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Howie the Hawk, Howard College's mascot, kept the energy level at an exceptional level while working the crowd at Friday's Hoops, Dreams and Goals basketball tournament at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. The annual event brings teams from all over Texas represents 43 counties and includes all the Intellectual and Developmental Disability programs in the state. See additional photos, page 1B.

22 indicted during grand jury session

By **STEVE REAGAN**
Staff Writer

Twenty-two people were indicted on felony charges during this week's session of the Howard County Grand Jury.

Among those indicted was Ricky Lee Tate, 25, of Big Spring, who faces four felony charges stemming from an

incident on the Snyder Highway June 11, said 118th District Attorney Hardy L. Wilkerson.

According to evidence presented to the grand jury, Tate, who had a woman and a small child as passengers, was observed speeding, then failed to pull over when a Howard County Sheriff's Office

deputy activated his vehicle lights. After a short pursuit, Tate pulled over the vehicle. While fleeing, he allegedly was observed tossing away several baggies containing a controlled substance.

Deputies finally caught up with Tate, who is alleged to have struck one of the officers before he was finally

subdued.

Among the charges Tate faces for the incident are assault on a public servant (second degree felony), possession of a controlled substance and endangering a child (both state jail felonies) and evading arrest (enhanced to a second degree felony).

If convicted, he faces a sen-

tence of up to 20 years in state prison, Wilkerson said.

Others indicted during the grand jury session were:

- Shauna Dawn Castaneda, 17, 1514 Tucson, possession of marijuana (state jail felony) and possession of controlled substance with intent to de-

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Obama to Putin: Pull back from border

By **JOSH LEDERMAN**
Associated Press

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia — Worried about Moscow's intentions, President Barack Obama urged Russian President Vladimir Putin to pull his troops back from the border with Ukraine during an hourlong phone call Friday. The Russian leader, who initiated the call, asserted that Ukraine's government is allowing extremists to intimidate civilians with impunity.

The White House and the Kremlin offered starkly different summaries of the call, which occurred while Obama was traveling in Saudi Arabia. The contrasting interpretations underscored the chasm between how Moscow and Washington perceive the escalating international standoff sparked by Russia's annexation of Crimea away from Ukraine.

White House officials described the call as "frank and direct" and said Obama had urged Putin to offer a written

"It may simply be an effort to intimidate Ukraine, or it may be that they've got additional plans. And in either case, what we need right now to resolve and de-escalate the situation would be for Russia to move back those troops and to begin negotiations directly with the Ukrainian government, as well as the international community."

U.S. President Barack Obama

response to a diplomatic resolution to the Ukraine crisis that the U.S. has presented. Obama told the Russian leader that Ukraine's government is pursuing de-escalation despite Russia's incursion into Crimea, urging Putin to support that effort. He urged Moscow to scale back its troop build-up on the border with Ukraine, which has prompted concerns in Kiev and Washington about a pos-

sible Russian invasion in eastern Ukraine.

The Kremlin, on the other hand, said Putin had drawn Obama's attention to a "rampage of extremists" in Ukraine and suggested "possible steps by the international community to help stabilize the situation" in Ukraine.

In a statement, the Kremlin said Putin also pointed at an "effective blockade" of Moldova's separatist region of

Trans-Dniester, where Russia has troops. Russia and the local authorities have complained of Ukraine's recent moves to limit travel across the border of the region on Ukraine's southern border. There were fears in Ukraine that Russia could use its forces in Trans-Dniester to invade.

Both nations said Secretary of State John Kerry planned to meet with Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov to discuss further steps. That meeting could come as soon as Tuesday or Wednesday, when Kerry is scheduled to be in Brussels for a meeting of NATO foreign ministers.

Obama, in a CBS News interview aired Friday but recorded before the call, said Russia is amassing troops along the Ukrainian border "under the guise of military exercises."

"It may simply be an effort to intimidate Ukraine, or it

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Obituaries

Joe Stocks



Joe Stocks, 84, of Big Spring, died Friday, March 28, 2014, in a local hospital. Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday at Spring Creek Fellowship with Derrick Looney, officiating.

He was born May 4, 1929, in the Brown Community in Howard County, Texas and married Jerrie Dorris Nov. 14, 1952, in Big Spring, Texas.

Joe served in the United States Army and worked at Cosden Refinery for 21 years. He then worked on the Executive Board for Kenneth Copeland Ministries for 25 years. Joe had served as

a chaplain for the law enforcement and fire departments in Howard County. He was an avid golfer and had played in several ProAm golf tournaments.

Survivors include his wife, Jerrie Stocks of Big Spring; two daughters, Judy Osborn and husband, Larry of Big Spring and June Ferguson and husband, Philip of Wiley; a sister, Maxine Davis and husband, Richard of Hamilton; one brother, Hershel Stocks and wife, Charlesie of Marble Falls; and one grandson.

He was preceded in death by his parents, R.C. and Bertie Stocks; and a daughter, La Donna Truesdale.

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

Misty Dawn Clayton



Misty Dawn Clayton, 32, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, March 26, 2014, in a local hospital. Grave-side funeral services will be held at 2 p.m., Tuesday, April 1, 2014, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park Chapel.

She was born April 10, 1981, in Big Spring.

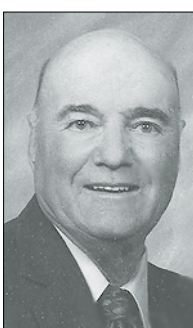
Misty was very outgoing and popular and was a high school cheerleader. Her boys were the love of her life. She will be missed by all who knew her.

She is survived by two sons, Michael Dewayne Renteria and Malachi D'Sean Renteria, both of Big Spring; her grandparents, Dean and Kay Rawls of Big Spring; her grandmother, Dolly Burcham of Big Spring; two brothers, Steven Clayton and wife, Christina and Tommy Rawls and wife, Michele, all of Big Spring; and two sisters, Sherry Chandler of Boutte, La. and Catherine Ecker of Pennsylvania.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles Chandler and Barbara K. Rawls; two sisters, Angel Baby and Dena Hawkins; three uncles and her grandfather, Hamp Burcham.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

David L. Hodnett



David L. Hodnett, 78, died Friday, March 28, 2014, following a sudden illness. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, March 31, 2014, at the Nalley Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. He was born Nov. 20, 1935, to Loyd D. Hodnett and Winnie Inez Hodnett in Vincent, Texas, and lived his entire life in Vincent and Big Spring. David graduated from Coahoma High School in 1955 and attended Howard College. He married Annette Boykin in 1957 and they were happily married for 57 years.

He was a master mechanic and spent most of his pre-retirement years as mechanic and service manager at Bob Brock Ford and at Taylor Implement. His passions away from work included fishing, golf, family, cooking, football, NASCAR, and working on boats, motorcycles and cars. He was affectionately known to many of his friends as "Bassman" or "Papa Joe".

David is survived by his wife, Annette; his chil-

dren, Angela Solis and husband, Conrad of Dripping Springs, Texas, Russell Hodnett and wife, Tonja of Big Spring and Stacey Kushaney and husband, Jim of Stanton, Texas; seven grandchildren, Teran Hagerich, Brittany Hodnett, Jace Nix, Liana Solis, Miranda Solis, Eric Kushaney, and Daniel Kushaney; two great-grandchildren, Macy Nix and Kenny Hagerich; two sisters, Sue Elliott and Nancy Graves; three brothers, Richard Hodnett, Claude Hodnett and Keith Hodnett and wife, Rosemary; and numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Loyd and Inez Hodnett; his two infant sisters, Elizabeth and Sadie Carolyn Hodnett; his son, David Craig Hodnett; and his parents-in-law, Ross and Louise Boykin.

Those serving as pallbearers will be Bert Hillger, Carl Wyrick, Jimmy Johnson, JR Alexander, Jack Hopper, Chuck Pearson, and Barney Hise. Honorary pallbearers are all of David's many friends and colleagues.

The family suggests memorials to the donor's favorite charity.

Arrangement are by Nalley Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. We invite you to share your thoughts, fond memories, and condolences with our family at www.npwelch.com

Paid Obituary

Police blotter

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

- MICHAEL ANTHONY GOMEZ, 22, of 1902 S. Johnson, was arrested Friday on a warrant from another agency.
- FRANCISCO VALDEZ LICON, 27, of 1516 Wood, was arrested Friday on a charge of credit card or debit card abuse.
- SHAYNA MARIE ACUFF, 38, of 621 S. Irving St. apt. 1, San Angelo, Texas, was arrested Friday on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.
- THADDEUS ONTARIO STRAUGHTER, 23, of 1101 N. Goliad, was arrested Friday on a warrant from another agency.
- MICHAEL ALLAN GARZA, 31, of 1110 Johnson, was arrested Friday on a charge of interference with an emergency phone call.
- JESUS MIGUEL ZUNIGA-GUERRA, 20, of 2800 Navajo Dr. was arrested Friday on a charge of public intoxication.

• LARRY DALE KING, 30, of 4207 Oak, was arrested Friday on charges of theft greater than or equal to \$20 but less than \$500 by check, issuance of bad check and unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon.

• SAMANTHA BELLE SCHOLE, 30, of 1220 E. 16th St., was arrested Friday on a warrant from another agency.

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Ray Davidson

Ray Davidson, 90, of Big Spring died Friday, March 28, 2014, at Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Today's Weather

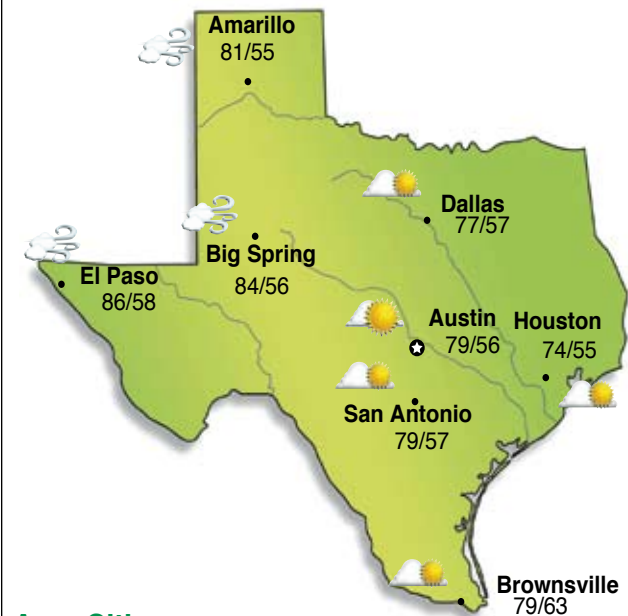
Local 5-Day Forecast

Sun 3/30	Mon 3/31	Tue 4/1	Wed 4/2	Thu 4/3
84/56 Windy with a few clouds from time to time. High 84F.	87/56 A few clouds. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the mid 50s.	90/63 Considerable cloudiness. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the low 60s.	88/55 Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the mid 50s.	80/47 Sunshine. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the upper 40s.
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City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
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Amarillo	81	55	windy	Livingston	75	47	pt sunny
Austin	79	56	mst sunny	Longview	74	47	mst sunny
Beaumont	72	51	pt sunny	Lubbock	82	53	windy
Brownsville	79	63	pt sunny	Lufkin	76	47	pt sunny
Brownwood	81	53	pt sunny	Midland	83	56	sunny
Corpus Christi	74	63	pt sunny	Raymondville	80	61	pt sunny
Corsicana	73	53	mst sunny	Rosenberg	74	53	pt sunny
Dallas	77	57	pt sunny	San Antonio	79	57	pt sunny
Del Rio	82	59	windy	San Marcos	79	55	pt sunny
El Paso	86	58	windy	Sulphur Springs	72	54	sunny
Fort Stockton	86	57	windy	Sweetwater	82	56	windy
Gainesville	75	56	sunny	Tyler	74	49	pt sunny
Greenville	73	54	sunny	Weatherford	77	56	pt sunny
Houston	74	55	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	79	57	sunny
Los Angeles	72	55	pt sunny				
Miami	80	62	mst sunny				

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	64	41	sunny	Minneapolis	60	41	cloudy
Boston	45	34	rain	New York	47	37	rain
Chicago	57	41	sunny	Phoenix	84	58	mst sunny
Dallas	77	57	pt sunny	San Francisco	58	50	rain
Denver	71	38	windy	Seattle	52	43	rain
Houston	74	55	pt sunny	St. Louis	67	45	sunny
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Take note

• Holy Trinity Catholic Parish is raising funds to benefit the Diane Herrera family, which lost three members in a recent traffic accident. The parish will hold a special second collection during Sunday services, and will accept individual donations, as well. Send checks to the parish, P.O. Box 951, Big Spring, TX 79721 and write "for Diane Herrera family) on the check. For more information, contact Richard Light, parish administrator, at 432-466-9703.

• Funds have been set up at Howard County Feed and Supply and at Highland Animal Hospital for Wildlife Rehabilitator Melanie Gambrell. To contact Melanie email her at R4thepets@aol.com

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center Healthy Woman and American Cancer Society present "Be a Superhero" on April 16. A Lunch n Learn will take place at 11:30 a.m. and the Healthy Woman event — snacks provided — will be at 5:30 p.m. Both events will be held in the Senior Circle Room at

Scenic Mountain Medical Center. ACS Relay For Life Specialist Manny Negron will be delivering information about the 20th anniversary Howard and Glasscock Counties Relay For Life. The free event is open to the public. To RSVP call, Amanda Duforat at 432-268-4699 or Anita Cline at 432-268-4721.

• A fund has been set up to help the Renteria family who lost their house from a fire. Donations can be made at State National Bank, Renteria Fire Fund, No. 9012478.

OBAMA

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may be that they've got additional plans," Obama said. "And in either case, what we need right now to resolve and de-escalate the situation

would be for Russia to move back those troops and to begin negotiations directly with the Ukrainian government, as well as the international community." Putin's unexpected outreach to Obama came the same day that

former Ukrainian President Viktor Yanukovich pushed for a vote to determine the status of each of the country's regions — a call serving the Kremlin's purpose of turning Ukraine into a loosely knit federation and raising the threat of

more unrest in Ukraine's Russian-speaking eastern provinces. The fugitive leader fled to Russia last month after three months of protests. Meanwhile, Russia's defense minister said the Ukrainian military withdrawal from

Crimea was complete — another sign that U.S. efforts to dissuade Russia from absorbing the peninsula have thus far been unsuccessful. In follow-up discussions between Kerry and Lavrov, the U.S. will seek to determine

whether the Russians are serious about pursuing diplomacy, said a White House official, who wasn't authorized to discuss the situation by name and spoke on condition of anonymity. The official said Obama and Putin discussed the latest draft of a document that Kerry and Lavrov have been working on to lay out ways to de-escalate the conflict.

JURY

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liver (second degree felony).
• Crystal Lashel Coble, 26, 2710 S. Anderson Road, possession of a controlled substance (state jail felony).
• Rosendo Rodriguez Deanda, 24, 809 S. Aylesford, possession of a controlled substance (third degree felony).
• Catherine Rush Elkins, 49, 2613 Albrook, securing execution of a document by deception (third degree felony).
• Sammy Ferrell, 52, 509 N. Johnson, theft under \$1,500 with two or more previous convictions (state jail felony).

• Joey Dale Goodwin, 40, Howard County Detention Center, unlawfully carrying a weapon on licensed premises, assault on a public servant and escape while arrested (all enhanced to second degree felonies).
• Robert Anthony Griego, 23, 1017 Stadium, credit card abuse and possession of marijuana (both state jail felonies) and possession of controlled substance with intent to deliver (second degree felony).
• Anna Maria Hoffpauier, 32, Sycamore Street, driving while intoxicated with child passenger (state jail felony).
• Donetta Charmaine Lewis, 28, 1008 E. 15th,

possession of controlled substance (state jail felony).
• Sandy Martinez, 28, Stanton, driving while intoxicated with child passenger (state jail felony).
• James Kevin Mayhew, 50, 1715 E. Highway 350, driving while intoxicated (enhanced to second degree felony).
• Brandon Mendoza, 29, 1903 S. Monticello, delivery of a controlled substance (first degree felony).
• Jackie Loyd Murchree Jr., 20, 402 N. Moss Lake Road, possession of controlled substance with intent to deliver (second degree felony) and assault on a family or household member

(third degree felony).
• Michael Dean Nall, 38, 4201 W. Highway 80 No. 6, possession of a controlled substance, theft over \$1,500/less than \$20,000 and seven counts of burglary of a building (all state jail felonies).
• Joseph Ray Olivas, 23, 2001 N. Salem Road, prohibited weapon (third degree felony).
• Rod Lee Puga, 51, 1409 Settles, theft under \$1,500 with two or more previous convictions (state jail felony).
• Mario Idefonso Salazar, 24, 1101 1/2 S. Lancaster, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon (second degree felony).
• Charlie Jake Turner, 34, county detention

center, possession of a controlled substance (state jail felony) and burglary of a habitation (enhanced to first degree felony).
• Prince Corpel Vanderbilt, 27, 1502 Lincoln, forgery (third degree felony).
• Jimmy Marmolejo Ybarra, 49, 2911 W. Highway 80, forgery (state jail felony).
• Victor Hernandez Zamora, 37, 2505 Gunter, four counts of aggravated sexual assault of a child, first degree felony.

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Anthony "Ant" Herrera, 30, died Saturday. Funeral Services will be at 1 p.m. today at First Baptist Church with burial following at Trinity Memorial Park.

Diane Herrera, 51, died Saturday. Funeral Services will be at 1 p.m. today at First Baptist Church with burial following at Trinity Memorial Park.

KiAna Ra'Nae Vanderbilt, 7, died Saturday. Funeral Services will be at 1 p.m. today at First Baptist Church with burial following at Trinity Memorial Park.

Ray Davidson, 90, died Friday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

COPS

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• SAMANTHA BELLE SCHOLLES, 30, of 1220 E. 16th St., was arrested Friday on a warrant from another agency.
• AL THOMPSON III, 34, of 117 1/2 W. Davis Rd., was arrested Friday on a warrant for bail jumping/failure to appear.
• BRANSON MARTIN KENNEDY, 19, of 2706 William Rd., was arrested Saturday on a citation for possession of alcohol by a minor and driving under the influence of alcohol by a minor.
• DIEGO ADRIAN DEHOYOS, 19, of 5001 Sterling Rd., was arrested Saturday on charges of consumption of alcohol by a minor and possession of alcohol by a minor.
• BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported at the 1300 block of Stadium and the 1200 block of Wright.
• MINOR ACCIDENT was reported at the 900 block of W. 3rd St.
• BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported at the 1100 block of Lloyd Ave and the 700 block of W. Interstate Highway 20.

• SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY was reported at the intersection of Virginia and 17th St. and the 700 block of S. Aylesford
• MAJOR ACCIDENT was reported at the 2600 block of S. Gregg.
• THEFT was reported at the 1600 block of Runnels and the 200 block of N. Gregg.
• CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported at the 1300 block of Tucson.
• BURGLARY IN PROGRESS was reported at the 1400 block of N. Highway 87.
• DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported at the 1100

block of Goliad.
• DRAG RACING/WRECKLESS DRIVING was reported at the 500 block of N. Lamesa Highway.

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity:
Thursday
• MEDICAL call reported at the 1900 block of N. Highway 87. One patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
• MEDICAL call reported at the 1700 block of Lancaster. One patient transported to SMMC.

• TRAUMA call reported at the 2000 block of Rickabaugh. One patient transported to SMMC.
• MEDICAL call reported at the 1700 block of S. Lancaster. One patient transported to SMMC.
• MEDICAL call reported at the intersection of 7th St. and Gregg. One patient transported to SMMC.
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FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION NOTICE OF AN OPEN HOUSE PUBLIC MEETING

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Office of Commercial Space Transportation is announcing the availability of the *Draft Environmental Assessment for the Midland International Air and Space Port, City of Midland, Midland County, Texas* (Draft EA). The Draft EA evaluates potential environmental impacts of the City of Midland's proposal to operate a commercial space launch site at the Midland International Airport in Midland County, Texas and offer the site to XCOR Aerospace, Inc. for the operation of the Lynx horizontal take-off and horizontal landing reusable launch vehicle and engine testing. To operate a commercial space launch site, the City of Midland must obtain a launch site operator license from the FAA. The Draft EA can be reviewed online at: http://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/headquarters_offices/ast/environmental/nepa_docs/review/documents_progress/.

In addition, a printed copy of the Draft EA is available at the following locations:

- Midland County Library – 301 West Missouri Avenue, Midland, Texas 79701
- Ector County Library – 321 W. 5th Street, Odessa, Texas 79761
- Reagan County Library – 300 Courthouse Square Big Lake, Texas 76932

The FAA will hold an open house public meeting on April 8, 2014, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin, Center for Energy and Economic Diversification (Foyer), located at 1400 North FM 1788, Midland, Texas 79701 (southeast corner of SH 191 and FM 1788). The public will be able to speak to project representatives one-on-one and submit written comments or provide oral comments to a stenographer. Comments or questions on the Draft EA should be sent on or before April 21, 2014 and may be addressed to Mr. Daniel Czelusniak, Office of Commercial Space Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW, Suite 325, Washington, DC 20591 or submitted by email to FAAMidlandEA@icfi.com.

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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.”

-FIRST AMENDMENT

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Walking the red road

When asked to come up with a name for this column, I had to think about it. I thought about it long and hard, with my mind, Nothing came to me. Then, I thought about it with my heart.

Your mind will play tricks on you; your heart will not. True Native Americans think with their hearts, not their heads. If you do this you will seldom be wrong. Your heart will not lie to you as your mind will at times.

My heart came up with walking the red road. To Native Americans, walking the red road means living our lives with the values and beliefs of the old ones, our ancestors. Those of us who walk the red road do not lie or cheat, and we no longer steal horses. Actually, we called it taking horses.

Years ago, in the Anglo society, stealing horses was a handing of fence. In American Indian culture, it was an honorable thing to do. It showed bravery and stealth. To take horses gave a man much respect among the tribe. A man's wealth was determined by the number of horses he had. Understand the tribe did not take horses from each other, they were taken from another tribe or Anglos and Mexicans in this area. Many marriages depending on how many horses a brave could offer a maiden's father for the right to marry her. As for lying and cheating, the old ones did not do these things. When the United States broke treaties, as they did consistently, the American Indians did not understand. They had no concept of lying or cheating.

Native Americans as a whole are a proud people. They are proud of their history, their culture and their beliefs. So much was wiped out by the New American society, but despite their efforts, much has remained. After conquest of the Native American Indian, the new Americans tried their best to completely wipe out the Native American way of life. The United States did everything they could think of to turn the Indians into white men. Many of the Indians did adapt to the new culture but many, especially the older ones, refused and retained their cultural beliefs. In doing to, the beliefs, the customs and the language was kept from vanishing.

Today, most Native Americans have developed a mix of cultures, being a member of today's society but retaining some of the old ways and beliefs. Some do not walk the red road anymore, but many still do. We have adapted to live in two different cultures at the same time.

Walking the red road is a way of life. It is an understanding of where you fit in with the earth and the people. It is about having a good heart and a clean spirit and keeping your feet on your path. We all have a path to walk in life. It is not as important where the path leads you, but what you do as you walk along it.

I had walked the red road for years before I even knew what it is or what it means. The more I became involved in Native American culture, the more I came to understand the red road and many other things as well. I have “found myself” in walking the red road and am very proud of the path I am on. I and many other people are proud of the way we live.

If you wish to meet some of these people, see how proud they are of their culture and their heritage, come to the Big Spring Powwow April 5-6. You can tell just by watching them how proud they are to be Native American. Speak with them and it will become even more evident. Come and spend some time with us, see how proud we are to be who we are. Learn some things about us you cannot learn from a book or a movie. Come and dance with us, share in our culture. Come and walk the red road with us. You may find there is some Indian in everyone, including yourself.

Randy A. McKinney is a member of the Tabana Yuane clan of Mat'o Num'pa Sake and vice president of the Powwow Committee of Big Spring.

DAILY PRAYER

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

Amen

Chain saw art on a golf course

The Gaines County Golf Course, between Seminole and Seagraves, is a sculpture garden filled with unique wooden carvings created from trees that succumbed to the long-standing drought.

“We lost a lot of trees and it seemed like such a shame to see them just die,” says Kathy Davis of Seminole.

“There are some really big trees out there.”

Kathy wanted to do something about those dead trees that looked bad on the golf course.

She contacted a well-known chainsaw artist, Cam Dockery of Whitharral. He came down and started to work.

“There are nine carvings,” says Kathy. “The first one is right outside the pro shop and it is of a magnificent eagle with the American flag in its talons. It's very patriotic and emotion provoking.”

One huge tree is full of bears. “There are seven bears in this tree and they're waving and doing all sorts of things.”

Perhaps the most dramatic sculpture is a large tree parallel with the ground that has three longhorns coming out of it.

“They pretty much explode out of the tree and the roots are still there. He really did a fine job on that one. It was the one that kind of changed the whole thought process of what we were doing.



TUMBLEWEED SMITH

Instead of something kind of fun and campy it became something serious and very artistic. It's historic, too, because it speaks to the history of our county. Getting to watch him carve those long-horns from the big tree was an experience that's hard to describe.”

Kathy was raising money for the project when she ran into the county judge at the golf course. She asked him for a hundred dollars and when he asked her what she was going to do with the money, she told him about her plan to create something from those dead trees. He was impressed.

“He told me since this was for the good of the county he thought the county could handle it and asked me how much it was going to cost. I gave him an estimate and he said the county could take care of it.”

The project, which features chain saw figures of bobcat, coyote and fox, as well as an Indian maiden, took from May to August of last year.

“Most of them are trees that were and are still in the ground and he carved them right there where they grew. He could do one big carving or two small ones in a single day. The total cost for the nine carvings came to just under \$11 thousand. I



don't know of any golf course in the nation that has what we have.”

Kathy had an idea for the golf course art eight years ago and contacted Cam at that time. But he became ill and was not able to do it.

Kathy got busy with other things, and then when the drought got so bad and more trees started to die, she decided to revive the project.

Cam thinks his statue of an Indian Chief is the real showcase. Kathy says it's her favorite, too. He did that one in two days.

“The feathers in his head dress look like real feathers. It's fine art.”

Tumbleweed loves stories. Contact him at tumbleweedsmith.

LETTERS

To the Editor,

I just got back from Tacoma, Wash., and they have something there that I would love to see come here.

They have dog parks for people to take their dogs to run and play. They have poles with sacks to

pick up their poop and to throw it away. It also has one section singled off so they can run alone. People take turns with their dogs.

It is a great place to go and let your dog get exercise and to visit and the owners also visit with

one another. That would be great of Big Spring. They have to have their shots and tags on them and it is not a drop off and go, the owners have to stay with them at all times.

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Marjorie Main, in love and war

Folks with dim memories of World War II recall the “coming home” of troops, and attendant triumphal celebrations that reverberated around the globe. Believers in democracy — weary of Movietone newsreels' gory war scenes at movie theaters, dismal commentaries on radio and troubling newspaper accounts — were ready for news of loved ones returning home — a place, someone said, where when you go there, they have to let you in.

In the homeland, folks bought war bonds, accepted rationing and endured ultimate sacrifices in a unified effort requiring wide participation. For more than any other American military engagement, we stood stoically united. As a third-grader when the US prevailed, I have faint memories of President Franklin Roosevelt's bolstering radio speeches. I regret that his death occurred mere weeks before declaration of victory.

Perhaps no one splashed wider smiles in this dark era than actress Marjorie Main (1890-1975), a well-known movie character who never thought of herself as a “pin-up.”...

When we had little reason to smile during America's half-decade of war years, she teamed up with Wallace Beery on the silver screen as a crusty, “rough and ready,” pipe-smoking actress who made us laugh.

Later, the laughs became guffaws as she partnered with Percy Kilbride in 10 Ma and Pa Kettle movies (forerunners of TV's All in the Family). Her homeliness in each movie moved her ever

lower on the “pin-up beauty scale.” Marjorie's name never appeared on the glamour list headed by Hedy Lamarr, Yvonne DeCarlo, Joan Leslie and Rita Hayworth.

These stars' images, outfitted in swimsuits considered dowdy by fashionistas today, appeared on many fighter planes. Had Main been a “fuselage feature,” she'd have been shown in a high-necked dress and a “don't-you-dare” scowl, her rolling pin raised high.

With this brief backdrop in place, history reveals that Marjorie — or Mrs. Kettle, or the Indiana actress who quickly changed her last name to avoid embarrassing her preacher father — was named “Occupation Girl” in a spirited election conducted by the 96th Infantry Division, nicknamed “Deadeyes.” (They joked about electing the “girl they'd most like to occupy an island with.”)

The war was over, but the Division was still in place, awaiting the arrival of troop ships to go home. While waiting, they “ballyhooded” the contest, with guys in its 382nd Regiment and 361st Field Artillery pushing for Miss Main.

Lubbock's Choc Hutcheson, who edited the 382nd regimental newspaper, remembers the wild-fire movement favoring Miss Main. (Even the unit's adopted dog mascot put his paw print on her ballot.) Hey, it was a way to pass time in the Philippines for troops who'd waged bitter battles on Leyte and Okinawa.

When the actress heard that she'd won—relegating Miss Leslie and Miss DeCarlo to distant second and third-place finishes—she was delighted. She promised to greet them upon their return to the states, with assurances that she would NOT be wearing

a swimsuit.

She “made good” on her promise when the unit was stateside, even though the best-laid plans of the brass were tossed aside. The “rough, tough gal for a rough, tough outfit” spurned officers' request to join them for a formal dinner.

Instead, she insisted on dining with the troops, first serving them in the chow line. She was quickly replaced on the line, however, when it was discovered she was plopping two steaks on the plate of each GI.

No matter. This gave her more time to move around the mess hall, delighting the troops with her gravelly-voiced “whoops” — all of 'em upward.

They were all as one — troops and officers — recounting the ad campaign back in the Philippines that led to the landslide vote.

It was “thumbs” up for the slogans — many of them plastered on military vehicles — “Remember the Main,” “Pistol-Packin' Momma,” “As Main Goes So Goes the Division” and “Reminds Me of Mom.”

Indeed she made movie-goers think of moms, what with much of her humor wafting from the kitchen.

In her Ma and Pa Kettle Back on the Farm movie, a city guy paid a visit, requesting a coddled egg for breakfast.

Bumfuzzled, she did an end run, explaining that recently she “broke her coddler.” Such homespun humor endeared her to a nation.

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Support groups

MONDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, noon-1 p.m., 615 Settles.
- VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.
- Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) TX 0021 meets at First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad, in the

dining hall on the east side of the building. Weigh-in starts at 2:50 p.m. and meeting starts at 3 p.m. We have a different program each week. For more information, please call 517-4922 or 935-6306.

- Circle of Hope, a Celebrate Recovery group, meets at 6:30-8 p.m. at Spring Creek Fellowship, located in the College Park Shopping Center. Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery pro-

gram dealing with life's hang-ups, hurts and habits, covering many areas. Circle of Hope group is a ministry of Spring Creek Fellowship. For further information, contact Dale at 432-270-8462.

- Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring.

LETTERS

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Also, I have an update on my granddaughter's bowling. Two weeks ago she bowled in the Pepsi Challenge and placed 6th and qualified for the Pepsi Challenge Championship in May. She also was named MVP for her bowling at school. Never has a 10th grader made that — it is only goes to upper classmen so she is doing great.

Marillyn Miears
Big Spring.

To the Editor:

I read an article a few months ago (Andreia Medlin's "Love, Devotion and a Remarkable Journey") and thought it was probably the best thing written about Schoep and John. That's saying something considering how much is out there. I've read most of it — nothing else comes close. After sharing the article with yet another friend I realized I should let the author know how much it touched me. Please give my thanks and appreciation to Andreia Medlin. She nailed every emotion I was feeling and put it all into words poignant and real. She gets it.

Eva S. Brown
Big Spring

To the Editor:

I want to take the time to say thanks to Cross Roads Hospice for taking special care for my mother during the last months of life — especially Barnby Uries, LVN; Twila Garza, RN; Kimbeerly York, RN; Eva Robison, volunteer; Melissa Galloway, office manager; Mario Torres, CNR; Joe Bacon, Chaplain; Ben Flores, HME; and Deborah Read, owner.

They helped us to get through the tough times, the last months of her life. Thanks again for the staff of Cross Roads Hospice.

Bert Hillger

To the Editor:

Someone wrote something false about me to the paper and this is my response (second letter; I did not see the first I wrote published).

From 1 John 4
 Beloved, let us love one another. For love is of God and everyone that loves is born of God and knows God. He that loves not knows not God for God is love. In this was manifested the love of God toward us ... Herein is love, not that we loved God but He loved us.

Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another ... If we love one another,

God dwellth in us and His love is perfected in us.

Sharon Tucker

To the Editor:

Regarding the Economic Development Corporation meeting I attended on March 18.

I was appalled by the personal insults made by Mr. Jim DePauw (board member) made to Mrs. Frances Hobbs (board member). I felt they were rude, crude and unacceptable. I also witnessed eye and hand gestures made to Mr. Terry Wegman and Mayor McLellan from Mr. DePauw. I do wonder what that was all about.

I am new to Big Spring and this was my first EDC meeting to attend.

Maybe someone should Google State of Texas Work Place Violence to provide a safe and healthy workplace.

Debra Casey
Big Spring

To the Editor:

Our EDC, what can be said about an organization that has required itself to produce policies and procedures for the past 20 years and then refuses to meet its own requirements? How could, and why would this happen? Could it be that past board members served on the board because they wanted an-

other star in their "community service" resume and not because they wanted to actually work for the community? What about staff? Well, if someone will hire me and tell me I can do whatever I want, why would I want to restrict myself by developing guidelines?

If you paid attention to the last city council meeting and EDC meeting you saw that the EDC annual audit for the year ending September 30, 2013, did not look too good. As a matter of fact, the auditors, Newberry Leonard Horton and Harrington, stated that the EDC should find someone local to do their audits — someone to watch closer or someone else because I don't want this headache?

Here are just a few of the concerns mentioned in the most recent audit:

Not all notes are performing, some have been restructured and one had been reduced 60 percent as an allowance for doubtful collecting. In other words, we are loaning money that we can't collect. We have loaned (gave) money to at least one entity that

appears to have two lawsuits against it that may put a couple of million dollars of our money at risk. There is an internal control failure in the communication of EDC staff and at least one load recipient where payroll credits were not recorded in the ledger. The auditor clearly states that they identified certain deficiencies in internal control that they considered to be material weaknesses and significant deficiencies.


This is bad! One successful lawsuit against the EDC, because we don't have our ducks in a row, can cost us a ton of money. No wonder the auditors want the EDC to find someone else to look at their books. Do you think some well-written policies and procedures might be of value to the EDC? I suggest the city council pay close attention to any presentations made by auditors regarding the EDC. I think Councilman Benavides asked the auditor if the EDC was following procedures? Oops, remember they don't have procedures.

I would also comment to Mr. Avant, Ms. Saldi-

var and Ms. Hobbs that you are the first board members that I know of who even took the time to look at what was going on at the EDC. Please follow up and make sure policies and procedures are put in place that protect our investments. Eight million dollars and a lot of property owned by the citizens of Big Spring is at risk. I know you three are having a difficult time getting anything done because of the resistance by staff (for the above stated reasons) and there are those in the community who think this is their town and they don't want anyone else getting involved. So hang in there and do the right thing; you have more support than you realize.

By the way, where is the railroad yard that was wanting to invest in a project on EDC property east of town? I thought they had money to invest and were ready to go, just had to be selected as the only candidate. Did they back out or did they now decide they need our land and our money?

Dolores Le Vier
Big Spring



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Lady Steers grab 10-8 win over Loboes

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor
The Big Spring High School Lady Steers had plenty of reason to celebrate on Friday. The BSHS offense made sure of that.

The Lady Steers picked up a hit from every starter en route to pounding out a thrilling 10-8 win over the Monahans Lady Loboes in front of

a large crowd at the BSISD Softball Complex.

"Everyone had a hit in the game helping us come away with a very important district win," said Lady Steers' coach John R. Sparks.

With the victory, Big Spring finished the first half of its District 4-3A schedule in fourth place. Only the top four teams in each district advance to the Class 3A state playoffs later

this year.

Offensively, Sparks said Sydney Oliva helped spark the BSHS offense with a big night at the plate. She went 3-for-4 from the plate in the win.

Valerie Goodblanket, Mackenzie Roberts and Mercedes Ruiz also did well at the plate, going 2-for-4.

Ysabel Soliz turned in an impressive outing in the pitcher's circle. She was

backed by several clutch defensive plays in some pretty crucial situations.

"I was proud of the way our defense played," said Sparks. "We played strong in some situations and got out of some innings that definitely made a difference in the ball game."

Sparks said one of the biggest keys for the Lady Steers' success at the plate and in the field was the team's ability to

relax.

"Our performance seemed to be more relaxed and the girls seemed to be having a great time playing the game they love. I think that was the difference in the ball game."

Big Spring is scheduled to return to play on Friday, April 4, with a home game against Abilene Wylie.

Hawks take 2 from Chaps

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The Howard College Hawks picked up a dominating performance from left-hander Austin Solecitto in the second game of a doubleheader on Friday and cruised to an easy 11-3 victory over the Midland College Chaparrals.

Solecitto handcuffed the Midland College batters throughout the contest, allowing the Chaps just three runs on six hits while running his season record to 4-1.

Solecitto finished with six strikeouts.

While Solecitto was holding the MC bats in check, Matthew Holcombe and the Hawks offense was battering the Chaps.

After battling through a scoreless first inning, the Hawks roughed up Midland for four runs in the top of the second. Holcombe helped key the outburst with his third home run of the season.

The Hawks added two more runs in the third and push across one more in the fourth to expand their lead to 7-0.

Howard College, which finished the contest with 12 hits, all but iced the

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Tony Claxton photos (www.claxtonphotography.com)

Big Spring's Adam Franco slides into home during the Steers' 3-2 victory over Monahans on Friday evening at Steer Park. With the win, Big Spring improved to 2-2 in District 4-3A action.

Steers outlast Monahans, 4-3

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

Gary Watkins gave the Monahans Loboes fits Friday night at Steer Park. And, when he was done, Adam Franco put them to rest.

Backed by a solid start by Watkins, and a game-ending double play in the top of the seventh, the Big Spring Steers claimed a 4-3 victory over the Monahans Loboes in a crucial District 4-3A

matchup.

"We played well defensively, and Gary Watkins had a really good game pitching. It was a good game all around for us."

Watkins left the Loboes spellbound through the first 6 1/3 innings, allowing them just two runs.

The BSHS defense came up with the biggest play of the contest in the top of the seventh. After Monahans had opened the inning with putting a pair

District 4-3A Baseball Standings	
Team	W-L
Abilene Wylie.....	4-0
Snyder.....	3-1
Big Spring.....	2-2
Sweetwater.....	2-2
Monahans.....	1-3
Greenwood.....	0-4

of runner on base with just one out, Franco relieved Watkins on the mound. He promptly en-

ticed the Loboes' ensuing batter to bounce into a game-ending double play.

With the win, the Steers improved to 2-2 in District 4-3A play and moved into a tie for third in the district standings with Sweetwater. Big Spring, 11-10 for the year, will face district-leading Abilene Wylie on Tuesday.

Wylie, with a win over Sweetwater on Friday, is 4-0. Snyder is currently second at 3-1.

Lady Hawks blast 5 HRs in rout of WTC

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The Howard College Lady Hawks generated enough offensive firepower against Western Texas College on Friday at Foundation Field to make even Gen. George S. Patton blush. Backed by five home runs - including two from Roselani Bloomfield - the Lady Hawks pounded out a 19-2 victory in the first game of an afternoon sweep of a doubleheader.

It didn't take long for Howard to crank up the power game against WTC. HC first baseman

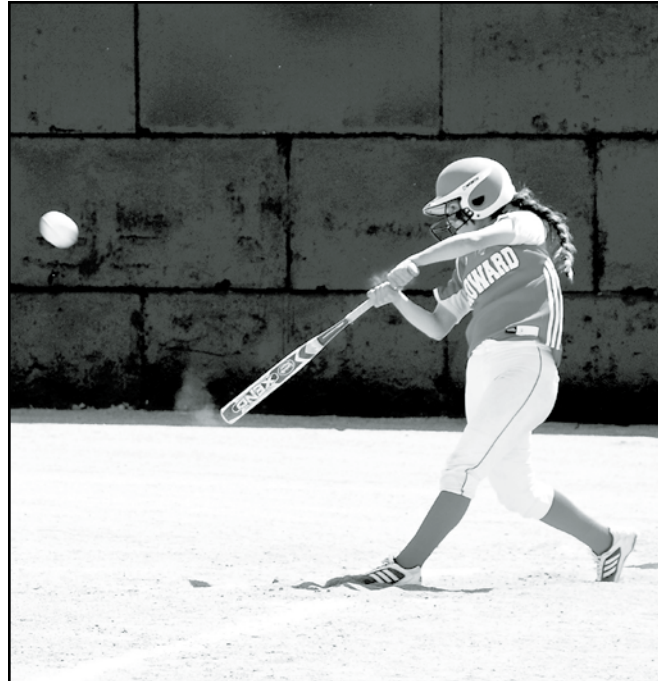
Samantha Ohmie highlighted a 3-run first inning by pounding out a home run in her first trip to the plate.

Tatiana Sorokina opened the Lady Hawks' half of the first with a single. Moments later, Elizabeth Torres ripped a single to left to drive home the first run.

Ohmie capped the inning one batter later by driving a 2-1 pitch over the fence in left for a 3-0 lead.

Howard scored three more times in the second and pushed its lead to 6-0.

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Tony Claxton photos (www.claxtonphotography.com)

Howard College's Elaine Verdugo hits a home run to center during the Lady Hawks 19-2 win over Western Texas on Friday. As a team, the HC women clubbed five homers in the contest, including two by Roselani Bloomfield.

Astros top Rangers 6-5 in Alamodome

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Chris Carter hit a three-run homer to lead the Houston Astros over the Texas Rangers 6-5 in the Alamodome on Friday.

Carter's drive off Texas starter Matt Harrison cleared the right-center fence 360 feet from home

Players sought men's league

Men's softball could be returning to Big Spring soon if an area group has its way.

Players from the Midland and Odessa area looking to restart the men's fastpitch league. Players and pitchers are

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Phillies trade for Nix to Tampa

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The Philadelphia Phillies have acquired infielder Jayson Nix in a trade with the Tampa Bay Rays.

Nix is a career .218 hitter in 425 games over six seasons. The 31-year-old right-handed hitter batted .270 with a homer this spring for Tampa Bay.

The Rays received cash considerations in Friday's deal.

Nix batted .236 with three homers and 24 RBIs in 87 games with the Yankees last season.

A Midland High School graduate, Nix was drafted by the Colorado Rockies in the 1st round (44th pick) of the 2001 amateur draft. He has also played for the New York Yankees, Chicago White Sox, Cleveland Indians and Toronto Blue Jays.

La. jury clears Union schools in student's death

FARMERVILLE, La. (AP) — A state district court jury has found Union Parish Schools not responsible in the 2010 death of a Farmerville High School football player.

The News-Star reports the panel voted 10-2 Friday in the case.

A Farmerville High School sophomore, 15-year-old Kebrion Morgan, died Sept 5, 2010, after complaining of nausea.

Morgan had just finished watching film and was about to take part in conditioning with the team when he told a trainer he did not feel well.

Emergency medical workers and the

Farmerville Police Department were called to help with the emergency.

Morgan was responsive when officers arrived and complained of dizziness and nausea.

He was transported to Union General Hospital, where he went into cardiac arrest upon arrival. An autopsy determined an enlarged heart to be the cause of death.

Superintendent George Cannon said expert witnesses testified that the death was caused by a pre-existing medical condition.

"There is never a victor in the outcome of such a case," Cannon said. "You have lost the life of a child."

Michigan, Kentucky both survive in Midwest Regional

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — John Calipari finally figured out how to get his players' attention. He banned television.

The Wildcats and their fans aren't complaining now.

Julius Randle had 15 points and 12 rebounds, Dakari Johnson added 15 points and forced Russ Smith into missing a potential game-tying 3-pointer and eighth-seeded Kentucky advanced to Sunday's Midwest Regional championship game with a 74-69 victory over rival Louisville.

After a wild ride through the regular season, Kentucky (27-10) is finally rolling along

— perhaps just in time to get back to the Final Four.

All the eight-time national champs have to do now is beat second-seeded Michigan (28-8)

at Lucas Oil Stadium.

The Wolverines barely advanced with a 73-71 victory over Tennessee, a game in which the Volunteers rallied from a 15-point deficit.

ness think Billy Donovan's Florida team will take home this year's crown.

The poll also found about 5 percent of Americans are following news about the tournament extremely closely, 6 percent are following very closely and 14 percent somewhat closely.

Twenty-nine percent of those with at least some interest in March Mad-

Poll: Fans believe Florida will top NCAA tourney

NEW YORK (AP) — A new poll from The Associated Press and GfK says that the quarter of Americans who are following this year's NCAA men's basketball tournament believe the Gators are the overwhelming favorites to win it all.

Twenty-nine percent of those with at least some interest in March Mad-

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"I just went up there and tried to hit the ball up the middle instead of trying to hit it one way or another," he said.

"And wherever it goes after that is where it goes.

"When I first looked at the field, I was thinking that you could hit a ball badly to right and it would still go out. But I just went up there and tried to make contact and I was able to get a hold of one."

Home plate was moved back about 10 feet, which contributed to the right-field line being 14 feet shorter than last season when the Rangers played the San Diego Padres in a two-game series that drew more than 75,000 fans.

"Our guys didn't have any complaints about the field or playing con-

ditions whatsoever," Astros manager Bo Porter said. "I had heard there was some complaints about the lighting (last year), but I was told they moved home plate in line with the lights so that wasn't an issue for us."

Rangers designated hitter Adrian Beltre hit his first homer of the spring in the second inning, almost in the same spot as Carter's, to cut the Astros' lead to 4-1.

Michael Choice hit a two-run shot to trim Houston's lead to one with nobody out in the ninth, but the Astros retired the next three batters to end it.

Houston starter Jerome Williams gave up one run on three hits and struck out two in three innings.

"I felt good," Williams said. "I left a ball up to Beltre, but other than that I thought I threw the ball well. I felt like this was the last (game)

to do well and get that momentum going into the regular season."

Harrison allowed four runs and five hits in three innings. He walked three and struck out two.

Texas shortstop Elvis Andrus, playing his first game since March 17 due to forearm soreness, went 1 for 3. He went through fielding drills the last couple of days with no issues and played the infield for five innings against the Astros.

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SOFTBALL

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The Lady Hawks put on another power display in the bottom of the third. Backed by a pair of homers, the HC women pounded out eight runs in the frame and stretched its lead to 14-0.

Bloomfield led off the Lady Hawks' third by drilling a 3-1 pitch over the wall in left. One batter later, Elaine Verdugo roughed up the Lady Westerners' pitching staff for a solo shot to center.

Torres also delivered a clutch hit for Howard in the run, pounding out a two-run single to left.

Bloomfield closed out her day later in the contest with a three-run home to center.

Howard College, which played WTC in a doubleheader on Saturday in Snyder, will see its next action on April 4 in Borger against Frank Phillips College. HC's next home game will be on April 11-12 against Luna Community College.



Herald photo/Tommy Wells

Howard's Natalie Baltas hauls in a fly ball in front of the outfield wall in center during the Lady Hawks' win over WTC on Friday.

Spurs win 16th straight, beat Nuggets 133-102

DENVER (AP) — As the winning streak climbs, so does the stress level for San Antonio coach Gregg Popovich.

At least, that was Tim Duncan's assessment after the Spurs ran their streak to 16 straight by beating the Denver Nuggets 133-102 on Friday.

This is their longest regular-season win streak since reeling off 17 in a row from Feb. 29 to March 31, 1996. And Popovich seems to be growing more antsy with every victory.

"Oh, very. Very, very, very. Very much," Duncan said. "He's a teacher and wants to teach. He wants the good and the bad. Even through this streak, he's been on us a tremendous amount, making sure we don't rest on just the wins, but we're learning from

game to game."

Popovich found a teaching moment in the third quarter with the game well in hand. His team relaxed on one possession and allowed an easy transition basket by Randy Foye. Popovich quickly called timeout and voiced his displeasure to his team.

"Even as much as we're up, he was still on us the entire game," Duncan said.

Hard to find too much fault with the Spurs' effort in this one. Marco Belinelli scored 27 points, Duncan had 20 and the Spurs scored a season high in points.

San Antonio also maintained a three-game lead for the top seed in the Western Conference. It's a quick turnaround for the Spurs, who host New Orleans on Saturday.

"This (winning streak) is great challenge," Duncan said. "It's a big challenge. People can get lackadaisical and look past certain games. We've done a good job of not doing that."

Foye scored 20 for a banged-up Nuggets squad that lost for the fourth time in five games. Wilson Chandler was out with a strained groin, while Timofey Mozgov and Kenneth Faried were hampered by an illness. Faried still finished with 18 points and 13 rebounds.

"They're devastated, injury-wise," Popovich said. "It's not a fair deal."

Still, a 31-point loss was hard for Nuggets coach Brian Shaw to absorb, even if he is missing quite a few starters to season-ending injuries.

Trout, Los Angeles Angels agree to \$144.5 million, 6-year contract

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Mike Trout and the Los Angeles Angels agreed Friday night to a \$144.5 million, six-year contract, keeping baseball's brightest young star under club control through 2020.

The Angels said the 22-year-old outfielder and his family will be at a news conference Saturday to formally announce the contract along with owner Arte Moreno, manager Mike Scioscia and general manager Jerry Dipoto.

Few players in major league history have ap-

proached Trout's accomplishments in his first two full major league seasons. The speedy center fielder is both a spectacular five-tool player and the darling of baseball's sabermetrics crowd, putting up old-fashioned highlights and statistical superlatives on a weekly basis.

"I think everybody is obviously thrilled that it got done," Scioscia said at Dodger Stadium after the Angels' exhibition game. "He's a special player."

The Millville, N.J., product was a unani-

mous choice for AL Rookie of the Year in 2012, and he finished second in AL MVP voting to Miguel Cabrera the past two years.

Trout's deal came on the same day Cabrera finalized a \$292 million, 10-year deal with the Detroit Tigers, the richest contract in American sports.

The free-spending Angels were determined to reward Trout while locking up their prized possession beyond his first few years of eligibility for arbitration and free agency. Los Angeles has been quietly negotiating with Trout's representatives throughout spring training, and the club closed the deal three days before opening day at Angel Stadium.

Trout agreed on Feb. 26 to a \$1 million, one-year contract for 2014, much more than the Angels were required to offer him.

BASEBALL

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game with a four-run outburst in the top of the seventh.

In addition to Holcombe's homer, the Hawks also picked up big hits from several other starters, including doubles from Garrett Webb and Ryan McCarver and a triple from Ishmael Edwards.

The Hawks won just as easily in Game 1 of the series, claiming a 9-3 decision.

After being held scoreless in the first two innings, the Hawks put MC on its heels with a 5-run barrage in the top of the third.

Howard College pounded out 13 hits in the opener.

Tanner Scott picked up the win for the Hawks, allowing one run on three hits.

With the two wins, the Hawks ran their season record to 24-6 and improved to 9-5 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference play. Midland College fell to 13-16 and 2-12.

Howard College' next home game will be April 7 when they host Midland College in a 9-inning game, tarding at 3 p.m. at Jack Barber Field.

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Saturday, March 29th at 7:00pm

And The Crowd Roared

10th Annual Hoops, Dreams and Goals a high octane event



The roar of the crowd could be heard as you approached the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum Friday morning as the 10th Annual Hoops, Dreams and Goals got under way.

The highly anticipated basketball tournament brings teams from all over Texas and is the project of the Developmental Disability Program.

Teams, 10 in all, came from as far away as Ballinger and San Angelo and represented 43 counties.

Throughout the day cheer squads from each team gave enthusiastic and spirited performances. And Howie the Hawk, Howard College's mascot, and the Big Spring High School cheerleaders entertained the crowd and kept the noise level respectively high.

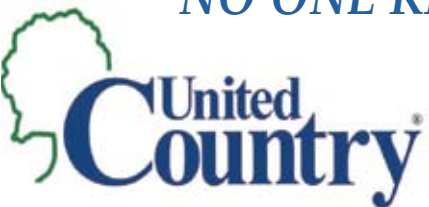
The bracket included Big Spring Heat, Sweetwater Red Rattlers, Ballinger Longhorns, Snyder Wildkatz, Seminole Pink Panthers, Monahans/Pecos Warriors, Midland Panthers, Odessa Tigers, Abilene Chili Peppers and the San Angelo Bobcats.



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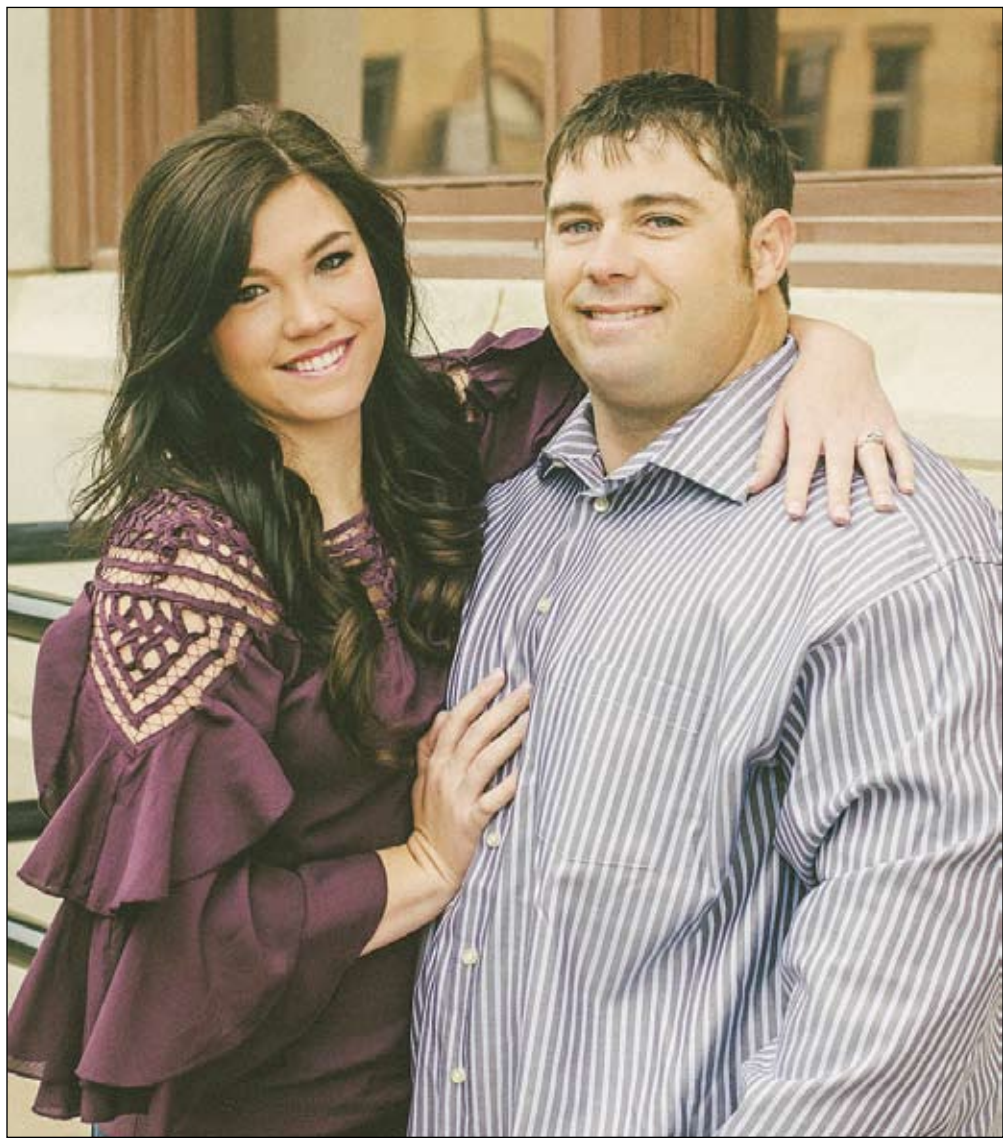


Caitlin D. Jones and Christopher R. Griffin

Caitlin D. Jones and Christopher R. Griffin announce their engagement. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Weldon and Deborah Jones of Big Spring, Texas. Caitlin is a graduate of Forsan High School and is currently studying mathematics at Angelo State University. The groom-to-be is the son of Lessie Griffin Pickard of San Angelo, Texas and the late Stephen Randolph Griffin of Midland, Texas. Chris is a graduate of Midland High School and attended Texas A&M University. Chris is currently the operations manager for Spartan Energy Services. A May wedding is planned in Lawn, Texas.

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Heather Newton and Cory Hill

Heather Newton and Cory Hill, both of Coahoma, Texas, will exchange wedding vows at 6 p.m. April 12, 2014, at The Courtyard in Big Spring, Texas, with a reception to follow. The bride is a graduate of Coahoma High School and has an associates of arts from Western Texas College. She is the daughter of Billy and Angela Newton of Coahoma and Katy Holmes of Snyder, Texas and the granddaughter of Jo Newton of Snyder, Blanche Lane of Snyder and Carroll and Leighrene Kohl of Big Spring. The groom is a graduate of Coahoma High School and has a bachelors in business from McMurray University. He is employed as construction manager of Texas Pride Trucking. He is the son of Jackie and Elaine Hill of Coahoma and the grandson of the late Ray Dale Hill and the late Annie Mae Hill of Brady, Texas. The couple will honeymoon in Jamaica.

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Tuesday: Breakfast, chicken and waffle sticks, apples, assorted fruit juice and milk. Lunch, crispy tacos or southwest chicken casserole, tortilla chips, garden salad, charro beans, applesauce and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast, sunrise sandwich, peach cup, assorted fruit juice and milk. Lunch, chicken nuggets or Salisbury steak, roll, mashed potatoes/gravy, carrots, fruity Jell-O, fresh fruit bowl and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast, sausage biscuit with jelly, banana, assorted fruit juice and milk. Lunch, spaghetti or breaded pork chop, breadsticks, garden salad, green beans, peaches and milk.

Friday: Breakfast, cinnamon rolls, bacon, mixed fruit cup, assorted fruit juice and milk. Lunch, baja fish sticks or turkey and cheese wrap or hot dog, sweet potato tots, cucumber dippers, fresh fruit cup, fresh fruit bowl and milk.

Forsan ISD

Monday: Breakfast, chocolate chip muffin, toast, cereal and chilled pineapple. HS Lunch, chicken spaghetti, Fun Lunch corn dog, popcorn chicken salad, peas, carrot sticks with Ranch dressing, Romaine garden salad, chilled pineapple and roll. JH Lunch, chicken spaghetti, Homestyle chicken patty with crème gravy, popcorn chicken salad, au gratin potatoes, peas, carrot sticks with Ranch dressing, Romaine garden salad, chilled pineapple and roll. JH Lunch, chicken spaghetti, Homestyle chicken patty with crème gravy, popcorn chicken salad, au gratin potatoes, peas, carrot sticks with Ranch dressing, Romaine garden salad and chilled pineapples.

Tuesday: Breakfast pizza, scrambled eggs with ham, tator tots, cinnamon toast, cereal, jelly, blushing pears, fresh whole fruit, 100 percent fruit juice and milk. Lunch, zesty orange chicken, chicken stir fry, wg steamed rice, cheeseburger basket, glazed carrots, oriental blend vegetables, romaine garden salad, blushing pears, fortune cookie.

Wednesday: Breakfast, French toast sticks, mini maple pancakes, toast, cereal, jelly, baked cinnamon apples, fresh whole fruit, 100 percent fruit juice and milk. Lunch, big daddy pizza (cheese and pepperoni), spaghetti w/ bread stick, chicken caesar salad, corn on cob, seasoned green beans, romaine garden salad, chilled peaches.

Thursday: Breakfast, waffles, breakfast bagel pizza, sausage patty, cinnamon toast, cereal, jelly, chilled peaches, fresh whole fruit, 100 percent fruit juice and milk. Lunch, beefy nacho grande, mexican chalupa, beef/chicken, taco salad, wg spanish brown rice, refried beans, fresh broccoli w/rf ranch, lettuce and tomato salad, seasonal fresh fruit, chilled strawberry cups, salsa /jalapeno/ sour cream, shredded cheese.

Friday: Breakfast, morning sausage roll, biscuit and sausage patty, toast, cereal, jelly/syrup, chilled mixed fruit, fresh whole

fruit, 100 percent fruit juice and milk. Lunch, barbecue beef bun, barbecue roasted chicken, spicy chicken basket, homemade potato salad, baked beans w/barbecue sauce, romaine garden salad, chilled mixed fruit, wg roll.

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Pots n Prints Event Brings Together Area Schools

UTPB and Howard College host Sands, Stanton and Big Spring Jr. and Sr. High Students



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Chris Stanley, professor of art at UTPB cranks open the kiln during Pots n Prints, a raku and print making demonstration held at Howard College Friday. At right, area High School students watch as Stanley explains the raku process.

Friday: Breakfast, morning sausage roll, biscuit and sausage patty, toast, cereal, jelly/syrup, chilled mixed fruit, fresh whole fruit, 100 percent fruit juice and milk. Lunch, barbecue beef bun, barbecue roasted chicken, spicy chicken basket, homemade potato salad, baked beans w/barbecue sauce, romaine garden salad, chilled mixed fruit, wg roll.

Sands CISD

Monday: Breakfast, French toast sticks. Lunch, barbecue rib sandwich, corn chips, refried beans, garden salad, salsa and hot cinnamon apples.

Tuesday: Breakfast, scrambled eggs, biscuits and gravy. Lunch, hot dog, tater tots, fresh veggie cup, grapes, (HS) chocolate chip cookie.

Wednesday: Breakfast, omelet, toast and bacon. Lunch, grilled cheese sandwich, vegetable soup, baby carrots and fruit cup.

Thursday: Breakfast, waffles and sausage. Lunch, chicken nuggets, mac and cheese, garden salad, savory green beans, apple slices and animal crackers.

Friday: Breakfast, granola round and yogurt. Lunch, cheeseburger, seasoned corn, baby carrots and sliced peaches.

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onion/cheese/relish, cucumber and tomato salad, blackberry cobbler and milk.

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Wednesday: Pot roast with potatoes, carrots and onions, tossed salad, spice cake, rolls and milk.

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- April 4** – Lunch Bunch & Birthdays @ "Cowboys", 11:30 a.m.
- April 7** – Games, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
- April 8** – Mall Walking, 9:00 a.m. Supper Club, 5:30 p.m. @ "Settles Grill".
- April 9** – Senior Appreciation Day, 11:30 a.m. Movie 1:00 p.m. "Safe Haven"
- April 10** – Mall Walking, 9:00 a.m. Coffee @ Just Peachy's, 10:00 a.m.
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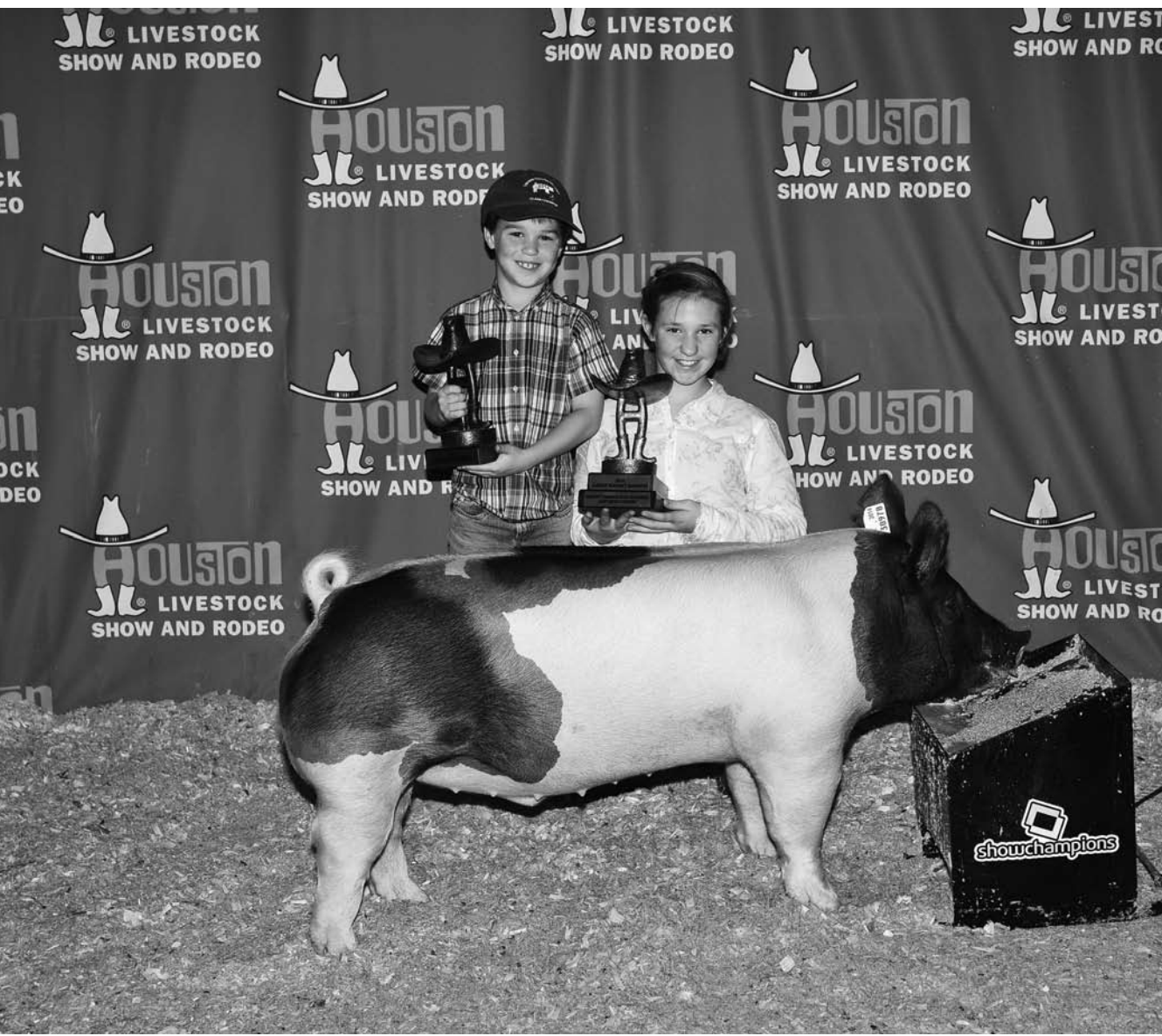
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Emilee Custer, right, shown with her brother, was the class 4 dark cross winner and went on to also win the Reserve Lightweight Division Dark Crossbred pig at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

Coahoma FFAers fare well at Houston Livestock Show

By AARON CUSTER
Coahoma FFA Advisor

The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo is the last of the major shows this year, and Coahoma FFA members finished with a bang.

Although our numbers were small, our quality of projects was great.

The start of the show was the sheep and goats. The Workman family, the Atkins family, and the Custer family all took either sheep or goats to the show.

Rowdy Atkins started the show off right for us and was pulled into the best animals of the class. This is a great accomplishment in only his second major show ever and his first trip to Houston.

Tanner Atkins and Cutter Atkins also had great projects there as well.

Emilee Custer also had a goat at Houston and was placed 14th, which qualified her for the sale.

The sheep show was also going on at the same time and Brance Workman and Brynn Workman had really nice projects to exhib-

it. Brynn was in a really tough class and still placed 7th which also put her animal into the sale.

Next to enter the barns was pigs. The only Coahoma FFA entry that attended was Emilee Custer and she made the most of it. She was the Class four winner and went on to be Reserve Lightweight Division Champion of the Dark Crossbred show. Her pig sold for \$26,000 — although she will only receive a small fraction of that amount — it was an awe-

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Market Watch



Bhupen Agrawal is branch manager and a managing director — investments for the Wells Fargo Advisors Midland office.

Bill Franks, AAMS, is a senior registered client associate and the senior associate to the branch manager.



The two big stories consuming the bulk of most newscasts over the last couple of weeks have been the Russian push into the Crimea region of Ukraine and the search for the missing Malaysian Airlines Dreamliner 777. Of these, the one with the most potential to affect the stock market is the Ukraine story. But the S&P 500 continues to trade near record highs. What gives?

Investing is a game of probabilities that plays out each day the stock market is open for business. During each trading session, investors big and small try to determine if the transaction they are contemplating or the equities they currently hold represent an adequate potential return for a given level of risk.

Risk is determined in the mind of each investor making a decision. For any potential outcome, one investor might assign it a high level of risk while another may believe there is a very low probability it will occur.

Ukraine is a small country that contributes little to overall global economic growth. Of course, the country's level of economic output is not what investors perceive as a risk that could negatively affect the American stock market.

The risk surrounds Russia's intentions and how the rest of the developed world responds. Will Russia attempt to take over even more of the eastern, predominantly Russian-speaking parts of Ukraine?

Is this just the beginning of Russia's attempts to rebuild the old Soviet Union? Will this lead to an armed conflict that draws in many of the globe's larger nations? All good questions whose answers depend on which investor you talk to.

Another risk we have been contemplating is less direct. Taking into account that Europe buys the vast majority of its natural gas from Russia, what happens if supplies are cut off or prices rise dramatically?

It would likely be difficult for end users to quickly find another source for this important fuel. If Europeans are paying more to heat their homes, they have less to spend on discretionary items.

European manufacturers could see production costs rise as electricity and other inputs become more expensive. This would likely have a negative effect on the level of European economic growth that we are expecting over the course of the next year. And improving European growth has been an important part of our optimism for the American stock market.

So far, based on the performance of the S&P 500, investors do not appear to believe there is a high probability that Ukraine's situation will spiral into a meaningfully negative outcome that will have wider implications for global economic growth. The U.S. stock market saw increased volatility in the early days of the conflict but that died down quickly as investors assessed the risks and determined that they appear, at least for now, to be small.

We in the equity strategy group would agree. Any increased stock market downside volatility based on Ukraine-related fears offers a buying opportunity in our opinion. But so far the stock market isn't biting on Ukraine.

Past Performance is no guarantee of future results. This article was produced on March 19, 2014 by Scott Wren, Wells Fargo Advisors Senior Equity Strategist, and provided courtesy of Bhupen Agrawal, Managing Director-Branch Manager of Wells Fargo Advisors' Midland office, at (432) 684-7335. Additional information is available upon request. The material contained herein has been prepared from sources and data we believe to be reliable, but we make no guarantee as to its accuracy or completeness. The material is published solely for informational purposes and is not an offer to buy or sell or solicitation of an offer to buy or sell any security or investment product.

Building Permits, March 12-25

Byron Harris Construction, 2601 Coronado, residential construction. Valuation: \$8,000 Fee: \$65	Wegman Homes, 738 Baylor, residential plumbing. Val: \$8,500 Fee: \$64	trical rectifier. Val: \$2,000 Fee: \$25	\$700 Fee: \$32
Byron Harris Construction, 2603 Coronado, residential electric. Val: \$1,000 Fee: \$71; residential HVAC, Val: \$8,000 Fee: \$65	Leslie Hobbs, 807 W. 15 th St., residential re-roof. Val: \$6,400 Fee: \$45	ATMOS, 905 Mountain Park Dr., electrical rectifier. Val: \$2,000 Fee: \$25	Lisa Cantu, 802 San Antonio, residential plumbing. Val: \$450 Fee: \$32
Byron Harris Construction, 2605 Coronado, residential electric. Val: \$1,000 Fee: \$8,000; residential HVAC, Val: \$8,000 Fee: \$45	Gilbert Apodaca, 1210 W. 6 th St., residential addition. Val: \$1,200 Fee: \$25	ATMOS, 1601 Harding, electrical rectifier. Val: \$2,000 Fee: \$25	AMBUCS, fairgrounds building, commercial electric. Val: 0 Fee: 0
Byron Harris Construction, 2607 Coronado, residential electric. Val: \$1,000 Fee: \$8,000; residential HVAC Val: \$8,000 Fee: \$65.	CASA of West Texas, 602 Gregg, commercial electric. Val: 0 Fee: \$25	ATMOS, 1405 Stadium, electrical rectifier. Val: \$2,000 Fee: \$25	AMBUCS, 2509 Old W. Hwy 80 barn, commercial electric. Val: 0 Fee: 0
Byron Harris Construction, 2609 Coronado, residential electric. Val: \$1000 Fee: \$8,000; residential HVAC \$8,000 Fee: \$65	Tommy Wilson, 3705 Calvin, accessory building. Val: \$1,000 Fee: \$25	Abram H. Zuniga, 1005 E. 12 th St., fence. Val: \$2,000 Fee: \$25	Simply Sarah's Boutique, 204 Goliad, commercial electric. Val: 0 Fee: \$25
City Pipe and Supply, 915 E. Interstate Highway 20, signs type ABCD and E. Val: \$28,800 Fee: \$155	Hillside II, 2911 W. Hwy 80, foundation repair. Val: \$55,000 Fee: \$280	Daniel Dehoyos, 1307 Wood, residential gas. Val: \$500 Fee: \$32	Lupe Gutierrez, 1002 N. Runnels, residential addition. Val: \$200 Fee: \$25
Derek Osburn Construction, 1600 Bell, residential HVAC. Val: \$4,800 Fee: \$45	Nicole Paiz, 706 Nolan, residential re-roof. Val: \$4,000 Fee: \$30	Denny's, 1710 E. 3 rd St., commercial plumbing. Val: \$1,850 Fee: \$32	SJO Services, 609 Gregg, commercial electric safety. Val: 0 Fee: \$25
Wegman Homes, 736 Baylor, residential plumbing. Val: \$8,500 Fee: \$64	Terassa Henkell Dunnam, 1711 Morrison Dr., residential re-roof. Val: \$35	Elsa Manuela Hernandez, 1016 E. 20 th St., residential re-roof. Val: \$2,000 Fee: \$25	Denny Wanner, 2001 S. Monticello, fence and roof. Val: \$1,600 Fee: \$25
	Big Spring Volunteer Council, 115 E. 2 nd St., commercial re-roof. Val: \$8,300 Fee: \$55	Joe Arispe, 708 1/2 Lorilla, residential electric. Val: \$750 Fee: \$25	Veronica Christ White, 709 W. 7 th St., residential plumbing. Val: \$800 Fee: \$32
	Carl Duke Reynolds, 2500 Albrook, residential gas. Val: \$950 Fee: \$32	TLC Property Management LC, 1509 Stadium, residential gas. Val: \$1,000 Fee: \$32	Anita C. Robles, 211 NE 7 th St., residential gas. Val: \$850 Fee: \$32
	Charlotte D. Ford, 2706 Lynn, residential plumbing. Val: \$2,000 Fee: \$32	Pedro Cantu, 1508 S. Main, residential gas. Val:	Michelle Lee Enriquez, 1807 Hamilton, residential HVAC. Val: \$3,775 Fee: \$45
	ATMOS, 2203 Simler, elec-		Cad Hedges Wingert, 3233

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Public Records

Howard County Justice of the Peace Outstanding IBC Warrants: Sherri Monique Aldridge, 1507 E. Sixth St., Big Spring	Donna Michelle Byerley, 535 LCR Space 1, Colorado City	Manuel Delosrios, 707 Lorilla, Big Spring	Sharlamarr Frink, 3723 Monclair, Odessa	James Michael Griffin, 303 Butler St. #502, Atlanta, Texas
Marcus Joe Anderson, 3306 Auburn, Big Spring	Roy DeWayne Carter, 5320 Wasson, Big Spring	Teana Demeny-Roberts, 5601 N. Service Rd., Big Spring	Lee Anna Garcia, 1011 Stadium Ave., Big Spring	Christina Nichole Gutierrez, 2809 25 th St., Snyder
Steve Antoine, 1425 East Sixth St. no. 19, Big Spring	Susan Cheyanne Cearley, 4104 Muir, Big Spring	Shiloh Sharee Dennis, 4651 E. CR 490, Stanton	Noel Garcia II, 107 Bluebonnet/1011 Stadium Ave., Big Spring	Joe Guzman, 1313 Mesquite, Big Spring
Katie Cole L. Baker, P.O. Box 1372, Big Spring	Juan Antonio Cervantes, #3 ValVerde, Big Spring	Michael Angelo Dorado, 2202 William Rd., Big Spring	Pedro Garcia, 806 Johnson, Big Spring	Kimberly Dee Hargrove, PO Box 1985, Big Spring
Jessica Lynn Banks, CR 1200, Lubbock	Trystan Taelor Cevallos, 3912 E. Hwy. 350, Big Spring	Maria Luisa Elizondo, 603 S. Second, Meadow	John Randall Evatt, 4301 W. 49th St. Apt. 329, Amarillo	Matias Hernandez Jr., 620 E. Fourth St., Big Spring
Jennifer Leigh Black, 1405 E. Barton, Temple	Matilda Cortez, 302 N. St. Teresa, Stanton	John Randall Evatt, 4301 W. 49th St. Apt. 329, Amarillo	Rosa M. George, 509 W. Second, Stanton	April M. Horton, 1705 Charles St., Portsmouth, Ohio
William Riley Bounds, 1818 Corsicana, Dallas	Steve Allan Crim, 8381 Petunia, San Angelo	Kristen Falcon, 2606 Fairchild, Big Spring	Roxanne Deanda Gonzales, 538 Westover Rd. apt. 211, Big Spring	Brian Ivanchan, 1208 Mulberry, Big Spring
	Stefan Deal, 102 Casie Ln. Apt. 1, Fort Worth	Michael Dean Fleming, 5216 Tremont Ave., Midland	Whitney Marquez Gray, 2934 Old Anson Rd. 224 no. 1, Abilene	

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RECORDS

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Shatiya Lasha Jenkins, 4590 N. Texas No. 198, Odessa.
Christopher Shawn Jones, 112 McDonald Rd., Big Spring
Albert Leal, 2522 Albrook, Big Spring
Richard Leos, 509 W. 8th St., Big Spring
Jesse Paul Lopez, 1011 Scurry, Big Spring
Robert Lee Lopez, 503 E. 18th, Big Spring
Aaron Christopher Mack, 2134 Bonham, Odessa
Todd Vincent Martin, 409 Woodcrest, Midland
Joe Martinez, 2525 Fairchild, Big Spring
Manuel Martinez Jr., 702 NE Iowa, Lamesa
Lee Allen Mathis, 101 Falcon Ln., Hillsboro
Norman James McNeese, 1098 LCR 317, Colorado City
Cory James Michalewicz, 1106 Briscoe Cove, Hutto
Jacob Montoya, 1009 S. Kelly, Odessa
Camilo Martin Nieto, 1 Courtney Place #108, Big Spring
Melissa Chu-Lai Nieto, 615 Tulane, Big Spring
James Michael Perez, 626 Tulane, Big Spring
Michael Lynn Perkins, 11601 CR 4164, Hermleigh
Fred Allen Perry, 1425 E. Sixth Apt. 107, Big Spring
Taylor James Perry, 2105 Sydney Baker Apt. 228, Kerrville
Jarum Renee Pryor, 802 N. Plaza, Big Lake
Martin Sosa Puga, 1614 Settles, Big Spring
Randy Randolph, 2514 Albrook, Big Spring
Shenna Leean Reeves, 615 Gene Lee Rd., Mineral Wells
Sheila Fay Richardson, 1707 Donley, Big Spring
John Troy Riddle, 2911 NCR 1140 No. 14, Midland

Liza Leigh Rios, 1002 N. Main St. Apt. 30, Big Spring
Linda Eva Rodriguez, 2519 Gunter, Big Spring
Veronica Romero, 103 Becker, Big Spring
Lisa J. Rubio, 1303 Sycamore, Big Spring
Miguel Andres Sanchez, 64 McCaleb Rd., Montgomery
Anastasia Clarice Sanders, 1401 Culpepper Ave., Wilson
Brittany Nicole Savell, 425 E. Davis Rd., Big Spring
Kennedra Wynell Shelton, 400 N. Fourth, Corsicana
Amy Leigh Shifflett, 209 N. Main, Coahoma
Charles Ray Smith, 2911 W. Highway 80, Apt. 155, Big Spring
Tiffany Katherine Stokes, 1407 E. 19th St., Big Spring
Alice C. Smithwick, 1905 Wasson Rd. apt 48, Big Spring
Tiffany Katherine Stokes, 1407 E. 19th St., Big Spring
Timothy Donald Taylor, 4000 W. Highway 80 No. 18, Big Spring
Abram Heinrichs Unger, 503 NE Fourth, Seminole
Ricky Lynn Waltenbaugh, 538 Westober Rd. Apt. 133, Big Spring
Timothy Shea Wargo, 624 State, Big Spring
Thomas Weeks, P.O. Box 110891, Anchorage, Alaska
Candida Lynn Whitehead, 3706 Connley, Big Spring
Tamara Ruth Whitt, 1909 Morrison, Big Spring
Jamie Wiggins, 1905 Wasson Rd. apt 28, Big Spring
Byran Paul Williams, 1409 E. Main St., Round Rock
Frances Elena Yanez, 1610 Cardinal, Big Spring
Jimmy Marmolejo Ybarra, 1315 Mesa, Big Spring
James Edward Young, 3313 Auburn, Big Spring

Marriage Licenses
William C. Williams IV, 37 and Sakiera Tiffany Allen, 31, both of Big Spring
Tony Castillo, 35 and Amanda Ruby Saucedo, 30, both of Big Spring
William Scott Miller IV, 29

and Amy Lynn Blank, 37, both of Big Spring
Cody Freitag, 26 and Jordan Shantel Baker, 23, both of Big Spring
Jimmy Olivares, 50 and Delia Zarraga, 46, both of Big Spring
David Theodore Thomas, 22 and Jialing Chen, 18, both of Big Spring
Larry Martinez, 30 and Jennifer Yanez, 26, both of Big Spring
Michael K. Calley, 35 and Terri L. Clark, 25, both of Big Spring
Jonathan David Schmidt, 26 and Sarah Victoria Wilson, 27, both of Big Spring
Jonathon A. Wright, 27 and Christina R. Vickers, 24, both of Big Spring

District Court Filings
Portfolio Recovery Associates LLC assignee of General Electric Capital (Care Credit Cosmetic) vs Tammy Granger – accounts, notes and contracts
State Farm Bank vs Jerrietta A. Rushing – accounts, notes and contracts
Credit Control LLC vs Deidre Dickson-Knight – accounts, notes and contracts
Capital One Bank (USA) N.A. vs Mary E. Atkinson – accounts, notes and contracts
Mulberry Properties LLC vs Texas Department of Motor Vehicles – civil suit
Jaime Renteria vs Lasarah Heredia Renteria – divorce
Francisco Olivarez Jr. vs Belinda Olivarez – divorce
Viola Hernandez Villa vs Richard Sotelo Villa – divorce
Victor Thomas Owens Jr. vs Carol Marie Owens – divorce
Estate of Viola Elizabeth Hillger, deceased – probate
In the Estate of Wallace Mishael Holt Sr., deceased – probate
In the Estate of Patricia Shepard, deceased – probate
In the Estate of Richard A.

Stone, deceased – probate
In re: Soilmayra Banuelos, et al – MMCS notice of change of status and motion for further orders
State of Texas vs David Lance Kilgore – expunction
David Franco vs Jovita Rodriguez Franco – divorce
Esther Webb vs Bobby Wayne Flores et al – injury/damage – motor vehicles
Genny Lynn Myers vs Justin Michael Wilson – divorce
Discover Bank vs Rosa M. Arista – accounts, notes and contracts
Donny L. Ratliff vs Meagan A. Ratliff – divorce
The State of Texas vs Christopher Tyler, Fredrick Dotson, Nathaniel Weize \$872 U.S. currency – seizure
The State of Texas vs Jesse Lopez \$846 U.S. currency – seizure
Western Bank vs ARFF Professionals Inc., David Burris and Kandi Burris – accounts, notes and contracts
Credit Control LLC vs

Debra J. Molina – accounts, notes and contracts
Yvette Yvonne Soliz vs Lorenzo Tores Ramirez – protective order
Settles Hotel Development LLC vs A&F Elevator Co., Inc. and John Doe 1-25 – accounts, notes and contracts
Laredo Petroleum Inc. vs Paul Demotte et al – civil suit
Warranty Deeds With Vendors Leins
Grantor: Livesage LLC dba Wegman Homes
Grantee: Armando J. Rodriguez-Cova and Yamira Ruiz-Perez
Property: Lot 13, blk 1, University Gardens
Date: March 14, 2014
Grantor: Larry Wayne Clawson
Grantee: Stellar Automation Inc.
Property: NE/4 of sec 47, blk 31, T-1-N, T&P Ry Co. Survey, Howard County
Date: March 17, 2014

Grantor: Weldon Martin
Grantee: David Rodriguez Jr.
Property: Lot 12, blk 13, North Park Hill Addition
Date: March 20, 2014
Warranty Deeds
Grantor: Anne Vincent
Grantee: Robert De Otte
Property: Lot 7, blk F, Campestre Estates
Date: March 14, 2014
Grantor: Sally Gore
Grantee: Oscar Lozano and Celina Lozano
Property: Lots 1-3, blk 11, Jones Valley Addition
Date: March 17, 2014
Grantor: Charles B. Lewis
Grantee: Terry J. Johnston and Terri J. Johnston
Property: S/2 of sec. 34, blk 31, T-2-N, T&P Ry Co. Survey
Date: March 18, 2014

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Drexel, residential re-roof. Val: \$3,300 Fee: \$30
Ben J. Kilgore, 507 W. 5th St., residential electric. Val: \$750 Fee: \$25
Roberta Ann Wright, 3610 Parkway, residential re-roof. Val: \$3,600 Fee: \$30
Sherrie Jenkins, 1506 Tucson, curb cut and fence extension. Val: \$6,000 Fee: \$40
Evelyn Bender, 409 Edwards Blvd., residential gas. Val: \$750 Fee: \$32
Sherrie Jenkins, 1506 Tucson, residential plumbing. Val: \$650 Fee: \$32
Randal Eric Hernandez, 3700 Boulder, residential re-roof. Val: \$2,500 Fee: \$25
KERR Management Inc., 2627 Albrook, fence. Val: \$900 Fee: \$25
J. Evans and J. Mize LLC, 1208 Pickens Ave., residential electrical. Val: \$600 \$25
Sonia Weaver Lusk, 307 W. 18th St., residential HVAC. Val: \$3,500 Fee: \$45
Elida Hernandez, 1108 E. 15th St., accessory building. Val: \$5,900 Fee: \$40
City of Big Spring, 3000 Rickabaugh F, commercial

electric. Val: \$500 Fee: 0
Andrea Michelle Chavarria, 4208 Theo St., residential alteration. Val: \$750 Fee: \$25
Mike Smith, 644 Manor Ln., fence. Val: \$3,000 Fee: \$25
Royce L. Miller, 633 Tulsa, residential re-roof. Val: \$1,000 Fee: \$25
Sarah Hurbert, 1610 E. 15th St. fence. Val: \$1,600 Fee: \$25
William Wesley Hale, 3722 Hatch, fence. Val: \$1,600 Fee: \$25
Bruce Ray Myers, 2225 Lynn Dr., residential re-roof. Val: \$3,000 Fee: \$25
Joey W. Pate, 2310 Brent Dr., accessory building. Val: \$2,700 Fee: \$25
Burrito Express, 3101 W. Hwy 80, residential re-roof. Val: \$3,500 Fee: \$30
Estrella, 907 Martin, residential water tap. Val: \$512 Fee: \$512
Building Code Recap
Res Re-Roof, 10 projects, 10 segments. Val: 434,000 Fee: \$300
Res Elec, 7 projects, 7 segments. Val: \$6,100 Fee: \$366
Res Plumb, 6 projects, 6 segments. Val: \$20,900 Fee: \$256
Res HVAC, 4 projects, 8 segments. Val: \$52,975 Fee: \$440

Res Gas, 6 projects, 6 segments. Val: \$4,750 Fee: \$192
Res Water Tap, 1 project, 1 segment. Val: \$512 Fee: \$512
Res Curb Cut, 1 project, 1 segment. Val: \$6,000 Fee: \$40
Signs, Type ABCDEF, 1 project, 1 segment. Val: \$28,800 Fee: \$155
Com Re-Roof, 11 project, 11 segments. Val: \$8,300 Fee: \$55
Com Elec, 1 project, 1 segment. Val: \$10,000 Fee: \$500
Com Plumb, 1 project, 1 segment. Val: \$1,850 Fee: \$32
Other Nonresidential Buildings, 5 projects, 5 segments. Val: \$13,200 Fee: \$140
Structures Other Than Buildings, 4 projects, 4 segments. Val: \$6,000 Fee: \$100
Residential – Additions and Alterations, 2 projects, 2 segments. Val: \$55,750 Fee: \$305
Residential – Additions Garages and Carports, 2 projects, 2 segments. Val: \$1,400, Fee: \$50
Totals: 62 projects, 66 segments. Val: \$250,137, Fee: \$3,143

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MH Mobile Crisis Outreach Worker: Will respond to the crisis hotline and provide face to face care for in-crisis mental health consumers. Requires Bachelor's degree in Social Work field or Bachelor's degree with a minimum of 24 hours in psychology, sociology or other human service hours. Travel within an assigned region is required. Personal vehicle required - mileage reimbursement. Hours are Mon.-Fri.

MH Primary Care Worker: Provides Triage/Liaison with primary care hospital, performs behavioral health consultation and follow up, care management. Provides behavioral health assessments and referrals.

Mental Health Team Coordinators; Employee will assist individuals in gaining access to medical, social, vocational and educational services. Some positions require participation in crisis call rotation.

These positions must have a Bachelors degree with a major in Social work or a minimum of 24 hours in psychology, sociology or other human service hours. All Employees must live within 70 miles of the duty site. Employees will be required to have a personal vehicle available with WTC reimbursement provided. Travel requirements depend upon the position. Extensive training is provided. Flexible Schedules. Salaries range from: \$33,000 to \$41,000 depending on the position.

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Student loan debt widens wealth gap

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Every month that Gregory Zbylut pays \$1,300 toward his law school loans is another month of not qualifying for a decent mortgage.

Every payment toward their student loans is \$900. Dr. Nida Degeys and her husband aren't putting in their retirement savings account.

They believe they'll eventually climb from debt and begin using their earnings to build assets rather than fill holes.

But, like the roughly 37 million others in the U.S. saddled with \$1 trillion in student debt, they may never catch up with wealthy peers who began life after college free from the burden.

The disparity, experts say, is contributing to the widening of the gap between rich and everyone else in the country.

"If you graduate with a B.A. or doctorate and you get the same job at the same place, you make the same amount of money," said William Elliott III, director of the Assets and Education Initiative at the University of Kansas. "But that money will actually mean less to you in the sense of accumulating assets in the long term."

Graduates who can immediately begin building equity in housing or stocks and bonds get more time to see their investments grow, while indebted graduates spend years paying principal and interest on loans.

The standard student loan repayment schedule is 10 years but can be much longer.

The median 2009 net worth for a household without outstanding student debt was \$117,700, nearly three times the \$42,800 worth in a household with outstanding student debt, according to a report co-written by Elliott last November.

About 40 percent of households led by someone 35 or younger have student loan debt, a 2012 Pew Research Center analysis of government data found.

Allen Aston is one of the lucky ones, having landed a full academic and financial-need scholarship at Ohio State University. The 22-year-old software engineer from Columbus estimates it let him avoid about \$100,000 in debt.

Without loans to repay, Aston is already

contributing 6 percent of his salary to a retirement fund that is matched in part by his employer and doesn't have the same financial concerns his friends do.

"I'm making the same money as them, but they have student loans they're paying back that I don't. So, it definitely seems noticeable," he said.

At the other end of the spectrum is Zbylut, an accountant-turned-attorney in Glendale, Calif. He's been chipping away at nearly \$160,000 in student debt since graduating in 2005 from law school at Loyola University in Chicago. Now 48, the tax attorney estimates he could have \$150,000 to \$200,000 in a 401(k) had the money he's paid toward loans gone there.

"I'm sitting here in traffic. I've got a Mercedes behind me and an Audi in front of me and I'm thinking, 'What did they do that I didn't do?'" Zbylut said by cellphone from his Chevrolet. He's been turned down twice for the type of mortgage he needs to buy a home big enough for himself, the fiancée he would have married already if not for his debts and her 10-year-old son.

Student debt is the only kind of household debt that rose through the Great Recession and now totals more than either credit card or auto loan debt, according to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. Both the number of borrowers and amount borrowed ballooned by 70 percent from 2004 to 2012.

Of the nearly 20 million Americans who attend college each year, about 12 million borrow, according to the Almanac of Higher Education.

Estimates show that the average four-year graduate accumulates \$26,000 to \$29,000 in loans, and some leave college with six figures worth of debt.

The increases have been driven in part by rising tuition, resulting from reduced state funding and costlier campus facilities and amenities. Compounding the problem has been a trend toward merit-based, rather than need-based, grants as institutions seek to attract the higher-achieving students who will boost their standings.

"Because there's a strong correlation in this country between

things like SAT scores or ACT scores and wealth or income, the (grant) money ends up going disproportionately to students from wealthier families" who tend to perform better on those tests, said Don-

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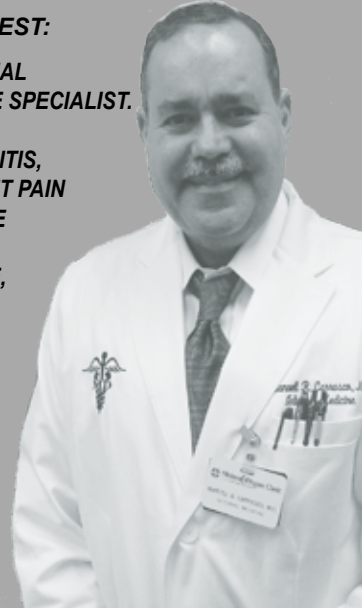
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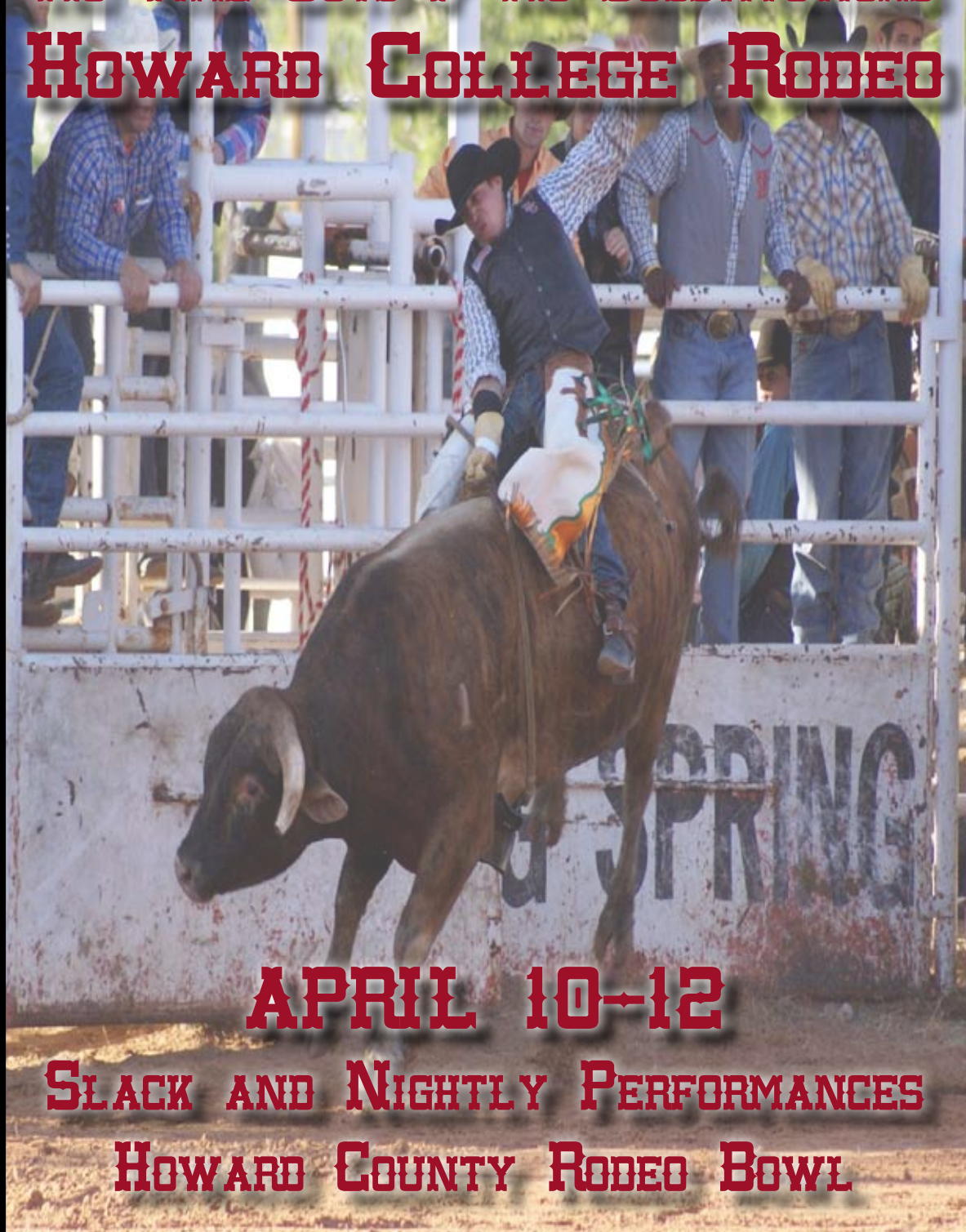


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