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BSISD receives accredited-warned status

BY LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Big Spring Independent School District has received accredited-warned status for the Texas Education Agency, which makes it one of 13 school districts and 17 charter schools across the state to

receive the designation.

TEA released accreditation statuses for school districts and charters across the state Friday which are based on state academic accountability ratings, the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (known commonly as School FIRST), data

reporting, special program effectiveness, and compliance with statutory and regulatory requirements.

According to the TEA website, BSISD received the status based on its accountability ratings for 2011 and 2013. The school district has been found by TEA to be low-

performing academically for those years. School districts did not receive accountability ratings for 2012.

Receiving this status means "a district or charter exhibits deficiencies in academic and/or financial performance that, if not addressed, could lead to probation or revocation

of its accreditation status," according to a press release from TEA.

Of 1,222 Texas school districts and charters, 1,176 (96 percent) received a status designation of accredited, according to TEA. Both

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Robbery attempt goes awry Friday

Herald Staff Report

A knife-wielding man is in custody following an apparent armed robbery Friday at the Big Spring Super Wal-Mart store.

Robert Andrews, 44, was taken into custody by Big Spring police officers outside of the Super Center around lunchtime.



Andrews

"At approximately 11:30 a.m., officers were dispatched to the Wal-Mart at 201 West Marcy in reference to a theft," said BSPD Information Officer Sgt. Tony Everett.

As they headed toward the scene, officers learned that

Andrews had fled the store. They immediately surrounded the area.

The situation became more tense when it was relayed that Andrews was in possession of a knife. However, officers were able to arrest the suspect without incident.

"It was later learned that while being detained by Wal-Mart loss prevention officers, Andrews displayed a knife and made threatening gestures toward store employees," Everett said.

Andrews has been charged with robbery.

It was not clear according to the police press release what Andrews had allegedly been attempting to take from the store.



HERALD photo/Andrea Medlin

Texas Agriculture Commissioner candidate Kinky Friedman made a stop in downtown Big Spring on Sunday to solicit votes before election day. Friedman, author, humorist and musician, is urging the legalization of marijuana in the state. Pictured from left are Ramon Holguin, owner of iThink 219, campaign manager Rania Batrice and Friedman.

Gasoline prices up 1.6 cents in Texas this week

Special to the Herald

Average retail gasoline prices in Texas have risen 1.6 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.20 per gallon Sunday, according to Gas-

Buddy's daily survey of 13,114 gas outlets in the state.

This compares with the national average that has increased 3.2 cents per gallon in the last week to \$3.44/g, according to the gasoline price website GasBuddy.com.

Including the change in gas prices in Texas during the past week, prices Sunday were 37.3 cents per gallon low-

er than the same day one year ago and are 14.0 cents per gallon higher than a month ago.

The national average has increased 17.6 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 26.7 cents per gallon lower than this day one year ago.

"Gasoline prices, as expected, continued their rise over the last week," said Gas-

Buddy.com Senior Petroleum Analyst Gregg Laskoski.

"The pace in the increases slowed somewhat versus the week prior, but motorists shouldn't get excited over the one week slow down in the rise in prices.

"We fully expect that as refineries get into the prime of maintenance season, gasoline prices nationwide will

continue to rise, and perhaps at the fastest rate we could see in 2014.

"We're starting to see cleaner burning summer gasoline come in to view across the nation, and with lower production as refineries prepare for an increase in demand and for summer spec gasoline, price spikes can occur," Laskoski said.

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Here's where to cast your ballot Tuesday

Herald Staff Report

Since you didn't vote in the early balloting period, where do you cast your ballot in the primary elections Tuesday? Good question.

Here's the answer. If you reside in Precincts 11, 12, 12A, 13, 14, 16, 103, 104 or 105, you vote at the road and bridge office at 1000 N. San Antonio in Big Spring.

If you live in Precincts 24, 25, 26, 205 or 208, you vote at Spring Town Plaza, located at 1801 E. FM 700 in Big Spring..

Voters in Precincts 32, 33, 34, 35 and 304 will cast their

ballot at the First Baptist Church at 705 W. FM 700 in Big Spring.

Residents in Precincts 42, 45, 46, 404 and 405 will vote at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, 1001 Birdwell on the Howard College campus.

If you reside in Precinct 408 or 409, vote at the First Baptist Church in Sand Springs, 8517 N. Service Road, Sand Springs.

Those in Precinct 207 and 207C will vote at the Coahoma Community Center, 306 North Avenue in Coahoma.

See **VOTE**, Page 3

GOP convention coming

Herald Staff Report

The Republican precinct convention and county convention will be held March 22 on the third floor of the Howard County Courthouse.

The precinct convention will begin at 10 a.m.; the county (or senate) convention will begin at 2 p.m.

Those who will vote in Tuesday's election but will be unable to attend the precinct convention may submit a resolution, if they wish. They should do so by mailing three typed (not handwritten) copies of the resolution to the Howard County Republican Party, P.O. Box 1069, Big Spring TX 79721 by March 18. The resolution should be signed.

For more information, contact Ron Farquhar at 432-528-4869.

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Obituaries

Norma 'Ruth' Shepherd Wirsching

Norma "Ruth" Shepherd Wirsching was born near Colorado City, Texas, on Jan. 6, 1927. She left this world peacefully to join her Heavenly Father on Feb. 26, 2014, at the age of 87.

She is survived by her loving husband of 62 years, Joe E. Wirsching of Portland, Texas, and her sister, Pat (Bobby) Bradford of Vincent, Texas. Ruth was born seventh of nine children (eight girls/one boy).

Ruth and Joe had four children, Patricia Kreher (deceased), Joe J Wirsching of Snyder, Texas, Sarah (Paul) O'Brien of Corpus Christi, Texas, and Jane Wirsching of Snyder, Texas. Grandchildren include Charles Kreher of New Orleans, La, Elizabeth (Greg) Wagner of Hillsborough, N.J., David Kreher of Snyder, Texas, Shelby O'Brien and Kaley O'Brien of Corpus Christi, Texas, Avery Wirsching and Allie Wirsching of Snyder Texas; and one precious great-grand-daughter, Abigail Jean Wagner, daughter of Elizabeth (Greg) Wagner of Hillsborough, N.J.

She was a wonderful, kind, beautiful woman who brought joy to many.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, March 3, 2014, at the First Christian Church, 3401 Santa Fe, Corpus Christi, Texas.

On Tuesday, March 4, 2014, visitation will from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Nalley, Pickle & Welch Funeral Home located at 906 S. Greg, in Big Spring, Texas. The funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, March 5, 2014, at Peace Chapel, Trinity Memorial Park, Big Spring, Texas. Following the service, she will be laid to rest next to her daughter, Patricia.

Arrangements are entrusted to Limbaugh Funeral Home, 500 Wildcat Dr., Portland, Texas 78374 361-643-6564 www.limbaughfuneralhome.com
Paid obituary

Jerris Springfield

Jerris Springfield passed away Friday morning, Feb. 28, 2014, at his home. He was born May 9, 1936, in Robstown, Texas, to Henry and Mirl Springfield.

Jerris and his sisters grew up on the family farm near Vincent, Texas, and he graduated from Coahoma High school in 1954. Jerris attended Texas Western University (now UTEP) on a football scholarship and played in the 1955 Sun Bowl.

He met and married his loving wife Pat in Weatherford, Texas, in 1956. Together, they raised five children at homes in Fort Worth, Houston, Lakewood, Colo., and Ding Dong, Texas. Jerris had a long and successful career as an executive for The Southland Corp. and then for Strasburger Enterprises, where he and Pat opened the first convenience stores in Australia. In 1989, Jerris acquired the JAK's Drive-Thru stores in New Braunfels, Canyon Lake and Wimberley, Texas. He operated and grew this family business until his retirement in 2004.

Jerris was preceded in death by his father, Henry Springfield; and by two sons, Donny and David Springfield.

He is survived by his wife, Pat Springfield; mother, Mirl Springfield; sisters, Vonna Mae Wyrick (husband Carl) and Teresa Lusk (husband Allan); son, Jimmy and wife Leslie; daughter, Terri Jungmann and husband Ricky; son, Larry and wife Kim; daughter in law, Rita Springfield; grandchildren, Travis Springfield (Danni), Dr. Tracy Springfield (Dave Schmillen), Michelle Lancaster (Gordon), Donny Springfield (Jamie), Shanyn Jackson (Niall), Jason, Michael, Russell (fiancée Megan) and Dalton Jungmann, Justin Springfield (Jenna), Jerris Springfield (Kyndra) and Sami Springfield, Paige, Blake and Katie Springfield; and 16 great-grandchildren. Many cousins, nephews and nieces will also miss him dearly.

Visitation will be Tuesday March 4, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. with funeral services Wednesday March 5 at 10 a.m., both at Doeppenschmidt Funeral Home in Sattler, Texas. Graveside service to follow at Hill Country Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be made to Hope Hospice in New Braunfels, Texas.
Paid obituary

Laura Renee McGee

Laura Renee McGee, 49, died Saturday, March 1, 2014, at her residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Ricky Lee Williams

Ricky Lee Williams, 57, died Saturday, March 1, 2014, at his residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Carl Windham

Carl Windham, 86, died Friday, Feb. 28, 2014, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Police blotter

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

- EDDIE JOE ALVARADO, 18, of 1500 Lincoln, was arrested on warrants for graffiti—pecuniary loss, less than \$1,500 (three counts).
- JOYCE COFFMAN ROBERTSON, 57, of 1306 Leatherwood, was arrested on warrants for failed to maintain financial responsibility, expired registration, failure to appear (three counts), and defective stop lamp.
- JAMES RYAN RODRIGUEZ, 29, of 1401 N. Highway 87 601, was arrested on a charge of hindering officers discharging official duties.
- GARY LEE SMALE JR., 39, of 2000 S. Monticello Avenue, was arrested on warrants for theft, more than \$1,500 but less than \$20,000 and assault, family violence causing bodily injury.
- THOMAS ROY WHITE, 22, of 407 E. 8th St., was arrested on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid with previous conviction.
- THEFT was reported in the 5200 block of Sterling Road.
- MAJOR ACCIDENT was reported west bound on Interstate 20 at mile marker 179.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1400 block of Sycamore Street.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 3100 block of South Highway 87, the 1900 block of Wasson Road and the 3500 block of East I-20.

Sheriff

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

- Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 79 inmates at the time of this report.
- ROBERT EARL ANDEWS JR., 45, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of robbery.
- SIMON ELIZONDO, 36, was booked by the DPS on a warrant for felony theft.
- JUSTON LOUIS MARTINEZ, 28, was booked by the HCSO on warrants for FTA/aggravated assault with deadly weapon (two counts), and FTA/unlicensed possession of a firearm by a felon.
- JOSEPH LYNN LUCAS, 34, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for parole violation.
- NATHAN LEE STONE, 26, was booked by the DPS on warrants for unlawfully carrying a weapon and FTA-prohibited weapon, switchblade/knuckles.
- JOSE LUIS RODRIGUEZ, 21, was booked by the BSPD on charges of possession of marijuana,

less than 2 ounces and reckless driving.

• AMMIE LEE HOWELL, 35, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for expired motor vehicle inspection certificate, failure to maintain financial responsibility, violate promise to appear, failure to appear, and capias/expired motor vehicle inspection certificate.

• CHRISTOPHER MARTINEZ, 31, as booked by the DPS on warrants for ca[oa]/expired driver's license, capias/violate promise to appear, and capias/no driver's license.

• DOUGLAS VIRGIL PAXTON, 30, was booked by the BSPD on charges of possession of a controlled substance, less than 1 gram, and public intoxication.

• MARTIN DIAZ JR., 21, was booked by the HCSO on warrants for MTRP, possession of a controlled substance, less than 1 gram and evading arrest, detention.

• LANCE WAYNE BIDDLE LAND, 24, was booked on warrants for surety to surrender-fraud and use of possession of identifying information.

• JOHN EDWARD DELANEY, 24, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of prohibited weapon, knuckles.

• ANDREW SOMMERS, 30, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for issuance of a bad check.

• MARTIN ARMANDO RIVAS, 38, was booked by the DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated, second offense.

• EDDIE JOE ALVARADO JR., 18, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for graffiti, pecuniary loss, less than \$1,500 (three counts).

• ROBERT RUBIN SANCHEZ, 49, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication with three prior convictions.

• PAULENAR RIOS TORRES, 46, was booked by the HCSO on a charge public intoxication.

• GARY LEE SMALE JR., 39, was booked by the HCSO on a warrant for theft, more than \$1,500 but less than \$20,000 and assault causing bodily injury to a family member.

• THOMAS ROY WHITE, 22, was booked by the HCSO on a charge of driving while license invalid with previous conviction/suspension.

• CAROLYN JEAN HANKE, 19, was booked by the HCSO on warrants for expired motor vehicle inspection certificate, violate promise to appear, expired motor vehicle inspection certificate, failure to maintain financial responsibility, capias/display expired registration, violate promise to appear, failure to appear, capias/speeding and FTA/theft of property.

• JOYCE ROBERTSON COFFMAN, 57, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for display expired registration, failure to maintain financial responsibility, failure to appear (two counts), defective or no stop lamps, and violate promise to appear.

• JAMES RYAN RODRIGUEZ, 29, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of hindering officers discharging official duties.

• LORI VALLES, 37 was booked on Martin County warrants for capias/disregarding stop sign and CAPIAS/driving while license invalid.



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Take Note

• Holy Trinity Catholic Youth Group is hosting a Mardi Gras "Fat Tuesday Feast" on Tuesday in the Father Beasley Hall at 1009 Hearn Street from 6-8 p.m. Prices are \$7 for adults and \$3 for children 3-10. Price includes drink and dessert. Come and indulge and enjoy great company and music. Door prizes to be given away.

• The Kiwanis Club of Big Spring will host its annual pancake supper from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Friday in the Howard College Student Union Building cafeteria. Tickets are \$6 apiece and can be purchased at the door or from any club member. For more information, call 432-270-2218.

• 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 432-935-0125.

• Big Spring Second Chance Rescue (BSSCR) is in need of donations to help spay and neuter rescued dogs, so they can go to a home. The canine rescue organization has incurred a lot of expenses in obtaining its 501c3 status along with trying to obtain a Tax ID and subsequent Texas filing fees. Just to file the 501c3 cost the rescue more than \$500. Any amount is appreciated. Make checks payable to BSSCR, P.O. Box 2775, Big Spring, Texas, 79720; by credit card at 432-816-2555;

or at Highland Animal Clinic, 3600 S. Hwy. 87, Big Spring, Texas 79720; or www.youcaring.com/pet-expenses/bsscr/74800

• Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to violent crimes of assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies as needed. If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process background check and attend training. We need you. For more information, call Linda Calvio at 432-263-3312.

• The Big Spring State Hospital Community Relations office is ac-

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

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

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

TEA

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Forsan and Coahoma school district received this status, which recognizes that they met specific academic and financial standards. Other status design-

nated by TEA are an accredited-probation status. This means a district or charter exhibits deficiencies in academic and/or financial performance over a three-year period that must be addressed to avoid revocation of its accreditation status. Three school districts

received this status. "A not accredited-revoked status means the Texas Education Agency does not recognize the district or charter as a Texas public school following multiple years of deficiencies in academic and/or financial performance," the press release said.

Two school districts and one charter school received this status.

Those districts or charter schools have the option to go before a recorded review at TEA and ultimately before the State Office of Administrative Hearings. The accreditation sta-

tuses of one school district and nine charter schools have been left pending due to revocation hearings currently under way, ongoing TEA investigations, and/or pending litigation, according to the press release.

To view the 2013-2014 accreditation status for

a specific Texas school district or charter, visit www.tea.state.tx.us/accredstatus/.

VOTE

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Voting will be held from 7 a.m. through 7 p.m. Be sure to bring along some proof of identification.

Republican candidates in Howard County races include:

- County Judge — Incumbent Mark J. Barr and Kathryn Wiseman.
- County Commissioner, Precinct 2 — Incumbent Donnie (Don) Baker and Craig Bailey.
- District Clerk — Incumbent Colleen Barton is unopposed.

• County Clerk — Incumbent Donna Wright is unopposed.

• County Treasurer — Incumbent Teresa Thomas is unopposed.

• County Surveyor — Michael McBrayer is unopposed.

• Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1, Place 2 — Dale L. Walker, Linda Calvio and Robert (Bob) Fitzgibbons.

• Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2 — Connie Shaw, Janice Bishop, Linda Halfmann, Phillip Reid and Sally Grant.

Only one Democrat is running for a county position — Carlos A. Leal in the Precinct 1,

Place 2 JP race.

Statewide posts up for election this year include governor, attorney general, comptroller of public accounts, commissioner of agriculture, railroad commissioner and three spots on the Texas Supreme Court. In addition, party nominations for state senator and state representative will be decided.

Of a local note, in the Republican primary, Big Spring resident Shannon Thomason is trying to unseat House District 72 incumbent Drew Darby of San Angelo.

In the Republican race for State Senate 31, which includes Howard County, incumbent Kel Seliger (Amarillo) is being challenged by

Mike Cannon (Midland).

For more information on Tuesday's election, contact Bloom's office at 264-2273.

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Lloyd Hammon, 88, died Thursday. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Carl Windham, 86, died Friday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Ricky Lee Williams, 57, died Saturday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Laura Renee McGee, 49, died Saturday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Fire/EMS

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

- Friday
- FALSE was reported in the 900 block of Lamesa Highway
- STRUCTURE FIRE was reported in the 1500 block of Vines. Fire was out on arrival.

Saturday

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 2000 block of Runnels.

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1800 block of North Highway 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center (SMMC).

- TRAUMA CALL was reported in the 800 block of Wyoming. No Transport.

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 2400 block of South Scurry. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1900 block of Similar. One person was transported to SMMC.

- FALSE CALL was reported in the 600 block of Caylor.

Sunday

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 3200 block of Auburn. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1300 block of Tucson. One person was transported to SMMC.

- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported on Interstate 20 near mile marker 178. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the area of Highway 350 and FM 820. One person was transported to SMMC.

- TRAUMA CALL was reported in the 1700 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 3600 block of West Highway 80. One person was transported to SMMC.

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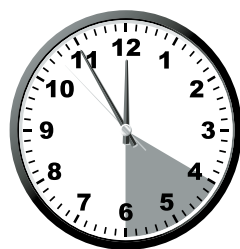
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Lady Steers roll past Colorado City, claim consolation title at 'Crossroads'

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

The Big Spring High School Lady Steers finally found their pop. After struggling to score runs in their first two games in the championship bracket of the Crossroads, the BSHS girls pounded out three runs in the first inning on Saturday evening and raced to a 9-2 win over the Colorado High School Lady

Wolves in the consolation finals.

With the win, the Lady Steers posted a 2-1 record in the Gold division bracket and finished fourth overall.

Big Spring didn't waste any time in jumping on Colorado City. After Mariah Sarmiento had reached base on a one-out single, Valerie Goodblanket and Mackenzie Roberts put BSHS up with back-to-back

triples.

Big Spring held a 3-0 lead going into the bottom of the first inning.

The Lady Steers tacked on two more runs in the second to extend its lead even farther.

The Lady Steers put the game on ice in the top of the sixth. With Big Spring leading 5-1, Ariana Rodriguez led off the frame by slapping a triple to right. Moments later, she raced home off

a single by Jaci Aguilar.

Aguilar scored one batter later when Sarmiento drilled a double to left that pushed the BSHS lead to 7-1.

Sydni Olivas and Rodriguez both scored for Big Spring in the seventh to close out the win.

The Lady Steers' offense was aided by stellar defensive play from See **TOURNEY**, Page 10



Herald photo/Tommy Wells
The Big Spring Lady Steers pose with the consolation trophy from the Tournament of the Crossroads on Saturday evening. The Lady Steers defeated Colorado City, 9-2, to earn the trophy.



Herald photo/Tommy Wells
Big Spring's Kaitlyn Mathews sprints across the finish line to a big win in the 4x200-meter relay on Friday in Sweetwater. The win helped the Lady Steers finish third in the overall team standings.

Lady Steers nab 3rd in Sweetwater

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

SWEETWATER - The Big Spring High School Lady Steers turned more than a few heads at the Rattlesnake Relays on Friday. The BSHS squad won the 4x200- and 4x400-meter relays and rolled to a third-place finish in a meet dominated by Class 5A programs.

The Lady Steers rolled up 101 points in the meet. Abilene High won the girls' division with 108 points. Abilene Cooper was second at 105.

Big Spring dominated the 4x200- and 4x400-meter relays. The Lady Steers won each race by more than 2 seconds.

The Lady Steers breezed to an easy win in the 4x200-meter race. When Kaitlyn Mathews cruised across the finish line, the Lady Steers held a 10-yard lead and finished with a mark of 1 minute and 48.31 seconds.

Big Spring won the 4x400-meter race with just as much ease. The Lady Steers turned in a time of 4 minutes and 7 seconds to win the event. Lubbock Monterey

2014 Rattlesnake Relays

The following is a look at the final team standings at the Rattlesnake Relays, which was held on Friday, Feb. 28, at the Sweetwater High School track complex.

No.	Team	Points
1.	Abilene High	108
2.	Abilene Cooper	105
3.	Big Spring	101
4.	Vernon	92
5.	Lubbock Monterey	86
6.	Snyder	64
7.	Sweetwater	30

was a distant second at 4:09.

The BSHS 4x100-meter team finished third in their race. They completed the course in a time of 52.72 seconds.

Julianna Rodriguez and Dyshae Vanderbilt, who ran legs on the BSHS relay teams, also did well individually. Rodriguez posted a time of 12.81 seconds and finished second in the girls' 100-meter dash.

Rodriguez's final time was just .12 of a second behind Snyder's Miccah Wesley, who won the race with a time of 12.69

seconds.

Vanderbilt highlighted a 2-3 finish by the Lady Steers in the long jump. She posted a leap of 16 feet, 4 inches to place second overall. Mathews finished third at 15-4 1/2.

Rodriguez also finished sixth in the high jump. She cleared 4-6 in the event and finished just 4 inches shy of the winning jump.

Faith Roberson also medaled at the meet. She legged out a time of 2:31.63 and placed third in the 800-meter run.

Diamonique Mayes also did well at the meet. The BSHS standout placed fourth in the triple jump standings with a jump of 30 feet, 5 inches. BSHS teammate McKayla Edwards was sixth at 29-11.

Mayes also finished fifth in the 400-meter dash with a time of 1:06.65.

Hannah Albrooms, Ebony Zavalla and Izalla Robson all earned fourth-place finishes. Albrooms was fourth in the 3,200-meter run with a time of 14:07.43. Zavalla took fourth in the 300-meter

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Lady Hawks kick off road swing with loss

The Howard College Lady Hawks' softball team kicked off its three-week, 20-day road trip on a sour note on Friday by dropping both ends of a doubleheader with Temple at Danny Scott Sports Complex in Temple.

The Temple College Lady Leopards rallied claim a 3-2 win in the first game of the series. The Leopards scored late in the game to net the 1-run victory.

The Lady Hawks had

battled their way back into the contest by scoring two runs in the top of the sixth inning.

Temple also claimed a 3-2 win in the nightcap.

The Lady Hawks are scheduled to return to action today with a doubleheader against Ranger College. The first game of the twinbill is scheduled to begin at 1 p.m.

The Lady Hawks' next home game will be March 22 against Odesa College.

Big Spring LL to kick off 2014 season on March 29

The Big Spring Little League baseball season will officially get underway for Pee Wee division teams on March 29.

Pee Wee Division teams - for players 6-8

years of age - can begin preseason practices on March 17.

There will be 12 teams in the Pee Wee ranks this season.

Bufs cruise to BSYBL crown

The Stanton Buffaloes' 5th-6th grade basketball team knows a little something about perfection. Especially after Saturday evening.

The Buffaloes capped a perfect season by running to a convincing 37-24 win over Duke in the 5th-6th-grade championship game of the Big Spring Youth Basketball League. The team finished the season at 8-0.

The Buffaloes, using a pressure defense that forced Duke into more than 18 turnovers, got off to a quick start in the finals. Stanton garnered six points from Braden Waggoner and raced to an 8-3 lead.

Duke slowed the Stanton offense in the second. The Blue Devils held the Buffs to just three points in the second and went into the half trailing by just three, at 11-8.

Stanton blew the game open in the third. The Buffaloes, sparked by a pair of shots from



Herald photo/Tommy Wells
The Stanton Buffaloes won the BSYBL 5th-6th grade division championship on Saturday. The team completed a perfect season by defeating Duke 37-24, in the BSJHS gym.

Ethan Quaid, put together a 10-5 run in the frame and stretched its lead to 21-13 heading into the final frame.

Stanton closed out the game with a 10-9 run in the fourth.

Members of the Buffaloes are Quaid, Jaxson Lindell, Chandler Denson, Devan Simpson, Zachary Reyna, Waggoner, Cody Beasley and Peyton Barnhill.

Hawks take 3 from NMMI

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

The Howard College Hawks opened Western Junior College Athletic Conference play on a high note this past weekend, winning three of their four games with New Mexico Military Institute at Jack Barber Field.

Despite the wins, HC head coach Britt Smith said the team had plenty of room for improvement.

"We didn't play very well all weekend, but we fought back and won three of four," said Smith. "We made a lot of mistakes."

New Mexico Military Institute, despite a lead-off home run by Reggie Wilson, took the first game of Friday's doubleheader by a 9-5 margin.

The Hawks roared back in the second game of the twinbill. Howard sent 11 men to the plate in the second and 12 in the third inning and raced to a 20-1 victory.

NMMI put up a better challenge in the first game of Saturday's doubleheader. The Broncos got a homer from Cory Davis in the top of the seventh that knotted the score at 8-8.

Dane Steinhagen had given HC an 8-7 lead in the bottom of the fifth with his second homer of the year.

The Hawks scored in the ninth to take a 9-8 win.

Howard, 16-2 overall, won the second game, 13-1.

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**KATHY MITCHELL
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Dear Annie: My sister complains that our mother (who can be narcissistic and self-centered) has never reached out to her son. "Mitch" is now 25, and Mom has never tried to get to know him. Mom sent my daughter (now 33) on trips to Europe and would visit us often, but did not do the same for Mitch.

Mitch is not easy. I used to send him gifts for birthdays and other milestones and never received any response, so I finally stopped. In person, he is monosyllabic and quiet. When he was 2, I remember seeing him bite my sister and throw tantrums.

Mitch is very bright. He's been in college off and on for the past six years, but still has not finished his degree. I am fairly certain that he was into pot through high school and may still be. He has never had a real job, although he's worked part-time temp positions.

My sister's relationship with our mother has always been slightly problematic. She is now divorced and struggling financially, and my mother is well off.

Mitch could use help with tuition and books. When I suggested that he call or email his grandmother occasionally to let her know what's going on in his life, my sister became angry. She blames Mom for

never reaching out to the "child" and claims a normal grandparent would show an interest in her grandson. She insists the onus is on the adult in the relationship. Is there an answer to this dilemma? -- *Confused Sister and Aunt*

Dear Confused: First of all, let's eliminate what Mitch did when he was 2. It is ridiculous and unforgiving to stigmatize a child as "difficult" because he bit and threw tantrums as a toddler. And yes, your mother should have made an effort to know and love her grandson regardless of how difficult he may have been.

That said, however, Mitch is an adult now and is responsible for his own behavior. If he believes his grandmother doesn't care about him, he's unlikely to email her. If your sister reinforces the idea that it's Grandma's responsibility to initiate contact, Mitch won't do anything. And if Grandma is narcissistic and self-centered, she may have no interest in Mitch, because it requires too much of her. This kid may not be easy, but he has been rejected by members of his family for most of his life. Please be kind.

Dear Annie: Our daughter is getting married in the fall, and we are having the wedding and reception in our backyard. How can we ask guests not to use their cellphones or text during the festivities? This rudeness has become acceptable, but not to my wife or me. -- *Jim*

Dear Jim: It's perfectly OK to ask your guests to turn off or mute their cellphones during the ceremony. The minister or best man can make the

announcement before the wedding begins. But you will have less luck at the reception. People want to take photos of themselves and their friends and text a play-by-play to those who couldn't attend. You can ask the guests to put their phones away so they can enjoy the real-time fun, but you cannot force them. If there is a band, even a muted noise level should be enough to lessen the distraction.

Dear Annie: This is in response to "Polly Positive," whose husband is dealing with cancer, and family and friends keep telling him horror stories about death.

My nephew was recently diagnosed with cancer. He invited me for Thanksgiving, and I was dreading it. One of the first things I did was go online and look up "what NOT to say to cancer patients." I was amazed to see what comes out of the mouths of otherwise intelligent people. I encourage all of your readers to do this. It may save them from stepping on their tongues -- *Prayerful in K. Falls*

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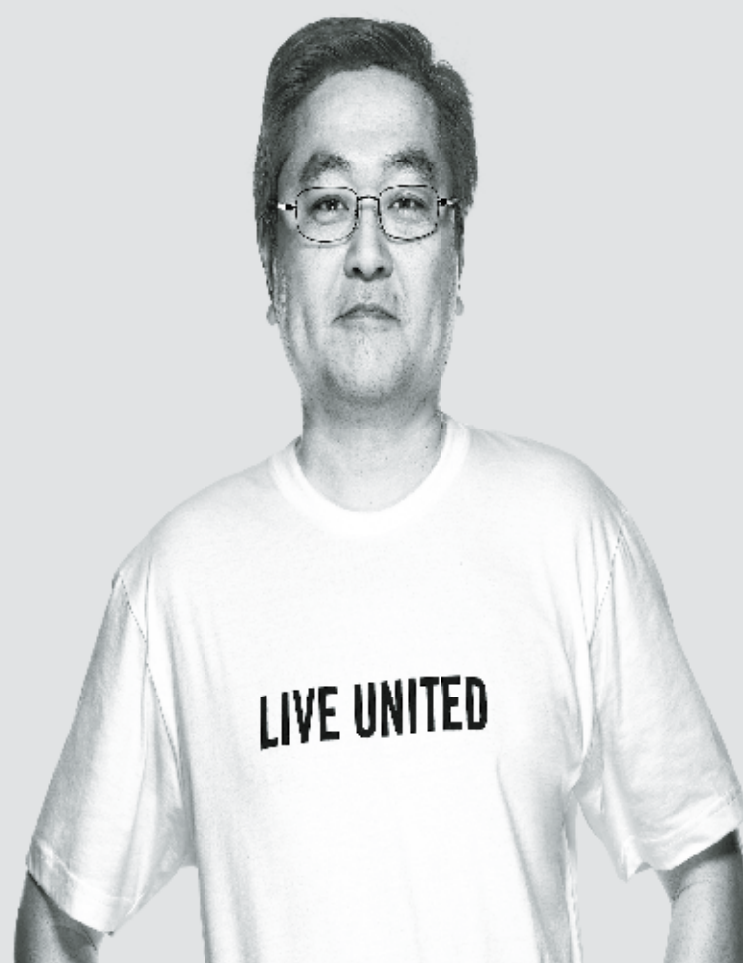
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battles will be easier
to fight when you
think of them as
being limited to
today. Yesterday is
gone and therefore
is as uncontrollable
as tomorrow. You
will live
triumphantly if you
live in the present.

TAURUS (April 20-
May 20). Things,
stuff, situations -- all
water cooler talk.
And then there's the
you inside -- the
deeper part who
either does or
doesn't want to be a
part of it. An
acknowledgment to
that part now will
be important.

GEMINI (May 21-
June 21). What you
wanted to do may or
may not work out at
this point. It's a
matter of matching
your needs and
wants with the
needs and wants of
others, and a good
match equals
success.

CANCER (June 22-
July 22). In math
and in life, it
sometimes doesn't
matter how you got
to the right
conclusion, as long
as you know the
way and can repeat
it when you need to.
Understanding your
own process will be
crucial as you build
to the next step.

LEO (July 23-Aug.
22). You may have to
overcome your
trepidation to
handle what needs
handling today, but
once you find your
courage, what
develops will
happen naturally
and correctly. This
is who you are.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-
Sept. 22). The reason
you use lists is
because you
understand that it is
mentally
empowering to
tackle a few items
on a list, while it is
overwhelming to
face the never-
ending maintenance
that life requires.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-
Oct. 23). In case
you're wondering
whether it's you, the
answer is yes. It is
you. Sort of. It's the
version of you in
this circumstance.
Get out of this very
strange situation,
and you'll be back to
the other you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-
Nov. 21). As you go
about your smiling
way, you'll lift the
spirits of most
people you happen
upon. Just
remember that there
are those few who
really don't want to
be happy right now,
and there's nothing
you can do about
them.

SAGITTARIUS
(Nov. 22-Dec. 21).
Lately it's been hard
to find the time to
take care of yourself
properly. No one
will do it for you. If
you want this kind
of time, you'll have
to carve it out and
run away with it.

CAPRICORN
(Dec. 22-Jan. 19).
Like a child
rejecting vegetables
he's never even
tasted, you are
ruling out an option
that doesn't look
appealing from the
outset but is
actually the
healthiest choice.

AQUARIUS (Jan.

20-Feb. 18). You live
in an emotional
world today and will
be oriented to
sensation. Use your
rich imagination to
paint a picture for
others and draw
them into your vivid
reality.

PISCES (Feb. 19-
March 20). Because
you are able to take
criticism seriously
without getting
defensive, you will
develop your skills
quickly, but only if
you have good
teachers. Make sure
you're in the best
place for you.

**TODAY'S
BIRTHDAY** (March
3). Your definition of
happiness coincides
with that of another
this month, and
you'll be partners in
keeping each other
smiling. Your love
life gets even better
in April. May brings
a funny coincidence
that leads to
improved financial
straits. You'll
embark on an
adventure in
business in July
with several
partners. Aquarius
and Virgo people
adore you. Your
lucky numbers are:
40, 3, 22, 38 and 19.

**RETROGRADE
ACTIVITIES:** First
Jupiter, then Mars
and now Saturn --
that's three
retrograde planets at

once until Jupiter
changes direction on
the 6th. "Retrograde"
doesn't have to be a
scary word, and in
fact, when planets
are apparently
moving backward, it
presents a terrific
opportunity to
reflect and
assimilate all that
has happened in the
recent past.
Retrogrades teach us
to honor history and
to strongly consider
what worked (and
what didn't work)
before we make our
next move. Here are
some ideas for
taking advantage of
the current
retrograde.

--Scrapbooking is
particularly fun
during a retrograde,
and with the current
position of Mars and
Libra, it's an
excellent way to
process all that's
gone on in
relationships.
Pictures of
celebrations, events
and travels with
loved ones will
spark feelings and
insights beyond
what you processed
in the moments
those pictures were
taken. For those
who aren't into the
crafty aspects of
scrapbooking, there
are plenty of easy
digital options for
creating beautiful
photo books.

--Letter writing is
a favored effort
under these skies.

Saturn in Scorpio
encourages honesty,
and Mars in Libra
helps us take our
correspondence to a
deep, meaningful
place.

**CELEBRITY
PROFILES:** Pisces
Jessica Biel and her
Aquarian husband,
Justin Timberlake,
are an example of
astrological
neighbors becoming
best friends and
lovers. Aquarius is
the realm of
friendship and
Pisces of spiritual
connection, so this
relationship
balances real-world
fun with deep
meaning. Biel will
soon appear in the
drama "Shiva and
May" with HBO's
"Girls" star Zosia
Mamet.

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	Midland	Spanish	Odessa	Odessa	Telemundo	Midland	Atlanta	Odessa	Odessa	Odessa	Discovery	Classics	Spike TV	Atlanta	Black Ent.	Disney	Sports	Sports	
5 :PM	News ABC	Casa	Two Men	News	Noticias	News	Seinfeld	Uri Harel	Charlie Rose	Rifleman	The Devils Ride	Movie: Rocky, Burgess Meredith	Movie: Star Wars VI: Return of the Jedi, Carrie Fisher	Castle (DVS)	106 & Park: Top 10	ANT Farm	ANT Farm	ANT Farm	SportsCenter
6 :PM	Jeopardy!	Gordo-Flaca	Big Bang	News	Caso Cerado	News	Seinfeld	McDonald	PBS News-Hour	M*A*S*H	The Devils Ride	Movie: Rocky II, Burgess Meredith	Movie: The Incredible Hulk, Tim Roth	Castle (DVS)	Game	Good	Women's College Basketball	College Basketball	
7 :PM	The Bachelor	Por Siempre	Almost Human	How I Met Broke Girl	La Impostora (SS)	The Voice	Fam. Guy	Upd	Mario Frangoulis Live	Gilligan	Rods N' Wheels	Movie: Rocky III, Talia Shire	Movie: Lara Croft Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life	Castle	Game	Judy Moody-Summer	Tennis	College Basketball	
8 :PM	Mixology	Lo Que la Vida	The Following	Mike Mom	En Otra Piel (SS)	Light of the Southwest	Fam. Guy	Discovery	Great Performances	Heroes	Rods N' Wheels	Movie: Rocky IV, Burt Young	Movie: Lara Croft Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life	Dallas	BE - Hollywood	Jessie	Tennis	College Basketball	
9 :PM	(:01) Castle	Qué Pobres	Mod Fam	Intelligence	Camelia La Texana	(:01) The Blacklist	Conan	House		Mary	The Devils Ride	Movie: Rocky III, Talia Shire	Movie: Lara Croft Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life	(:01) Dallas	BET Honors 2014	Austin Dog	ANT Farm	SportsCenter	
10 :PM	News	Impacto	Arsenio Hall	News	Noticias	News	Conan	House		Mary	The Devils Ride	Movie: Rocky III, Talia Shire	Movie: Lara Croft Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life	(:01) Dallas	BET Honors 2014	Austin Dog	ANT Farm	SportsCenter	
11 :PM	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Familia-Suerte	How I Met Broke Girl	Ferguson	En Otra Piel (SS)	Seth Meyers	Conan	Holmes		Mary	The Devils Ride	Movie: Rocky III, Talia Shire	Movie: Lara Croft Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life	Private Lives	Wendy Williams	Good	Olbermann	SportsCenter	
12 :AM	Nightline	Ni Contigo, Ni sin Ti	Raymond	Insider	Camelia La Texana	News	Holmes	1st Fruits		Mary	The Devils Ride	Movie: Rocky IV, Burt Young	Movie: Lara Croft Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life	(:12:02) Law & Order	Movie: Mama, I Want to Sing, Billy Zane	Shake It	NBA	SportsCenter	
1 :AM	Paid	Conducta	Law & Order: SVU	Ent	Pagado	(:07) Today	Movie: Coming & Going	Light of the Southwest		Mary	The Devils Ride	Movie: Rocky IV, Burt Young	Movie: Lara Croft Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life	(:02) Law & Order	Movie: Mama, I Want to Sing, Billy Zane	Deck	NASCAR	SportsCenter	

DENNIS THE MENACE

"DON'T MOVE, MR. WILSON!"

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane

"When Mommy says, 'Just eat it,' you know you're not gonna like it."

HAGAR

Sigh... EVERYONE'S A CRITIC THESE DAYS!

BC

I DON'T KNOW, HAL. IT FEELS LIKE A GIMMICK...

ANTS EAT FREE

BLONDIE

SWEETHEART, YOU'VE NEVER HAD A PROBLEM CONNECTING THE DOTS, HAVE YOU?

I HAVE NOT

WELL... IT'S DINNER TIME AND I'M TOO TIRED TO COOK ANYTHING EXCEPT EGG SANDWICHES

NEVER HAVE TWO DOTS BEEN SO EASY TO CONNECT!

WIZARD OF ID

I SEE A SYSTEM IN WHICH PEOPLE CHOOSE THEIR LEADER! IT'S CALLED DEMOCRACY

YET ONLY 58% OF CITIZENS PARTICIPATE IN THESE FREE ELECTIONS

SAYS A LOT ABOUT THE PEOPLE

SAYS A LOT MORE ABOUT THE CANDIDATES

This Date In History

Today is Monday, March 3, the 62nd day of 2014. There are 303 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On March 3, 1974, a Turkish Airlines DC-10 crashed shortly after takeoff from Orly Airport in Paris, killing all 346 people on board. A faulty cargo door had blown open, resulting in sudden decompression that caused part of the jetliner's floor to collapse, severely damaging the plane's control cables. On this date:

- In 1845, Florida became the 27th state.
- In 1849, the U.S. Department of the Interior was established.
- In 1894, British Prime Minister William Gladstone submitted his resignation to Queen Victoria, ending his fourth and final premiership.
- In 1913, more than 5,000 suffragists marched down Pennsylvania Avenue in Washington D.C., a day before the presidential inauguration of Woodrow Wilson.
- In 1923, Time magazine, founded by Briton Hadden and Henry R. Luce, made its debut.
- In 1931, "The Star-Spangled Banner" became the national anthem of the United States as President Herbert Hoover signed a congressional resolution.
- In 1934, bank robber John Dillinger escaped from the Lake County Jail in Crown Point, Ind., along with another prisoner, Herbert Youngblood.

Answer to previous puzzle

S	M	A	Z	E	M	I	S	S	P	E	A	K	S
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AGNES

MY FEET HURT.

YOU CAN LEAD A HORSE TO WATER, BUT YOU CAN'T MAKE HIM DRINK.

THAT HAS ABSOLUTELY NOTHING TO DO WITH WHAT I JUST SAID.

SORRY.

NOW I'M THIRSTY.

I'M GOING TO TEACH OPTIMISM CLASSES SOMEDAY.

HI AND LOIS

WHY DO YOU ALWAYS WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE TO FINISH YOUR HOMEWORK?

THIS ISN'T THE LAST MINUTE.

THAT'S AT 9:59 TOMORROW, RIGHT BEFORE HISTORY CLASS.

THE OTHER COAST

100 PLACES TO SNIFF BEFORE YOU DIE

SNUFFY SMITH

I FEEL AWFUL CRANKY AN' OUTTA SORTS, ELVINEY !!

ARE YOU IN A FAMBLY WAY, LOWEEZY ?

YEP, SNUFFY'S FAMBLY IS A-HEADIN' THIS WAY !!

BEEBLE BAILEY

LOOK! BEETLE IS COMING BACK AGAIN!

YOU'VE THRESSED HIM OUT THREE TIMES!

MAYBE I'M PUTTING TOO MUCH BACKSPIN ON HIM.

GREG+MOOT WALKER

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ACROSS

- Boxing match signal
- Minor quarrel
- Rice dish
- Region
- Fishing rod
- Wise saying
- Important people
- Police-car wailer
- "Absolutely!"
- Continuously
- bother
- Clothing
- Cookie containers
- Teacher's request
- Clip-on beepers
- Dairy animals
- Summer hours in California: Abbr.
- Elite guest group
- Greatly regret
- Cornfield bird
- Numerical fact, for short
- Aids in a crime
- Keep out of sight
- Results of sunbathing
- "Is it Miss, Ms., or ___?"
- Large kitchen appliance
- Painting, for example
- Sofa or bench
- Was the emcee
- Practical joke
- A handful of
- Baseball game delayer
- Make happy
- Reheat in a microwave
- Thickly packed
- Boeing 747s, e.g.

DOWN

- Infant
- One of the Great Lakes
- Turkey drumsticks
- Attorney's expertise
- Asparagus servings
- Verse writers
- "... and to ___ good night!"
- Takes for a trial run
- Scrapbook adhesives
- Figure of speech
- Like eye-friendly books
- Matures
- Swampy ground
- Valentine symbol
- Jokes around
- Lambs' moms
- Rotini or rigatoni
- Church platform
- Bearlike zoo beast
- Wave's high point
- Get out of the way of
- Wool fabric
- Pursue
- End of a prayer
- Auto mechanic's task
- Juliet's beloved
- Most reasonable
- Fast-growing environment
- One getting out of bed
- South Pacific island nation
- Tenant's expense
- Auto mechanic's task, for short
- Zilch
- 24-hr. cash sources
- Soft "Hey!"
- Courtroom prosecutors: Abbr.
- Toast topping

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Big Spring head coach John R. Sparks (center) congratulates BSBS pitcher Mercedes Ruiz for catching a line drive in the Lady Steers' 12-8 win over Forsan. Also congratulating Ruiz are Jaci Aguilar, Sydni Olivas and BSBS assistant coach Dee Myers.

TOURNEY

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Sarmiento at second base and in right field by Rodriguez.

Olivas made several strong third across the diamond for key outs. Sarmiento retired two Lady Wolves by snagging a drive at second.

The Lady Steers had a tougher time reaching the consolation finals on Saturday afternoon. Playing without Goodblanket, the team rallied to claim a tough 12-8 win over the Forsan Lady Buffaloes. The Lady Steers broke open an 8-8 deadlock with four runs in the top of the sixth.

BSHS pitcher Mercedes Ruiz closed out the win by holding Forsan scoreless in the bottom of the inning.

Big Spring got off to a quick start against the Lady Buffaloes. The Lady Steers built a 7-2

lead in the top of the second inning.

Forsan, thanks to a triple by Kendall Phillips, rallied back to tie the game at 7-7 after four.

The Lady Steers regained the lead in the fifth. Olivas hit a towering fly to right that bounced off the FHS fielders' glove and rolled into foul territory. Olivas managed to score on the play, giving the BSBS girls an 8-7 lead.

Forsan didn't roll over and quit. The Lady Buffaloes rallied back for a run in the bottom of the frame to force the game in sudden-death play.

Rodriguez, Sarmiento, Isabel Solis and Roberts all scored for the Lady Steers in the top of the sixth.

Shaylee Franks prevented a larger FHS run in the bottom of the sixth. She hauled in a shoestring catch in right that held the Lady Buffaloes to a single run.

Upcoming BSBS Softball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Mar. 6-8	Snyder Tny	A	TBA
Mar. 14	*Ab.Wylie	A	2 p.m.
Mar. 15	Lub. High	A	10 a.m.
Mar. 18	*Snyder	H	5 p.m.
Mar. 21	*Sweetwater	A	5 p.m.
Mar. 25	*Greenwood	A	5 p.m.
Mar. 28	*Monahans	H	5 p.m.
April 4	*Ab.Wylie	H	5 p.m.
April 8	*Snyder	A	5 p.m.
April 11	*Sweetwater	H	5 p.m.

BSBS catcher Mia Olivas also threw out a would-be base stealer in the frame.

Big Spring, which had

won its pool on Thursday, fell into the consolation side after suffering a 12-0 loss to Lakeview in the first round of the championship bracket.

Goodblanket missed the first two games on Saturday as she was participating in the Region I Powerlifting Championships in Fort Stockton.

Big Spring will return to play in the Snyder tournament this weekend.

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TRACK

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hurdles race with a time of 53 seconds. Robsin was fourth in the final shot put standings with a throw of 33-4.

Martha Lewis also turned in a memorable effort. She was sixth in the 200-meter race with a time of 28.21 seconds.

Kiana Ramsey helped the Big Spring junior varsity track team place third in the JV division. Ramsey finished second in the JV high jump by clearing 4-4. She was also third in the 300-meter hurdles at 58.22.

The Lady Steers will return to action this Thursday when they compete in the Big Spring Invitational. The meet will start at 1 p.m. at Blankenship Field.



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- Was instrumental in building the new jail.
- Increased county reserves from one to approximately six million dollars.
 - Helped to drop the tax rate for Howard County from 52 to 36 cents.
- Obtained grants for county road repairs.
- Brought the city and county together to build the new law enforcement center.
 - Helped to establish the Broughton Ag Center at Howard College.
 - Worked to develop the Howard County Health Care Center for underserved residents.
- Is working with the city and county to create a joint land-fill.
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