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Lenorah man killed in traffic accident

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
 Staff Writer

A 22-year-old man was killed in a two-vehicle collision early Thursday morning on Andrew's Highway. Zachariah Dylan Perez of Lenorah was pronounced dead at the scene of

the accident by Justice of the Peace, Precent 2 Linda Halfmann, according to the Texas Department of Public Safety, Midland office.

A press release from the DPS indicated Perez was driving a 2000 Ford Explorer westbound on SH 176 when

the vehicle drifted into the eastbound land and collided with a 2004 Peterbilt TT and towed unit 2010 Easton Trailer driven by 67-year-old Raymond Lee Moore of Malaga, N.M.

The accident occurred at near mile marker 304, approximately 10 miles

west of Big Spring around 2:30 a.m.

Funeral arrangements for Perez are under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Contact Lyndel Moody at citydesk@bigspringherald.com or by 263-7331.

Kay Smith reception begins at 6

By **ANDREIA MEDLIN**
 Staff Writer

Local artist Kay Smith is drawing the line at the Heritage Museum.

A reception honoring the artist will be held this evening from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the museum, located at 510 Scurry.

Smith, who works almost exclusively in watercolor, also creates pieces in oil, acrylic and collage. A self-taught artist, her works have been published in the Splash artist series, have won many awards and given her an international following.

The exhibit is currently on display and will continue through March 14. Smith's work will also be available for purchase.

Smith is a member of the Caboose Watercolor Society and the Big Spring Art Association. She is the owner of Brushworks, a studio and gallery located at 2106 Scurry.



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

An automobile apparently struck the side of this building on Birdwell Lane near Hilltop Road this morning. No major injuries were reported.



FHS sets sights on Lone Star Cup

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
 Staff Writer

Forsan High School is having a banner year when it comes to its extra-curricular activities.

Current tallies place the Class A Howard County school in third position for the University Interscholastic League Lone Star Cup.

"This is way the UIL keeps up with and awards school districts for their varied participation," explained Forsan

High School Principal Terry McDonald. "It takes in band, all the various athletic events, academic UIL. It's a tabulation throughout the year.

"Right now we are sitting third. We are very pleased with that," McDonald continued. "It's a nice honor to our staff and our students and our community. Our community really supports what we do, no matter what it is, athletically, academically, though the band or academic UIL. We are hoping we can continue that process and hopefully in June stay up in the ranking."

According to the UIL web-

site, the Lone Star Cup award is given to one Texas high school in each of the five UIL classifications and is based on team performance at district and state championships. Each winning school, which is announced in June, receives a trophy and a \$1,000 scholarship from UIL. The contest is open to all UIL participating schools.

This isn't the first time Forsan has received top rankings for its UIL activities. In 2009, the school finished in the top 10 in its class in the cup contest, McDonald said.

"It takes everybody to get in

the top 10," he said. "You can have a great football season and not make it. It has to be one of those years where everything falls into place. Right now, it's middle of the year. We definitely know there is a long way to go before June and hopefully we are heading in the right direction."

Contributing factors to the school's high rank are team fall performances in cross country, which earned a silver medal in the state championship, and in the band. Forsan High School band

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Some flight delays amid cold weather in Texas

DALLAS (AP) — Icy roads and light snow have affected travel in parts of Texas in cold weather-related delays extending to other parts of the country.

Fort Worth-based American Airlines and its regional carriers had about 220 cancellations today due to weather. Spokeswoman Mary Frances Fagan says

the cancellations are systemwide.

Minor flight delays were reported by Dallas-based Southwest Airlines, mainly in Houston, Austin and San Antonio. The National Weather Service issued a winter storm warning for those areas until midday today.

The Houston Independent School Dis-

trict, the state's largest with more than 210,000 students, canceled classes Friday due to inclement weather. Icy roads made travel hazardous.

CPS Energy reported nearly 2,800 customers without electricity in the San Antonio area. Oncor had about 1,400 outages, mainly in the freezing Dallas area.

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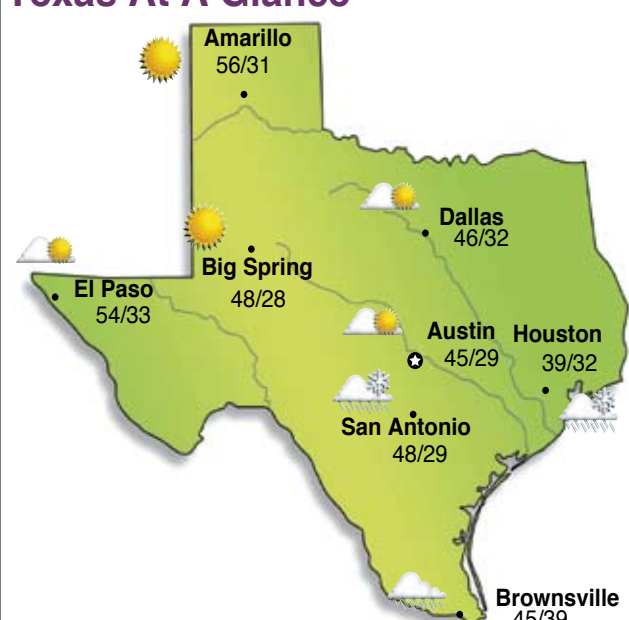
Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast

Sat 1/25	Sun 1/26	Mon 1/27	Tue 1/28	Wed 1/29
48/28 Mainly sunny. High 48F. Winds SW at 10 to 15 mph.	67/37 Considerable cloudiness. Highs in the upper 60s and lows in the upper 30s.	71/34 Sunny. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the mid 30s.	53/20 A few clouds. Highs in the low 50s and lows in the low 20s.	44/21 Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 40s and lows in the low 20s.
Sunrise: 7:44 AM Sunset: 6:12 PM	Sunrise: 7:44 AM Sunset: 6:13 PM	Sunrise: 7:43 AM Sunset: 6:14 PM	Sunrise: 7:43 AM Sunset: 6:15 PM	Sunrise: 7:42 AM Sunset: 6:16 PM



Texas At A Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	49	34	pt sunny
Amarillo	56	31	sunny
Austin	45	29	pt sunny
Beaumont	40	31	mixed
Brownsville	45	39	rain
Brownwood	49	33	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	42	38	rain
Corsicana	44	31	pt sunny
Dallas	46	32	pt sunny
Del Rio	50	35	pt sunny
El Paso	54	33	pt sunny
Fort Stockton	52	37	pt sunny
Gainesville	43	29	sunny
Greenville	43	29	pt sunny
Houston	39	32	mixed
Kingsville	46	37	rain
Livingston	40	27	pt sunny
Longview	45	32	pt sunny
Lubbock	54	24	sunny
Lufkin	43	28	pt sunny
Midland	50	34	sunny
Raymondville	43	38	rain
Rosenberg	39	32	mixed
San Antonio	48	29	mixed
San Marcos	46	30	mixed
Sulphur Springs	45	33	sunny
Sweetwater	49	33	pt sunny
Tyler	44	32	pt sunny
Weatherford	45	30	pt sunny
Wichita Falls	48	31	sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	33	20	sunny
Boston	16	9	sunny
Chicago	23	21	sn shower
Dallas	46	32	pt sunny
Minneapolis	36	2	sn shower
New York	19	14	mst sunny
Phoenix	71	49	pt sunny
San Francisco	67	44	pt sunny

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 25th
12th Annual Children-in-Need Chili Cook Off.
Contact: **Amy Vidal** at **432-263-0007**

January 31st
Nashville Recording Artist Moot Davis:
Hotel Settles
Contact: **432-267-7500.**

February 3rd
Chamber Banquet Meeting:
Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.
Contact: **Debbie ValVerde** at **432-263-7641**

February 15th
Run2Love2Run:
Big Spring State Park
Contact: **permianbasinevents.com**

Support Groups

SATURDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. No smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 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.

MONDAY

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

Obituaries

Evelyn L. Merrill Minear



Evelyn L. Merrill Minear passed away at her home Monday, Jan. 20, 2014. She was born Sept. 16, 1913, to E.D. Merrill and Irene Merrill in Big Spring, Texas. The family moved to Baird, Texas, and then returned to Big Spring in 1926. Evelyn attended school and worked for three years after completing high school in Big Spring. She attended the first IBM school in Dallas and returned to Big Spring and worked for Cosden Refinery Co. for 16 years. Evelyn married Roy A. Minear of Midland, Texas, on Dec. 31, 1957, where they resided until his death in 1984, and she continued to reside. They had many years of travel together, a passion Evelyn continued, traveling to many interesting parts of the world. Evelyn was a true “people person” and loved visiting with friends around the world. As a result of friendships made through her travels, she especially enjoyed having young friends visit her from both the Netherlands and Turkey. Evelyn was considered to be a great horsewoman, even possessing the art of riding sidesaddle. She led an active life and was a member of the Presbyterian Church, Tejas Garden Club, 20th Century Study Club, Downtown Lions Club, En

Amie Book Review Club, Santa Rita Club, The Petroleum Museum, The Petroleum Club of Midland and was an honorary director of West Texas Boys Ranch, where a dormitory home is named after the Minears. She is survived by her step-daughter, Peggy Minear Cook of Albuquerque, N.M.; two step-granddaughters, Shiva Hardee and her husband Rodney Hardee of Albuquerque, N.M., and Shawn Bransford and her husband Michael Bransford of Santa Fe, N.M.; six great grandchildren; and 10 great-great grandchildren. Services are being conducted in the Chapel of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home at 3800 N. Big Spring St. in Midland on Saturday, Jan. 25, 2014, at 1 p.m., officiated by the Rev. Steve Schorr of First Presbyterian Church of Midland. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park. Special appreciation is extended to her caregivers, Opal Anders, Frances Ratliff, Nelda Saunders and Latrisha Satterwhite. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland, TX 79702 or West Texas Boys Ranch, 10223 Boys Ranch Road, San Angelo, TX 76904. 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

Athol ‘Jess’ Atkins

Athol “Jess” Atkins, 83, of Midland, died Saturday, Jan. 18, 2014. The family will receive friends on Monday, Jan. 27, 2014, from 5-7 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Midland. Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2014 at 10 a.m. at West Kentucky Baptist Church in Midland

with Brother Bob Porterfield officiating. Graveside services will be on Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2014, at 1 p.m. at Trinity Memorial Park Cemetery in Big Spring, Texas. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Midland. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com.

Dorothy Bloom

Dorothy Bloom, 67, of Big Spring, died Thursday, Jan. 23, 2014 at her residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Sondra Williams

Sondra Williams, 50, of Big Spring, died Thursday, Jan. 23, 2014 at her residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Police blotter

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

- JOLINDA SALAZAR FLORES**, 23, of 1107 W. 7th St., was arrested Thursday on a warrant from another agency.
- DON LLOYD BROOKS**, 27, of 1712 E. 15th St., was arrested Thursday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance greater than 1 gram.
- CHRISTOPHER JAMES DUFORAT**, 26, of 19201 S. Highway 87, was arrested on a warrant from another agency, driving while license invalid, fail to display drivers license and two counts of fail to appear.
- LACEY JANELLE CASTILLO**, 27, of 1105 Mesa, was arrested Thursday on charges of possession of a controlled substance 3 less than 28 grams and possession of marijuana less than or equal to 2 ounces.
- KING WAZURI TERRELL**, 21, of 3108 Live Oak, Dallas, Texas, was arrested on two warrants from another agency, disregard stop sign and fail to appear.
- MICHAEL THOMAS MARQUEZ**, 34, of 2613 Ent, was arrested Thursday on a warrant for criminal mischief \$50 but less than \$500.
- THADDEUS ONTARIO STRAUGHTER**, 23, of 1401 Virginia, was arrested Friday on a charge of unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon.
- MINOR ACCIDENT** reported at the 1100 block of Lamesa Highway.
- ASSAULT** was reported at the 1900 block of Morrison.
- THEFT** was reported at the 3600 block of W. Highway 80 and the 4900 block of Wasson.
- SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported at the 1300 block of Lindberg.
- CREDIT/DEBIT CARD ABUSE** reported at the 3600 block of W. Highway 80.
- DISTURBANCE** reported at the 4000 block of

Parkway.

- UNWANTED SUBJECT** reported at the 1600 block of E. 6th St.

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

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 71 inmates at the time of this report.

- JOLINDA FLORES** was booked by BSPD on a motion to revoke probation for possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces.
- CHRISTOPHER JAMES DUFORAT** was booked by BSPD on a motion to revoke probation for driving while intoxicated, driving while license invalid, fail to display drivers license and two counts of fail to appear.
- DON LLOYD BROOKS** was booked by BSPD on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- LACEY JANELLE CASTILLO** was booked by BSPD on charges of possession of a controlled substance and possession of marijuana.
- KING WAZURI TERRELL** was booked by BSPD on charges of disregard stop sign, violate promise to appear, aggravated robbery and bond forfeiture/theft greater than \$50 but less than \$500.
- MICHAEL THOMAS MARQUEZ** was booked by BSPD on a charge of criminal mischief greater than \$50 but less than \$500.
- THADDEUS ONTARIO STRAUGHTER** was booked by BSPD on a charge of unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon.

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

Saturday:

- MEDICAL** call reported at Highland Heather. One patient transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL** call reported at the 1200 block of Ridgeroad. One patient transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL** call reported at the 1000 block of E. 12th St. One patient transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL** call reported at the 500 block of W. 17th St. One patient transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA** call reported at the 1500 block of Highway 350. One patient transported to SMMC.

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Support Groups

- FRIDAY**
- AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.
- SATURDAY**
- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday 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.
- MONDAY**
- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, noon-1 p.m., 615 Settles.
 - PEP — Parent Education Program for CPS participating and non-participating parents, single parent, grandparents, adoptive or fostering parents. Every first and fourth Monday of the month from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Northside Community Center. Classes are free. For information, call 263-2673.
 - VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.
 - Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) TX 0021 meets at First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad, in the dining hall on the east side of the building. Weigh-in starts at 5 p.m. and meeting starts at 5:30 p.m. We have a different program each week. For more information, please call 517-4922 or 935-6306.
 - Circle of Hope, a Celebrate Recovery group, meets at 6:30-8 p.m. at Spring Creek Fellowship, located in the College Park Shopping Center. Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery program dealing with life's hang-ups, hurts and habits, covering many areas. Circle of Hope group is a ministry of Spring Creek Fellowship. For further information, contact Dale at 432-270-8462.
 - Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the back of the church.
 - Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Baptist Temple Church Fellowship Hall, 400 E. 11th Place. Open meeting at 7 p.m.
- TUESDAY**
- Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.
 - Special Parents for Special Children support group meets the first Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at Elbow Elementary. Contact Kerri Rosenbaum at 432-816-3320 or kerriroosenbaum9488@msn.com
 - VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.
 - Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

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earned a silver medal at state marching contest in October after winning both the region and all-region contests.

"It's nice to see your school's name out there and your kids and your community out there and it kind of makes you think that you are doing something right," McDonald said.

Take Note

- Healthy Woman is "Celebrating 5 Flamboyant Years" on Feb. 27. The anniversary event will take place at Dora Roberts Community Center. A free Health Expo will take place from 4:30 p.m.-6 p.m. and the dinner and speaker will begin at 6 p.m. Tickets for the dinner go on sale Feb. 3. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Healthy Woman Coordinators Amanda Duforat at 268-4699 or Anita Cline at 268-4721.
- The Powwow Committee of Big Spring is under new leadership, and, leaders say, is taking a new path. "We are seeking new members and volunteers to walk this path with us and share in our vision," said Randy McKinney, committee vice president. "Come and join us in this journey to a new future." Powwow Big Spring will host its 10th intertribal powwow April 5-6 at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. For more information on the organization or to join, contact McKinney at 432-267-4843 or President Richard Lesser at 432-935-0125.
- The community is invited to join Scenic Mountain Medical Center and Family Medical Center as we bid a fond farewell to Alan Abel, MD on Jan. 29 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. with a come and go reception. The celebration will take place in the Surgical Clinic at the Malone and Hogan building.
- Spring of Siloam Christian Women's Job Corps offers 12 weeks of job training for women seeking employment or better employment. We provide computer training, resume preparation, and interview skills in a Christian setting. We also have a free certified nurses aide training program. The next session starts Feb. 3. Applications are being accepted now. For more information or to get an application, call 432-517-4627. Leave a message and your phone number if there is no answer.
- Big Spring Second Chance Rescue (BSSCR) is in need of donations to help spay and neuter rescued dogs, so they can go to a home. The canine rescue organization has incurred a lot of expenses in obtaining its 501c3 status along with trying to obtain a Tax ID and subsequent Texas filing fees. Just to file the 501c3 cost the rescue more than \$500. Any amount is appreciated. Make checks payable to BSSCR, P.O. Box 2775, Big Spring, Texas, 79720; by credit card at 432-816-2555; or at Highland Animal Clinic, 3600 S. Hwy. 87, Big Spring, Texas 79720; or www.youcaring.com/pet-expenses/bsscr/74800
- The Big Spring Pow Wow Committee meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Monday of each month at the Sparenburg Building, 309 S. Main. Whether you are a Native American or interested in Native American culture and would like to be a part of the 10th anniversary of the Big Spring Pow Wow, you are invited. For more information, call Richard Lesser at 432-935-0125 or Randy McKinney at 432-267-4843.
- Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to violent crimes of assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies as needed. If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process background check and attend training. We need you. For more information, call Linda Calvio at 432-263-3312.
- The Big Spring State Hospital 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

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

- Crossroads Hospice is in need of volunteers. Volunteers are the backbone of the hospice team, by bringing light and love into people's lives. For more information on joining, contact Eva Robison at 432-263-5300 or come by 421 S. Main.

- Do you have a minute? An hour? How about making a difference in someone's life? Become a hospice volunteer. One hour a month can make a difference. Whether it's visiting a patient or working in the office or helping with a craft, you can make a difference. We can work around your schedule. If interested, please call Kara Daniels at Compass Hospice, 432-263-5999, or apply in person at 602 S. Main St.

- You don't have to be a senior citizen to enjoy country-western dancing. The 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.

- Home Hospice is seeking volunteers. Volunteers are needed for in office duties as well as sitters, deliveries and crafts. To find out more information or to volunteer, call 264-7599.

- 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 800-926-5630 or 432-686-0647.

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Speck Bray, 69, died Tuesday. Visitation is 5:30 - 7 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral Services are 2 p.m. Saturday at Myers & Smith with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Sondra Williams, 50, died Thursday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Dorothy Bloom, 67, died Thursday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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Sat.: 1:15 7:15
Digital Fri.: 4:15 9:45
Sat.: 4:15 9:45

Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit PG-13
Digital Fri.: 4:30 7:30 10:15
Sat.: 1:30 4:30 7:30 10:15

**MINUTES OF COUNTY FINANCES
TREASURER'S REPORT**

IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY FINANCES IN THE HANDS OF TERESA THOMAS TREASURER OF HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS IN REGULAR SESSION JANUARY TERM 2014

IN ACCORDANCE with Section 114.026, Local Government Code, we, the undersigned, constituting the entire Commissioners Court of said County, certify that on the 13th day of January, 2014 at the Regular term of Court, we compared and examined the monthly report of TERESA THOMAS, Treasurer of Howard County, Texas, for December 31, 2013, and finding the same correct, entered an order in the Minutes approving said Report, which states total cash and other assets on hand as \$13,682,959.89.

Mark Barr, County Judge
Oscar Garcia, Commissioner Pct. 1
Donnie Baker, Commissioner Pct. 2
Jimmie Long, Commissioner Pct. 3
John Cline, Commissioner Pct. 4

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, by Mark Barr, County Judge, and County Commissioners of said Howard County, each respectively, on this the 13th day of January, 2014.

Attest: Donna Wright, County Clerk

FILED FOR RECORD THIS 13TH DAY OF January, 2014, and recorded on the 13th day of January, 2014.

Donna Wright,
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**MINUTES OF COUNTY FINANCES
TREASURER'S REPORT**

IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY FINANCES IN THE HANDS OF TERESA THOMAS TREASURER OF HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS IN REGULAR SESSION JANUARY TERM 2014

IN ACCORDANCE with Section 114.026, Local Government Code, we, the undersigned, constituting the entire Commissioners Court of said County, certify that on the 13th day of January, 2014 at the Regular term of Court, we compared and examined the monthly report of TERESA THOMAS, Treasurer of Howard County, Texas, for September 30, 2013, and finding the same correct, entered an order in the Minutes approving said Report, which states total cash and other assets on hand as \$13,420,769.71.

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SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, by Mark Barr, County Judge, and County Commissioners of said Howard County, each respectively, on this the 13th day of January, 2014.

Attest: Donna Wright, County Clerk

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Opinion

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

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Are two hops enough?

Or do we really need three? And why are we announcing to the world what calls we won't be monitoring?

Listening to our president, I am at a loss. He is giving a speech. That's what it sounds like. He is announcing that from now on, "We will only pursue phone calls that are two steps removed from a number associated with a terrorist organization instead of three."

Is that good? Later, the pundits will explain that this would dramatically limit the scope of the information we collect. Score one for the liberals who otherwise don't think the president has gone far enough. They are otherwise unhappy, seemingly even unhappier than those who worry that he may be going too far.

Is two "hope" enough? How would I know? People keep measuring our collective opinion, when, truth be told, 99 percent of us have absolutely no basis for an opinion. Chocolate or vanilla? Have three hops saved lives? Would we have known from just two hops?

And really, so what if you know that? That's the sneaky thing about terrorism. It's all about surprising us, catching us off guard, so you have to be on guard that much more.



SUSAN ESTRICH

Unpredictable. Did we really just announce that if you add one more middle person, we won't be pursuing you?

It would be reassuring to sit back, the way people used to do when we went to doctors, and leave it all in their hands. What do I know, we would say, entrusting ourselves sometimes to geniuses and sometimes to fools, sometimes to people who really do know better and sometimes less so. How to be sure? Produce your own health care, we now say to each other. Bring an advocate. Do your homework.

I can't produce my own terrorist alert system. I've been doing my homework, and it mostly leaves me confused.

Not only do I not know what the answer is, but I also have no particular reason to assume anyone else does, even when they give me an answer. This is what I have learned from doing homework. The people who should don't necessarily know better than me; they definitely know more, but not necessarily better.

Did we move from three to two because we are absolutely certain that it will not endanger us, or was someone looking for at least one bullet point for the speech that would indicate that the administration is trimming the NSA's sails? Two instead of three. It has a ring to it.

And I can't blame the president for not telling me more, telling me how they decided that two steps would be enough, or what numbers, exactly, we are talking about. My goodness, I'm nervous

that he told me the bottom line, much less the details supporting it.

And that leaves me with this. It's the worst thing a civil libertarian could say, because it's exactly what I'm not supposed to do. I'm not supposed to say, well, yes, it intrudes on privacy, but it's OK because I trust the guy who happens to occupy the hot seat right now. No, I'm supposed to assume the guy (or gal) I never agree with is in that hot seat, and only if I'd trust my nemesis with the decision should government wield the power.

But that doesn't quite work here. Government has to have the power to protect us against terrorism. And they can't do so transparently. So the only thing a good civil libertarian can do is ask the hard questions about the person who would exercise that power, not try to erect rules that would make it abuse-proof. I want the president (and whoever replaces him in three years) to talk to us, to explain how they think about privacy and terror, how they approach the questions, not how they answer them, so I can decide whom to trust. That may be all we can do.

To find out more about Susan Estrich and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate website at www.creators.com.

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Cuba's Jose Marti's legacy lives here

You may have listened to his verses in the old Cuban song "Guan-tanamera." You may have seen his impressive statue in New York's Central Park. You may have heard him mentioned when Cuban-Americans and Washington politicians have discussed the U.S. government radio and TV stations that bear his name or when people have been talking about streets, parks, schools or theaters that were named after him — in Cuba, the United States and throughout the Americas.

His name was Jose Marti. You may know him as the still-revered poet, journalist and revolutionary leader of the Cuban struggle for independence from Spain in the late 19th century, or as the remarkable writer and stirring speaker who fostered the ideals of freedom and democracy in Spanish America.

This week, you even could be attending a civic or cultural event to commemorate the 161th anniversary of his birth, which was in Havana on Jan. 28, 1853. All over this country and hemisphere, there will be a multitude of banquets, lectures, recitals, writings and exhibits devoted to promoting Marti's teachings. And yet you may not realize that Marti's most important work — his legacy — was made while he lived in New York City during the last 15 years of his life.

Latin American history books are filled with patriots whose most valuable contributions were made while they lived in exile in the United States. And perhaps Marti is the best example. It was here that Marti developed his concepts of liberation and emancipation. It was here that he represented the aspirations of all oppressed people struggling to be free.

Between 1880 and 1895, from his Greenwich Village apartment, Marti emerged and flourished as a brilliant defender of liberty. He wrote an amazing volume of poems, novels, letters and newspaper articles that inspired many generations of

Latinos to stand up and fight for freedom and democracy. He was a correspondent for various Latin American publications and a writer for the old New York Sun, becoming this country's first Hispanic columnist in an English-language newspaper.

But perhaps his greatest accomplishment was the way he managed to unite Cuban freedom fighters, in exile and on the island. It was his leadership, charisma and reputable integrity that enabled the formation of the Cuban Revolutionary Party and led to the eventual defeat of Spanish forces on the island in 1898.

But Marti never saw a free Cuba. He was killed by Spanish forces, at the age of 42, on May 19, 1895 — only days after returning to the Caribbean island to launch the Cuban War of Independence from Spain, also known as the Spanish-American War. His Central Park statue depicts the moment when he was fatally wounded as he rode a horse into battle at Dos Rios, in Cuba's Oriente province. Those who fought for Cuba's freedom had lost their most prominent civilian leader, but Cuba and all the former Spanish colonies had gained an eternal martyr.

The teachings of the Apostle of Cuban Independence, as Marti became known, spread like wildfire throughout the Americas, where homes and public buildings were adorned with images of the man with the broad forehead, thick mustache and sincere smile. Latin American children were taught to emulate this ideal man, who was strong enough to be willing to die for his country yet sensitive enough to write beautiful love poems.

However, Marti was such a prolific writer that his ideas have been extracted — and taken out of context — to defend almost any point of view, much in the same way that the Bible often is quoted to make opposing arguments.

Amazingly, at a time when Latin America is sharply divided between socialists and capitalists, both sides can claim Marti as one of their own.

Depending on the perspective from which he is seen, Marti either was strongly anti-American or favored a Latin America in

the image of the United States — either "the intellectual author" of today's Communist Cuba or a Cuban who would be exiled in New York — if he were alive today — still struggling to free his homeland.

In Cuba, the communists argue that Fidel and Raul Castro are completing Marti's revolution by defying the United States. But in this country, Cuban-Americans believe Marti could have been one of today's Cuban rafters, once again fleeing the island to be able to express himself freely, or perhaps one of Castro's political prisoners, serving time for writing articles that would be considered "counterrevolutionary."

Indeed, some of Marti's writings, from more than a century ago, are censored in Communist Cuba, where the government is very selective about what the public is allowed to read.

Cuban schools and books promote Marti's line about having lived in the "monster" that is the United States, but they censor his warning about the dangers of socialism and totalitarian leaders.

"One revolution is still necessary," Marti wrote in his day, though someone just as easily could write this about the Castro regime today, "the one that will not end with the rule of its leader."

That's the side of Marti that Cubans on the island are not allowed to know. "A nation is not governed like you command a military camp," Marti wrote. But those are the writings Cubans are not allowed to see.

Because they are told that the Castro dictatorship was Marti's idea, many young Cubans grow up hating a man they should admire.

"If that was Marti's dream," a young Cuban once told me shortly after escaping from the island, "damned be the hour when he fell asleep."

Carved on a wall at Jose Marti Park in Union City, N.J., the Cuban apostle's words describe the reason Cuban-Americans gather there instead of in Havana to play their beloved game of dominoes. "Man loves liberty, even if he does not know that he loves

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DAILY PRAYER

May we remain diligent about reading Your word, Lord, for our life.

Amen



BSHS STEER CHEER MINI CAMP 2014!

The BSHS Varsity Cheerleaders will be offering a mini-cheer camp for girls Kinder through 5th grade. No preschoolers. Cost is \$60.00 per child. They will receive a BSHS cheer camp t-shirt as well as other "goodies" throughout the camp. Campers will perform at the half time game of the Big Spring Steers Boys Varsity game. The girls will learn a cheer, a chant, and a dance.

The camp will be held at Steer Gym on:
Sunday, February 2nd from 2:00pm to 4:00pm
Monday, February 3rd from 6:00pm to 7:00pm.

The performance will be on Tuesday, February 4th during the boy's half time game. The game will start at 7:30pm, cheerleaders will perform around 8:15pm.

Girls will need a black pair of shorts or workout pants for performance.
This will not be provided.

Signups for the camp will be January 15th through January 29th, 2014. All forms must be completed and turned in to Ashley Phinney at Big Spring High School's front office. **Payment is due at sign-up.**

If you have any questions please feel free to email Ashley Phinney at aphinney@bsisd.esc18.net. You may also call the front office of the high school and leave a message.

Space is limited so please sign up early.

We accept cash, checks or money orders.
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Thanks!

Ashley Phinney and Meredith Skaggs, BSHS Cheer Sponsors



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Child's Name: _____ Grade: _____

School she attends: _____

Parent Name: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Parent email address: _____

Does your child have any allergies or health problems that we need to be aware

of? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please explain _____

Shirt size (circle):

Y- Small Y-Medium Y- Large A-Small A-Medium A Large

*Parents, if your child is not willing to participate or behave during the camp we will call you to come pick them up immediately. Due to the cost of conducting the camp, no refunds will be given for any reason. Payment is due at the time you turn in your application. Please make sure your child arrives on time and is picked up on time. Your signature at the bottom of this application certifies that you fully understand.

Parent Signature: _____

News in brief

Bombings rock Egyptian capital, killing 5 people and raising fears of spreading militancy

CAIRO (AP) — Three bombings hit high-profile areas around Cairo on Friday, including a suicide car bomber who struck the city's police headquarters, killing five people in the first major attack on the Egyptian capital as insurgents step up a campaign of violence following the ouster of the Islamist president.

Nobody claimed responsibility for the attacks, but they bore the hallmarks of Islamic extremists who have increasingly targeted police and the military since the July 3 coup against Mohammed Morsi and a fierce crackdown on his supporters led by the Muslim Brotherhood.

The explosions struck as the country was on high alert ahead of the third anniversary of the Jan. 25 start of the 2011 uprising that toppled autocratic leader Hosni Mubarak. Morsi's supporters had vowed to use the event to gain momentum in their efforts turn to a new momentum to "break the coup."

Friday's violence began when a suicide bomber rammed a car into cement blocks surrounding the main Egyptian police headquarters in the heart of Cairo, killing at least four people and sending billows of black smoke into the sky. The blast also tore through nearby buildings, including the renowned Museum of Islamic Art.

Hagel, citing trust and safety implications of nuke 'personnel failures,' orders force review

WASHINGTON (AP) — It began with his brief mention last fall of "troubling lapses" in the nuclear force. Weeks later Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel turned up the heat a notch by paying a rare visit to a nuclear missile base. And on Thursday he dropped his bombshell: a demand for quick answers to what ails this most sensitive of military missions.

"Personnel failures within this force threaten to jeopardize the trust the American people have placed in us to keep our nuclear weapons safe and secure," Hagel wrote in unusually pointed language to a dozen top officials.

Hagel ordered immediate actions to define the depth of trouble inside the nuclear force, particularly the Air Force's intercontinental ballistic missile force, which has been rocked by disclosures about security lapses, poor discipline, weak morale and other problems that raise questions about nuclear security.

It amounted to the most significant expression of high-level Pentagon concern about the nuclear force since 2008, when then-Defense Secretary Robert Gates fired the top uniformed and civilian officials in the Air Force following a series of mistakes that included a cross-country flight by a B-52 bomber that mistakenly had been armed with nuclear-tipped cruise missiles.

No face-to-face meeting in Syrian peace talks proves disappointment

GENEVA (AP) — Direct talks planned between President Bashar Assad's government and the Western-backed opposition hoping to overthrow him were scrapped Friday, and the two sides will meet a U.N. mediator in different rooms at different times.

The separate meetings are a major

setback for a peace conference that has been on the verge of collapse since it was first floated in 2012 as a path out of the civil war that began as a peaceful uprising against President Bashar Assad.

U.N. mediator Lakhdar Brahimi was meeting first with a government delegation and later Friday with representatives from the Syrian National Coalition, said U.N. spokeswoman Alessandra Vellucci.

Bouthaina Shaaban, an advisor to Assad who traveled to Geneva for the talks, blamed the coalition and questioned whether it is prepared to negotiate an end to the violence.

Ukraine protesters seize government ministry, continue to occupy several local administrations

KIEV, Ukraine (AP) — Protesters on Friday seized a government building in the Ukrainian capital while also maintaining their siege of several governors' offices in the country's west, raising the pressure on the government.

After meeting with President Viktor Yanukovich for several hours late Thursday, opposition leaders told the crowds that he had promised to ensure the release of dozens of protesters detained after clashes with police, and stop further detentions. They urged the protesters to maintain a shaky truce following violent street battles in the capital, but were booed by demonstrators eager to resume clashes with police.

The truce has held, but early Friday protesters broke into the downtown building of the Ministry of Agricultural Policy, meeting no resistance. "We need to keep people warm in the frost," said one of the protesters, Andriy Moiseenko. "We cannot have people sleeping in tents all the time."

The demonstrators allowed ministry workers to take their possessions, but wouldn't allow them to go to work.

20 years old, FDA is remaking the nutrition facts panel on the backs of food packages

WASHINGTON (AP) — After 20 years, the nutrition facts label on the back of food packages is getting a makeover.

Knowledge about nutrition has evolved since the early 1990s, and the Food and Drug Administration says the labels need to reflect that.

Nutritionists and other health experts have their own wish list for label changes.

The number of calories should be more prominent, they say, and the amount of added sugar and percentage of whole wheat in the food should be included.

Iowa, NH would retain presidential influence in new GOP rules that shorten primary process

WASHINGTON (AP) — Iowa and New Hampshire would retain their coveted spots atop the presidential primary calendar, according to new rules set to be approved by Republican leaders that could reshape the 2016 presidential election.

South Carolina and Nevada would also secure top spots, as they have in the past, as part of a larger plan that would significantly shorten the GOP's presidential selection process.

Friday's vote comes as the Republican National Committee works to create an easier path to the White House for its next nominee.

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it," Marti wrote. "He is driven by it and flees from where it does not exist."

With the passage of time, U.S. Latinos could be expected to slowly forget their homeland heroes. But when those heroes also lived here, when they were also pioneers of the U.S. Latino community, we continue to identify with their struggle for freedom and social justice — especially when

their fight does not appear to be over.

As this country's pioneer Hispanic columnist, Marti even outlined the mission for Latino journalists today and the path I have chosen to follow with my own column: "What I want is to demonstrate that we are good people, industrious, and capable," he wrote in a letter to a friend in Mexico. "For each offense, a reply ... (made) more effective by its moderation. For each false assertion about our countries, an immedi-

ate correction. For each defect, apparently just, which is thrown in our faces, the historical explanation which will excuse it, and proof of the capacity to remedy it. It would seem to me that I were being derelict in my duty if I should not realize this thought."

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Church News

Blessed Hands Deaf Church

Blessed Hands Deaf Church meets Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m. for worship services. Pastor Jim Walterhouse, and wife Debbie, are delighted to invite you to join this growing congregation in praising God for all the great things He is doing through, and in, the deaf community in the Big Spring area. Currently, Blessed Hands Deaf Church meets inside First Baptist Church at 705 W. FM 700.

First Baptist Church

Join us Sunday morning at 10:50 as we come together to worship God and praise Him for this new year. Bring your smart phone, iPad or Kindle Fire and interact with the sermon through You Version, as Pastor Mark Lindsey preaches the morning message titled "A Guide for Growth," drawn from 2 Peter 3:14-18. This teaching encourages us to be diligent in seeking the Lord and following after holiness and peace with God through our Savior Jesus Christ. Sunday evening worship service begins at 6 with Pastor Lindsey teaching "Surrender Your Time to God," inspired from Proverbs 3:1-4. Sunday school classes for all life stages and age groups begin at 9:30. Come early for donuts, coffee,

and fellowship.

Children, K-6 grade, meet at 9:30 on the first floor in the Good News Garage. After a time of praise and worship, they go to their age specific groups. The Gospel Project literature for kids brings the Bible into the lives of these little ones in a new and refreshing way.

Youth gather in the second floor youth department at 9:30 and 6 each Sunday. Youth Pastor Jonathan Raffini is dedicated to equipping teens with the foundational truth that is only found in God's Word. A retreat is planned for high school students in March. Please contact Jonathan at 267-8223 for additional information.

AWANA, a fun scripture memory program, meets at 5:30 Sunday. All children K through grade 6 are invited.

Upward Basketball continues each Saturday. Go to fbcbigspring.org for complete team schedules and come on out to cheer on these young players.

FBC Mother's Day Out program is going strong each Tuesday and Thursday. Contact Tracy Boeker at tboeker90@gmail.com or call 267-8223 for information about any openings.

Wednesday evenings begin with a meal from 5 to 6 in the Family Life Center; join us for chicken spa-

ghetti on Jan. 29. Afterward, come sing with us in Adult Choir practice; additional activities include mission groups for kids, prayer meeting and Bible study for youth and adults. Go to fbcbigspring.org for details.

Are you desiring a deeper relationship with God or do you have questions about what it means to be a Christian? Please stop by First Baptist Church or call 267-8223 and someone will be happy to listen, pray with you and talk with you about Jesus Christ, our Savior and friend.

First Baptist Church is located at 705 W. FM 700. There is always a place for you at First Baptist Church.

Spring Creek Fellowship

Our SCF cooking team will host a benefit to raise funds to help cover medical costs for Julia Wilson on Saturday, Feb. 1, at Froyo's & More on FM 700 from noon to 6. They will be selling a brisket sandwich with beans, potato salad and dessert for \$10. Froyo's & More will also donate \$1 for each benefit meal sold. Come and show your support for Julia and her family. If you would like to help

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Better than Duck Tape or WD-40

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that any of us ever really need. For anything that should move, but doesn't, the sure-fire solution is WD-40. The super-powered lubricant is guaranteed to work on nuts and bolts, hinges, doorknobs, and dozens of other stiff-jointed objects. I've even heard rumors that it can cure arthritis.

On the other hand, anything that does move when it shouldn't needs only a few strips of Duck Tape for immobilization. For those who are more concerned about function than aesthetics, Duck Tape works just fine. Once it sticks to the object in question, it forms an almost till-death-do-us-part

relationship. It is not just for connecting ductwork. Rips and tears disappear below the silver surface. Broken pieces are joined together again, and things that flap lose their flutter.

While duct tape and lubricants definitely have a place in our home-repair kits, our spiritual repair kits may need a more powerful tool. When it comes to patching up emotional and spiritual hurts, we don't need tape and oil. The only tool we need is a Bible.

Sometimes in life, we find ourselves in tight spots where we can't seem to turn to the left or to the right. We are immobilized by circumstances that seem

hopeless. We are frozen by fear and anxiety. We are stuck in our tracks without the strength to pull ourselves free.

The Scripture, however, can lubricate us to freedom with an encouraging word: "I can do all things through Him who strengthens me" (Philippians 4:13 NASB).

When we can't free ourselves from whatever holds us captive, we can turn to Christ to help us break free. He can dissolve the rust and grime that bind us. He can mobilize us into useful, functional followers of God.

At other times, we find ourselves flapping out of control because of some broken or torn dimension of our lives.

We need the discipline and security of a restraint that binds like tape. God's Word is there to meet the need: "All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for

every good work" (2 Timothy 4:3 NASB).

Duck Tape and WD-40 may be the only tools some of us will ever need, but God's Word is an even better option.

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

sudoku

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

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4		5		3		9		1
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		9	2					6
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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Bidding Quiz

You are South, and the bidding has gone:

West North East South

1 ♠ Dblc Pass ?

What would you bid with each of the following five hands?

- ♠ 74 ♥ QJ5 ♦ KJ872 ♣ K93
- ♠ 104 ♥ Q642 ♦ KJ97 ♣ 875
- ♠ KJ85 ♥ Q7 ♦ 1043 ♣ AJ96
- ♠ 6 ♥ AQ96532 ♦ J96 ♣ 42
- ♠ Q75 ♥ 9763 ♦ AJ8 ♣ AK5

1. **Three diamonds.** A takout double indicates the values for at least an opening bid, but you don't respond to it in the same way as you would to an opening bid. This is because partner's double forces you to act, so he must allow for the possibility that you might have no points at all. It is therefore incumbent upon you to differentiate between a forced response and a positive one. The usual guidelines are to respond to the double by bidding your longest suit at the lowest level with zero to eight points and to make a jump-response with nine points or more.

In this case, where you hold 10 high-card points, you should jump to three diamonds. This tells partner that you have significantly greater values than he could expect if you had made the minimum response of two diamonds.

2. **Two hearts.** Here you have a fair hand, but you're still two or three points short of the values for a jump-response. Note that you bid two

hearts rather than two diamonds. This is because you want to encourage partner to bid again, and he's more likely to do so when there's a possibility of a 10-trick game in hearts rather than an 11-trick game in diamonds. If partner raises to three hearts, you will gladly go on to four.

3. **Two notrump.** Your weakness in hearts and diamonds shouldn't stop you from bidding two notrump with 11 high-card points. Partner almost certainly has strength in both of those suits. It would be wrong to bid three clubs with a hand so admirably suited for notrump.

4. **Four hearts.** High-card points are not the sole determining factor in making a jump-response, since tricks, not points, are what really count in bridge. This hand rates to produce seven tricks, and partner, for his double, figures to provide at least three more. Note that the proper bid is four hearts, not three, which would merely invite partner to go to game.

5. **Two spades.** When partner doubles for takeout and you have 14 high-card points, your side has a game somewhere. But at the moment it's not clear where that game is. So, rather than jump to three notrump with your tenuous spade stopper, or to four hearts with such a weak suit, it is better to cuebid West's suit and thereby enlist partner's help in locating the best spot. Your next bid will depend on partner's response to the cuebid.

Tomorrow: Eliminating the luck element.

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or make a donation, contact the church office.

You can listen to the sermon from the previous Sunday at 9 a.m. every Sunday morning on KBYG 106.3 FM and 1400 AM.

Our food teams are regrouping and will be ready to provide wonderful meals for us soon. Adult Bible Study, Youth, Boy Scouts and children's activities start at 6:15 on Wednesday nights.

New Connection Groups have begun. Take a look at our website to see all the information needed.

"Free Indeed" is collecting sleeping bags, socks, toboggans, scarves and gloves for the homeless. Bring them to the church.

Our SCF Prayer Team meets every Tuesday from noon to 2 p.m. at Spring Town Plaza (the mall). Everyone is welcome and we invite you to bring your lunch and join us in praying for our community, each other and the businesses in the mall. Come and go as you need to during this time.

Big Spring Classical Academy classes are back in session from the holiday break. Classes include Pre-K through 5th grade. Visit our website at <http://bigspringclassical.org> for more information or contact Donna Sue Looney.

Weekly Happenings:

- Sunday 9:15 a.m., Sunday school/Connection Groups
- 10:15 a.m., "Holy Grounds Café" is open with snacks and fellowship
- 10:45 a.m., Worship Service
- Wednesday 6 p.m., Bible study and activities for all ages
- Saturday 7:30 a.m., Weekly Men's Prayer Breakfast
- 10 a.m., "Sewing Seeds of Hope" Crafting fellowship

If you would like any further information regarding any of our ministries or events, contact the church office or visit our website.

Spring Creek Fellowship meets at the College Park Shopping Center at 501 Birdwell Lane in Big Spring, Texas. Contact us at 432-714-4584 or visit our website at www.springcreekfellowship.org

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

Forsan Baptist Church

Our message series titled "Coping with Change" is in full swing on Sunday mornings. This Sunday, we will be reading from the Book of Ruth, and our message is called, "The Better End." On Wednesday evenings we are in the midst of a verse-by-verse trek through the Old Testament. Sunday evenings, we are in a DVD study called "The Story." It is comprised of a video segment and study guide, and speaks of how the Bible in all its parts tells God's story.

Youth activities Wednesday evenings include a meal at 5:30 and classes for all ages beginning at 6. We have Royal Ambassadors, Girls in Action, Mission Friends, CHAOS (Christ Has All Our Answers) Youth and an adult Bible study.

Our church is located at 201 Main in Forsan. Sunday school begins at 9:50, with worship services at 10:50 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday services begin at 6.

Rides for all youth activities are

available if arranged ahead of time. Call the church at 432-457-2342 or Pastor Darren Weaver at 432-213-2348.

First United Methodist Church

First United Methodist Church is located just off Gregg Street at the corner of Fourth and Scurry in downtown Big Spring. Classic Worship gathers at 8:30 a.m. and Family Worship is at 10:50 a.m. Both services meet in the sanctuary. Sunday school for all ages meets at 9:45 a.m. A nursery is provided at all times. The 10:50 a.m. service can be heard each Sunday morning on KXCS - 105.5 FM.

This Sunday, Dr. Bob Farr will be our guest preacher at both services. His message is entitled "Risk Beyond Faithfulness." Dr. Farr is the director of congregational excellence for the Missouri Region of the United Methodist Church. During the 10:50 a.m. worship, the Celebration Choir will sing "Lord Most High" by Gary Sadler and "This Is the Day" by Cindy Berry.

This Sunday, children in pre-school through 2nd grade will continue series called "Altitude." In this series, the preschool and kindergarten class will learn lessons from the Bible that happened on mountains. This Sunday's lesson is entitled "I Will Do What is Right," taken from 1 Samuel 26, David Spares Saul's Life. The 1st and 2nd grade class will be learning lessons from the Beatitudes in Jesus' Sermon on the Mount.

This Sunday's lesson is taken from Matthew 15:1-12, Jesus teaches about purity. This week's Main Point is "As a follower of Christ, I will choose what is good! Older children in grades 3, 4, and 5 will kick off a new series called, "Jesus, The Real Life." We desire for these kids to know Jesus as the real, living, breathing God in flesh. Through this series, the tweens will come face to face with the real Jesus. The first lesson is entitled, Jesus... 100 percent God, 100 percent man... at the same time!

In Children's Church will continue studying the series "Knowing Jesus." Our focus is to make Jesus real to our children as we study the book of Mark. This Sunday's lesson is entitled "Jesus Overcame Temptation." Children's Church is held during the 10:50 a.m. service only for children 4 years old through 5th grade. A nursery is available for children 3 and younger during the Sunday school hour and 10:50 worship service.

Children's Ministry on Wednesday includes our J.A.M. (Jesus and Me) Children's Choir under the leadership of Christi Mikeska. J.A.M. is for kids in 4th and 5th grade. Other Wednesday night children's activities include "Bible Drills, Skills, and Thrills" led by Ronda Turnbough. This gives children an opportunity to work on Bible knowledge and memorization through activities and games.

Children also share in the fellowship meal at 5:30 before heading off to these activities from 6 to 7:15.

Children's Day Out is a Children's Ministry of First United Methodist Church. We minister to parents, grandparents and guardians by providing a "day out" and time of refreshment. We also minister to the family and their children by providing a happy, loving, and Christ-centered environment for children.

Children's Day Out is open Monday and Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. for children from 4 months to pre-K. Call our Church office for more infor-

mation at 267-6394.

Our theme throughout the year is "Experience Christ - Experience Hope." Our congregation emphasis throughout the year will be offering the hope of the Gospel to those who don't know Christ as Savior and Lord.

To launch that emphasis, First United Methodist Church is hosting Dr. Bob Farr on Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. His teaching will focus on providing practical skills for reaching out beyond the walls of the church.

The teaching sessions will be in the Partee Youth Building. Lunch will be served in Garrett Hall at Noon. The cost of the event for church members is \$10 and childcare will be provided by reservation only.

For more information on any activity at First United Methodist Church, visit our website at fumcbs.com or call 267-6394.

Alive in Christ Lutheran Church LCMS

Our motto is "Celebrating and Sharing God's Love and Grace in our lives."

We are located at 2805 Lynn Drive in the Kentwood Subdivision in Big Spring. The church phone number is 264-7818. Our website is <http://www.aicbigspring.org>. Our e-mail address is aliveinchrist@crcom.net.

Sunday service will begin at 9 a.m. with Bible study and Sunday school to follow at 10:15 a.m.

Bobby Roever will present the readings this week.

Our Wednesday night bible study is titled "I Am Second" by e3 Partners. On Wednesday the 29th we

will be watching Alex Kendrick. He is an associate pastor at Sherwood Baptist Church in Albany, Ga.

He is an American film writer, producer and director for movies such as Flywheel, Facing the Giants,

Fireproof and Courageous. Class begins at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend. Mid-week classes are in session for the youth. A light meal is served from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

This Sunday five of our youth will be confirmed.

Tune in to 106.3 FM or 1400 AM between 6:45 and 6:50 each morning for these wonderful devotions: "Morning Meditation Thoughts."

First Church of the Nazarene

Happy New Year Big Spring! Are you looking for a new beginning in this new year? Let God in and see what kind of new beginning he can give. We hope you will join us. Many exciting things are happening.

Dr. Chic Shaver will be here Feb. 2 through the 5th for revival services. Join us Sunday, Feb. 2 at 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m., then the 3rd through the 5th at 6:30 p.m.

MTV is back at 6:30 for the youth on Wednesday nights. Thrive for college and career seeking young adults with

Colter Morgan happens Thursdays at 8 p.m. in the commons area. And Prime Time Fellowship the first Sunday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

Looking for a lunch plans? Wednesday at noon bring your lunch for class with Leonard.

You are also welcome to join us for all of our other services and classes:

Sunday service at 10 a.m. in the sanctuary

Sunday morning youth and children's classes at 9.

Sunday morning children's church at 10 in the fellowship hall.

Sunday evening youth activities at 6:30.

Tuesday night prayer at 6:30 in the sanctuary.

Wednesday evening classes for all ages at 6:30.

Unable to come to church on Sunday morning? Listen to KBST 95.7 at 10 a.m. and you can hear a live broadcast of our service. You can also view streaming footage inside the sanctuary by going to our webpage at www.nazfamily.org

First Church of the Nazarene is located at 1400 Lancaster. For more information, contact the church office at 267-7015. You can visit us on the web. We are also on Facebook and Twitter.

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Documents: Accused clergy cost church millions

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — The Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis paid millions of dollars in costs associated with clergy misconduct in the last decade, according to internal church documents.

An investigation by Minnesota Public Radio News found that from 2002 to 2011 the archdiocese used two secret accounts that were controlled by the archbishop to pay nearly \$11 million in costs related to allegations against priests.

The figure represents about 3 percent of overall archdiocese revenues in those years.

MPR reported the money was used for persuading priests to leave active ministry, for legal settlements, for therapy for victims and priests, and other costs. The documents also show the archdiocese paid a private investigator \$112,000 over 10 years.

The system allowed archdiocese leaders to remove priests accused of child abuse or other misconduct without attracting attention. But the secrecy also left the archdiocese vulnerable to embezzlement.

In a statement issued to MPR, it said a new chief financial officer hired in December 2012 has started implementing procedures for greater transparency.

Churches don't have to file any paperwork with government regulators. There is a finance council that gives the archbishop advice, but he alone is allowed to make spending decisions.

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NMJC rallies for 76-68 upset of HC men

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

Travis Charles was smashed in the face, bloodied, knocked down and fouled throughout the Howard College Hawks' Western Junior College Athletic Conference matchup with the New Mexico Junior College Thunderbirds on Thursday evening in Hobbs. Then, to add to his pain, the worst thing

possible happened ... NMJC pulled off a stunning come-from-behind upset. The Thunderbirds, sparked by a stellar performance from behind the three-point arc and at the free throw line, reeled off a 23-15 run in the final 6:31 of play and claimed a surprising 76-68 win over the 17th-ranked Hawks in front of a large crowd in the Caster Activity Center.

As a team, New Mexico Junior College accounted for 42 of his points from three-point bombs and free throw opportunities. Howard College head coach Scott Raines said he felt his team struggled at points, and let the game slip away. But, he said, it was a loss that could benefit HC down the road. "I think the key was the way we played in the

first half," said Raines. "I thought we came out and dominated them. We had a chance to go up by eight or 10 there at the half, but we missed a few layups and turned the ball over. We have to grow and learn how to win these type of games." With the loss, the Hawks fell to 17-4 for the season, and dipped to 5-2 in WJCAC action. NMJC, which entered

the contest ranked No. 22 nationally, improved to 16-4 and 4-3. The Thunderbirds were anything but happy when the contest started. Charles and the Hawks played havoc with NM defense early on. After the Thunderbirds had battled to within 5-4, freshman guard Eric Weary, Jr. ignited an 8-0 Howard College run by pulling

up and draining a trey. His basket staked the Hawks to an 8-4 lead with 16:50 to play in the half. Charles followed moments later by taking an inbounds pass in for a basket. Then, after Weary had tacked on a free throw, Demeco Blue came off the bench to throw in a basket that spirited HC to a 13-4 cushion. See **HAWKS**, Page 15

NMJC adds to HC woes

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

Sometimes bad can be good. Sometimes bad can be bad. Sometimes, as was the case for the Howard College Lady Hawks on Thursday, the good was bad, and the bad just kept on coming. The New Mexico Junior College Lady Thunderbirds scored early and often in the first half and cruised to a stunning 71-50 win over the Howard College Lady Hawks in Western Junior College Athletic Conference at the at the NMJC Caster Activity Center in Hobbs. As a team, the Lady Thunderbirds knocked down 53 percent of their shots from the field en route to a 33-21 halftime cushion.

"I was a little disappointed at how we got off at the start," said HC head coach Earl Diddle. "You have to give New Mexico a bit of credit. They got out quickly and kind of got into our comfort zone, and we didn't handle that very well."

NMJC opened the contest with a bang. The Lady Thunderbirds threatened to blow the game open in the first four minutes, reeling off a surprising 12-0 run.

Freshman Erisha Talley ended the Lady Thunderbirds' run by draining a short jumper from the right side. Talley's basket, which came at the 16-minute mark of the first half, was one of just eight shots the Lady Hawks mustered in the first 20 minutes of the game.

NMJC continued to control the tempo from there. The Lady Roadrunners 7-1 run over the ensuing five minutes and raced to a 19-3 advantage.

Howard College used its perimeter shooting to whittle

See **WOMEN**, Page 16



Tony Claxton photo (www.claxtonphotography.com)

Big Spring's Julianna Rodriguez strips the ball away from a Sweetwater player in the LadySteers' win on Tuesday. Big Spring can pad its standings in District 4-3A tonight with a victory over the Snyder Lady Tigers.

BS can bolster playoff hopes tonight

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

For sure, the race for the three playoff berths in District 4-3A aren't cemented in stone yet. Plenty of things could change over the next few weeks. One thing is certain, however. The Big Spring High School boys' and girls' teams can certify whether they will be in the contender or spoiler roles tonight.

The Steers and Lady Steers can go a long way to proving they have legitimate hopes of advancing to the postseason with wins over Snyder. The BSHS teams are currently sitting third in their respective standings, and a victory in the Snyder High School gym would give each the inside track to at least the No. 3 seeds.

The Big Spring boys enter tonight's showdown with Snyder in an enviable place. The Steers have built plenty of momentum in their last two outings, claiming wins over Greenwood last Friday and Sweetwater on Tuesday.

The win over Sweetwater was huge for Big Spring said BSHS head coach Ian Ritchey. "We needed that," he said. "It gives us a chance to finish the first half of the district race with a 3-2 record."

The Steers' back-to-back district wins sends Big Spring into tonight's game with a 2-2 mark in 4-3A action, and gives the team an opportunity to put a little distance between themselves and the lower half of the pack. A win over Snyder would help the

DISTRICT 4-3A BOYS		
Team	Dist.	Overall
Wylie	4-0	19-3
Monahans	4-0	22-3
Big Spring	2-2	9-10
Sweetwater	1-3	12-3
Greenwood	1-3	4-17
Snyder	0-4	3-13

GIRLS		
Team	Dist.	Overall
Wylie	6-0	21-5
Greenwood	5-1	9-12
Big Spring	3-3	16-7
Sweetwater	2-4	7-12
Snyder	2-4	11-10
Monahans	0-6	3-14

Tonight's games - Big Spring at Snyder, Greenwood at Sweetwater, Wylie at Monahans.

Steers reach 3-2, but could also put them within striking

distance of the district's No. 2 playoff seed as front-running Abilene Wylie and Monahans will be facing off tonight in Monahans.

Wylie and Monahans both enter tonight's showdown sporting perfect 4-0 records in district play. The loser, assuming the Steers win, would be just one game ahead of Big Spring in the standings with five games left in the regular season.

The Steers are catching Snyder at the perfect time. The Tigers have struggled to get into the win column of late. Snyder suffered a lopsided loss to Wylie on Tuesday and fell to 0-4 in 4-3A action.

Snyder is 3-13 for the year. Like their male counterparts, the Lady Steers can See **DISTRICT**, Page 15

LL sign-up registration dates set

Big Spring Little League will have sign ups on Saturdays, Jan. 25, Feb. 1, Feb. 8, Feb. 15 and Feb. 22 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Spring City Plaza, formally the Big Spring Mall. Registration will also be held on Feb. 17-21 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Registration is open to youths aged Ages 4 to 16. The registration fee is \$85 per child and will provide full uniform.

Parents must provide a valid birth certificate at registration.



Listen up, girls ...

Bearkat Barbies' coach Priscilla Nunez talks to her players during a break in action in her team's season-opening game last Saturday at the Big Spring YMCA. The Barbies won their opener, a 16-15 victory over the Little G's. Youth basketball games will continue this Saturday, beginning at 9 a.m.

Herald photo/Tommy Wells

CRMWD hosts STCR youth hunt

The Colorado River Municipal Water District held its second deer hunt for the kids from the South Texas Children's Ranch on Jan. 18. Beautiful weather was the setting as two girls and three boys participated in the doe and spike hunt.

These hunts are not only a great management tool in controlling deer numbers, but just as importantly, provides a wonderful opportunity to experience the outdoors and hunting to those who would not

normally get a chance to do so.

An anonymous donor from Arizona donated several Academy gift certificates for the hunt. Each child received a participation gift card, plus five more where awarded for the best marksman, biggest spike, biggest doe, first deer harvested, and one random drawing.

The girls once again took the marksmanship prize, which was won by young lady after a very competitive shoot. The See **HUNT**, Page 15

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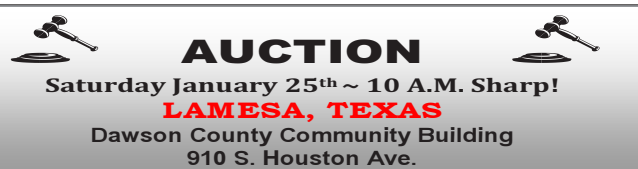


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LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

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

#8139 January 24, 2014

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
Notice of Draft Federal Operating Permit

Draft Permit No.: 03604
Application and Draft Permit. DCP Midstream, LP, 10 Desta Dr Ste 400 W, Midland, TX 79705-4515, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for an initial issuance of Federal Operating Permit (herein referred to as Permit) No. 03604, Application No. 19360, to authorize operation of the Rawhide Gas Plant, a Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas facility. The area addressed by the application is located at 23 miles SE on the interchange of I-20 US-87 in Garden City, Glasscock County, Texas 79739. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to the application. You can find an electronic map of the facility at:

<http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=32.0139&lng=-101.2789&zoom=13&type=r>

This application was received by the TCEQ on April 9, 2013. The purpose of a federal operating permit is to improve overall compliance with the rules governing air pollution control by clearly listing all applicable requirements, as

defined in Title 30 Texas Administrative Code § 122.10 (30 TAC § 122.10). The draft permit, if approved, will codify the conditions under which the area must operate. The permit will not authorize new construction. The executive director has completed the technical review of the application and has made a preliminary decision to prepare a draft permit for public comment and review. The executive director recommends issuance of this draft permit. The permit application, statement of basis, and draft permit will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ Central Office, 12100 Park 35 Circle, Building E, First Floor, Austin, Texas; the TCEQ Midland Regional Office, 9900 W Interstate 20 Ste 100, Midland, Texas 79706-2636; and the TCEQ Regional Office- Midland, 9900 W IH-20, Midland, Texas, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The draft permit and statement of basis are available at the TCEQ Website:

www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/tvnotice

At the TCEQ central and regional offices, relevant supporting materials for the draft permit, as well as the New Source Review permits which have been incorporate by reference, may be reviewed and copied. Any person with difficulties obtaining these materials due to travel constraints may contact the

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Public Comment/Notice and Comment Hearing. Any person may submit written comments on the draft permit. Comments relating to the accuracy, completeness, and appropriateness of the permit conditions may result in changes to the draft permit.

A person who may be affected by the emission of air pollutants from the permitted area may request a notice and comment hearing. The purpose of the notice and comment hearing is to provide an additional opportunity to submit comments on the draft permit. The permit may be changed based on comments pertaining to whether the permit provides for compliance with 30 TAC Chapter 122 (examples may include that the permit does not contain all applicable requirements or the public notice procedures were not satisfied). The TCEQ may grant a notice and comment hearing on the application if a written hearing request is received within 30 days after publication of the newspaper notice. The hearing request must include the basis for the request, including a description of how the person may be affected by the emission of air pollutants from the application area. The request should also specify the conditions of the draft permit that are inappropriate or specify how the preliminary decision to issue or

deny the permit is inappropriate. All reasonably ascertainable issues must be raised and all reasonably available arguments must be submitted by the end of the public comment period. If a notice and comment hearing is granted, all individuals that submitted written comments or a hearing request will receive written notice of the hearing. This notice will identify the date, time, and location for the hearing.

Written public comments and/or requests for a notice and comment hearing should be submitted to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, or electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html

and be received within 30 days after the date of newspaper publication of this notice. If you communicate with the TCEQ electronically, please be aware that your email address, like your physical mailing address, will become part of the agency's public record.

A notice of proposed final action that includes a response to comments and identification of any changes to the draft permit will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments, a hearing request, or requested to be on the mailing list for this

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Mailing List. In addition to submitting public comments, a person may ask to be placed on a mailing list for this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address above. Those on the mailing list will receive copies of future public notices (if any) mailed by the Chief Clerk for this application.

Information. For additional information about this permit application or the permitting process, please contact the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Public Education Program, MC-108, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 or toll free at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea informacion en Espanol, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained for DCP Midstream, LP by calling Mr. Martin W. Smith at (432)620-5463.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Political Trine

The air trine formed by Mercury in Aquarius and Mars in Libra lends the gift of eloquence for those who strive to attain it. Also, this is a lucky alignment for the bold yet politically minded who want to make a diplomatic play for power. If there truly is a mutual benefit to be had, the right words will come.



HOLIDAY MATHIS

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It is a well-known fact of human nature that if you make something difficult to obtain, most people will want it more. You are not "most people" and can see through trumped-up scarcity marketing ploys.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Stay confident in yourself and your abilities. It all works best when you stand with your head held high today. Don't fold your cards. Whether you think they are good or bad, play them.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You're onto something big, and you can't do it alone. Unfortunately, the right people are not paying attention. If you want to make a difference, you'll have to wake someone up first.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). A difference of sensibilities will come into play, especially between generations. What you consider to be common knowledge, someone else considers to

be radical free thought.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). It's like you're working in a void. You need a brainstorming group. You might not take any of their advice, and their opinions may not be so valid, either, but you'll be better for hearing all of it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You may dream of creating something that catches on, becoming wildly popular in your demographic of choice. Just be warned: This will be a mixed blessing. It will put you in the position of having to re-create on demand.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll express a complex meaning with ease. It may feel as though you were always meant to deliver this message. And yet, don't be surprised if you can't say it the same way twice. It was very much a message of the moment.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). A central relationship will improve when you stop worrying about it so much. Worry delivers a bad energy to the subject of your concern. This is a time to let it go.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Usually, wanting to impress is a setup for disappointment. But right now it's different. You want to impress someone, and then that person is really impressed by you — a rare dynamic, indeed.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The trick is sharing in another person's dream without sacrificing your own. Warning: It's nearly but not totally impossible. If you're going to attempt it, just make sure the other person isn't a narcissist.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You stand to gain recognition, earn money and, best of all, make a difference in the lives of others. So what are you waiting for? Act on your vision.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Conservatism is a behavior of those who have a lot to lose. In an area in which you don't have much at stake, don't play it so safe. You can afford to be experimental, loose and free.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Jan. 24). The union of your mind and body is a feature this year, and the talent you develop will marry the physical and mental in one expression. In the next 10 weeks, you will fulfill a commitment to loved ones that is unspoken but binding. You'll provide for a large number of people in February and again in August. Libra and Capricorn people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3, 22, 14, 6 and 10.

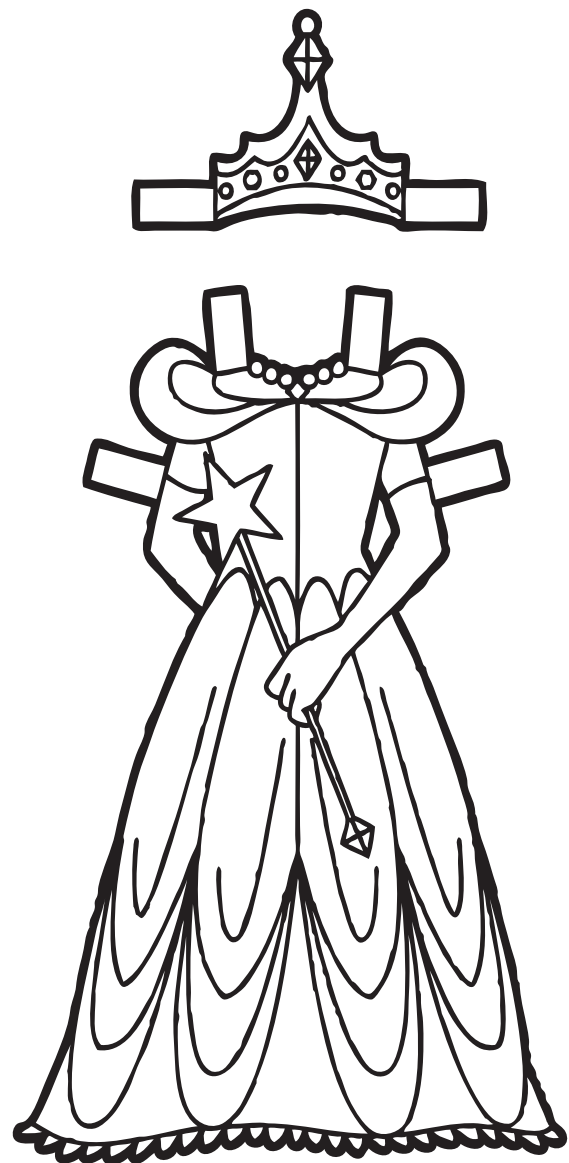
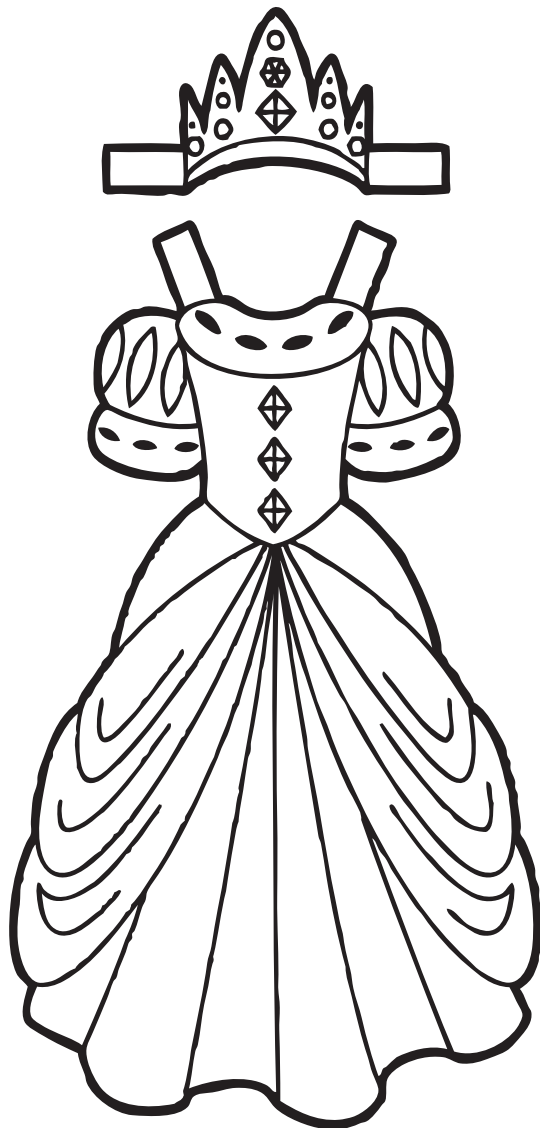
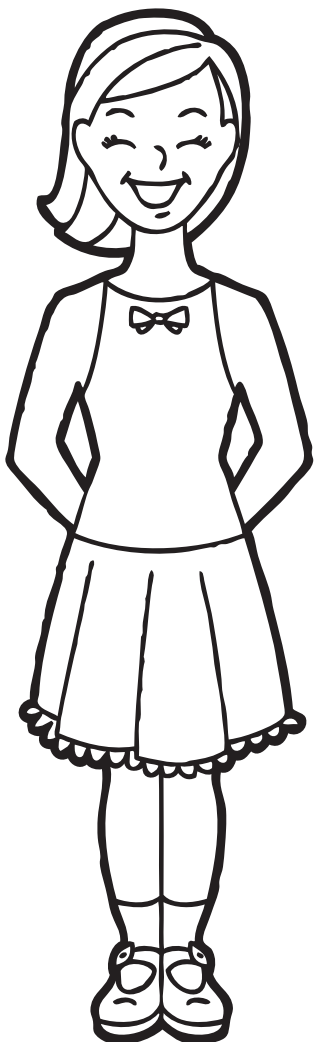
WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST:
ARIES: Naturally, you want to do what excites you and makes you laugh. Keep seeking emotional intensity from life.
TAURUS: Spend your time with the one who makes you marvel and swoon.
GEMINI: You want to get inspired, and so you're ready to get uncomfortable.
CANCER: Be enthusiastic around those you love — they need that from you.
LEO: You deserve attention and acknowledgement — you've earned it.
VIRGO: Don't determine what's impossible in love — that's not for you to know now.
LIBRA: You want to entertain your love in the way only you

can, and that's your priority now.
SCORPIO: Your friends will make you look good. Mix all of your social sets together. **SAGITTARIUS:** You'll share who you've been in different parts of your life with the person who knows who you are now. **CAPRICORN:** Whether or not your love will admit it, your support is crucial to this person's success. **AQUARIUS:** You'll be a metaphorical Rockette. Link your arm into that chorus line and join in the high kicking. **PISCES:** Checking in often with a person who doesn't need such vigilant care is a sure sign that you're smitten.

COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: Because the word "Aquarius" is associated with "aqua," many wrongly assume that it is a water sign like Scorpio, the middle water sign of the zodiac. Aquarius is the water-bearing sign, but it is, in fact, an air sign like Gemini and Libra. With the moon in Scorpio and the sun in Aquarius, water and air will complement each other, creating a fog-like mystique around their relationship.

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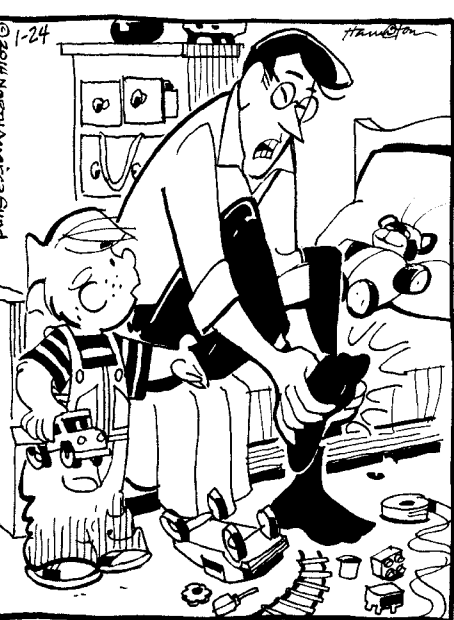
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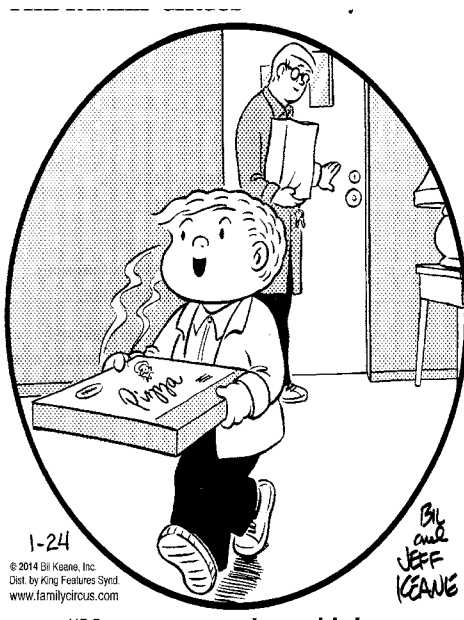
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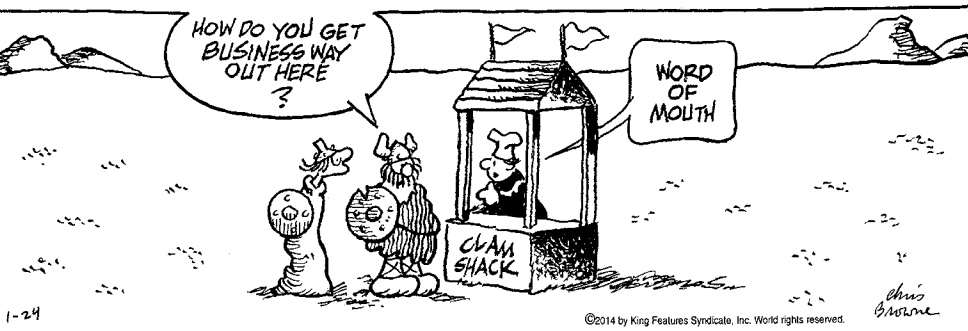
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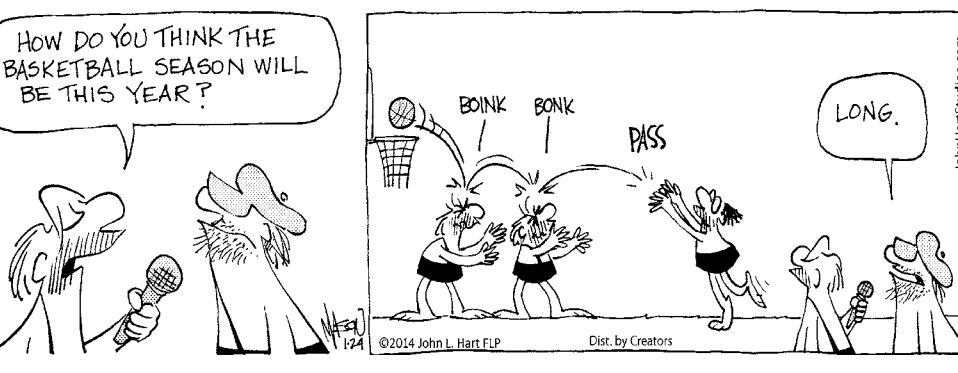
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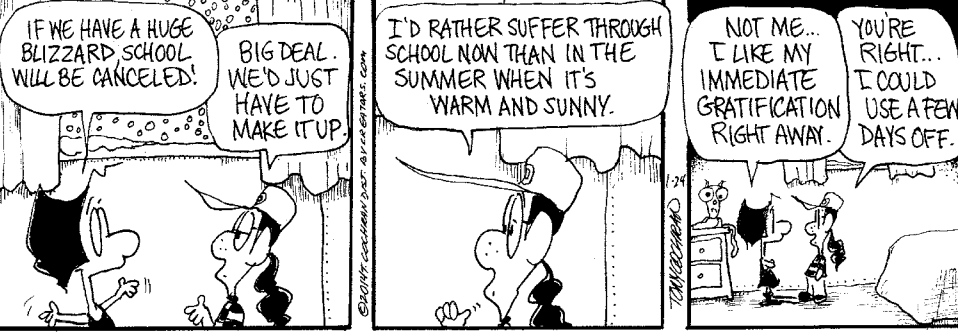
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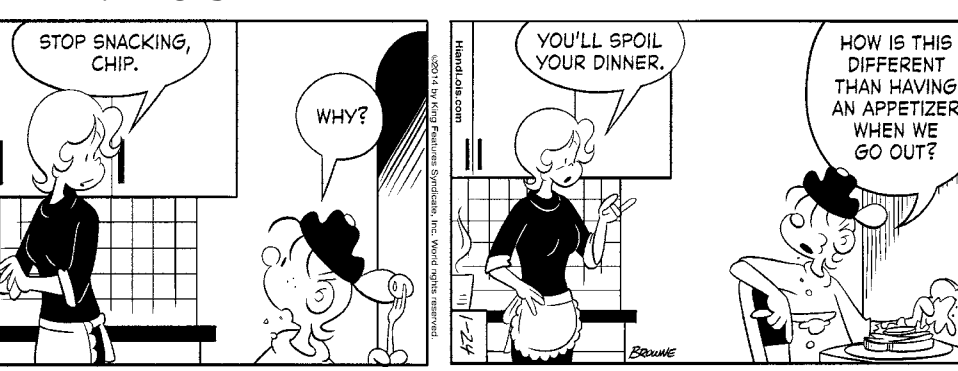
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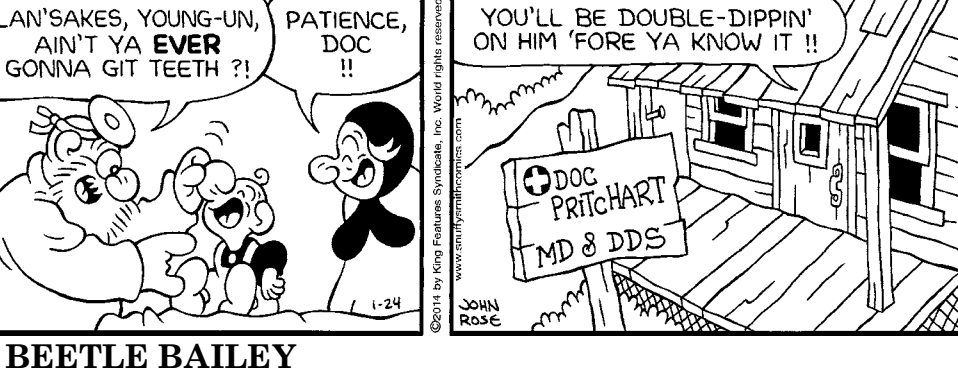
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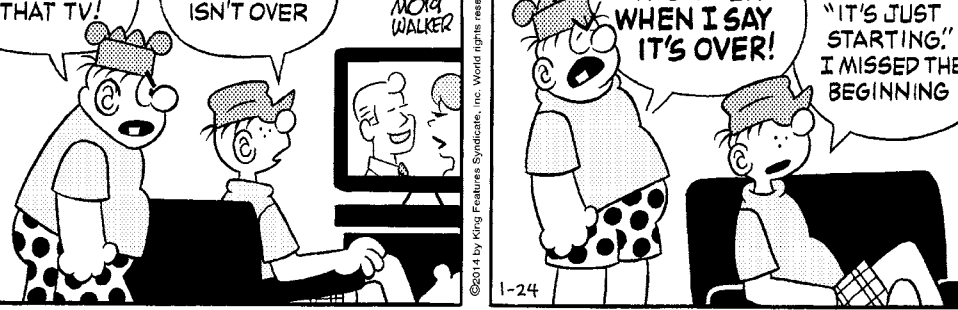
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This Date In History

Today is Friday, Jan. 24, the 24th day of 2014. There are 341 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Jan. 24, 1942, the Roberts Commission placed much of the blame for America's lack of preparedness for Imperial Japan's attack on Pearl Harbor on Rear Adm. Husband E. Kimmel and Lt. Gen. Walter C. Short, the Navy and Army commanders. On this date: In 1742, Charles VII was elected Holy Roman Emperor during the War of the Austrian Succession. In 1848, James W. Marshall discovered a gold nugget at Sutter's Mill in northern California, a discovery that led to the gold rush of '49. In 1908, the Boy Scouts movement began in England under the aegis of Robert

Baden-Powell. In 1924, the Russian city of Petrograd (formerly St. Petersburg) was renamed Leningrad in honor of the late revolutionary leader. (However, it has since been renamed St. Petersburg.) In 1939, at least 28,000 people were killed by an earthquake that devastated the city of Chillan in Chile. In 1943, President Franklin D. Roosevelt and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill concluded a wartime conference in Casablanca, Morocco. In 1961, a U.S. Air Force B-52 crashed near Goldsboro, N.C., dropping its payload of two nuclear bombs, neither of which went off; three crew members were killed. In 1963, a U.S. Air Force B-52 on a training mission crashed into Elephant Mountain in Maine after encountering turbulence and losing its vertical stabilizer; seven of the nine crew members were killed. In 1965, Winston Churchill died in London at age 90.

In 1978, a nuclear-powered Soviet satellite, Cosmos 954, plunged through Earth's atmosphere and disintegrated, scattering radioactive debris over parts of northern Canada. In 1984, Apple Computer began selling its first Macintosh model, which boasted a built-in 9-inch monochrome display, a clock rate of 8 megahertz and 128k of RAM. In 1989, confessed serial killer Theodore Bundy was executed in Florida's electric chair. © 2014, The Associated Press. All rights reserved.

Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

MUSICAL MENU by S.N. Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

- ACROSS: 1 Hug request, 7 Fade away, 10 Brewery fixture, 14 Parting words, 15 Bucolic figure, 17 Winter drink at the Orchestral Inn, 19 Portray, 20 Question of mock surprise, 21 DC donors, 22 Wide separation, 23 E. Berlin's land, 24 Today, for short, 27 Breakfast serving at the Orchestral Inn, 31 __ Faire (reenactment venue), 32 Melville novel, 33 Hard-wired, 35 Burst of energy, 37 Attendance-bk. notation, 38 Sauce devised in Genoa, 39 Gathers dust, 41 Art-sch. class, 42 Jargon ending, 43 Garnish at the Orchestral Inn, 47 None other than, 48 Nashville sch., 49 Floride, for one, 50 Mailroom stamp, 51 Weather-map icon, 52 Unchangeable, 55 Dessert at the Orchestral Inn, 60 Paul, to Ringo, 61 In a strange way
- DOWN: 2 Show with Eliot-ness, 63 Nomination, so to speak, 64 Nomination listings, 1 "I told you so!", 2 Telltale sign, 3 Easy-listening format, 4 Society newcomer, 5 Sort of housedress, 6 Talks up, 7 "Night Before Christmas" preposition, 8 Uzis, for instance, 9 Latitude, 10 Assembly-line pioneer, 11 Make known, 12 Alphabetic trio, 13 Pro follower, 16 Pitches at gas pumps, e.g., 18 Dustup, 22 Wholesale quantity, 24 "Raisin Capital of the World", 25 Prom tax, probably, 26 All things considered, 27 Pamper, 28 Prone to pranks, 29 Spot-on, 30 Type of tort, 34 Give feedback, 36 Course milestone, 37 Hint at, 40 Sony debut of 1984, 44 Cuban coin, 45 Apple debut of 2001, 46 Rescind, 50 Autumn hues, 52 Buttonhole, basically, 53 Cosmo competitor, 54 Kiddie litter, 55 Fighters' org., 56 Camera battery, 57 Dallas broadcaster, 58 Headed, 59 Significant stretch

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HAWKS

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Perhaps the biggest score for New Mexico didn't appear on the scoreboard. After scoring four straight points, the Thunderbirds forced Charles - the Hawks' leading scorer and rebounder - out of the game. The 6-foot-6 freshman took an elbow to the face while attempting to rebound a loose ball and suffered a laceration above his nose, an injury that sidelined him for more than six minutes.

Without Charles on the floor, the Thunderbirds capped an 8-0 run with four straight points, including a thundering dunk by 7-foot center Isaiah Cotten that cut the HC lead to 13-12.

Howard College showed some its own scoring power from there. The Hawks answered New Mexico's run with a spree of its own. Backed by a pair of shots from Blue, the HC men posted a 9-0 run and stretched its lead to 10, at 24-14, with less than 7 minutes left in the initial half.

After the Thunderbirds had rallied back to 24-22, Weary and Blue came up big for the Hawks. They took the wind out of the NMJC sails by staging a mini 5-0 run. Weary led off the spurt with his second trey of the game. Blue tacked on a pair of free throws that upped the Howard College lead to 28-22.

NMJC matched the Hawks in scoring over the finale 1:36 of the half and went into the break



Tony Claxton photo (www.claxtonphotography.com)

Howard College sophomore Darius Johnson puts up a shot during the Hawks' WJCAC game with New Mexico Junior College on Thursday in Hobbs.

trailing by six, at 33-27.

Howard College continued to press the action early in the second quarter. The Hawks picked up early shots from David Joseph, Charles and Weary and sped to a 40-33 lead in the first four minutes of the half.

NMJC battled its way back. The Thunderbirds' point guard Jeff Newberry led a 19-13 run over the ensuing 10 minutes that saw NMJC erase the Hawks lead. The freshman standout hit two free throws that

gave the Thunderbirds a 55-44 lead with just over 5 minutes left.

Charles gave Howard College the lead right back seconds later. He sank a pair of attempts from the charity stripe that put the Hawks back on top, at 56-55, with 4:52 to play.

That, however, turned out to be the Hawks' last lead.

Keyed by a trey from Newberry, NMJC scored 10 of the next 12 points and opened up a 64-58 lead.

As a team, the Thun-

derbirds outscored Howard College by a 49-35 clip in the final 20 minutes to claim the victory.

Despite the loss, the Hawks put four players in double figures offensively. Joseph, who played all 40 minutes for the second time in the last three games, led the team with 19 points. Charles added 17 more, while Weary and Blue chipped in 13 and 10, respectively.

Newberry led the NMJC attack with 21.

District swim meet begins in Lubbock

The Big Spring High School swim team kicked off competition in the District 4-4A Swimming and Diving Championships today in Lubbock.

At the meet, the Big

Spring swimmers are competing against teams from Andrews, Fort Stockton, Lubbock, Lubbock Estacado, Lubbock Monterrey, Greenwood, Monahans, Pecos and Seminole.

The top six finishers in each event at the district meet will advance to the regional meet, which will be held in Andrews.

The state swim meet will be held Feb. 21-22.

HUNT

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three boys were tied for first place and where discussing a shoot-off when Jasmine stepped up to shoot. She ended that conversation with a score of "41," two points higher than her male counterparts.

The biggest doe was awarded to young hunter Josh, with a doe field dressweight of 60 pounds. Since there was no spiked harvest, he received two gift cards for the biggest doe. Andrew was awarded the prize for first deer harvested and it was a 58-pound doe that was 6 1/2 years old. A random drawing prize was also given to young hunter James.

To get the day going, sausage and biscuits were provided by Elm Creek Village of Lake Ivie, and a delicious lunch was provided at noon by the Concho Park Marina, also of Lake Ivie. David and

Vicky Stewart of Voss provided soft drinks and breakfast pastries for all to enjoy during the hunt. After lunch, everyone enjoyed sweet treats baked-up by Norreen Jamison of Voss, and Carol Sessom of Millersview.

A program on Texas game laws was provided by Texas Parks and Wildlife Game Wardens Jacob Crumpton of Concho County and Lee Morrison of Coleman County. Debra Halfmann of Lake Ivie provided a taco soup for a quick evening meal.

Those assisting as hunting guides were Carol Sessom of Millersview; Thomas and Mary Ann Evans of Lake Ivie; Mark Halfmann of San Angelo; and Kurt Wankowski of Doole.

Deer corn was provided by the Jacoby's Feed and Seed of Melvin; Coleman Grain Inc. of Coleman; Ballinger Shopping Basket (IGA) and Ballinger Feed and Seed.

DISTRICT

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boost their postseason hopes dramatically with a win over Snyder. A win, coupled with a Greenwood victory over Sweetwater would move BSHS to 4-3 in district, and, more importantly, stake the Lady Steers to a two-game lead over Sweetwater and Snyder in the race for the No. 3 playoff seed.

Should Big Spring and Greenwood win - as they are expected, the BSHS girls could clinch third

in the district race with one more victory.

"It's important for us because it will help us get into the playoffs, and that is what our goal is," said Autumn Minter.

Abilene Wylie could lock up a postseason berth this evening with a victory over Monahans. Wylie enters the game at 6-0 in district play.

Monahans in 0-6, and just 3-14 for the season.

Second-place Greenwood will travel to Sweetwater, which lost to Big Spring on Tuesday.



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BSJHS cagers drop 4 to Wylie

The Big Spring Junior High School seventh and eighth grade basketball teams suffered tough losses to Abilene Wylie on Monday.

The BSJHS eighth grade "A" team dropped a 61-16 decision to Wylie.

The Lady Steers were led in the game by Courtney Myers' five points. Sidney Evans added four more.

Alexis Delafuentes, Ashley Honzalez and Christen Crosby all grabbed a team-leading four rebounds.

The "B" team also lost to Wylie.

Kalli Hale led the "B" team in scoring with four points. Mirella Villa and Loree Dello grabbed six boards apiece.

The BSJHS seventh grade A team fell to Wylie by a 49-33 clip.

Leading the way for the Lady Steers was Kayleigh Penny, who finished with 13 points and five rebounds. Logan Terrazas had 13 points and five boards.

The Lady Steers' seventh grade B team fell, 38-5.

Belle Ramirez and Keila Yanez bot tied two for BSJHS.

WOMEN

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away the NMJC. Bailey Wipff sparked a late run by the Lady Hawks. The HC standout knocked down a pair of three-point shots midway through the fourth and cut the Lady Roadrunners' lead to 12, at 23-11. Gabby Gonzales pulled the trigger on a trey of her own moments, giving the Lady Hawks their third consecutive three-point shot.

Briana Casas and Jade Jones extend Howard College's late run to 13-5 with back-to-back baskets. The shots pulled HC to within eight, at 26-18 with 1:25 left in the first half.

NMJC's Monique Mulder gave NMJC the momentum back from there. She scored six unanswered points over the ensuing 60 seconds and rebuilt the Lady Thunderbirds' lead to 15, at 33-18.

"Every time we tried to make a run at them, they had an answer," said Diddle.

As a team, the Lady Thunderbirds hit 15 of their initial 28 shots from the field, and outscored the HC women by a staggering 22-2 margin in the paint.

Gonzales helped the Lady Hawks go into the half on a high note. She ripped off her second trey of the first half at the buzzer and sent HC into the half trailing by 12, at 33-21.

New Mexico Junior College picked up right where it had left off in the second half. The Lady Roadrunners pounded out a 7-2 run that pushed its lead to 17.

Sarah Stinnett and Talley refused to let NMJC

run away. They accounted for five straight points in a 34-second spam. After Stinnett had pushed home a three-point bomb to end the Lady Thunderbirds' early run, Talley knocked down a 15-foot jumper that enabled the Howard College to creep to within 12, at 40-28, with 16:16 left in the game.

NMJC regained the momentum, The Lady

Thunderbirds, despite a trey from Wipff, posted a 7-0 run midway through the second half and ballooned its lead to 23 points. Kelsey Criner's basket with 10:33 to play put the NMJC up 56-33.

They Lady Hawks, who made just 14 of their 50 shots from the field in the game, managed to get hot in the closing minutes. The HHC women scored 17 points in the final 10 minutes.

Wipff finished the game as the Lady Hawks' top scorer, pushing in a team-high 15 points. Gonzales, LaTanya McMarilyon and Stinnett each pitched in eight.

NMJC, now 14-5 and 5-1, had three players reach double figures offensively, including 19 from Cassandra Harris.

With the loss, the Lady Hawks slipped to 10-11 for the season, and fell to 1-5 in WJCAC action.



4-H CLOTHING AND TEXTILES KICK-OFF

Attention kids of Howard County!!

Are you interested in buying clothes, constructing clothes or design? If you are 8 and in the 3rd grade through 18 years old, come join us on January 30th at 5:15pm at the G.C. Broughton Ag Complex located on the Howard College campus. 2411 Echols Drive . For any questions please contact Melissa Deeter at (432)264-2236 or email at melissa.deeter@ag.tamu.edu

Big Spring to face tough tests at 'Best' tournament

The Big Spring High School baseball team will get a good measure of its ability early in the 2014 season. The Steers will face a trio of quality opponents early when they travel to compete in the "Best of the West" tournament on Feb. 27 through March 1 in Snyder.

Big Spring will kick off its appearance in the tournament on Feb. 27

by facing off against perennial baseball power Graham, starting at 4 p.m.

On Feb. 28, the Steers will play a pair of games. The team will open play Perryton starting at 10 a.m., and will return to the field at 4 p.m. to face off with Pecos.

Big Spring's final game will be on March 1 when they face rival Snyder, beginning at 4 p.m.

Alumni game set for Saturday

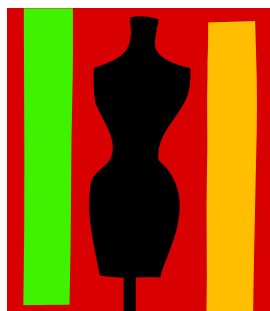
The Big Spring Lady Steers will unofficially kick off their softball season with an exhibition game against an alumni squad as part of a fund-raiser for the BSHS team on Saturday.

The exhibition match-up is scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. at the Lady

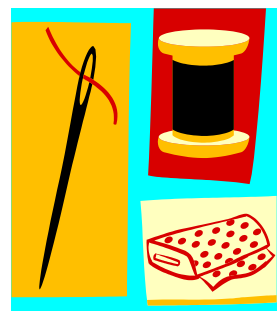
Steers' Softball Complex.

Prior to playing the exhibition game, the Lady Steers will participate in the "Swinging for the Fences" fund-raiser.

The "Swinging for the Fence" gala will get under way at approximately 10 a.m.



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