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#### Council to parked cars: get off our lawns against parking vehicles in The current code calls for their lawns?" Council mem-\$50 fine would be cheap - \$5

By STEVE REAGAN

Get that car off your lawn. Fed up with what they call eyesores, Big Spring City Council members expressed overwhelming support during their Tuesday meeting for tougher codes to force residents to rid their front yards of parked vehicles.

yards, but its interpretation has been vague, punishment has been "a joke" and enforcement has been spotty at best, officials said.

"The old code just has a lot of holes in it," City Manager Todd Darden said. "And with all the growth we're going through, things are only going to get worse."

a \$5 fine (plus court costs) for anyone parking on their lawn, with subsequent fines of \$5 each succeeding week. In addition, the code has several exceptions that render it almost unenforceable, City Attorney Linda Sjogren told the council.

"So, basically, we charge them \$20 a month to park on

ber Raul Benavides asked rhetorically. "That's noth-Benavides' attitude was re-

flected almost unanimously by his colleagues. "I don't think we'll ever get

where we want (in beautification efforts) unless we put some teeth in the code," Mayor Larry McLellan said. "A

is ridiculous."

A consensus formed among council members to have a graduating series of fines for example, \$50 for a first offense, then more for subsequent violations.

The council also objected to having a broad range of

See CODE, Page 3



No, it's not a new water feature in the parking lot of Trinity Baptist Church. A water main

break caused by the recent frigid temperatures created a waterfall in front of a local church located on the corner of FM 700 and Birdwell Lane.

### Don't drink the water!

### Unless you boil it first

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Tuesday's water line break near the city treatment plant caused more than inconvenience to residents — it caused a health hazard.

Big Spring officials issued a "boil water" advisory to city residents Tuesday afternoon, saying the water was unsafe to consume.

Interim Public Works Director Johnny Womack said Tuesday's water main break, which occurred next to the

city water treatment plant on Virginia Street, forced pressure levels below state-mandated levels.

"When water pressure readings get below a certain level, we have to issue the boil-water advisory," Womack said. "When the water line broke, we had to shut down the plant, which dropped the pressure levels."

The advisory is for consumption purposes — drinking and cooking — only, and

See WATER, Page 3

### Carrick to pertorm special concert here

artist

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Catholic Creed."

**Herald Staff Report** 



Holy Trinity is located at 1009 Hearn Street, Carrick will share her personal witness, music and reflections on the Apostles' Creed. The concert is free to the public. A freewill offering will be For more information, visit

the website www.carrickministries.com or call Holy Trinity Catholic Parish at 432.714.4930.

Food2Kids provides food to children who may not other-

wise have breakfast on weekends. Pictured are volunteers from the First United Methodist Church Youth Group and other church members who are helping sack food items for 78 students at Goliad Elementary. The bags are placed in the student's backpack on Friday.

### Food2Kids going well; help sought

By ANDREIA MEDLIN

youngsters are hungry.

Staff Writer

Hundreds of Big Spring

First United Methodist Church began Food2Kids Big Spring with the mission to provide food for elementary students who do not receive adequate food from the school-provided lunch on Friday until they return to school on Monday.

"Goliad Elementary was the school selected for implementation and we are currently sending home food with 78 students," said chairperson Peggy Hopper. "We are sacking two-and-a-half weeks worth of food for these students. The bags are placed in the student's backpack on Friday." The program is expanding

to Marcy Elementary in February and the goal is to have the program in all Big Spring elementary schools by the fall of this year, Hopper said. See FOOD, Page 3

### **BSSH** employee fired for allegedly tossing records ing patient records off cam-

By ANDREIA MEDLIN

Staff Writer A Big Spring State Hospi-

tal employee was dismissed last week after allegedly tak-



pus and throwing them in a dumpster. Media officer Christine

Mann said the psychiatric nurse assistant (PNA) was fairly new and still on a sixmonth probationary status required of all new employees. The folder, containing 50 patient information sheets, a tool used by nurses and PNAs that contain brief summaries See BSSH, Page 3

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### **Obituaries**

#### Guadalupe 'Lupe' Alcantar Ramirez

Guadalupe "Lupe" Alcantar Ramirez, 82, of Big Spring died Monday Jan. 27, 2014, at her residence.



Vigil services will be 7 p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Thursday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial following at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

She was born to Isabel and Andres Alcantar Sr. in Big Spring on Dec. 31, 1931. She was a lifelong resident of Big Spring. She worked at the Big Spring State Hospital kitchen. She married Eusebio

Ramirez in Big Spring in March 1949. He preceded her in death on Sept. 2, 1986.

She is survived by two sons: Andrew Aguirre and another agency. wife, Rosa, of Big Spring and Daniel Ramirez of Big Spring; two daughters: Olga Sanchez and husband, Cruz of Big Spring and Sylvia Cantu and husband, Jesse of Big Spring; 24 grandchildren; 51 greatgrandchildren; two great-great grandchildren and one brother, Andres Alcantar Jr of Midland.

preceded in death by one daughter: Yolanda Anglin in 1997; two sons: Rudy Ramirez in 1978 and Joe Ramirez in 1994; one grandson: Chris Puga in 2014; and one great-grandson: Matthew Hernandez in

In addition to her parents and husband, she was

Those serving as pallbearers are Mark Sanchez, 2600 block of S. Highway 87. Ernesto Diaz Jr., Adam Aguirre, A.J. Martinez, Gilbert Puga Jr., and Roland Anglin.

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

#### Linda Jo Arnold

Linda Jo Arnold, age 70, a resident of Irving, Texas, for 49 years, died Sunday, Jan. 26, 2014, at her home.



Born June 15, 1943, in Big Spring. Texas, the daughter of Edward Elmo Phillips and Dorothy Belle Riggs Phillips, she was a retired bookkeeper and nanny. Linda by BSPD for violation of parole. married Norman R. Arnold May 1, 1964. She coached junior bowling and was a coordinator for that program in Irving for many years; participated in the Irving Police program; and attended the

Heritage Senior Center.

Survivors include her husband, Norman R. Arnold of Irving; daughter, Terri Lynn Chunn and husband Daniel of Keller; son, Kelly Dewayne Arnold and wife Lorraine of Argyle; sisters, Marilyn Woodall of Ira, Texas, and Carol Drake of Big Spring; and five grandchildren, Connor Arnold, Heather Arnold, Kristopher Chunn, Hailey Chunn, and Hannah Chunn. A memorial service will be held 11 a.m., Friday,

Jan.31, 2014, at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home Chapel, 606 West Airport Freeway in Irving.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Michael J. Fox Parkinson's Research, P.O. Box 4777, Grand Central Station, NY, NY 10163-4777.

#### Carol Ann Nemmers Kurth

Carol Ann Nemmers Kurth was born Jan. 14, 1940, in San Diego, Calif., to Joseph and Mary Ella Nemmers. She was raised all over the country due

to her father's work as a contractor. She attended Ohio State, Marquette University and Dakota Wesleyan University, where she acquired several degrees, including an RN and a BSN.

She married Robert Schmidt Sr. and had four children; three sons and a daughter.

One of her biggest passions in life was fishing, where she was able to attain several coveted awards in the Great Lakes salmon

and trout fishing tournaments. Carol was an amazing cook who coiuld create wonderful works of art from scratch.

In 1979, she married James Kurth. They lived in Chicago, Il. before deciding to move to Mitchell, S.D. While in South Dakota, Carol finished her nursing degrees and decided to accept a job in Big Spring, Texas, with the VA Medical Center, where she worked for almost 20 years. She was active in the community until a work injury disabled her in

Until her passing, she remained as active as possible and had eagerly hoped to return to her career in nursing because her instinctive need to care for others was so deeply engrained in her.

She was preceded in death by her oldest son, Michael Schmidt in 2012. Her husband and three children were by her side when she went to meet her Lord and Savior.

Carol Kurth passed away at 5:28 p.m. Jan. 22, 2014, at Kindred Hospital-Southwest in Fort Worth, Texas. Carol was the type of person you rarely get the chance to come across in this life. Her smile was infectious and she was loved by everyone who was lucky enough to know her. She will be tremendously missed by everyone.

Carol Kurth is survived by her husband, James Kurth; her sons, Robert F. Schmidt Jr. and David Schmidt and wife Tara; daughter, Kathleen Turner and husband Brian; several grandchildren, Jonathan Schmidt, Kyle Hall, Brandon Hall, Kirsten Hall and Brooke Tiner; and other extended family members.

#### Paid obituary

### Police blotter

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

- RAYMUNDO VERA GONZALES, 43, of 1013 W. 3rd St., was arrested Tuesday on four warrants from another agency.
- REYNALDO CHAVERRIA JUAREZ, 45, of 1401 N. Highway 87, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant from another agency.
- ALBERT AGUILAR, 69, of unknown address, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of public intoxi-
- DONETTA LEWIS, 28, of 1008 E. 15th St., was arrested Wednesday on a warrant for expired regis-TRISTA JANAE COVEY, 25, of 2300 N. Highway
- 350, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of failure to maintain financial responsibility and two warrants from another agency. • JACKIE TRUETT HOLMES III, 32, transient,
- was arrested Wednesday on two warrants from AMANDA MICHELLE GARNER, 36, of 2911 W.
- Highway 80 No. 260, was arrested Tuesday on warrants for failure to maintain financial responsibility, driving while license invalid, expired registration, and three counts of fail to appear. • BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported
- at the 5000 block of Wasson and the 2900 block of
- BURGLARY IN PROGRESS was reported at the 3300 block of Auburn.
- · ASSAULT was reported at the 2600 block of Fairchild. INTOXICATED SUBJECT was reported at the
- THEFT was reported at Howard College and the 1600 block of Gregg.
- UNWANTED SUBJECT was reported at the 1400 block of Runnels.

### Sheriff/EMS

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.

- REYNALDO CHAVERRIA JUAREZ was booked
- BRADLEY RYAN HORTON was booked by HCSO on charges of issuance of bad check - two counts and theft of service greater than or equal to \$20 but less than \$500.
- AMANDA MICHELLE GARNER was booked by Department's Citizens on Patrol HCSO on charges of parent contributing to non-attendance – five counts, failure to maintain financial responsibility, driving while license invalid and display of expired registration.
  - ALBERT AGUILAR was booked by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
  - DONETTA C. LEWIS was booked by BSPD for expired registration.

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

- MEDICAL call reported at the 1000 block of Lancaster. One patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. • TRAFFIC ACCIDENT reported at the intersec-
- tion of 4<sup>th</sup> St. and Owens. One patient transported to SMMC. • MEDICAL call reported at the 700 block of
- Interstate Highway 20. One patient transported via
- MEDICAL call reported at the 400 block of Sunset. One patient transported to SMMC.
- TRASH fire reported at the 4100 block of E. FM 700. Extinguished.

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Sunrise: 7:42 AM Sunset: 6:17 PM	Sunrise: 7:41 AM Sunset: 6:18 PM	Sunrise: 7:41 AM Sunset: 6:19 PM	Sunrise: 7:40 AM Sunset: 6:20 PM	Sunrise: 7:39 AM Sunset: 6:21 PM				

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Austin	49	30	pt sunny	Longview	47	29	sunny
Beaumont	46	28	mst sunny	Lubbock	52	31	windy
Brownsville	52	40	rain	Lufkin	50	26	pt sunny
Brownwood	51	33	sunny	Midland	53	36	sunny
Corpus Christi	53	41	pt sunny	Raymondville	52	38	rain
Corsicana	47	29	sunny	Rosenberg	50	32	pt sunny
Dallas	48	31	sunny	San Antonio	51	32	pt sunny
Del Rio	54	34	sunny	San Marcos	50	29	pt sunny
El Paso	60	37	sunny	Sulphur Springs	46	32	sunny
Fort Stockton	61	44	sunny	Sweetwater	51	33	windy
Gainesville	45	29	sunny	Tyler	48	30	sunny
Greenville	45	28	sunny	Weatherford	47	29	sunny
Houston	49	32	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	49	31	sunny

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Atlanta	35	17	pt sunny	Minneapolis	26	17	mst sun
Boston	26	13	sn shower	New York	24	16	sn show
Chicago	21	15	sunny	Phoenix	74	48	sunny
Dallas	48	31	sunny	San Francisco	62	52	cloudy
Denver	56	39	pt sunny	Seattle	49	43	rain
Houston	49	32	pt sunny	St. Louis	37	27	sunny
Los Angeles	75	52	sunny	Washington, DC	29	17	pt sunny
Miami	78	61	rain				

#### **Moon Phases**



#### **UV** Index

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Area choirs are vying for

Staff Writer

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page. Foreigner, which reached its zenith of popularity in

the 1970s and 1980s, became one of the world's best-selling bands with 16 Top 30 hits.

Contact Lyndel Moody at citydesk@bigspringherald.com

or by 263-7331, ext. 234.

### **►** 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.
- 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 build-
- 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

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Foreigner who will be per-

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Performing Arts Center in

Midland Feb. 7. The contest

is held by Classic Rock 102 as

"We have until Friday to

there is no answer.

a promotion for the concert.

get as many votes as we can,"

- 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 filling fees. Just to file the 501c3 cost the rescue more than \$500. Any amount is appreciated. Make checks payable to BSS-CR, 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 infornation, 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.
- · 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.

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- Spring Tabernacle Ministries, 1209
- 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.

- 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 volun-
- teer delivery drivers. If you can donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Macaria Cantu at 263-4016.
- Wright St., has a brief, inspirational message before giving away food and clothing on Thursday mornings. 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 **MYERS & SMITH** informa-**FUNERAL HOME** tion or to & CHAPEL volunteer,

> Earline Davidson, 96, died Sunday. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. today at Trinity Memorial

24th & Johnson 267-8288

"Lupe" Guadalupe Alcantar Ramirez, 82, died Monday. Vigil services will be at 7 p.m. tonight at Myers& Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be Thursday 10 a.m. at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Eddie Dwayne White, 45, died Friday. Visitation will be tonight from 6 to 8 p.m. at Myers & Smith Funeral Home, Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial

Park. Wanda Rudinger, 58, died Sunday Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Addie Oliver, 87, died Sunday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Jacinto Hilario, 77, died

Tuesday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Sondra "Yogi" Williams, died Thursday.

Services are pending at

Myers & Smith Funeral

Home.

### CODE

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"If there are excepto do the same thing," Council member Bobby McDonald said. "I'm in favor of taking most of these exceptions out of the code."

The council also ex-

house for longer than a limited amount of time. Sjogren said she would

bring a draft version of a new code to the council in the coming weeks for their consideration. Adoption could be possible by the end of January.

In other business, the

council approved: • A bid for \$1.9 million

from Max Jantz Excavating of Montezuma, Kan., to construct a new cell of the city landfill. Sjogren said \$1 million of that amount is expected to be paid by Howard County.

• The Big Spring Police Department's Traf-

fic Contact Report for 2013.

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 A resolution calling for municipal elections

· A "resolution of no objection" to plans by a private firm to renovate Northcrest Apartments, located at 1002 N. Main

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### **FOOD**

But the program could use a little help and Hopper is hoping that area churches and civic organizations will chip in.

"We cordially invite representatives to an informational get together "We'll meet in Garrett Hall at 400 Scurry at 6

they weren't disposed of appropriately."

The patient information sheets and any other papers containing information about the residents are supposed to be placed in locked bins to be picked up later for shredding. The papers in question were in a folder and the entire contents, as far as officials know, have been returned. How the papers managed to leave the unit undetected is still being investigated.

**Charles Myers Attorney At Law** 

Family Law And

Criminal Law

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contact Peggy Hopper at hopperpeggy@yahoo. com or call/text her at 214-773-6775.

To contact Andreia Medlin, call the Herald at 263-7331.

investigating the incident," said Mann.

"We are retraining our staff about policy and procedures," Mann said. "This is unacceptable. Our patients deserve privacy and we are doing everything we can to make sure this doesn't happen again."

To contact Andreia Medlin call the Herald at 263-7331.

COMING SOON **Living Waters** 267-7971

#### WATER

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do not apply to bathing or other water uses, he added.

The advisory is expected to remain in effect for

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### Big Spring students are up

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against some tough competi-

Youtube.

favorite school can be found at classicrock102.net. Click onto contest located in the upper right hand corner of contest. has also been posted to the

the radio station's website. Then click onto the Foreigner A direct link to the contest

### said Anna Gann, BSHS choir a chance to appear on stage

- The Powwow Committee of Big Spring has been restructured and is seeking new members, according to committee secretary Greg Bodin. "The winds of change are blowing. Whether you are a Native American or are interested in Native American culture and would like to be a part of the 10th anniversary Big Spring Powwow, please accept our invitation to attend a meeting," Bodin said. For more information, contact Vice President Randy McKinney at 432-267-4843 or President Richard Lesser at 432-

exceptions to the code. tions, and they're rather broad, that will only encourage other people

pressed support for a provision in the code to prohibit trailers and recreational vehicles to be parked in front of a

Feb. 18," Hopper said.

### **BSSH**

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of each patient on the unit, was returned to BSSH by a city employee, according to Mann. "These sheets have

columns for each patient and contain information such as vital signs, diagnosis' and allergies," said Mann. "They do not contain the entire patient history of each patient. They are used at shift-to-shift report for the staff and are supposed to be returned to the shift team leader at the end of the shift and For more information,

"This is a Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act violation and we are still

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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."

Opinions expressed on this page are those of the Editorial Board of the Big Spring Herald unless otherwise indicated.

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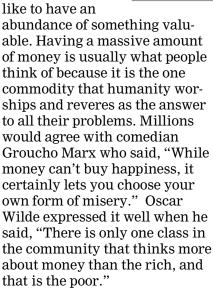
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### Money can't buy you wisdom

Most everyone I know would be satisfied with nothing more than a chance to be successful in their life's endeavor. The good news is that chances are all around us if we have eyes to see, and I'm pretty certain that most of us have taken advantage of those extra special gifts called second and third chances. Having a chance means having an opportunity and in America today there are very few boundaries to prevent

success if someone has a heart and mind committed to succeeding.

Even though I have wonderful family and friends, I don't have much in the way of material possessions and I have sometimes wondered what it might be like to have an



Yes, unfortunately, that folding green stuff has frightening power and exercises far too much control over the human psyche causing immeasurable sorrow to many, some by the pursuit of it and some by the loss of it. There's plenty of good commentary that could be written here about what really makes a man rich, but I'll save that for another time.

No matter how many chances a person may have to succeed, and regardless how much he accumulates from them, keeping a proper perspective about what is truly valuable is the most important thing in the long run. A man can make a fortune and

then forget how temporary it is, and that usually leads to disaster. Sometimes people just lose touch with reality and spend money with no regard or respect for the future.

I was reading recently about some celebrities who amassed great financial holdings, only to discover the pain of losing it all Some went on to recover, some did not, but they all stand as examples of how important it is to be wise when you are entrusted with something of value.

Former boxing champion, Mike Tyson, had to file for bankruptcy despite earning more than \$300 million as a professional boxer. Mark Twain, the creator of Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn, saw his finances float up the river when he invested in a series of misguided get-rich-quick schemes, ultimately ending up bankrupt. Even the great Walt Disney experienced the loss of everything and filed for bankruptcy in 1923 before coming back strong to become an entertainment icon. Perhaps one of the most famous people of our generation to experience the rise and fall of wealth was the self-proclaimed, "King of Pop", Michael Jackson. He may also be an excellent example of how one can be deceived into thinking money is everlasting because his spending habits were legendary. He earned a lot of money, but he spent without restraint, and much of it was nothing short of ridiculous. Case in point, he purchased 10 artificial intelligence Sony AIBO dog robots at \$5,000 each, and it took more than \$200,000 a month just to maintain and run his home. The music superstar dazzled the American populace when he shopped away \$6 million within a matter of hours on a TV documentary, "Living with Michael

Actress Kim Basinger paid \$20 million to buy the town of Braselton, Ga. in 1989. When Basinger filed for bankruptcy just four years later, she was forced to sell the town.

Over a 20-month period between 1996 and 1997 Elton John spent \$205,774 on flowers alone,

yet in 1999, the BBC reported that John asked a merchant bank to help him borrow \$40 million to pay off his debts. A year later he admitted running up debts more than \$2 million a month. His spending sprees were reported to include purchases of classic cars, clothing and jewelry.

When people make a lot of money, they're able to spend a lot of money, and without wisdom in the area of stewardship, it can evaporate in a hurry. The problem isn't a single extravagant purchase, but a lavish lifestyle in which they spend more than they earn. Even the rich are subject to the fundamental law of economics and sometimes they learn the hard way that real wealth isn't about earning money — it's about managing and keeping money. And I remind you again that true wealth is not always related to money at all.

There are also countless stories of average people who make it big through the lottery, or some other windfall, and then squander their wealth in years or months. The Bible talks much about the pitfalls of having lots of money and one of my heroes of the faith, B.H. Clendennen, used to say, "The Bible doesn't teach that it's wrong for us to have things, but it does teach that it's wrong for things to have us." I think the real key to success is wrapped up in that simple, yet profound, concept. Jesus asked this profound question, "What does it profit a man if he gains the whole world, but loses his soul?"

So, when you get that chance to succeed, make the most of it. Then when you're on top of the mountain, don't forget what really matters. I believe Eleanor Roosevelt understood it well when she said, "He who loses money, loses much; He who loses a friend, loses much more; He who loses faith, loses all."

You may not agree with anything I've said, but I column as I see 'em.

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Keep us from being cold, dear Lord, in our hearts, our minds and our bodies.

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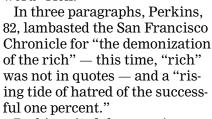
### It is always in poor taste for modern Americans to liken their

ideological critics to Nazis.

So when venture capitalist Tom Perkins wrote a letter to The Wall Street Journal that equated "the progressive war on the American one percent,

namely the 'rich," with "fascist Nazi Germany," he opened his double doors to the cable TV umbrage-fest that followed.

I have a teensy bit of advice for Perkins: When your reported worth is somewhere in the neighborhood of \$8 billion, you don't need to wrap quotes around the word "rich."



Perkins cited the paper's coverage of public anger at Google buses and rising real estate prices, as well as "libelous and cruel attacks" on the city's "number-one celebrity," Danielle Steel. (It's sweet of husband No. 5 to stand up for his ex-wife, but I can think of bigger outrages than two Chronicle scribes dishing Steel's big hedge.) He concluded by noting that

Kristallnacht was unthinkable in 1930 and wondering what fresh hell progressive radicalism might unleash on successful Americans. Perkins' rhetoric was so over

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It's magical thinking to believe that lowincome families' problems could be solved if only affluent earners made less money. When Democrats go after what they call income inequality, they often push for policies that end up pinching the U.S. economy.

threw him under the Google bus. Kleiner Perkins Caufield & Byers tweeted that its co-founder hasn't been "involved in KPCB in years."

Sam Singer is the San Francisco public relations crisis guru to whom people with money go when they find themselves in a PR pickle.

Singer told me that Perkins made a legitimate point about the "open dislike of people who are successful and who have money by certain elements in San Francisco, but he's approached it in a way that diminishes his point of view" and that allows people "to denigrate it or make fun of it." That is, Perkins equated any

criticism of rich people and their shrubbery with a precursor to terror. He doesn't seem to understand

the notion of public discourse or give-and-take. There was a legitimate point

behind Perkins' over-the-top rhetoric, I think.

When protesters swarm around Google buses in an at-

muters, it may not be a Rosa Parks moment, but it does reveal the ugly underbelly of class

It's magical thinking to believe that low-income families' problems could be solved if only affluent earners made less money When Democrats go after what they call income inequality, they often push for policies that end

up pinching the U.S. economy. Perkins might have written: Demonize tech money and it just could move to a place where it's welcome.

Go too far with these soakthe-super-rich policies and you can kiss our tax dollars and jobs goodbye.

Instead, he launched on a rant that focused on the cheek of San Franciscans who complain about the downside of The Special City's embarrassment of riches.

He wasn't railing against bad economic policy.

He's angry that people don't love the super-rich.

He wants the peasants to applaud while the royal coach speeds away.

Perkins might want to ask the help to needlepoint a sampler of this famous Michel de Montaigne quotation: "No man is a hero to his valet."

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### Friedman running for ag commissioner

### Says he wants to legalize marijuana in the Lone Star State

Herald Staff Report

Kinky Friedman, who calls himself a musician, author, entrepreneur and Governor of the Heart of Texas, is planning a stop in Big Spring during his campaign for ag commissioner.

Friedman said he is running in the Democratic Primary (March 4) to bring "courage, imagination and common sense back to politics."

Along the way he wants to legalize marijuana.

"I'm running as an old-time Harry Truman blue dog Democrat. I'm running to try to give young people in Texas someone in politics they can look up to. Last, but certainly not least, I'm running to end the prohibition on pot and hemp in the great state of Texas," he has posted on his website, http://www.kinkvfriedman. com/index.html.

"There would be no culture without agriculture. It is the green thread that runs through all our lives. As we have seen in Colorado and Washington State, legalizing, taxing and cultivating pot can be the economic engine to fund education, not just talk about it, so perhaps we would no longer rank 50th in the country in high school graduation rates," he commented.

"Legalizing pot will lower property taxes as well as reducing other state and local taxes. It will also effectively spay and neuter the Mexican drug cartels; the people of Texas will become the new cartel. "I have yet to meet a law enforce-

ment officer in Texas who does not believe we are losing the war on drugs. In 2010, according to the Dallas Observer, more than 74,000 non-violent pot arrests occurred in Texas, resulting in the ruin of many young lives at the cost to the taxpayer of \$250 million. It should also be noted that seven times as many African-Americans and Hispanics have been incarcer-



Kinky Friedman, right, with country singer Dwight Yoakam.

ated as whites. Add to this that Texas has arguably the biggest and the best cancer hospital in the world, M.D. Anderson in Houston, and no medical marijuana. "As far as hemp goes, it's really a

no-brainer. Cotton requires twice as much water as hemp, yet hemp produces two and a half times the fiber. This is ever more important in these times of deep drought and a major factor in considering our options for water conservation. Hemp returns nutrients to the soil; cotton does not. Hemp requires no pesticides; 25 percent of all the pesticides in the world go into cotton. Hemp even reduces CO2 in the atmosphere. If you were a farmer, which would you rather grow?"

"Prohibition simply doesn't work. Lifting the prohibition on pot is not about long-haired hippies smoking dope; it's about the economy, the environment and water conservation, education, the border, health care, criminal justice (and injustice!). It's about the future of this great state.

"I doubt if any other candidate for statewide office will champion (or even mention) these ideas. But someone needs to bring them forth. That's another reason I'm running. It's a dirty job, and I get to do it. It would be a good thing for all of us to ask ourselves two questions whenever we encounter a new idea. The first question should be, 'Is it good for Texas?' The second question should be, 'Do we want to be leaders, or do we want to be seceders?

"I ask for your vote on March 4 and any financial support you are able to give. Please go to <u>TexasForKinky</u>. <u>com</u> for further information on how to contribute and support our efforts," he concluded.

Friedman will be in Big Spring on Sunday, March 2, time and place to be determined. The visit will conclude his Seeds of Change Tour.

**Seeds of Change Tour** 

News (Editorial Board Meeting), 508 Young Street, Dallas, Texas Wed. Feb. 12 Oklahoma Jazz Hall

Tue. Feb. 11 Dallas Morning

Of Fame, 111 East First Street, Tulsa, Thurs. Feb. 13 Red Dragon Listen-

ing Room, 2401 Florida Blvd, Baton Rouge, La Fri. Feb. 14 Old Quarter Acoustic Café, 413 20th Street, Galveston,

Sat. Feb. 15 Main Street Crossing, 111 Main Street, Tomball, Texas Sun. Feb. 16 McGonigel's Mucky

Duck, 2425 Norfolk St. Houston, Texas Mon. Feb. 17 Morning - Houston, Texas (Meetings)

Mon. Feb. 17 Evening – College Station (A&M Democrats Meeting) Mon. Feb. 18 Kauffman Leader-

ship Academy, 1108 N. Anglin St. Cleburne, Texas (Johnson County Democratic Meeting)

Wed. Feb. 19 Tipsy Gypsy, 812 E. Methvin St. Longview, Texas

Thurs. Feb. 20 Salesmen's Club Of Dallas @ J. Erik Jonsson School, 106 E. 10<sup>th</sup>, Dallas, Texas Fri. Feb. 21 Poor David's Pub,

1313 South Lamar, Dallas, Texas Sat. Feb. 22 one2one Bar, 1509 South Lamar, Austin, Texas

Sun. Feb. 23 El Hueso De Fraile, 837 Elizabeth Street, Brownsville, Texas

Mon. Feb. 24 Brownsville, Texas Tues. Feb. 25 McAllen, Texas Wed. Feb. 26 Vaquero's, 1406 Jaca-

man Rd, Ste 3, Laredo, Texas Thurs. Feb. 27 Railroad Blues, 504

W. Holland Ave, Alpine, Texas Feb. 28 Cactus Theater, 1812 Buddy Holly Ave, Lubbock,

Sat. Mar. 1 Tricky Falls, 209 S. El Paso Street, El Paso, Texas Sun. Mar. 2 Big Spring, Texas (Farmers Meeting)

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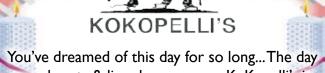












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### Odds and Ends

#### Students at Wis. college have cozy walk to class

MEQUON, Wis. (AP) — While many Midwestern college students pile on layers to brave the frigid walk to classes in subzero weather, those attending one Wisconsin university on the windy shores of Lake Michigan can leave their coats in their dorms and take a much cozier trek.

Concordia University Wisconsin has nearly 4 miles of connecting tunnels and hallways that keep students out of the harsh winter elements. The elaborate underground system connects residence halls and academic

"Actually, it's pretty funny to see students walking around campus in flip flops and shorts," during the winter, said university spokesman Craig

Some of the tunnels date back to when the School Sisters of Notre Dame owned the 200-acre lakefront property before Concordia bought it in 1982, according to McCarthy. The Lutheran university, north of Milwaukee in the suburb of Mequon, has added to the maze of tunnels when constructing new buildings, including the School

"Honestly, I haven't been outside in two days," said junior Lindsey Weber, a resident assistant at Augsburg Hall. "It's been nice with the semester starting back up. Everybody has been able to stay warm unless they're a commuter or had to go out for some-

of Pharmacy, which opened in 2011.

The tunnels can get a bit crowded at times, said Weber, 21, of Colgate, Wis. About 7,900 graduate and undergraduate students from 46 states and 28 foreign countries are enrolled at the university, which is a member of Concordia University System, a nationwide network of colleges and uni-

"It turns into like rush hour on the freeway," Weber said. "Everybody just lines up and goes."

The private, liberal arts school ranks 13 in a list of the 21 coldest colleges in the country, according to the website College Prowler, a resource for student reviews, majors and scholarships. The ranking is based on student reviews of weather, average high and low temperatures and average precipitation in summer and winter, the website says.

Built 20 years before Concordia bought the property, the cement floor of the underground maze was conducive to bikes and roller skates the nuns used to navigate the long tunnels, said Lawrence Sohn, 76, who maintains the university's archives.

"This was all the sisters' idea in the first place," Sohn said.

Twenty-two of the 23 buildings on campus are connected and clustered in the middle of the sprawling property with parking lots and roads en-

circling the buildings.

The university used the tunnels in a promotional campaign several years ago, telling prospective students they could "come to class in shorts in January," Sohn said.

"The nice thing is," Weber said, "we never have to put away our summer clothes."

#### Rattled by rumor, casino savs it is snake-free

BETHLEHEM, Pa. (AP) — An eastern Pennsylvania casino is trying to dispel a bizarre online rumor: The Sands Casino Resort Bethlehem savs patrons aren't being bitten by snakes.

Casino spokeswoman Julia Corwin tells The Express-Times that there have been no reported snake encounters at the Sands. She says if there were snakes, the critters would have been captured by the casino's sophisticated surveillance cameras.

The rumor circulating on Facebook claims someone went to their doctor with some kind of bite, and the doctor diagnosed a snake bite and asked immediately whether the patient had recently visited the Bethlehem casino.

State police operate a station at the casino. Trooper William Ortiz reports "absolutely zero snakes" inside.

#### Police: N.M. woman calls 911 to avoid ticket

ROSWELL, N.M. (AP) — Authorities say a New Mexico woman called in a fake report of a gunman near a convenience store to help a friend avoid a traffic ticket over a taillight.

Roswell police say 22-year-old Savana Jimenez called 911 Sunday morning hoping the officer who pulled over the car she was a passenger in would get dispatched to the fake crime. Authorities say Jimenez called 911

while the officer was checking her friend's information.

Police say Jimenez later admitted making the entire story up so the officer would rush to the fake scene.

Roswell police spokeswoman Sabrina Morales says Jimenez told police she thought she had warrants out for her arrest, but officials say she

Jimenez was arrested and charged with obstruction. It was unknown if she had an attorney.

#### Gassy German cows blamed for barn explosion

BERLIN (AP) - A herd of dairy cows nearly lifted the roof off their barn in central Germany when methane released by the animals caused an explosion.

Police in Hesse state said in a statement that a static electric charge apparently triggered the detonation, and a spurt of flame, on Monday at a farm in Rasdorf. The roof was slightly damaged and one cow suffered light burns. No people were hurt.

Police say 90 cows are kept in the shed and it wasn't clear why quantities of methane had built up. Bovine belching and flatulence releases large quantities of the gas.

#### Odd call: Blowing nose brings big buck running

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — The deer hunter figured sneezing had blown his chance at a deer, but blowing his nose brought a big buck running.

Ron Manning of Hinds County said he's hunted deer for 54 years and had never seen anything like what happened earlier this month — though he did once see a deer that tried to eat grape bubble gum and got gum all over itself, he told The Clarion-Ledger.

On Jan. 16, he said, he suffered a volley of nine sneezes in 10 minutes. He tried to muffle the noise in his elbow, but figured he had no chance of seeing a deer for an hour. So he went for the honk.

The next thing he knew, "a 17-inch, 8-point came roaring in," Manning said. "He had his ears laid back, his eyes glazed over and the hair standing up on his back. Obviously, I said something to upset him because he came to fight. He wasn't cautious. He came in running.'

"He was wide open, coming to me," Manning said. "I shot him at 25 yards."

Manning joked that instead of a grunt/wheeze call, this deer was fooled by a cough/sneeze.

"I wish I knew exactly what I did so I could duplicate it," Manning said.

#### Herb Alpert's totem sculptures on display

NEW YORK (AP) — Jazz musician Herb Alpert is bringing a different kind of art to New York City. Three giant totem sculptures cre-

ated by Alpert will be on display at Dante Park, across from Manhattan's Lincoln Center. They were unveiled Thursday and will be in place until April 15. The sculptures are called "Spirit

Totems." Alpert was inspired by the totem poles seen in the Pacific Northwest.

The three totems are "Grace," which stands over 15 feet tall; "Freedom," which stands at just under 17 feet tall; and "Gratitude," which measures at just over 17 feet tall. They're made of bronze with a black finish. Alpert has been working on totems since 2000.

Alpert is an eight-time Grammy Award winner and has sold more than 75 million records.

#### **Ivory Coast pilots** novel elephant rescue

DAKAR, Senegal (AP) — After being tranquilized and loaded onto trucks with cranes, elephants that have been squeezed out of their traditional habitat in Ivory Coast are being relocated by conservationists in what is reportedly the first such operation attempted in Africa's forests. Ivory Coast is so enamored of el-

ephants that its national soccer team is nicknamed after them. A tusker is prominently displayed on the national coat of arms. The country is even named after the ivory trade, underscoring how the giant mammals once proliferated in the West African na-

Ivory Coast has not conducted a recent census to determine how many forest elephants are left in the country, but conservationists estimate there only are a few hundred. In Central Africa, their populations have been devastated by poaching in recent years.

The elephants being relocated were forced out of the Marahoue National Park by human migration possibly related to the West African country's 2010-11 postelection violence, according to the International Fund for Animal Welfare. This week, the group began tranquilizing elephants outside the western town of Daloa, then locking them in a crate for the 10-hour drive to Assagny National Park on the country's southern coast.

The dozen or so elephants targeted for relocation moved near Daloa two years ago and began wreaking havoc, destroying crops and killing two people including a small boy who accidentally stumbled upon elephant calves, prompting their mother to attack, IFAW said.

One calf is among those to be tranquilized and moved, the organization said. People gathered around in the red-dirt village of Daloa on Monday to watch the spectacle of an elephant being loaded onto the back of a large

Forest elephants are smaller than the savannah elephants found in Africa's eastern and southern regions.

Elephants are widely cherished as Ivory Coast's national animal, and the government contacted the animal welfare organization for help to solve the problem without hunting the elephants down and contributing to the ongoing decline of forest elephant populations throughout the region, said Celine Sissler-Bienvenu, IFAW's director for Francophone Africa.

#### COAHOMA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL **DISTRICT** STATEMENT OF REVENUES, **EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES** IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE

YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2013

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#### **EXPENDITURES:**

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0012	Instructional Resources and Media Services	64,999	-	-	64,999
0013	Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development	13,457	-	6,081	19,538
0021	Instructional Leadership	6,720	-	-	6,720
0023	School Leadership	422,006	-	-	422,006
0031	Guidance, Counseling and Evaluation Services	127,043	-	-	127,043
0033	Health Services	42,881	-	-	42,881
0034	Student Transportation	354,972	-	-	354,972
0035	Food Services	-	-	432,970	432,970
0036	Extracurricular Activities	254,220	-	-	254,220
0041	General Administration	430,578	-	-	430,578
0051	Facilities Maintenance and Operations	1,053,088	-	-	1,053,088
0053	Data Processing Services	29,934	-	-	29,934
0071	Debt Service - Principal	-	29,603	_	29,603
0072	Debt Service - Interest	-	872,797	_	872,797
0073	Debt Service - Bond Issuance Cost and Fees	-	530	-	530
0093	Payments to Fiscal Agent	198,226	-		198,226
0099	Other Intergovernmental Charges	103,537	<u> </u>		103,537

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### News in brief

#### San Antonio bar worker charged with deadly punch

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A South Texas bar employee has been charged with aggravated assault when a patron died after allegedly being punched by the worker.

A San Antonio police report says Mitchell Jeremy Sanderson was under the influence of alcohol when he was asked to leave Sunday night after allegedly throwing a beer bottle behind the bar.

Employee Daniel Longonia told investigators that

Employee Daniel Longoria told investigators that Sanderson went outside but refused to leave and then insulted and tried to strike him. Longoria told police that he punched Sanderson in the head in self-defense.

Police say a review of security video found Sand-

erson never tried to punch Longoria, who's free on \$50,000 bond. Online jail records Wednesday did not list infor-

Online jail records Wednesday did not list information for Longoria. A publicly listed number for Lost Bar & Grill wasn't in service Wednesday.

### Dallas officer arrested in sex investigation

DALLAS (AP) — A Dallas police officer has resigned after being accused of forcing a woman to have sex with him to avoid jail.

Dallas County jail records show 28-year-old La'Cori Johnson was being held Wednesday on a sexual assault charge. Online records don't list an attorney for Johnson, who was booked Tuesday.

Investigators say Johnson was on patrol Sept. 9 when he saw a man and a woman, did a computer check and found an outstanding warrant for her. Police say Johnson ordered the man to leave and allegedly told the woman she could avoid jail by doing what he asked.

An affidavit says the woman was sexually assaulted in the patrol car and later reported the attack. Details on the warrant weren't immediately available.

Johnson had been an officer since 2009.

### Ex-Austin officer pleads guilty to false statement AUSTIN Texas (AP) — A former

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A former Central Texas

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police officer who shared credit card fraud case details with a suspect has pleaded guilty to lying to investigators.

A federal judge in Austin on Tuesday afternoon accepted the plea from 34-year-old Jermain Gaspard.

Gaspard was an Austin police officer during the 2013 incident but later resigned. He faces up to five years in prison after pleading guilty to making a false statement to federal authorities.

Authorities say Gaspard last April used a computer in his patrol car to do an unauthorized database check in a credit card fraud investigation, then shared details with the suspect. Gaspard later denied providing information to the suspect. Further details on the person weren't immediately released.

Gaspard remains free on bond pending sentencing.

### Family wants Texas billionaire's will sealed

#### DALLAS (AP) — The wife of recently deceased

Texas billionaire Harold Simmons wants his will sealed by a Dallas court.

Attorneys for Annette Simmons are expected to argue Wednesday before a Dallas County probate judge to have the will's contents blocked from public view.

Simmons was an East Texas native who rose from poverty to head a sprawling corporate empire with interests ranging from energy to nuclear waste dumps. He donated hundreds of millions of dollars to charitable causes. He was also well known in the political world for his funding of Republican and conservative campaigns.

He bankrolled the 2004 ads questioning Democratic presidential nominee John Kerry's Vietnam War service.

### Texan charged with killing fiance's daughter, 2

PLANO, Texas (AP) — A North Texas woman has been accused of using duct tape and suffocating her fiance's 2-year-old daughter as the couple broke up.

Collin County jail records show 25-year-old Melinda Muniz of Plano was being held Wednesday on a charge of capital murder of a person under 6 years of age. No attorney was listed for Muniz, who was arrested Tuesday and bond set at \$1 million.

Plano police say Muniz faked a report about an attacker breaking into the couple's apartment Jan. 9. Police found Grace Lillian Ford unconscious with duct tape over her mouth. The toddler died Jan. 12.

An arrest affidavit says the child's father earlier on Jan. 9 told Muniz he was calling off their engagement and wanted her to move out.

### Dem wins special election for seat in Texas House

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Voters in north Austin have re-elected a Democrat to represent them in the Texas House, choosing real estate agent and activist Celia Israel.

Turnout was extremely low on an icy Tuesday special election to replace Mark Strama, who resigned his District 50 seat to work for Google. Israel worked for former Gov. Ann Richards and

easily defeated Republican Mike VanDeWalle, a chiropractor making his first bid for elected office.

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### State education board nears grad requirements vote

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Texas State Board of Education holds a last round of discussions before finalizing the state's new high school graduation requirements.

Before its final vote Friday, the board meets Wednesday in Austin is to weigh how requirements for speech and foreign language courses should factor into the new graduation standards.

The Legislature voted overwhelmingly last sum-

mer to overhaul academic curriculum. Lawmakers eased advanced math and science requirements to allow students more flexibility to focus on career and vocational training.

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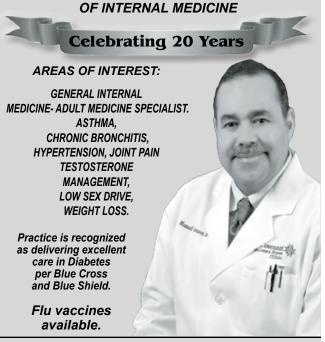
### Texas girl in Okla. hospital after skydiving fall

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — A 16-year-old Texas girl who plummeted more than 3,000 feet to the ground in an Oklahoma skydiving accident survived and is recovering from her many injuries, a doctor said Tuesday.

Dr. Jeffrey Bender, a trauma surgeon at OU Medical Center who treated Makenzie Wethington when she was flown Saturday from a skydiving school in Chickasha, said the girl hurt her liver and broke her pelvis, lumbar spine in her lower back, a shoulder blade and several ribs. She also has a broken tooth.

"I don't know the particulars of the accident as I wasn't there. But if she truly fell 3,000 feet, I have no idea how she survived," Bender said at a news conference at the hospital, where the girl's parents also spoke to reporters.

Not only did she survive, but she was in good condition Tuesday, Bender said, and was expected to leave the intensive care unit.



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### Going for Gold

Meet five U.S. athletes who will compete for medals at the 2014 Winter Olympics Feb. 7-23 in Sochi, Russia.

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### Southern-style storm brings gridlock, kindess

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Overnight, the South saw fatal crashes and hundreds of fenderbenders. Jackknifed 18-wheelers littered Interstate 65 in central Alabama. Ice shut down bridges on Florida's panhandle and the Lake Pontchartrain Causeway, one of the world's longest spans, in Louisiana. Some commuters pleaded for help via cellphones while still holed up in their cars, while others trudged miles home, abandoning their vehicles outright. Linda Moore spent 12

hours stuck in her car on Interstate 65 south of Birmingham before a firefighter used a ladder to help her cross the median wall and a shuttle bus took her to a hotel where about 20 other stranded motorists spent the night in a conference room.

"I boohooed a lot," she said. "It was traumatic. I'm just glad I didn't have to stay on that Interstate all night, but there are still people out there."

No one knew exactly how many people were stranded, but some employers such as Blue Cross Blue Shield in Alabama had hundreds of people sleeping in offices overnight. Workers watched movies on their laptops, and office cafeterias gave away

food.

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Atlanta, hub to major corporations and the world's busiest airport, once again found itself unprepared to deal with the chaos — despite assurances that city officials had learned their lessons from a 2011 ice storm that brought the city to its knees. Some residents expressed outrage that more precautions weren't taken this time around and schools and other facilities weren't closed ahead of time. But officials from schools and that state said weather

indicated

those were wrong.

Still, Georgia leaders seem aware of public angst and tried to mitigate it. Atlanta Mayor Kasim Reed said on Twitter Wednesday morning that crews are working diligently to salt and sand roadways. He added: "We know you

want to get home, and

the area would not see

more than a dusting of

snow and that it didn't

become clear until late

Tuesday morning that

At the non-denominational Action Church in Canton, Ga., church members kept the lights on for stranded motorists. Tommy Simmons, a church member, said the church parking lot was filling overnight with cars of stranded motorists.

we are going to work all day until you can return safely." Twenty hours before, he offered this message on Twitter: "Atlanta, we are ready for the snow."

Officials also noted that poor travel conditions were exacerbated Tuesday by a mass of workers ending their days early.

Georgia Gov. Nathan Deal said the National Guard was sending military Humvees onto Atlanta's snarled freeways to try to move stranded school buses and get food and water to people. Georgia State Patrol troopers headed to schools where children were hunkered down early Wednesday after spending the night there, and transportation crews continued to treat roads and bring gas to motorists, Deal

Around Atlanta, nearly all public entities and most businesses were shutdown early Wednesday. Officials encouraged would-be motorists not to drive. City buses were not running, and some commuters who opted for rail service met new frustrations as they stood on platforms awaiting trains into the city center. A sea of red brake lights remained at a standstill along a dozen lanes of the Downtown Connector shortly before dawn Wednesday.

If there was a bright spot in the epic gridlock in the region, it was that the bitter cold brought warm. Southern-style graciousness to the fore, as strangers opened up their homes, volunteers served coffee and snacks to the traffic-bound, and schoolbound principals played bingo and other games with stranded students to while away the time.

Debbie Hartwig, a waitress at an Atlanta area waffle house, said she managed to keep her cool thanks in part to the kindness of strangers after 10 hours on the road.

"I'm calm," she said.
"That's all you can be. People are helping each other out, people are moving cars that have spun out or had become disabled. It's been really nice. I even saw people passing out hot coffee and granola bars."

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"I've got 12 to 18 people right now. They're getting warmed up," Simmons said. His guests included a family that got stuck in the Atlanta area en route to Texas, several motorists, and two homeless men.

"Everyone is sitting around chitchatting like they've known each other for years," he said. And in true Southern style, the guests were served pork barbecue.

Heroes also had their day. Police in suburban Atlanta say one of their own helped assist the safe delivery of a baby girl on a gridlocked interstate Tuesday afternoon after snow and ice brought traffic to a crawl.

Sandy Springs Police Capt. Steve Rose told The Associated Press the baby girl was safely delivered around 5:20 p.m. Tuesday amid gridlocked traffic on Interstate 285. A traffic officer arrived with only minutes to spare before the infant arrived.

"Fortunately he had his emergency lights on and people got out of his way," Rose said. "The delivery was pretty flawless."

Meanwhile, people took to social media such as Facebook to appeal for overnight shelter or to offer guest rooms, fire stations, churches and park gymnasiums to those needing a warm place to stay after spending hours in their cars. People on one page, SnowedOutAtlanta, offered guest bedrooms, fire stations, shelters and just about any other warm building to stay. Even a supermarket offered lodging.

At least a few students were still aboard school buses stuck on roadways in the pre-dawn hours Wednesday, though the scope wasn't yet clear. Steve Smith, associate superintendent with Atlanta Public Schools, told WSB-TV that two students from the district remained on one bus.

DeKalb County schools Superintendent Michael Thurmond said early Wednesday that district employees and the county police chief managed to get all but a handful of students to their homes in the hours immediately following the storm, and about five kids stayed overnight at a middle school.

In Acworth, a suburb northwest of Atlanta, Barber Middle School Principal Lisa Williams said 972 pupils had made it home by late Tuesday but five still remained after their parents got stuck while trying to reach them.

"We are in the front office playing bingo and eating snacks," Williams said, adding that 40 school workers also had decided to stay put instead of risking a dangerous drive home.



### BSHS STEER CHEER MINI CAMP 2014!

The BSHS Varsity Cheerleaders will be offering a mini-cheer camp for girls Kinder through 5<sup>th</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> from 2:00pm to 4:00pm
Monday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6:00pm to 7:00pm.

The performance will be on Tuesday, February 4<sup>th</sup> 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 15<sup>th</sup> through January 29<sup>th</sup>, 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 <a href="mailto:aphinney@bsisd.esc18.net">aphinney@bsisd.esc18.net</a>. You may also call the front office of the high school and leave a message.

Space is limited so please sign up early.

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Thanks!

Ashley Phinney and Meredith Skaggs, BSHS Cheer Sponsors

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\*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 you child arrives on time and is picked up on time. Your signature at the bottom of this application certifies that you fully understand.

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(AP) — President Barack Obama urged Congress to help restore opportunity for Americans but pledged to take action himself Tuesday in his fifth State of the Union address before Congress. Some highlights from Obama's economic and other proposals:

—MINIMUM WAGE: An executive order to raise minimum wage paid by federal contractors to \$10.10. He called on Congress to increase the federal minimum wage for all workers to \$10.10.

—RETIREMENT SECURITY: Create a new sav-

ings account program to help people start saving for retirement. Obama is asking the Treasury to create a bond called MyRA that can be offered through employers as a "starter" retirement account. Call for Congress to create automatic IRAs for all workers who don't opt out. Obama has included this in previous budget requests but Congress hasn't acted on it.

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—IMMIGRATION: Renew call for Congress to pass comprehensive immigration overhaul this year, including a path to citizenship for about 11 million immigrants in the U.S. illegally. Bipartisan legislation has passed the Senate, but the House prefers a piecemeal approach. House Republicans are meeting this week and are expected to outline their principles for an immigration overhaul.

—CLIMATE AND ENERGY: Set new fuel efficiency standards for trucks. Introduce first-of-its-kind emissions limits on power plants. Work with states and communities on climate change resiliency and cutting pollution. Cut red tape to help states build factories that use natural gas. Propose new incentives for trucks that use alternative fuels like natural gas.

—TAXES: Expand the earned-income tax credit, which helps boost the wages of low-income families through tax refunds.

Some Republicans and conservative economists have called for similar expansion of the credit. Overhaul tax code to eliminate wasteful loopholes while lowering rates for businesses to incentivize hiring in the U.S.

—HEALTHCARE: Encourage Americans without insurance to sign up through new exchanges by March 31 deadline. Urge Republicans to give up attempts to repeal Obama's health care law.

# Republicans say president can't do much without them

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congressional Republicans swiftly and sharply rejected President Barack Obama's vow to act on his own if lawmakers won't help him create jobs and narrow the nation's yawning income gap, insisting he'll accomplish little in a divided government without them.

"The authority he has doesn't add up to much for those without opportunity in this economy," House Speaker John Boehner said after Obama's State of the Union address before a packed House chamber and a primetime television audience.

"The real answer is for Obama to refocus his priorities and work with us on the things that we can achieve together to create jobs and promote greater opportunity," he added.

Obama's aim to move beyond a pattern of political crises and division is further complicated by the fact that 2014 is a midterm election year, with control of Congress at stake.

Hoping to gain the political initiative, Obama summoned law-makers to create jobs, overhaul immigration laws, combat climate change and more, and said he would act unilaterally where possible if they won't compromise.

"America does not stand still, and neither will I," the president declared. "So whatever and wherever I can take steps without legislation to expand opportunity for more American families, that's what I'm going to do."

Vice President Joe Biden underscored that blunt message Wednesday as Obama prepared to take his pitch on the road, starting with visits to suburban Maryland to highlight his call

for raising the minimum wage and to Pittsburgh to build support for improved retirement security.

"The president will take action where in fact he thinks it will spur action in the state or in Congress," Biden said on "CBS This Morning. "We're just not going to sit around and wait for the Congress if they choose not to act."

For their part, House Repub-

licans were departing for a twoday retreat on Maryland's Eastern Shore. Obama's promise to wield his presidential power was certain to be part of the discussion — and so, too, ways to gain concessions from the White House in exchange for increasing the nation's \$17 trillion debt ceiling.

From Boehner down, there was little evidence they intended to move Obama's way.

"Too many people are falling further and further behind because, right now, the president's policies are making people's lives harder," Rep. Cathy Mc-Morris Rodgers said in the Republicans' official response.

The State of the Union speech came at the beginning of the sixth year in Obama's presidency and was replete with all the political pageantry that Washington can muster.

Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg opened her arms wide to give a grinning Obama a huge hug as he walked past her on the way to the speaker's rostrum.

The galleries ringing the floor were crowded with guests, also part of the traditional setting. The evening's longest — and most bipartisan — applause went to one of them. Army Sgt. 1st Class Cory Remsburg, griev-

ously injured by a roadside bomb in Afghanistan, acknowledged the cheers from his seat next to first lady Michelle Obama.

By contrast, Obama's mention of the health care law that bears his name brought cheers from Democrats and silence from Republicans, who have spent the past three years trying to repeal a program they loathe.

He said he didn't expect Republicans to change their minds but challenged them to offer improvements. "If you have specific plans to cut costs, cover more people and increase choice—tell America what you'd do differently. Let's see if the numbers add up.

"But let's not have another 40-something votes to repeal a law that's already helping millions of Americans."

Republicans have yet to offer a comprehensive health care alternative, and the remarks appeared to be an attempt by the president to frame the issue to his party's advantage in the long campaign ahead for control of Congress.

Similarly, Obama's heavy emphasis on income disparity underscored the importance pocketbook issues will have in Congress this year and in the election in November.

"Opportunity is who we are. And the defining project of our generation is to restore that promise," he said.

Obama announced before the speech that he would soon sign an order raising the minimum wage from \$7.25 to \$10.10 an hour for federal contractors. He urged Congress to make it the law of the land — even though Republicans had already rejected the proposal as a threat to those at the bottom of the wage ladder.



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### News in brief

#### Southern-style snowstorm that barely qualifies up North brings gridlock, also Good Samaritans

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#### Ukraine's parliament considering protester amnesty, but with conditions

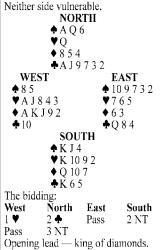
KIEV, Ukraine (AP) — Ukraine's parliament is considering measures to grant amnesty to those arrested during weeks of protests in the crisis-torn country, but possibly with conditions attached that would be unacceptable to the opposition.

Two amnesty proposals are up for a parliamen-



By Steve Becker

#### Astute Detective Work



West dealer.

Assume you get to three notrump on the bidding shown and West leads the K-A-J of diamonds. When East discards a spade on the third diamond, you learn that West started with five fairly robust diamonds, and because West opened the bidding with one heart, you conclude that he must have at least five hearts as well.

Having assimilated this informa-

proceed. Obviously, you cannot afford to lose the lead, which in turn means you must bring in the club suit without loss to make the contract. At the moment, though, it's not clear whether you should first play the king or the ace. To try to solve this problem, you

start by cashing the K-Q of spades. When West follows suit to both spade leads, you are in a far better position to judge how to play the

It now appears likely that West started with two spades, five hearts and five diamonds, which leaves him with at most one club. You must therefore hope that West's singleton club is either the queen or the ten.

Accordingly, you next cash the ace of clubs. After West produces the ten, you lead the jack from dummy, and when East follows with the eight, you confidently finesse. When West discards a heart, the trouble you took to clarify West's distribution is rewarded, and you end up making

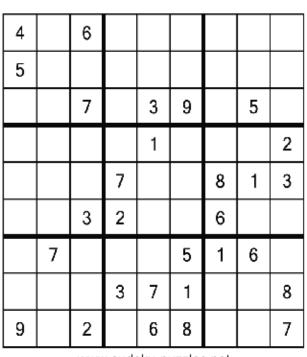
four notrump Observe that if you had mechanically cashed the king of clubs at trick four without bothering to play two rounds of spades first, you would have gone down instead of making

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#### tion, you must now decide how to the contract. **Tomorrow:** East lets the cat out of the bag.

#### **Sudoku Answer on Page 17**

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



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tary vote Wednesday, one of which says amnesty would be granted only if demonstrators leave the streets and vacate buildings that they occupy.

Over the course of two months, anti-government protesters have established a large tent camp in the main square of Kiev and seized three buildings that they use as operations centers and sleeping quarters. They have also erected large barricades of ice, wood and other material.

#### Thai businesses feel squeeze of political crisis, seek role in ending turmoil

BANGKOK (AP) — Hotel occupancy rates in central Bangkok have plunged. Conventions have been canceled. Business deals have been postponed. Tourist bookings for coming months are

The latest spasm in Thailand's near decade of political upheaval is taking an economic toll as antigovernment protesters barricade Bangkok's major intersections and confrontations between protesters and supporters of Prime Minister Yingluck Shinawatra periodically flare into deadly clashes. Since a 2006 coup ousted Yingluck's brother

Thaksin Shinawatra as prime minister, Thailand's economy has bounced back from several episodes of violent political conflict. However, the underlying failure to resolve deep divisions in Thai society has diminished its reputation as a reliable country for foreign business and raised the prospect of ever increasing instability.

Southeast Asia's second-biggest economy could wallow below 3 percent growth this year, if the anti-government protests continue into the second quarter, the University of the Thai Chamber of Commerce projected. That is far below potential for Thailand, one of the world's top tourist destinations and a base for global companies in industries from autos to hard drives. As recently as 2012 the economy grew 6.5 percent and growth of nearly 4 percent will be reported for 2013 when official figures are released.

"It's terrible. It's worse than ever. We can't see an end to it," said Virat Jaturaphutphitak, vice president of the Association of Thai Travel Agents. Reservations from European and North American travelers to Bangkok through April are down 70 percent. Bookings from Asia are down 30 percent. "If this situation continues, we will have to close many businesses."

#### As universities crack down on sex assaults, Missouri investigates swimmer's death, rape claim

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The case of a former University of Missouri swimmer claimed she was raped in an episode that her parents say led to her suicide underscores the problems higher education institutions in the U.S. face in cracking down on sexual

The parents of Sasha Menu Courey say the university and its athletics department by now should have investigated her alleged off-campus rape by as many as three football players in February 2010.

University leaders say they didn't learn about the purported attack until after Menu Courey, a Canadian, committed suicide 16 months later. They also said that they followed the letter of the law because they didn't have specific knowledge of the attack and no victim to interview.

Schools nationwide are spending more time and money fighting campus rape in response to stricter federal enforcement of gender discrimination laws under Title IX. The White House has called it a public health epidemic, and President Barack Obama last week announced formation of a new task force on college sex assault, citing statistics that show 1 in 5 female students are assaulted while in college, but only 1 in 8 victims report attacks.

But balancing the needs of individual students including those who report attacks but don't want a criminal investigation — with protecting the larger community is vexing for many schools.

#### Group aims to fight obesity by making healthy food more available at corner stores in Philly PHILADELPHIA (AP) — From the outside, Car-

men Medina's convenience store appears to be an oasis in the food desert of gritty north Philadelphia, from its bright yellow-and-white striped awnings to the fake palm tree sculptures on the sidewalk. A glimpse inside proves the image is no mirage. The Indiana Food Market is part of the Healthy Corner Stores Network, which aims teach resi-

dents about nutritious eating through grocery promotions and outreach efforts like cooking demon-Customers were recently offered slices of pizza made on site with store-bought ingredients: whole-

wheat tortillas, tomato sauce, part-skim mozzarella cheese and diced green peppers and onions. "We try to get people to try a sample, and in that process we talk to them about eating whole grains, and trying out new things, and showing them

where healthy items are in their corner store," said program educator Maria Vanegas. Led by the Philadelphia health department and The Food Trust, the corner store initiative has enlisted about 650 of the city's 2,000 or so corner stores to broaden their inventory of fresh produce, whole

#### Doubling of number implicated in Air Force nuke missile cheating puts more strain on force

grains and low-fat dairy.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Air Force's nuclear missile corps faces new strains after dozens more officers were implicated in an investigation of cheating on missile-launch proficiency tests. The number implicated in the probe has roughly doubled from the original 34 officers, meaning that about 14 percent of all launch officers are now sidelined.

implicated now approaches 70 — all at Malmstrom Air Force Base, Mont., which is responsible for 150 Minuteman 3 nuclear missiles, or one-third of the entire Minuteman 3 force. The officials who disclosed the higher number

Officials on Tuesday said the number of officers

spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to disclose the information by name while the investigation is ongoing.

The scandal is one aspect of a growing array of personnel problems facing the Air Force's nuclear missile corps. Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel was scheduled to host a meeting Wednesday at the Pentagon of top nuclear officials, including the heads of the Air Force and Navy nuclear weapons organizations, as well as U.S. Strategic Command, which is responsible for nuclear war planning and for oversight of the nuclear forces.

Hagel said last week he was determined to get to the bottom of the problems, which include poor morale, and find quick solutions.

#### Mo. execution temporarily stayed; inmate's lawyer argues against secrecy of drug's origin

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The U.S. Supreme Court is expected to rule Wednesday on two petitions regarding Missouri death row inmate Herbert Smulls, The Missouri Attorney General's office says.

Smulls' execution was temporarily stayed late Tuesday night with an order from the high court signed by Justice Samuel Alito. It was sent about two-and-a-half hours before Smulls was scheduled to die at 12:01 a.m. Wednesday.

Missouri statutes allow executions to occur at any time on the day they are scheduled — that's why the state always sets the execution time for a minute after midnight, in case there are court delays. If the U.S. Supreme Court ultimately decides in favor of the state, the execution could occur later

Wednesday. Smulls' lawyer, Cheryl Pilate, had made last-minute pleas Tuesday to spare his life.

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Do you have an interesting sports item or

### **Sealy scores 22** in loss to Wylie

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

Ty Sealy pumped in 22 points on Tuesday and helped the Big Spring Steers turn in a gutsy effort against the fifthranked Wylie Bulldogs in Abilene. Unfortunately for the Steers, it wasn't enough.

Wylie staged a 33-18 first half run and then held on to claim a 65-41 win over Big Spring.

With the win, Wylie moved to 6-0 in District 4-3A action. Big Spring

Wylie got off to a quick start against Big Spring. The Bulldogs, despite a hot start by Sealy, reeled off a 17-9 run in the first eight minutes of the game.

Sealy scored seven of

Big Spring's first nine points. Tyler Bryan added the other basket.

Wylie tacked on a 16-9 run in the second and took a 33-18 lead into the

Tavaris Walker and Matt Yanez accounted for the bulk of the Steers' second-quarter points by nailing three-point shots..

Tyler Wigington got into the three-point act for the Steers in the third. He buried two from behind the arc and spurred a 14-point thirdquarter run by BSHS.

Wigington finished the game with eight points

Wylie carried a 53-32 lead into the fourth

The Steers will return to action on Friday when they host Monahans.



Tony Claxton photo (www.claxtonphotography.com)  $reeled\ off\ a\ 21-3\ run\ in$ Big Spring's Jackie Castillo goes up for a shot the first eight minutes against the Wylie Lady Bulldogs on Tuesday. Wylie of the game and never handed the Lady Steers a 72-46 loss in Abilene.

### Wylie subdues Big Spring girls

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The Abilene Wylie Lady Bulldogs jumped out to an early 21-3 lead and then weathered a hot-shooting performance from Julianna Rodriguez to claim a 72-46 win over the Big Spring Lady Steers on Tuesday in Abilene.

With the win, fourthranked Wylie improved to 8-0 in District 4-3A play, and clinch at least a share of the district crown. Big Spring slipped to 3-5 in district.

Wylie, now 23-5 overall, didn't waste any time in setting the tone. Lady Bulldogs The looked back.

Wylie used another huge run in the second to blow the game open. The Lady Bulldogs scored a 23-12 run in the frame and held a 44-15 halftime lead.

Big Spring, 16-9 overall, didn't roll over and quit. Rodriguez breathed plenty of excitement into the BSHS attack. She finished the contest with a game-high 23 points, 15 of which came on five three-point bombs.

Big Spring outscored Wylie by a 31-28 margin in the second half.

As a team, the Last Steers sank six treys against Wylie. Autumn Minter posted the other.

Jackie Castillo also enjoyed a solid outing for the Lady Steers. She finished the game with 10 points.



#### 'Catcher of the Year' recipient ...

Howard College sophomore Elizabeth Torres was presented the award for 'Catcher of the Year' in NJCAA Division I softball on Monday between the men's and women's basketball games at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Torres, who is signed to play next season at Lubbock Christian University, had 23 home runs and 96 runs batted in last year for the Lady Hawks. Presenting the award were Lady Hawks' coach Kelly Raines and Howard College president Dr Cheryl Sparks.

### Enriquez scores 20 in Duke's 36-32 victory in BSYBL action

In a game that featured ebbs and flows for both teams, Duke came out on top of a 36-32 win over the Bulls in the boys' fifth-sixth grade division of the Big Spring Youth Basketball League action on Saturday at the Big Spring YMCA.

Duke raced to a 12–3 lead after the first quarter only to see the Bulls fight back with a 12-2 second-quarter run and go into the half with a 15–14 advantage.

eventually Duke pulled away in the second half. Duke was led in scor-

ing by C.J. Enriquez, who had 20 points, and Jared Marquez, who poured in 10 from inside

#### **BSYBL Wrap-up**

the paint.

The Bulls fought hard with Katriel Lewis pacing them with 20 points and Isaac Murillo chipping in seven.

#### Heat 35, Lakers 0

The Heat played a very strong defensive game and put the pedal to the metal on the offensive end en route to running away with a 35-0 win.

The Heat were led on offense by Jaiden Ceasar, who had 14 points. C.J. Harris muscled in 10 from the paint and Javarious Ford added six to the winners.

Thunder 21, So Fresh 4 The game was tied at

#### Softball scrimmage changed cording to a release from The Big Spring Lady

Steers' preseason scrimmage with the Colorado Lady Wolves has been changed to 5 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 30, acthe school.

afternoon.

The BSHS girls were originally slated to scrimmage C-City this

4-4 before the Thunder caught fire on offense and defense and raced to a 21-4 victory over So Fresh.

Luis Aguirre led the Thunder with eight points while So Fresh was led by Jeramiah Peterson with four.

#### **Buffaloes 42, Bulldogs 9**

The Buffaloes played a smothering press defense and ran away from the Bulldogs with several baskets off of turnovers that keyed a 42-9 win in BSYBL action.

The Buffaloes were paced by Peyton Barnhill with 12 points. Devan Simpson added 10, while Ethan Quaid and Chandler Denson handled the dirty work in the paint, chipping in eight and six, respect-

The Bulldogs were led by Jonathan Schneider with four points while brother, Zack Schneider, and Marcus Martinez

added two each.



Herald photo/Tommy Wells

Forsan's Brittney Hergert drives the baseline against Plains.

### Plains hits 12 treys in win over Forsan

The Plain Cowgirls knocked down a season-high 12 threepoint shots on Tuesday and rallied for a 59-51 win over the Forsan Lady Buffa-

Forsan, which had four treys of its own,

Plains. The Lady Buffaloes got solid play from Brittney Hergert and Maria Ortiz in the first half and trailed by two, at 25-23, at the half.

Plains, now 21-3, hit four threes in the third quarter and used a 16-9 run to held its own against take control.

### **Buffs** crush **Plains**

FORSAN - The Forsan High School Buffaloes pounded out 43 points in the first 16 minutes of play on Tuesday and rolled to an easy 61-43 rout of the Plains Cowboys in front of a large crowd in the H.D. Smith Gym.

With the win, Forsan improved to 4-2 in District 6-A, Div. I. Plains fell to 2-4.

Forsan, which benefitted from double-digit games from Matthew Mims and Kade Fannin, all but knocked Plains out in the first quarter. The Buffaloes outscored Plains by a staggering 22-8 clip in the initial eight minutes.

Forsan tacked on a 21-4 run in the second quarter and carried a 43-12 advantage into the half.

Plains rallied in the second half, posting a 31-18 run in the final 16 minutes too cut Forsan's lead to 18.

Mims led all FHS scorers with 16 points. Fannin added 15 points to go with nine rebounds.

### **BS** makes changes to spring schedules

The Big Spring High School athletic department announced on Tuesday a few changes that will affect the upcoming girls' softball and track schedules.

According to athletic department officials, the BSHS Lady Steers varsity and junior varsity teams' games with Midland Christian will be played on Feb. 10, beginning at 5 p.m. in Midland.

The teams had originally been scheduled to play on Feb. 11.

Also, district officials noted that the Lady Steers' track team will not be competing in the Sandhills Relays in Monahans on Feb. 28. Instead, the team will be participating in the Rattlesnake Relays in Sweetwater on that date.

The BSHS track season begins on Feb. 21.

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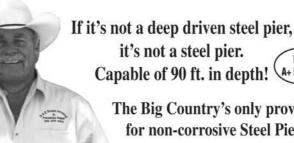
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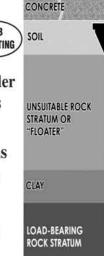
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The upcoming new moon will be a "Supermoon" with the closest

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**MATHIS** moon is as dark as it is now, are such things really noticeable? Yes, in the swollen tides, and perhaps in our swollen feelings of anticipation

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for the future. **ARIES** (March 21-April 19). You will not find it natural and easy to fully express love to others unless you love yourself wholeheartedly. Don't worry: The love is not going to run out if you spend a lot of love on vourself. It's a renewable resource.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Sometimes, you do wonder if you would be friends with a certain person had you met under different circumstances. However, the history stands as it does and now, it's your turn to write the next chapter of this relationship.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Happiness and busy hands are related today, and you'll keep your skilled hands in the work that feeds your family and your soul. Your best partners for work are Sagittarius and Aquarius.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). You will experience the equivalent to an irritating humming noise in your life. This is not what it seems to be; rather it is a test of your patience and your ability to stay even-tempered.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). It is difficult to understand the traffic rules of roundabouts if you don't live in a place such circular roads exist. Similarly, you'll have to forgive those who don't understand the specialized circumstance you're navigating now.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). In social discourse, no one needs a realist and it's unnecessary to stick within the limits of absolute truth while praising the appearance, abilities and potential of others.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). People will try to pigeonhole your identity, only so they understand how to best relate to you. If you don't like the way they are "casting" you, change your role now or you'll have to keep playing it for months to come.

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Jan. 19). The work of the day won't seem, to the casual observer, particularly challenging. And yet, you'll love the opportunity for personal development inside the

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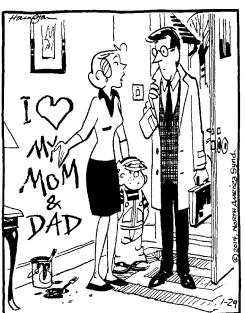
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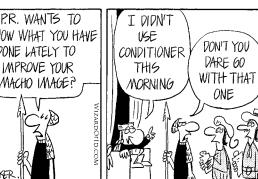
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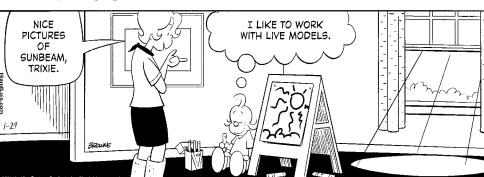
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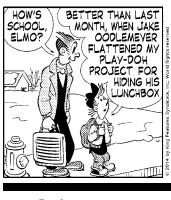




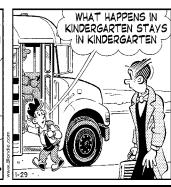












### This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, Jan. 29, the 29th day of 2014. There are 336 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in

History: On Jan. 29, 1964, Stanley

Kubrick's nuclear war satire "Dr. Strangelove Or: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Bomb," starring Peter Sellers (in three roles) and George C. Scott, premiered in New York, Toronto and London. On this date:

In 1820, Britain's King

George III died at Windsor Castle. In 1843, the 25th president

of the United States, William McKinley, was born in Niles, Ohio.

In 1845, Edgar Allan Poe's poem "The Raven" was first published in the New York Evening Mirror.

In 1861, Kansas became the 34th state of the Union. In 1919, the ratification of the 18th Amendment to the

Constitution,

launched Prohibition, was certified by Acting Secretary of State Frank L. Polk. In 1929, The Seeing Eye, a New Jersey-based school which trains guide dogs to

assist the blind, was incor-

porated by Dorothy Harrison

which

Eustis and Morris Frank. In 1936, the first inductees of baseball's Hall of Fame, including Ty Cobb and Babe Ruth, were named in Cooperstown, N.Y.

In 1958, actors Paul Newman and Joanne Woodward were married in Las Vegas. In 1963, the first charter

members of the Pro Football Hall of Fame were named in Canton, Ohio (they were enshrined when the Hall opened in Sept. 1963). Poet Robert Frost died in Boston at age 88.

In 1964, the Winter Olympic Games opened in Innsbruck, Austria. Actor

Alan Ladd died in Palm Springs, Calif., at age 50.

In 1979, President Jimmy Carter formally welcomed Chinese Vice Premier Deng Xiaoping to the White House, following the establishment of diplomatic relations.

In 1998, a bomb rocked an abortion clinic in Birmingham, Ala., killing security guard Robert Sanderson and critically injuring nurse Emily Lyons. (The bomber, Eric Rudolph, was captured in May 2003 and is serving a life sentence.)

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Answer to previous puzzle

38 Treasure holder

contraction

44 Least furnished

46 Pushed the horn

47 Plays a course

48 Be of use to

49 Slow tempo 50 Fritter away

52 50-50 share

53 At any time

55 Hayloft bundle

54 Prevalent

56 Presented

39 Anthem

40 Actress

Mendes

45 AL or NL city

## SPADE LASS TENS

### **Newsday Crossword**

#### **ACROSS**

- 1 Publicity person
- 6 Distort
- 10 Officeholders,
- for short
- e.g.
- 15 Long dress
- **16** Condo dwelling
- 18 "You know
- how
- 19 La Bohème
- 23 Metal in the
- rough
- 29 Business on
- 32 Slinky's shape
- 33 In the open
- floating zoo

- 41 Antlered
- 42 Central part

- **50** "What guy?"
- theme song
- 59 Hertz rival
- 62 Needs no

- 64 Cheer up 65 Schedule
- 66 Gratis 67 River-mouth

**DOWN** 

1 Mornings,

for short

2 Commit a

blooper

4 Blue shade

5 Minor quake

6 Strike down

sidekick

10 Thrash

2

65

8 Walk offstage

**9** Fond longing

3

3 Airline to Israel

- 14 Wisdom tooth. formation

- wine
- heroine
- of '64
- 24 Tightly packed
- the Net
- 34 Biblical

- animal
- 43 Grape plant
- 47 Big celebrations
- 58 Narrow road
- hemming

- 63 Walked away
- space

- 17 Italian white
- 20 Sinatra song
- 25 Turkey's capital
- 37 Beatles song
- of '69
- 44 Small fruit
- 45 Morally pure
- 51 Judy Garland's
- **60** Gold purity measure

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- 12 VIPs' rides

11 Burger topper

- 13 Goosebumps
- author 21 Pitching stat.
- 22 Author Wharton
- 25 Overexertion
- result
- 26 Yuletide tune 27 Star Trek
- captain 28 Pub drink
- **29** bit (completely)
- 30 Try out
- **31** Gallery offering 33 Actor Sharif
- **7** Green Hornet's 34 With no
  - warranty 35 Litter's smallest

  - 36 Pants part
- aloud 57 Generator measure

**61** Brewed

beverage

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### Steers' junior high teams suffer losses to Bulldogs

The Big Spring Junior High School boys' seventh- and eighth-grade basketball teams both suffered tough losses to Abilene Wylie on Mon-

The Big Spring Junior High School eighth grade "A" team suffered a tough 68-39 setback to Wylie despite strong outings from Dimas Garcia and Tyler Sparks.

Garcia paced BSJHS offense with a team-high 17 points. Sparks led all rebounders by pulling down 10.

The Big Spring eighth grade "B" team turned in a stellar effort in their 29-25 setback to Wylie.

In that game, the Steers were led offensively by Dylan Cantu's

#### LL baseball sign-up dates are scheduled Spring Little from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

League will have sign ups on 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

Registration is open to youths, ages 4-16.

The registration fee is \$85 per child and will provide a full uniform.

Parents must provide a valid birth certificate at registration.

10 points. Jimetre Post paced the defense with eight boards.

The seventh grade "A" team suffered a narrow 40-36 loss in their matchup with Wylie. The team battled throughout the contest.

Jayden Ludington and Bryson Vanvleet both starred for the Steers in the loss. Ludington pumped in a game-high 13 points for Big Spring, while Vanvleet garnered nine rebounds.

The BSJHS seventh grade team suffered a

Jacob Hernandez led all Big Spring players in scoring with four

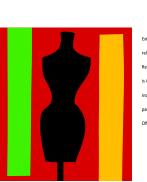
Zerminio Francisco led the team in rebounding with six.



4-H CLOTHING AND TEXTILES KICK-OFF

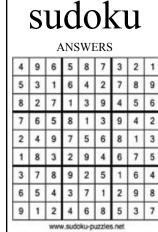
#### Attention kids of Howard County!!

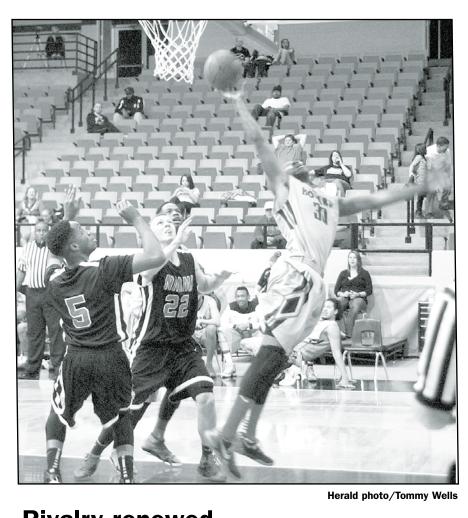
Are you interested in buying clothes, constructing clothes or design? If you are 8 and in the 3rd grade through 18 years old, come join us on January 30th at 5:15pm at the G.C. Broughton Ag Complex located on the Howard College campus. 2411 Echols Drive . For any questions please contact Melissa Deeter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











### **Rivalry renewed**

Howard College's Travis Charles goes up for a basket during the Hawks' recent win over NMMI. The Hawks are scheduled to renew their rivalry with Midland College on Thursday with a pair of games in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. The HC women will tip off the action at 5:45 p.m.

### Second-half surge lifts Stanton past Coahoma girls

The Stanton Lady Buffaloes reeled off a 27-21 run in the second half on Tuesday and raced to a nail-biting 42-36 win over the Coahoma Bulldogettes in District 4-2A basketball action.

Coahoma managed to stay within striking distance throughout the first two quarters of play. The Bulldogette defense limited Stanton's offensive shots in the first and helped the CHS girls battle to a 9-9 deadlock after the first quarter.

faloes shot-for-shot in the second. Both teams poured in six points in the frame and entered the half with the score knotted at 15-15. Stanton, which was paced by double-digit ef-

to match the Lady Buf-

forts from Pallyn Grable and Hannah Franklin, began pulling away in the third. The Lady Buffaloes posted a slim 11-7 spree in the third and took a 26-22 advantage into the fourth. Grable finished the

game as Stanton's top

Coahoma continued scorer, netting 13 points in the win. Franklin added 12, while Bailey Barnhill chipped in Julie Castilaw led all

> scorers with 15 points. Savannah Neff and Lauren Simer both added seven. With the win, Stanton improved to 2-6 in dis-

> trict competition. Coahoma saw its record fall Coahoma will return

to action on Friday when they host Colorado City. Stanton travels to Brownfield.

#### Buffs keeps 'Dogs winless The Stanton Buffaloes upper hand early. The

put together a 15-5 run Bulldogs battled their in the second quarter on Tuesday and held on to claim a 42-35 win over the Coahoma Bulldogs.

With the victory, Stanton moved to 11-10, and to 4-2 in District 4-2A. Coahoma slipped to 4-14 and 0-6.

Coahoma held the

way to a 10-8 lead in the first quarter.

Stanton's second-quarter run sent them into the half nursing a 23-15

Shanen Warneke and Kyler Franks led Coahoma's offense with 13 points apiece.



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