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Judith Tereletsky, Big Spring High School art instructor, looks over handcrafted bowls made for an Empty Bowls fund-raiser a few years ago. Bowl makers (no experience necessary) are needed for this year's event, which will be held Nov. 15 at the Dora Roberts Community Center. Bowl making begins Sept. 30.

Bowl makers are needed: no experience necessary

By STACY SLATEN

Special to the Herald

It's roll up your sleeves and get your hands dirty time

Time for for the Empty Bowls Project/Event Luncheon in Big Spring. The event, in its seventh year, is themed "Building Bridges and Providing Hope." Residents are invited to

take the opportunity to experience building ceramics first hand for free at the Howard College Art Department's community workshop in October. All you need to donate is time – a precious thing but, has the potential to be so fruitful.

bowls from scratch with clay, glazes, tools and the kiln provided by HC. The finished bowls go to a luncheon where a few are selected for auction. The price of the ticket for the luncheon event covers one ceramic bowl plus a meal to eat out of the bowl (or not if you choose not to dirty the bowl). Space is limited, so those

who want to participate are

asked to sign up as soon as possible. Anyone can attend the luncheon for purchase of a bowl without making one. Volunteers make ceramic If the Howard College Art Department does not fit your schedule, Big Spring High School is also having a workshop Oct. 1. Each participant comes to either workshop which follows a three-step basic ceramic process. Workshop one consists of

initial building with molds and is held from 6 to 8 p.m., Sept. 30, at the Hall Center

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College trustees turn over dean search to Sparks Five candidates — all from By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Howard College officials

hope to have a new dean for teaching and learning named within the next month. After interviewing candi-

dates Monday, trustees announced they were giving College President Dr. Cheryl Sparks authority to name the new dean. Sparks said she hopes to

have the new dean in place within the next few weeks.

within the HC system — have interviewed for the position. The new dean will have a

wide range of responsibilities, Sparks said. "The position will be in-

volved in professional development and planning for faculty ... and will work with deans at the individual campuses on curriculum design and development." With more and more

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County seals jail agreement

By STEVE REAGAN Staff Writer

The Howard County Jail hasn't reached capacity yet, but officials are prepared for that possibility. County commissioners ap-

proved inmate housing agreements with Tom Green and Mitchell counties that will help relieve crowding problems at the jail just in case it becomes a problem. Under rules set by the Tex-

as Jail Commission, county

pacity, which in Howard's case is 86 inmates, Sheriff Stan Parker said. The local detention center hasn't reached that mark —

for housing overflow inmates once the jail's census reaches

90 percent of the facility's ca-

"Our jail has a capacity of 96 inmates, and currently, we're averaging around 80 inmates daily," Parker said. "Once we

reach the 90 percent mark,

we have to have a plan in

officials must devise a plan See COUNTY, Page 3

Master Gardeners gear for fair, sale

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

The next few weeks will be busy ones for the Howard County Master Gardeners.

With cooler September temperatures comes fall planting season and the Master Gardeners have activities planned to help people get their yards in shape.

At the Howard County Fair, which begins Thursday, the group will man a booth where visitors can find informational pamphlets and can register for prizes ranging from chrysanthemums to a hand-crafted garden planter chair, said club member Lucy Arcand.

Also at the fair, club members will participate in produce judging and will offer presentations to area students during the annual Ag in the Classroom exhibit.

The club's major autumn event, however, will be its annual Fall Plant Sale, scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 19.

"Fall is the perfect time to plant certain trees, shrubs and perennials and the sale ... will feature those appropriate plants," Arcand said. "All the plants will be labeled with information on how to plant and care for them and other

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HC Fair entries accepted today

Herald Staff Report

While the Howard County Fair doesn't officially begin until Thursday, there is plenty going on at the fair grounds.

Entries are being accepted today for creative arts, canned goods, baked goods, art and photography and ag products until 6 p.m. Also, the Howard County Farm Bureau is hosting its annual "Ag in the Classroom" tour, in which county school children learn about various aspects of farm and ranch life, including cattle branding, horse shoeing and cotton ginning.

Wednesday is reserved for businesses and organizations which have rented booth space to prepare their areas, before the fair officially opens at 5 p.m. Thursday. School tours of the fair are scheduled from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Thursday and Friday. The fair begins Thursday

Live music, carnival rides, beauty queens and arts and crafts

Appreciation Picnic.

competitions are just some of the featured attractions at this year's fair, which runs through Saturday. Admission prices are \$6 for adults and \$4 for children ages 6 through 12.

The city of Big Spring will close all offices, including the

City employee picnic set Friday

landfill and compost, at noon Friday for the annual Employee

City pffices will remain closed through 5 p.m. There will be no sanitation pickup after noon Friday and the landfill will be closed.

Emergency services will continue as normal.





Obituaries

Louis Jean Thompson, 88, of Louis Jean Thompson, 88, of



July 1, 1945.

College Station passed away at his home on Sept. 19, 2013.

Gravesides rites will be held at the College Station Cemetery on Sept. 26, 2013, at 10 a.m.

Louis Jean was born April 26, 1925, in Big Spring, Texas, to Louis Victor and Stella Thompson. Louis Jean graduated from Big Spring High School May 27, 1942. After high school, he attended

Texas A&M College. He enlisted in the U.S. Army on March 16, 1943 and was honorably discharged Louis married Eva Jane Shepard Feb. 23, 1946.

Beatrice Sanchez, 29, of Big

Spring died Sunday, Sept. 22,

2013, at Baylor All Saints Hospi-

tal in Fort Worth. The family will

receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m..

Wednesday at Myers & Smith Fu-

neral Home. Funeral services will

be 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 26, at

Myers & Smith Chapel with Dr.

Doug Shelly and Dr. Jeff Davison

officiating. Burial will follow at

Louis returned to Texas A&M College's School of

Beatrice Sanchez

Engineering, graduating with a bachelor of science June 3, 1949, master of science Aug. 24, 1951. Louis graduated from the University of Virginia Aug. 13, 1966, earning a doctor of science. Since September of 1966 he was member of the faculty of Civil Engineering at Texas A&M University retiring Jan.31, 1991. Louis was a lifelong member of the Church of

He is preceded in death by his parents, Louis Victor and Stella Thompson; wife Eva Thompson; daughter Cynthia Pinion; son Jonathan Mark Thompson.

Survivors include his sons, Louis Burk Thompson of Vicksburg, Mich., Craig Kent Thompson of Marietta, Ga.; brother, Kenny Thompson of Big Spring, Texas; six sons; two great-grandsons; and two great-granddaughters.

Condolences may be left for the family at CallawayJones.com.

and had also worked for Irene's Little Angels Day Care.

She is survived by her husband, Duncan Sanchez of Big Spring; her mother, Yolanda Kemper and husband Ray of Big Spring; her father, Albert Gomez and wife Rachel of Big Spring; three brothers, Roy Gomez and wife Sally, Gabriel Gomez and Bryson Kemper, all of Big Spring; three sisters, Nina Gomez, Nina Holland and husband Elijah and Maribel Gomez, all of Big Spring; her grandparents, Dominga and Blas Gomez of Levelland; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her grandparents, Lorenzo and Elena Martinezshe was preceded in death by one brotherPatrick Gomez.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Please pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Police/Sheriff/EMS

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. Monday and 7

Coahoma Cemetery.

She was born May 20, 1984, in Norton, Kan., to

Yolanda and Albert Gomez. She spent most of her

life in Big Spring and was an active member of East

Side Baptist Church. She married Duncan Sanchez

July 3, 2004, in Big Spring. She was a homemaker

- ROLLIE WAYNE JOY, 51, of 1005 Stadium, was arrested Monday on a warrant for failure to ap-
- ROBERT THOMPSON, 24, of 2307 Daphnee, was arrested Monday on warrants for expired drivers license and failure to appear.
- BRIAN LOEL JOHNSON, 33, of 3203 Duke, was arrested Monday on a warrant for theft greater than or equal to \$20 but less than \$500 – by check. BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported
- at County Road 40 and at the 1700 block of West
- THEFT was reported ast the 3200 block of Wasson and the 1300 block of Dixie.
- BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported at the 1100 block of Stanford.
- SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY was reported at the 2300 block of Main.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported
- at the 1100 block of Mittel.

800 block of East 13th Street.

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 76 inmates at the time of this report.

- BRIAN LOEL JOHNSON was booked by HCSO on a charge of theft greater than or equal to \$20 but less than \$500 – by check.
- ROLLIE WAYNE JOY was booked by BSPD on charges of violate promise to appear and violate promise to appear after judgment.
- ROBERT KEITH THOMPSON JR. was booked by BSPD on charges of expired drivers license and failure to appear.

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

- MEDICAL was reported at the 500 block of West 17th Street. One patient transported to SMMC.
- · MEDICAL was reported at the 1700 block of Scurry. No transport.
- MEDICAL was reported at the 800 block of Scur-

Support Groups

WEDNESDAY

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

- RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy, a chronic pain disease), a new support and informative group meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 & 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

THURSDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Nonsmoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.
- 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 op-
- Circle of Hope, a Celebrate Recovery group, meets at 6:30-8 p.m. at Spring Creek Fellowship, located in the College Park Shopping Cen-

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

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

SATURDAY

Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. Covered dish supper at 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

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

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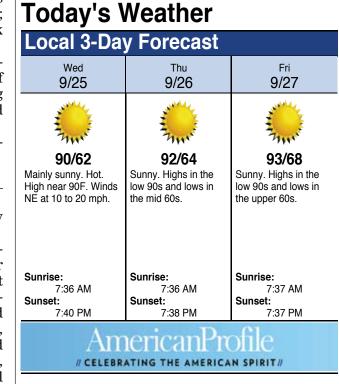
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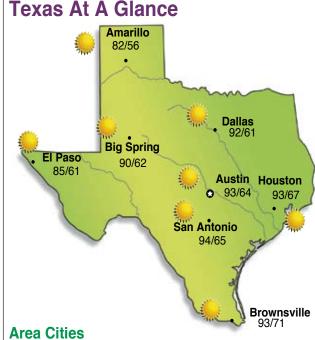
• PEP — Parent Edu-

- cation Program for CPS participating and nonparticipating parents, single parent, grandparents, adoptive or fostering parents. Every first and fourth Monday of the month from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Northside Community Center. Classes are free. For information, call 263-2673.
- Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) TX 0021 meets at First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad, in the dining hall on the east side of the building. Weigh-in starts at 5 p.m. and meeting starts at 5:30 p.m. We have a different program each week.

Abigail Daisy 'Abby' Valencia

Abigail Daisy "Abby" Valencia, 17, of Big Spring died Saturday Sept. 21, 2013, at University Medical Center in Lubbock. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.



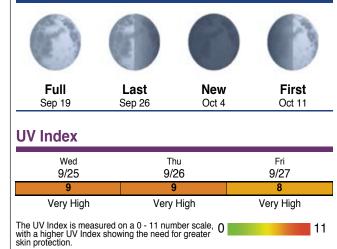


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Amarillo	82	56	sunny	Livii	ngston	93	60	sunny
Austin	93	64	sunny	Lon	gview	90	59	sunny
Beaumont	90	67	pt sunny	Lub	bock	87	57	sunny
Brownsville	93	71	sunny	Lufk	kin	93	60	sunny
Brownwood	92	62	sunny	Mid	land	89	64	sunny
Corpus Christi	93	72	sunny	Ray	mondville	94	69	sunny
Corsicana	91	59	sunny	Ros	enberg	94	66	sunny
Dallas	92	61	sunny	San	Antonio	94	65	sunny
Del Rio	94	69	sunny	San	Marcos	94	63	sunny
El Paso	85	61	sunny	Sulp	ohur Springs	90	59	sunny
Fort Stockton	88	62	sunny	Swe	eetwater	88	61	sunny
Gainesville	89	57	sunny	Tyle	er	91	60	sunny
Greenville	90	57	sunny	Wea	atherford	91	58	sunny
Houston	93	67	sunny	Wic	hita Falls	89	57	sunny

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Atlanta	77	63	cloudy	Minneapolis	74	53	pt sunny
Boston	69	47	sunny	New York	72	52	sunny
Chicago	72	54	pt sunny	Phoenix	95	70	sunny
Dallas	92	61	sunny	San Francisco	65	56	sunny
Denver	74	49	sunny	Seattle	60	50	rain
Houston	93	67	sunny	St. Louis	80	62	pt sunny
Los Angeles	82	61	sunny	Washington, DC	76	56	sunny
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• Big Spring ISD will dismiss students at noon on Monday, Sept. 30, so that all faculty and staff may attend staff development training. For more information, contact the school district at 264-3600.

- Papa Chons is the featured Dine Out Days sponsor this week. As a Dine Out Day sponsor, a portion of the proceeds will be donated to the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County 2014 campaign to support the 17 member agencies. To be a Dine Out Day sponsor or find out how to contribute to the campaign, call Sandy Stewart at 267-5201.
- The Ackerly Lunch Bunch will meet on Saturday, Sept. 28, at 10 a.m. at Crispy's Cafe, 1904 S. Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, Texas. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. RSVP to Sissy Jones at (432) 213-4452 or 2309 Lynn Drive, Big Spring, Texas 79720.
- The Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, in partnership with Alon USA, is holding a \$300 gasoline voucher fund-raiser. Tickets can be obtained from any Lions Club member or by calling 432-263-4295. Proceeds will go toward Lions Club programs including eye exams for students, vision screenings and scholarships.
- · Adopt a Military Hero, Howard County's Christmas for the Troops project is needing addresses for deployed military personnel. All addresses can be mailed to AAMH 1606 East Third, Big Spring, Texas, 79720 or emailed to adoptamilitaryhero@sbcglobal.net Let's make sure that every Howard County hero and all of their buddies receive a little bit of home for the holidays.
- The Big Spring State Hos-

pital Community Relations office is accepting donations of magazines. They should be brought to the Community Relations office on campus. For more information, call Jamey Stegall at 268-7535 or james.stegall@dshs. state.tx.us

Take Note

- Howard County Fair Association is seeking volunteers to help with the Howard County Fair which will be held Sept. 26-28. To find out more information or to volunteer, contact Jamey Stegall at 214-717-9210 or jamey. stegall@gmail.com. The fair association is also accepting applications for exhibitors at the fair. All booths rent for \$100. Contact Stegall for more information.
- Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at
- Crossroads Hospice is in need of volunteers. Volunteers are the backbone of the hospice team, by bringing light and love into people's lives. For more information on joining, contact Eva Robison at 432-263-5300 or come by 421 S. Main.
- Do you have a minute? An hour? How about making a difference in someone's life? Become a hospice volunteer. One hour a month can make a difference. Whether it's visiting a patient or working in the office or helping with a craft, you can make a difference. We can work around your schedule. If interested, please call Kara Daniels at Compass Hospice, 432-263-5999, or apply in person at 602 S. Main St.

- You don't have to be a senior citizen to enjoy country-western dancing. Big Spring Senior Center hosts a dance every Friday from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. A different band will be featured every night. Dancing is a fun way to exercise, so come enjoy the fun and meet new friends. Cost is \$8 per person. For more information, call 267-1628.
- · Mobile Meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you can donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Macaria Cantu at 263-4016.
- Spring Tabernacle Ministries, 1209 Wright St., has a brief, inspirational message before giving away food and clothing on Thursday mornings. It's a great way to work off community service and get help, too. Be there at 9 a.m.-11 a.m. and get two for one plus a rehab meeting.
- volunteers. Volunteers are needed for in office duties as well as sitters, deliveries and crafts. To find out more information or to volunteer contact Manny Negron at Home Hospice by calling

Home Hospice is seeking

- Mitchell County Senior Citizen Dance, Colorado City Civic Center, 157 East 2nd Street, Colorado City, Texas, the fourth Thursday of each month from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., \$5 per person. Bring snacks to share.
- The Homeownership Preservation Foundation (HPF) is an independent national nonprofit dedicated to helping distressed homeowners navigate financial challenges and avoid mortgage foreclosure. If you want to stop foreclosure and are in need of foreclosure help, the time to call 888-995-HOPE

is now. The Homeowner's HOPE hotline is a counseling service provided by HPF to work with you to find a solution to your problem. HPF can provide counseling free of charge, in English and 170 other languages, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. For free foreclosure help, call the hotline.

- The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nurturing and permanent home. We need your help. If you're interested in volunteering, please contact Sara Basaldua at 1-877-316-8346 or visit www.BecomeaCASA. org or www.casawtx.org.
- · Legal Aid of Northwest Texas is accepting appointments from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of each month. Individuals seeking legal advice for matters concerning family law, divorce, custody and child support issues, social security cases, employment and housing may contact the office to schedule an appointment. Criminal cases are not accepted. Anyone recently served with legal documents should call the office immediately at 926-5630 or 432-686-0647.
- · Road to Recovery, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, seeks volunteers to drive cancer patients to treatment in Midland. This requires just a few hours commitment each month. To volunteer, or to request a ride for treatment, call (877) 277-1618, the High Plains American Cancer Group Report Center.
- New Life Ministries Church of God In Christ is holding a soup kitchen every second and fourth Tues-

Odds & Ends

NY city's dead skunk depot stinks up neighborhood BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Resi-

dents of a Buffalo, N.Y., neighborhood plagued by skunk odors now know what caused the stink: Trapped critters that were shot and stored at a shuttered police station. The Buffalo News reports that

the city's public works commissioner confirmed Monday that humanely trapped skunks have been taken to an old police station in South Buffalo, where they're shot and stored in outdoor freezer until they can be incinerated.

Residents say they complained about the smell months ago but were told by city officials that skunks weren't being killed inside the building. Later, they were told only a few skunks were killed there by lethal injection. One neighborhood leader has

dubbed the community scandal 'Skunkgate." City officials say they're look-

ing for new locations for dispatching the nuisance skunks.

Snake grounds jet with 370 passengers

CANBERRA, Australia (AP) — A tiny Asian snake was found on a Qantas Boeing 747 airliner in Australia, leading to 370 passengers being grounded overnight.

Staff found the 20-centimeter (8-inch) Mandarin rat snake in the passenger cabin near the door late Sunday before passengers were due to board the flight bound for Tokyo from Sydney International Airport, Qantas said in a statement Monday.

Australia's flagship airline said passengers were given hotel rooms and left Sydney on a replacement plane Monday morning. Qantas said the original jet would be fumigated before returning to service in case there were other snakes on board.

The snake was taken by quarantine officials for analysis.

COLLEGE

emphasis being placed on student success rates, Sparks said it was necessary to create the new position.

"This is a variation on the traditional dean of instruction role, in that there has been an increased focus across the country in teaching and learning, relative to student success," she said. "The position will be responsible for specific initiatives relative to teaching and learn-

BOWLS

for the Arts room 111. Workshop two consists of the clean up of the bowl and will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Oct. 2.

At the third and final workshop, participants will glaze their bowls in preparation for firing. That will be held from 6-8 p.m., Oct. 9. The final Empty Bowls

Event Luncheon will be uphold local hunger Thursday, Nov. 15, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Dora Roberts Community Center in Comanche Trail Park.

The ticket cost covers the purchaser's choice of an original, handcrafted ceramic bowl and soup with all he fixings for \$20. First come is first choice and first

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All proceeds go to campaigns such as the Salvation Army and the Humane Society. Anyone interested in the free workshop needs to sign up at the United Way to reserve their seats by contacting Sandy Stewart at 432-267-5201 or 432-935-1604.

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died Sunday. The family

will receive friends from 5 until 7 p.m. p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Coahoma Cemetery. Abigail Daisy Valencia, 17, died Saturday. A vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10

a.m. Friday at Holy Trinity

Catholic Church with buri-

al at Mount Olive Memorial

COUNTY

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place for handling the overflow.' The agreements ap-

proved Monday will cost the county \$45 a day to house inmates at Tom Green County and \$38 per day to transport them to Mitchell County. The agreements also are "two-way" deals

GARDENERS

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Master Gardeners will

be on hand to give tips

to people who need

The sale will be held at

at 1604

the club's Green Thumb

them.'

Cottage

Howard will take any overflow from those facilities, Parker said.

Hopefully, he added, Howard County will not have to make use of the agreements. "This is in place just in

case we need it," Parker

other business, commissioners:

ation for the coming fis-

Fourth, between Brown

For more information

on any activities, call 432-264-7472 or 432-213-

and Jones streets.

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• Approved a tax rate of 36 cents per \$100 valucal year. • Conducted a public

hearing on a proposed speed limit on Nichols Road in the vicinity of Elbow Elementary. Normal school zone speed limit rules would apply for the area in question if the changes go into ef-

 Agreed to go out for bids on road widening materials.

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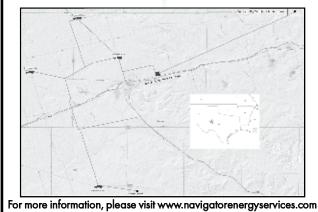
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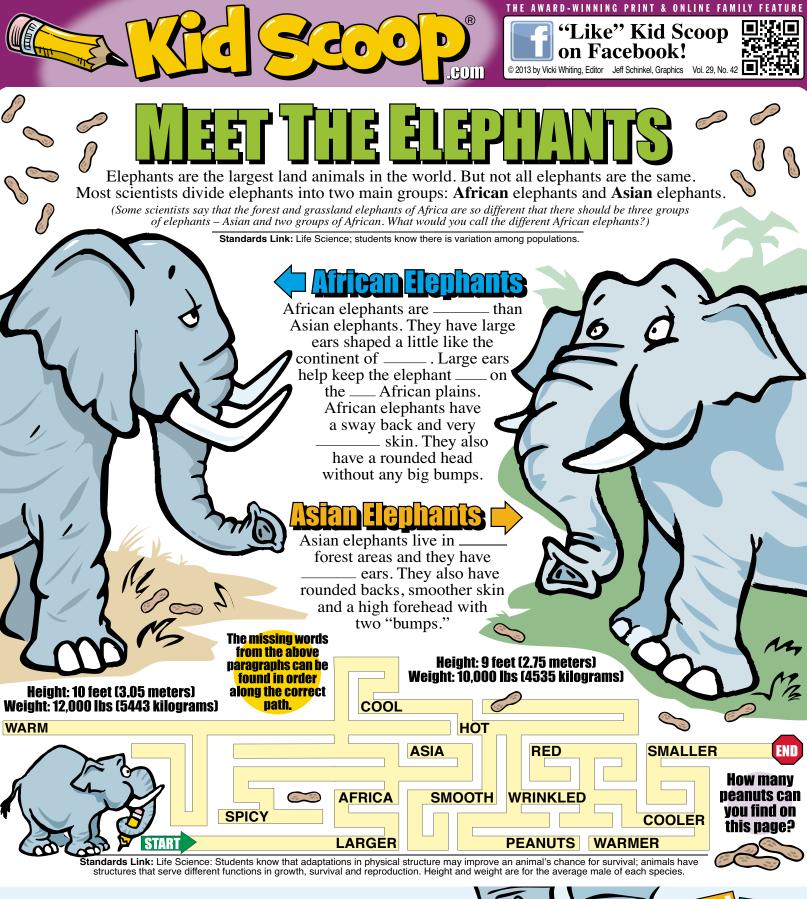
BINDING OPEN SEASON September 18, 2013 - October 18, 2013

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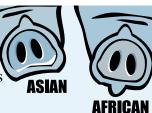
> 3. Elephant trunks

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flexible and strong

trees.

enough to lift whole



People need animals and animals need people. Look through the newspaper for examples of how people and animals

> other. Standards Link: Life Science/Ecology; students know organism in an ecosystem can support each other.

need each



Hat-making fun for two!

1. Drape a page of the newspaper over your friend's head.



2. Wrap tape around your friend's forehead-outside of the paper.



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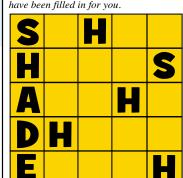


5. Repeat and have your friend help you make your own hat.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow multiple-step written directions



Complete the grid by using all the letters horizontal row. Each letter should only



This week's word: **SEEK**

The verb **seek** means to try to find, to look for.

When outside, seek shady places to play.

Try to use the word seek in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

Write On! < **If elephants** could fly ... Finish this story.

Standards Link: Life Science; animals have different structures to help them survive. Elephant Hides

1. The first elephants

appeared about 50

million years ago. The

first elephant, called Moeritherium

about 2 feet tall and had no trunk.

(meer-uh-THEER-ee-um), was only

The skin of an elephant is rough and wrinkled. In fact, the creases in the lower part of their legs can be used to tell elephants apart. Like fingerprints, every elephant has its very own crease pattern.

Which picture comes next in each pattern below?



Standards Link: Math/Reasoning: Extend simple paterns.

Double

ELEPHANTS SCIENTISTS TRUNKS

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COOL PATTERN

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Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

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Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognizing identical

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Elephant Measure

Cut several pages of the newspaper into long strips. Use the columns to guide you. Tape the strips together until you have enough to show the height of Asian and African elephants.

Standards Link: Math; students measure using nonstandard units.



Bird Poop: A tragic end to a young sandhill crane

n a recent drive to the wildlife center in Lubbock, a southbound raven and some 25 cattle egrets reminded us that September migration has already started. With fires in the west, and

cooler weather in the east, the central flyway may have a lot more avian traffic.

No matter what year it is, autumn always seems to herald the unusual. The

27th of September 1992 was no exception. In Dawson County, a cotton

McCasland

farmer neared the overhead lines of a major power line. High voltage current, carried by a massive cable, served those who made their living off the land, as well as those "earning a living" in distant towns and cities.

Leaving the dirt road that had carried him through his fields, the man's pickup slowly edged up and on to Highway 87. As he neared the utility crossover, he noticed a grayish-brown lump partially hidden by dried summer grasses.

Only after he had passed it did he realize it appeared to be a large bird. After stopping and looking both ways, he made a u-turn, then another when he reached the opposite side of the highway. He felt he had to check and make sure.

After leaving his truck, he approached what soon appeared to be the body of a sandhill crane. It didn't look like those he was accustomed to seeing every fall and winter in his barren cotton fields.

Splotched with a light, rusty colored appearance on its gray head, neck, and wings, the bird suddenly moved one of its long legs. Unable to lift its head, it slowly writhed and quivered as if to stand. Realizing it was in dire trouble, the man gently slipped one hand under its body, while the other supported its neck and head. After carrying it to his

truck, he was able to "tuck it in" as it lay on the floor of the passenger's side. Once in Big Spring, he called.

When he arrived, he gently removed the bird from his truck and lowered it on to our driveway. Realizing this was a first year young, Art and I looked at each other. Silently, we both knew how limited and helpless we were in treating the bird's obvious injury.

neath its head, I saw that its bill had a hairline crack. Where the beak joined the head, flesh had been disturbed. "Where did you say you

As I eased my hand under-

found it?" I asked. "Underneath the power line."

With my other hand under its neck, I felt the slightest of



Fires, droughts, and floods create struggles for sandhill cranes and other birds during fall migration. Choices for wintering areas change accordingly. Welcome during any autumn, however, are the cranes' six-foot wingspans lending a graceful essence to a fall and winter sunset.

movements that originated in the body and traveled upward. Then the bird was still.

Telling the farmer that it had just succumbed to a severe impact to its head, I lowered it back on to the concrete. "You tried," was the only comment I could give to his valiant effort.

After placing the lifeless young bird in a large cardboard box, we talked about the supposed rarity of having the bird cross the farmer's path at this time of the year. Previously, sandhill cranes usually arrived in the Big Spring area the first week of

November.

Unusual also were its black primaries or wing tips. Silently, I wondered about its pinkish-brown bill.

Knowing there are greater and lesser sandhills, subspecies, and rare sightings of whooping cranes, we froze the body. Later in the week, we took it to Midge Erskine in Midland. She, too, was very interested in its ultimate classification and notified U. S. Fish & Wildlife.

Only when mature would the sandhill crane have acquired its red forehead and crown, and overall gray

plumage. In its first year, iron found in northern waters would have left a rusty stain on some of its feathers as it splashed down or rose upward from numerous ponds. The farmer had never been close enough before to realize the difference between the young and mature birds.

Born in Canada, or even Alaska, the stately youngster had a lineage dating back to prehistoric times. Following its parents' examples, it would have learned to search plowed fields for

grubs, earthworms, and insects. Grain sorghum would be a mainstay. And, a stray mouse scurrying home from a nightly adventure would have provided it with a tasty morsel.

Over nearly 40 years, bird rescues have taught us to expect the unexpected. Migrations change, as birds perceive a better path to continue their existence.

Through its last moments, the young sandhill crane, however, had shared another lesson: the quiet, profound beauty of a stilled heart.

Bebe McCasland is author of "The Scoop from Bird Poop." She is federally and state licensed to rehabilitate wild birds.

Parent's Corner: Be a good influence

've written several times on the importance of discovering and developing our potential and realizing that one of the greatest wastes of humanity is undiscovered abilities and potential.

There is also a flip side. I received an interesting and inspiring story not long ago which described the importance of realizing our flaws. Allow me to share this story.

An elderly Chinese woman had two large pots, each hung on the ends of a pole which she carried across her neck. One of the pots had a crack in it while

the other pot was perfect and always delivered a full portion of water. At the end of the long walk from the

stream to the house, the cracked pot arrived only half full. For a full two years, this went on

daily, with the woman bringing home only one and a half pots of water. Of course, the perfect pot was proud of its accomplishments. But the poor cracked pot was ashamed of its own imperfection, and miserable that it could only do half of what it had been made to do.

After 2 years of what it perceived to be bitter failure, it spoke to the woman one day by the stream. "I am ashamed of myself, because this crack in my side causes water to leak out all the way back to your house." The old woman smiled, "Did you notice that there are flowers on your side of the path, but not on the other pot's side? That's because I have always known about your flaw, so I planted flower seeds on your side of the path, and every day while we

walk back, you water them. For two years I have been able to pick these beautiful flowers to decorate the table. Without you being just the way you are, there would not be this beauty to grace the house.

"Each of us has our own unique flaw. But it's the cracks and flaws we each have that make our lives so very interesting and rewarding. We must take each person who they are and look for the good in them. In doing this we become not only encouragers but good role models. And the importance of role modeling cannot be overstated.

It doesn't mean we must be perfect. We're not and never will be. But it does mean that as adults who have influence over the lives of children, we must strive to model all that we want to teach. When we fall short of that mark, which we will often do, then we will have a great opportunity to model appropriate responses to poor choices, such as humility and

then get back to the business of being a good role model. We are all character educators; it comes with the territory. Children are the "ever-attentive witness" to all that they hear us say and all that they see us do. The

We can admit our mistakes and

question is what values, principles, and qualities are

they learning from us?

In our homes, schools, businesses and sports events, we should always to be aware that children are looking to us for guidance. They expect us to help them navigate life's complex journey. It isn't reasonable to expect them to be respectful to others when they witness us being disrespectful.

We cannot expect them to be honest when they see us being dishonest. We cannot expect them to be fair and just when they witness our unfair, unjust actions.

We are always teaching values to the young people around us whether we do it with conscious intent or not We can't complain about disrespectful, selfless, angry, and irresponsible kids unless we as adults are willing to take a long look in the mirror and begin to own up to our own behaviors. The flaws we think we see in our children may not be flaws but learned behaviors.

We must be able to recognize the difference, correct the unacceptable behaviors and accept the flaws. We must not complain that roses have thorns, but be glad that some thorns have roses.

Darrell Ryan is director of school safety for the Big Spring Independent School District.

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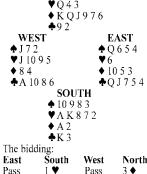
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By Steve Becker Crime Doesn't Pay

DARRELL

North-South vulnerable.



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East dealer

North Pass Pass Pass Pass Pass Pass Dble 6 NT Dble Pass Opening lead jack of hearts. It doesn't play to be greedy in bridge, and today's hand is a prime example. After South arrived at six

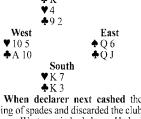
hearts, West decided to double. West would, of course, have defeated the slam had he simply passed and led the ace of clubs. Realizing that West's double of

six hearts probably was based in part on the expectancy of scoring one or

two trumps tricks, South ran to six

notrump, which West doubled again. The double would still have been successful had West led a spade or a diamond. But instead he led the jack could not be defeated. South took the heart jack with

the ace and returned the eight of hearts, forcing West to cover with the nine. Declarer won with dummy's queen and then cashed six diamonds and the ace of spades, producing this



king of spades and discarded the club three, West was in bad shape. He had to keep both of his hearts, so he discarded the ten of clubs, whereupon South conceded a club to West's ace. West then had to return a heart from his 10-5 to declarer's K-7, and the slam was home

And so, instead of collecting a quiet 100 points by passing six West wound up with a resounding minus of 1,680. Crime doesn't pay

Tomorrow: Delicate defensive play. ©2013 King Features Syndicate Inc

Sudoku Answer on Page 6

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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Staff Sgt. Robert Allen Jr., his wife Julie and daughters Emma, Katie and Hailey, are pictured after he returns home.

Veterans Fund awards monies to active vets

Herald Staff Report

Recently, the Army Staff Sgt. Robert Allen Jr. family was awarded \$500 from the "Veterans Families Fund, using monies donated by people.

Here is a note of appreciation from Julie Allen, Robert's wife:

"My family has recently relocated to Big Spring because my husband is being transferred to another duty station in Alaska.

"He is Staff Sgt. (E-

6) Robert Allen Jr. in the Army and a combat medic.

"He has been enlisted for 14 years and recently re-enlisted through at least 20 years."

Staff Sgt. Allen has served two tours in Iraq, one in Afghanistan and three years as a recruit-

"We have three daughters, Emma, Katie and Hailey.

"We appreciate all the people who understand that his career in the Army is not only difficult for him, but also for his family."

"This check from the American people is another thank you for the veterans and their families for their sacrifices, said Dr. J.Gale Kilgore, administrator of the Veterans Families Fund.

To donate to the fund, stop by Woodforest National Bank in Walmart or mail your gift to Woodforest National Bank, Veterans Families, Account 5901848, 201 W. Marcy Drive, Big Spring TX 79720.



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Above, Lt. Jeremiah Romack, right, is installed by Rotary District Governor Ken Patterson during the Friday meeting of the Greater Big Spring Rotary Club. Romack is one of three new members to the club. Also pictured is Debbye ValVerde, club secretary. Below, Terry Wegman was recognized by Patterson as a Paul Harris Fellow.



Anti-social Dallas Zoo gorilla being shown door

DALLAS(AP)—There will be no rose ceremony for a 430-pound bachelor gorilla that failed to

form any meaningful relationships with fellow apes during an 18-year stay at the Dallas Zoo.

old Western lowland gorilla known for being gregarious with zoo

Patrick, the 23-year-

staff and the public, while being ambivalent toward his female counterparts, has been handed his walking papers. The silverback will be

sudoku

ANSWERS

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transferred to the Riverbanks Zoo and Garden in Columbia, S.C. where he'll be allowed more solitude, according to a statement issued Monday by the Dallas Zoo.

"It's become clear that he prefers to live a solitary life," said Dr. Lynn Kramer, head vet-Zoo. "This move will allow Patrick to continue to thrive while creating an opportunity for our four remaining males to form a cohesive bachelor group."

Patrick was born at the Bronx Zoo in New York City in April 1990, but

maternal neglect forced him to be moved to the Toronto Zoo where he was hand-raised with another male his own age. Both gorillas arrived in Dallas at age 5 and were integrated into a small troop of one silverback and two females, before being erinarian at the Dallas removed to form a bachelor group together.

Despite his affability with humans and his popularity in zoo presentations about gorillas, zoo officials said Patrick's reaction toward female apes has ranged from indifference to aggression.

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Buffs win, BSHS solid at Lubbock

By BRIAN MCCORMACK

Sports Editor

LUBBOCK — Forsan earned the top spot at the Lubbock Invitational meet at Mae Simmons Park Saturday in the Class A division with a score of 46 points -27 points ahead of second place Sundown. Grady rounded out the top three with 86 points.

Individually, sophomore Jeremy Cervantes brought home the gold after a season best time of 16:46. Senior teammate Tyler Evans placed third, running his season best at 17:04. Matthew Mims scored 17:53 to come in third overall. Justin Goff placed 28th, Cody Tanis 30th and Zach martini-Corum 48th.

"We ran well," said FHS CC coach Robert Hillger, who led his team to a state title in 2012. "We didn't run state championship well, but we are making progress and looking to peak around Nov. 2. (the date of the 1A Regional meet). I'm very proud of our guys. They are working extremely hard. We know that Sundown and Ozona have championship caliber teams this season. We understand that and we are internally motivated every day to get better."

Junior varsity runners Josh Evans Granger Newton and John Broughton all saw improvments in their performances, with Evans earning a varsity spot at Saturday's meet in Ozona.

Big Spring also competed in Lubbock at the Class AAA division, finishing sixth out of 14 teams with 149 points. Andrews came in first with 62 points.

Leading the way for the Steers were

See **C.C.**, Page 12



HERALD photo/Brian McCormack The Big Spring boys cross country team finished in sixth place at the Lubbock Invitational meet at Mae Simmons Park Saturday.

HERALD photo/Tony Claxton/see more at www.claxtonphotography.com

Big Spring's Morgan Parnell hits a backhand return during Saturday's match against Andrews at Comanche Trail Park. BSHS Head Coach Dana Jones said the Steers tennis team played competetively against the regional powerhouse. Last season, Andrews finished 4th at the state meet while BSHS claimed 10th. The Steers are undefeated in District 4-3A action and will resume play at home Saturday at 9:30 a.m. against Monahans.

Rios hits for cycle as Rangers rout Astros 12-0

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Alex Rios stood in front of an empty bottle of champagne while he answered questions about the first cycle of his ca-

He's hoping there might be a few more bottles in the near future for the Texas Rangers.

Rios hit for the cycle, Derek Holland struck out nine in his second shutout of the season and the Rangers started their final push for a playoff spot with a 12-0 victory over the Houston Astros on Monday night.

The Rangers pulled within a game of idle Cleveland for the second AL wild-card berth with six games remaining. They are two games behind wild-card

leader Tampa Bay, which beat Baltimore 5-4 on Monday. If they want to celebrate a fourth straight season in the

playoffs, the Rangers will have

to keep it up in the final two games against the Astros and a four-game finishing series against the Los Angeles Angels all at home.

"We have to focus on the things that we have to do to win a game at a time," said Rios, who completed the cycle in his only four at-bats and drove in four runs. "It doesn't do any good for us to look at what's happening around us."

Rios finished the cycle with a triple to right-center field in the sixth inning, pulling into third standing up without a throw and later scoring to put Texas up 11-0. He doubled in the first inning, had an infield single in the third and hit his

18th homer for a 9-0 lead in the fourth. He didn't get a chance for a fifth hit. Engel Beltre replaced

him in right field in the sev-

enth as one of the mass substitutions in a game that was out of hand early. Both teams used 14 players.

"You wish that in your career that you could have done that," Rangers manager Ron Washington said. "It worked out perfectly for him. He hit it in the perfect part of the field and with his speed he was able to do it."

Holland (10-9) got his 10th win in his ninth try since his last victory on Aug. 4. The lefthander won at home for the first time since May 31.

Houston starter Jordan Lyles (7-9) gave up seven hits and seven runs with three walks in three innings.

Rios looked like he wanted to get the triple of the way in

the first inning, going about 25

feet beyond the bag at second

before pulling up on a two-run

double. He had his fourth RBI on the triple, bringing home Elvis Andrus.

The first cycle of Rios' career was the seventh in Rangers' history. Adrian Beltre was the last to do it, last Aug. 24 against

It was the third cycle in the majors this year — Mike Trout of the Los Angeles Angels on May 21 and the Astros' Brandon Barnes on July 19, both against Seattle.

"Just a good night at the plate," Rios said. "But the most important thing is that we won tonight."

Three of the six singles allowed by Holland didn't leave the infield. He's a 10-game win-

ner for the third straight sea-His other shutout was a twohitter in a 2-0 win over the New

York Yankees on June 27.

Sports Calendar

TODAY

Volleyball

 Bronte at Big Spring, varsity, 6 p.m.; J.V., 4:30 p.m.

FRIDAY

Football

- Big Spring at Seminole, 7:30 p.m. Coahoma at Ball-
- inger, 7:30 p.m.
- Crane at Forsan, 7:30 p.m. Garden City, at
- Ropes, 7:30 p.m.
- New Home at Grady, 7:30 p.m.
- Sands at O'Donnell, 7:30 p.m.
- Stanton at Seagraves, 7:30 p.m.

Volleyball

 Big Spring at Greenwood, varsity, 4 p.m.; J.V./9th, 5:30 p.m.

SATURDAY Volleyball

 Post at Coahoma, 11 a.m.

Tennis

· Monahans at Big Spring, 9:30 a.m.

Cross Country

 Elgin Suazo Invitational, hosted by Big Spring, Big Spring State park.

 Forsan at Ozona, TBA.

Swimming

· Black/Gold Intrasquad, Big Spring 11 a.m.

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Trending Gemini Moon

The Gemini moon is a harmonious complement to the other air-sign influences currently in the sky, including the sun and Mercury in Libra, the arbiter of good taste. These lighthearted, intellectual muses throw the focus onto what's new, novel and worth sharing. Make the most of

this sky by exploring a trend or starting one.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Beware of those who associate with you primarily because they think it makes them look better. While this is flattering, it's so superficial that you can't trust the connection. It could change at any moment.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You believe in every person's right to live well. That's why it makes you angry when people waste the things that would mean so much to another person. You'll proudly take part of an effective redistribution.

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GEMINI (May 21-June 21).

You believe that life is full of beauty. But for some reason. people talking about that in overly simplistic and sentimental ways makes you feel inwardly rebellious. You prefer to find beauty on your own terms.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Should you stick to your ritual or veer from it? Every time you repeat an action, it strengthens the neural pathways in your brain that make the next repetition easier. Will that be better for you or worse?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Just because you can sense the layers inside yourself and spend time in those depths doesn't mean others are able to do this. Your gift for introspection is a rare talent to celebrate.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). A person who enjoys you will tend to overlook any less than perfect things you do and even make up reasons why your flaws and mistakes are actually glorious.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There are those who will try to get away with anything and everything they can. It's up to you to uphold the ideal of justice for all. Where justice is denied, everyone suffers, not

only the oppressed.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It's as though the wind wants to mess up your hair — and not in a mean way, but in an older sibling way that lets you know that wherever you are, someone is keeping you in check.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Anger is an emotion that makes you seek your own interest instead of seeking the truth. That's why it's better not to make any decisions or try to express yourself in the heat of an angry moment.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). So often the roles we cut out for ourselves become like traps. Real power is feeling that you are free to be the role or not and come or go as you please.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Your sign mate Abraham Lincoln, the great humanitarian and 16th president of the United States, said, "When I do good, I feel good; when I do bad, I feel bad. And that is my religion.'

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). When receiving a compliment on work that was done by someone else, for instance for a haircut or an item of clothing, some take the credit. You'll

assign it appropriately, and your honesty attracts an admirer.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Sept. 24). Your talents shine this year, but do not rely on them. It's hard work and dedication that will see you through the finish line of a big project. Someone with opposing views will make your work and life richer in October. You'll get to experience something special and exclusive in December. Aries and Sagittarius people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 2, 33, 19 and 4.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "Do you think it's unreasonable to ask the teen I hire to babysit my 7year-old not to use her cellphone while she's working? My other friends don't seem to care. My husband says it's just the future. But I can't stand for my daughter to have that kind of example to look up to. And I'm an Aquarius!'

Your Aquarian ease with and love of technology stop right at the point where technology interferes with human interest. Your child deserves to have a distraction-free interaction with the babysitter who is working for you. Your babysitter is also a child, and

you are not doing her any favors by teaching her that it's fine to be constantly on her cellphone in a professional setting. As an employer, it's your responsibility to communicate your expectations of this child employee. Here's some verbiage you might try:

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Annie's Mailbox ®

Dear Annie: My fiance's mother has a rocky relationship with both of her sons. We see her infrequently, but still, my fiance loses his patience with her quickly.

At first I was OK with her, but now she annoys me, as well. She brags about things, pleads to get her way, plans visits without checking with us, is sensitive to being told no or to anything she perceives as criticism, and is very demanding. She also recently pulled a childish trick. When my fiance told her no repeatedly, she simply called me to plead her case, knowing I am uncomfortable saying no.

She is in her late 60s and continues to blame her actions on a rocky

childhood. My mother says to just be polite to her, which I try hard to do. But now that she is in my home for a week, conversations with her are impossible, and I feel I need to walk away. She has a psychiatric disorder, although I am not sure of the diagnosis. My fiance's grandmother indicates it is

want to push her too far. We are getting married soon at a courthouse During this unplanned and uninvited trip, she said it is too expensive for her and my fiance's father to travel to see us get married.

schizophrenia, so I don't

I am fine with this, but my fiance is upset that his parents do not care enough to make it work. They can afford the

airline tickets. I think it is my fiance's

place to explain his hurt feelings to them. Do I continue to be polite about it? I am currently working long hours to avoid being in my home while she is visiting. Is there a better way to handle this? — Z.

Dear Z.: Yes, please continue to be polite. We recognize that his mother's behavior is difficult, but you see her infrequently, so try to tolerate her as best you can for your fiance's sake. He obviously cares a great deal about his parents. He should tell them how important it is to him that they attend the wedding, but he cannot control their response. We hope they

will make the effort to be there, and we hope you will be supportive without commiserating too much.

Dear Annie: Lately, it seems as if my siblings have been ignoring me, except for the eldest. I'm a teenager, and my siblings are older. The eldest tries to involve me in everything she can, but she's moved out of the house. The other two go off and have fun, and when I try to join in, they give me nasty looks and tell me to go away. What should I do about them? — Indiana Teen

Dear Teen: You should recalibrate your expectations. Your siblings are not responsible for your

social life. We know it hurts when they go off without you, but such rudeness is not uncommon. Learn to ignore them. When they leave, casually wave goodbye and be occupied with something else. As vou grow up, this situation will improve, but it will take time.

Meanwhile, phone or text your friends and schedule some activities so you are less focused on what your siblings are doing. It also will make you much more interesting to them if you seem independently busy and happy. If you need help doing this, talk to your parents, your school counselor, a favorite teacher or other trusted adult.

Dear Annie: I'm responding to the comment from "Germantown, Tenn.," about store employees being forced to stand all day. That's part of their job description and how products get to the shelves. In the store that I manage, the older employees never have complained about standing all day. — The Manager

Dear Manager: The fact that your employees don't complain doesn't mean they aren't suffering. Standing is OK if you get to walk around, but otherwise, it is hard on the feet and back.

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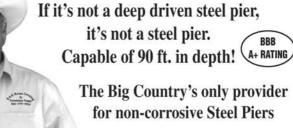
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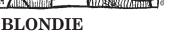
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the 267th day of 2013. There are

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Today's

History:

In 1869, thousands of businessmen were ruined in a Wall Street panic known as Black Friday after financiers Jay Gould and James Fisk attempted to corner the gold market.

In 1929, Lt. James H. Doolittle guided a Consolidated NY-2 Biplane over Mitchel Field in New York in the first all-instrument flight. In 1948, Mildred Gillars,

accused of being Nazi wartime radio propagandist "Axis Sally," pleaded not guilty in Washington, D.C., to charges of treason. Gillars, later convicted, ended up serving 12 years in prison. In 1955, President Dwight D.

Eisenhower suffered a heart attack while on vacation in Denver. In 1961, "Walt Disney's

Wonderful World of Color" premiered on NBC. In 1963, the U.S. Senate ratified a treaty with Britain and

the Soviet Union limiting nuclear testing. In 1969, the trial of the "Chicago Eight" (later seven)

began. Five of the defendants were later convicted of crossing state lines to incite riots at the 1968 Democratic National Convention, but the convictions were ultimately overturned. In 1991, kidnappers in

Lebanon freed British hostage Jack Mann after holding him captive for more than two vears. Children's author Theodor Seuss Geisel (GY'-zul), better known as Dr. Seuss, died in La Jolla, Calif., at age 87.

terrorism, including Islamic militant Osama bin Laden, and urged other nations to do likewise.

Today's Birthdays: Actorsinger Herb Jeffries is 102. Actress Sheila MacRae is 92. Rhythm-and-blues singer Sonny Turner (The Platters) is 74. Singer Barbara Allbut (The Angels) is 73. Singer Phyllis "Jiggs" Allbut (The Angels) is 71. Singer Gerry Marsden (Gerry and the Pacemakers) is 71. News anchor Lou Dobbs is 68. Pro and College Football Hall of Famer Joe Greene is 67. Actor Gordon Clapp is 65.

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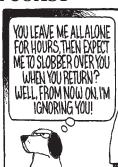
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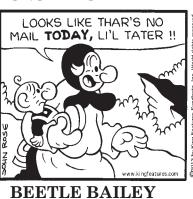








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Pirates clinch 1st postseason berth in 21 years

CHICAGO (AP) — Players chanted "MVP! MVP!" as they doused Andrew McCutchen in the visitors' clubhouse, two decades of futility finally washed away.

The last time the Pirates made the playoffs, Barry Bonds was in the middle of the order. The average price of gas was \$1.13 a gallon.

Yes, it had been that long.

The Pirates are going to the playoffs for the first time in 21 years, clinching at least a National League wild card Monday night when they beat the Chicago Cubs 2-1 and the Washington Nationals lost to St. Louis. And they hope that's just the start, not the end.

"We're definitely not done," McCutchen said. "We've got some games left. We still could move farther."

Now, they can turn their attention toward bigger goals, the kind that seemed like nothing more than a pipe dream through all those losing seasons.

It will be Pittsburgh's first trip to the postseason since Bonds, Jim Leyland and Co. won three straight NL East titles from 1990-92. Bonds then left for San Francisco as a free agent, and the smallbudget Pirates piled up 20 consecutive losing records — the longest streak in the four major professional sports.

"For me, it's not about the last 21 years," Russell Martin said. "For me, it was just about this year, and what we could do this year. They had a good season last year, lost some steam late in September, but I knew that if you're having a good season all the way into September, you know you have a good club."

Starling Marte hit a tiebreaking homer in the ninth inning at Wrigley Field, and the Pirates threw out a runner at the plate for the final out.

The Pirates sprayed each other with bubbly and beer and sparkling cider in the visitors'

clubhouse once St. Louis' 4-3 win over the Nationals became final.

The Cincinnati Reds also clinched at least a wild-card berth, when they beat the New York Mets 3-2 in 10 innings. The Pirates and Reds, both 90-67, trail St. Louis by two games in the NL Central with five to go.

Pittsburgh players sang Journey's "Don't Stop Believing." They took pictures and manager Clint Hurdle had them gather for a group photo in the middle of the cramped visitors' clubhouse.

"The people of Pittsburgh have been waiting a long time," said Neil Walker, who hom-

The Pirates snapped a 1-all tie when Marte sent a drive off Kevin Gregg (2-6) with two outs in the ninth into the left field bleachers.

In a fitting coincidence, they then preserved the victory on the final out in a play at the plate.

McCutchen, the center fielder, picked up Ryan Sweeney's bloop single the playoffs ended with off loud boos for Gregg after right fielder Marlon Byrd failed in trying to scoop up the ball and threw to first baseman Justin Morneau, positioned just in front of the pitcher's mound. Morneau caught the throw on one hop and made the relay to catcher Russell Martin, who applied the tag on Nate Schierholtz trying to score from first base.

Still on his knees, Martin held the ball over his head in jubilation. Then, he heaved the ball toward deep left field as the Pirates celebrated near the mound, and Jason Grilli grabbed him, having escaped with his 32nd save in 34 chances.

"Twenty-one vears since we popped champagne in a Pirates clubhouse — and we're acting like it's been a long time," Hurdle said. "The hard work, the fun. I'm just proud of each and every man in here, the fans they represent, ownership, general manager, president ... the scouts, players. This has been a group

effort for a long time." The Pirates' last trip to Atlanta's Sid Bream sliding home with the winning run in the bottom of the ninth inning of Game 7 of the 1992 NL championship series.

The Cubs tied it in the eighth off Mark Melancon (3-2).

Marte's 12th homer set rates' turn to party.

(2-6), who was almost released last week after going on a rant to reporters when he thought he had lost the closer's job to Pedro Strop.

BIG SPRING HERALD

Atlanta clinched the NL East on Sunday, and this time, it was the Pi-



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junior Josh Means, who placed 12th out of the large field of runners with a time of 17:25.10 Senior Izzak Zamora's time of 17:45.40 earned him a 19th place Freshman Ian Gon-

zales came in 33rd, and a trio of sophomores — Diego Rodriguez, Jose Vargas and Raul Romo rounded out the pack, finishing at 47th, 52nd and 62^{nd,} respectively.

The BSHS boys squad will be competing at home Saturday in the Elgin Suazo Invitational at Big Spring State Park. The District 4-3A meet will also be held in Big Spring Oct. 21 at Comanche Trail Park.

The Big Spring girls saw junior Karina Alvarado finish in 13th with a time of 13:15. Freshman Faith Roberson came in just behind her at 15^{th} with a time of 13:19and sophomore Hannah Alsobrooks finished with a time of 14:24. All three girls ran their best times of the season, according to BSHS Girls CC Coach Kelly Ritchey.

Kaitlyn Matthews, Minter and Autumn Vanderbilt Dyrshae competed in their first ever cross country meet in the junior varsity

division in a field with more than 200 runners.

Next up for the girls will be the Monahans Invitational at Ward County Golf Course in Saturday.

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