago Cubs. But that ended up being the only deal Texas made in that span, with no big bat added before losing All-Star right fielder Nelson Cruz to a 50-game suspension.

Still, the Rangers have won nine of their last 10 games to erase a sixgame deficit and tie Oakland for the AL West lead.

Garza joined Yu Darvish and Derek Holland in a rotation that soon could get back Matt Harrison, the opening-day starter who had two operations on a herniated disk in his lower back.

With Garza (1-1 with Texas, 7-2 overall) set to make his fourth start for the Rangers in the opener of four-game series at Houston on Friday night, here are the primary players in five in-season trades that helped Texas make the playoffs the past three seasons, including its only two World Series appearances (2010-11):

1) SS Elvis Andrus, RHP Neftali Feliz and LHP Matt Harrison from Atlanta for 1B Mark Teixeira (July 31, 2007). When former first-round pick Teixeira turned down a big contract extension, the Rangers made sure not to lose him for nothing in free agency after that season. They got quite a haul from the Braves. The 24-year-old Andrus is already a two-time All-Star signed through 2022 with a vesting option for another year. Harrison won 18 games last season and got a new \$55 million, five-year contract last winter. Feliz has been a hard-throwing closer and starter for Texas, but is recovering from reconstructive elbow surgery last August.

2) LHP Cliff Lee from Seattle for RHP Blake Beavan and 1B Justin Smoak (July 9, 2010). Like this year's deal for Garza, the Rangers made an early move to get arguably the best available pitcher on the

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NCAA getting out of jersey selling business

(AP) — The NCAA is getting out of the memorabilia business.

NCAA President Mark Emmert said Thursday it would stop the practice immediately after reports this week that team jerseys and other items linked to individual schools could be found on its own website by searching for specific player names.

"I think seeing the NCAA sell those kinds of goods is a mistake," Emmert said during a conference call with reporters. "It's not what the NCAA is about. So we're not going to be doing that any

The NCAA is being sued by former players and a

day, to be held Aug. 24.

handful of current college players in federal court over the use of athlete images and likenesses. And just this past week, ESPN reported that the NCAA is investigating Heisman Trophy-winner Johnny Manziel for allegedly being paid to sign memorabilia, which if true could jeopardize eligibility as a violation of NCAA amateurism rules.

Emmert said the commercial site won't be completely removed because there is still a market for generic NCAA apparel. He said the NCAA had hired another company to run the site, ShopNCAASports.com.

Mark Lewis, the NCAA's

executive vice president for championships and alliances, also released a statement, saying university merchandise would not be offered, either.

"In the coming days, the store's website will be shut down temporarily and reopen in a few weeks as a marketplace for NCAA championship merchandise only," Lewis said. "After becoming aware of issues with the site, we determined the core function of the NCAA.com fan shop should not be to offer merchandise licensed by our member schools."

The move overshadowed a news conference that was intended to update reporters about possible

changes to the NCAA's governance structure. Members of the board of directors and executive had a preliminary discussion on potential changes, though no vote is expected until next August.

Instead, the hot topics became Manziel, NCAA rules and the website fi-

Board chairman Nathan Hatch was asked whether some of the NCAA rules regarding payments to college athletes should be modified.

"I stand by the NCAA's commitment to amateurism, and I believe the way we've done that is the

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Judge ready to end Mike Leach lawsuits

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) A judge is preparing to sign final orders to grant summary judgment in favor of Craig James, ESPN Inc. and a public relations firm in lawsuits brought against them by football coach Mike Leach after he was fired by Texas Tech, Leach attorney Stephen Heninger said Thursday.

State District Judge William Sowder sent letters Tuesday to attorneys, asking defense attorneys to draw up a proposed order for summary judgment in the cases. The letters said the judge was granting the motions for summary judg-

ment but it not official until

Sowder signs the order.

Heninger would appeal once the judge signs.

very surprised," "I'm Heninger said. "Feel very confident on the appeal. Very."

Shannon Teicher, the attorney representing public relations firm Spaeth Communications, said her client was confident the judge would rule in favor of the company.

"The truth made its way into the record," Teicher

Texas Tech fired Leach in December 2009 amid accusations he mistreated James' son, a player who had a

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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 season 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.

To submit a calendar item, please call 263-7331, ext. 237, or e-mail sports@bigspringherald.com

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Aug. 23 & 24

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9th, J.V. & Varsity, games scheduled at

Greenwood have been moved to Sept. 28,

with game times at noon, 1 p.m. & 2 p.m.

times will be at 5 p.m. & 7 p.m.

9th & J.V., Sweetwater Tournament short-

ened to one day, to be held Aug. 16.

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You have a flair for communication. It starts before you ever fully arrive on the scene. People will see you coming and will begin to

build a sense

and expectation.

of curiosity

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GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Writing and transportation are themes of the day that fit together well. Through writing, you can transport yourself and others to a different headspace. And physical transportation will give you something to write about.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Maturity doesn't always equal restraint. Sometimes it's more evolved to act on an impulse than to hold it back. Much depends on the situation. You'll read

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).

You know all those glamorous, charismatic visionaries you admire? Well, you're becoming more like them every day. Keep moving in the direction of your idols, and you'll soon achieve a measure of success that has personal significance.

Tomorrow's Horoscope

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Strong-willed people are sometimes hard on the people around them, but they often have other qualities that more than make up for their tendency to be difficult. You'll experience this in some way today.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You have guts today, so do what you love. Someone will enjoy what you produce and get behind you. Others won't get it. But you don't need everyone on your side. The most important person to have on your side is you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Your sunny mood has you coming at every problem with optimism. You'll assist anyone who needs it. If you keep lifting others up this way, pretty soon everyone will be walking on higher ground.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). What you need is willpower and the ability to overcome adversity — not because times are hard, but because they are not. Sometimes it's harder to stay on track when life gets a bit too easy.

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). When you meet people blessed with deep levels of graciousness and sweetness, it makes you want to try harder. You can be sure that people are thinking this when they encounter you today,

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Some people want to know you. Others want to know what you think of them — that is, if it's good news. This is the difference between small and great minds.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 9). Direct your listening skills inward, because your intuition will lead you out of bad situations and into good ones. September brings a special person into your life. October shows you where the money is, and December improves the family dynamic. Financial shifts in February inspire new alliances. Scorpio and Sagittarius people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 2, 33, 49 and 14.

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: ARIES: Yours is a quiet, simmering kind of admiration now, but it is

felt nonetheless. TAURUS: When you like someone. you find it easy to talk to that person — unless you really like him or her, and then talking is almost impossible. GEMINI: Know your crowd and play to them, and you'll get the bonus prize of winning one individual's heart. CANCER: It's not any one product; rather, it's your lifestyle that will help you look and feel the way you want to look and feel. LEO: Giving a gift with great pleasure inspires another person to accept the gift with equal delight. VIRGO: You like hanging out with the cream of the crop and don't mind a bit if anyone is better than you in one area or another. LIBRA: There will be no secrets. Your experiences will be echoed by the people you share them with. SCORPIO: When someone expresses an opinion you don't hear often but secretly agree with, you'll be hooked. SAGITTARIUS: You'll do approximately a million things over the next 48 hours, and you can't expect any one person to keep up with you the whole time, unless that person is also a Sag. CAPRICORN: Teasing is one way people tell you they like you. AQUARIUS: Your singular goal now is

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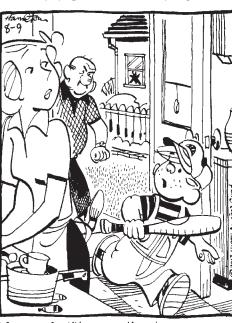
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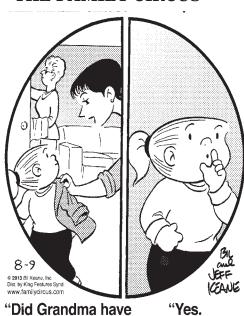
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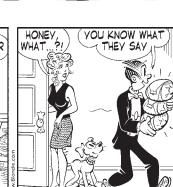






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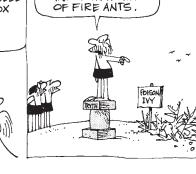
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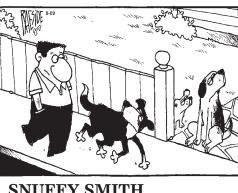








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History: On Aug. 9, 1974, Vice President Gerald R. Ford became the nation's 38th chief executive as President Richard Nixon's resignation took effect.

On this date:

In 1842, the United States and Canada resolved a border dispute by signing the Webster-Ashburton Treaty. In 1854, Henry David

Thoreau's "Walden," which described Thoreau's experiences while living near Walden Pond in Massachusetts, was first published. In 1862, during the Civil War,

Confederate forces drove back Union troops in the Battle of Cedar Mountain in Culpeper County, Va. In 1902, Edward VII was

crowned king of Britain following the death of his mother

Queen Victoria. In 1936, Jesse Owens won his

fourth gold medal at the Berlin Olympics as the United States took first place in the 400-meter relay. In 1942, Britain arrested

Indian nationalist Mohandas K. Gandhi; he was released in In 1944, 258 African-American

sailors based at Port Chicago, Calif., refused to load a munitions ship following an explosion on another ship that killed 320 men, many of them black. (Fifty of the sailors were convicted of mutiny, fined and imprisoned.) In 1945, three days after the

atomic bombing of Hiroshima, Japan, the United States exploded a nuclear device over Nagasaki, killing an estimated 74,000 people. In 1969, actress Sharon Tate and four other people were

Los Angeles home; cult leader Charles Manson and a group of his followers were later convicted of the crime. In 1982, a federal judge in Washington ordered John W. Hinckley Jr., who'd been

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In 1988, President Ronald Reagan nominated Lauro Cavazos (kah-VAH'-zohs) to be secretary of education; Cavazos became the first Hispanic to serve in the Cabinet.

In 1995, Jerry Garcia, lead singer of the Grateful Dead, died in Forest Knolls, Calif., of a heart attack at age 53.

Today's Birthdays: Basketball Hall of Famer Bob Cousy is 85. Actress Cynthia Harris is 79. Tennis Hall of Famer Rod Laver is 75. Jazz musician Jack DeJohnette is 71. Comediandirector David Steinberg is 71. Boxing Hall-of-Famer Ken Norton is 70. Actor Sam Elliott is 69

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Vick to start, split time with Foles vs. Patriots

PHILADELPHIA (AP) – Michael Vick or Nick Foles? Might as well flip

Vick will start for the Philadelphia Eagles in their preseason opener against New England on Friday night only because it's his turn to go first in the quarterback rotation. Foles also will take snaps with the starters, and the second-year pro will start the second preseason game.

"It was Mike's day in the rotation, that was the easiest way for us to do it and then we'll make sure the rotation works out that Nick will get the start next week," coach Chip Kelly said Thursday. "The two of most out of it as long as those guys, we feel like we've got it balanced out. We met with those guys this morning. They were great with it, so that's kind of our plan going in."

Both Vick and Foles are expected to get between 12 and 20 snaps vs. the Patriots. The two QBs have been competing for the No. 1 job since Kelly's arrival in Philadelphia.

"It doesn't mean anything," Vick said about the start. "The only thing I want to do is go out there and have fun, play the game, play with a purpose, enjoy every snap, try to make the

I'm out there and just try to be consistent like I have throughout camp and have fun playing the game."

Rookie Matt Barkley will come in after Vick and Foles in the second quarter and play through the third. Dennis Dixon and G.J. Kinne will play the fourth. The Eagles and Patri-

ots concluded three days of join practices before facing each other on the field at Lincoln Financial Field. "I've said it all along,

it's very difficult to evaluate somebody in just helmets and shorts," Kelly said.

While Kelly uses the preseason games to evaluate who will be his starting quarterback, the Patriots are in an enviable position. They have two-time NFL and Super Bowl MVP Tom Brady. Third-year pro Ryan Mallet is the backup followed by Tim Tebow.

Patriots coach Bill Belichick hasn't told Tebow if he'll play against the Eagles, though it's likely he will take some snaps.

"I'm getting better every single day, more comfortable with the offense and better timing with everybody around me, better understanding of what the coaches want me to do," Tebow

Mallet certainly will see plenty of action.

It'll be the first chance for rookie wide receiver

forcement chief, Jona-

than Duncan, later told

The Associated Press he

does not anticipate mod-

ifications to those rules,

"Based on my expe-

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Aaron Dobson to catch passes from Brady. The Patriots have a new group for Brady after their top five receiving leaders from last season are no longer with the team or injured.

"Definitely jitters a little bit, just because it's something new," Dobson said. "I'm ready for it. I'm excited to play.'

Running back LeGarrette Blount also will make his Patriots debut. Blount, who ran for 1.007 vards as a rookie for Tampa Bay in 2010, is coming off a disappointing season and was traded to New England for a seventh-round draft pick.

He'll be playing against his former coach at Oregon in Kelly.

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over the years and that

lots of changes have

been proposed and have

not been approved," he

"It's up to the member-

ship and if they change

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LEACH

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concussion. James was named a defendant in the lawsuit Leach filed against the university.

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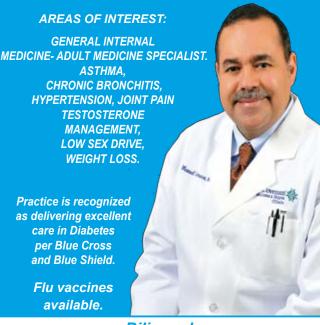
"It is great news today for us and our family," James said.

"Quite honestly we expected this result because we always knew the truth would prevail."

In February, the last remaining count in Leach's lawsuit against the school was dismissed. Leach is now the coach at Washington State.

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correct way," the Wake Forest president said. "So I believe the rules we have, we agree with." The NCAA's new en-

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TRADES

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market. Lee lost a complete game the day after being acquired, and was 4-6 with a 3.98 ERA in 15 regular-season starts for Texas. But he beat Tampa Bay twice in the AL division series and the New York Yankees in the AL championship series as Texas reached its first World Series.

3) RHP Koji Uehara from Baltimore for 1B Chris Davis and RHP Tommy Hunter (July 30, 2011); RHP Mike Adams from San Diego for two minor league pitchers (July 31, 2011). Texas bolstered its bullpen with trades on consecutive days on the way to its second consecutive AL pennant. Uehara and Adams both stayed through the 2012 season before leaving in free agency. Davis is having a breakout season, an All-Star who leads the majors with 41 home runs and 106 RBIs, while Hunter is effective reliever for the Orioles.

4) C Bengie Molina from San Francisco for RHP Chris Ray (July 1, 2010). Molina finished his 13-season major league career with 57 games in Texas and made it to the World Series — against the Gi-

more memorabilia questions. "We're exiting it as

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soon as we feasibly can," Emmert said.

"Again, I think it was inappropriate for us to be in that business, and we won't be in the future."

ants. He hit a combined .333 in the ALDS and ALCS and still wound up with a World Series ring from San Francisco, his team the previous $3\frac{1}{2}$ seasons.

5) OF Jeff Francoeur from the New York Mets for INF Joaquin Arias (Aug. 31, 2010). One of those rare trades after the non-waiver deadline, Francoeur hit .340 in 15 games down the

He left in free agency after the season. Arias got to Texas before spring training in 2004 as the player to be named in the deal that sent Alex Rodriguez to the New York Yankees.



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by committee."

Gardner will run his signature Wing-T offense again, but said this year he will rely on speed and utililize the passing game more than he has in

"We will stick with the Wing-T offense, but with some new wrinkles,"

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Gardner explained. "We will spread it around a little. We may put it in the air a little more than I'm comfortable with. I'd like to run the ball all day, every day, but if that isn't going to

work for us, we will change it up." Gardner advises the fans to keep on eye on returning players such including Iden, Melendez, wing back Cage Miller who is returning from a torn ACL which sidelined him most of last year and Shanen Warneke. Newcom-

> ers to watch out for include Garrett Parrish, Paul Cortez and Zak Walton some of whom suited up last year out of neces-

Big challenges lie ahead for Gardner. But one thing you can count on from Coahoma athletes is grit.

It was that grit which enabled a down-and-out team, ravaged by injuries to show up, plug the holes and play respectable games each and every week. Fans can at least expect that much this season.

Adversity or not, Gardner hasn't written 2013 off as a losing year just

"We're not going to be the fastest or the biggest team," Gardner added. "We're going to have to outwork them. The kids understand that. Now we just have to see if they can answer the call. The guys that are out there will work their tails off. Our kids are going to play hard. It's a tough district, but our goal is to make the playoffs."

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