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20th Relay set Friday

By **ANDREIA MEDLIN**
 Staff Writer

Solidarity is evident at many Big Spring businesses and its color is purple. Ribbons and bunting in the distinguishable color can be seen tied to doors and entrances around town. The color display is honor of Relay for Life, which returns Friday to raise money for cancer research.

There are many changes in this year's Relay For Life, but the goal remains the same: to raise money and awareness of the devastating disease.

Because of events like Relay, officials say there is hope and a brighter future for those who have been diagnosed. The numbers say it all.

"There has been a 20 percent decrease in the number of deaths caused by cancer," said former event chair Manny Negrón, who is now in charge of Relay for West Texas. "And it's because of advancements in research funded by events like Relay."

This year's fundraising goal is \$150,000 and as of June 3 the organization has raised half, according

to new event chair Beverly Grant. "We have raised \$75,000 as of this morning," Grant said Tuesday. "And we

been a Relay team captain for 12 years and is currently leading the Cancer Crushers team. Now in its 20th year lo-

has been condensed to six hours due to a decline in participation after midnight, according to Negrón.

Special section in today's issue

FINISH THE FIGHT

Friday, June 6, 2014
 Blankenship Field
 6 pm - Midnight

Supplement to the Big Spring Herald, June 5, 2014

will continue to take donations after Relay is over. The fundraising year is from Sept. 1 through Aug. 31."

Negrón, who has been the event chair for many years, has passed the reins to Grant, who has

cally, Relay For Life is began as a 24-hour event because, according to its mission statement, "Cancer never sleeps."

In more recent years, the event was shortened to slightly more than 12 hours. This year's event

Also, in past years Relay was held in April but has been moved to June to celebrate National Survivors Month and is slated to take place from 6 p.m. to midnight Friday at Blankenship Field.

Sponsored by KBST, teams, survivors, caregivers and their families and friends will be entertained by PJ the DJ throughout the evening. Games, a silent auction and other activities will be on hand to entertain walkers between laps.

Registration begins at 5 p.m. and The survivors meal, provided by GEO, will be at 5:30 p.m.

"The highlights of the evening will be the opening ceremonies at 7 p.m.," said Negrón. "At 7:30 we will have the survivors lap followed by the caregivers lap."

This year's theme is Super Heros and participants are encouraged to dress in costume.

While Relay For Life



Rachel Guzman Epifanio Guzman

Body found

Thought to be woman missing from Lubbock

By **STEVE REAGAN**
 Staff Writer

A body discovered on Martin Luther Boulevard Wednesday is believed to be that of a Lubbock woman missing since late Friday.

Police have not confirmed the body's identification, but family members told Lubbock TV station KCBD it is that of Rachel Guzman, 41, of Lubbock.

Guzman was last seen at her home on S. Loop 289 in Lubbock at about 11 p.m. Friday. Family members told KCBD they first noticed Guzman's absence Sunday, then became particularly fearful for her safety when she failed to report for work

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CASA in need of volunteers

Training slated for June 9-18, call 432-683-1114

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
 Staff Writer

Howard County has at least 50 children from confirmed cases of child abuse or neglect caught up in the legal system.

"Currently, there are only 20 CASA volunteers in Howard County and CASA of West Texas is not able to accept all the cases we are appointed to by the court," said Kathy Harmon, CASA volunteer recruitment and marketing

specialist. CASA — Court Appointed Special Advocate — is an organization mostly consisting of volunteers who have been appointed by the court to advocate for abused and neglected children navigating the legal system.

"You are also appointed their guardian ad litem as long as the child is going through the court system," said Judy West, a two-year CASA volunteer and the 2014 Volunteer of the Year for CASA of West Texas. "The best advice I received was if an issue would bother me as a mother, it should bother me as CASA volunteer. You recognize their needs, provide intervention, monitor doctor's visits, make sure everything is up-to-date. My job is to advocate for the child and to get the resources that child needs.



Harmon West

"You really build a rapport with the kids," West continued. "We are the most constant thing in their lives. Once you have a case as a CASA worker, you are with that child throughout the process."

CASA requests of its volunteers to make at least a year's commitment to a case to provide consistent stability to the child. A CASA volunteer may be the only consistent force in the child's life, Harmon said.

West admitted she pondered for some time before making her decision to volunteer as a CASA advocate, but added she saw a great need in the community while she was substitute teaching at an area public school.

"You have to have a big heart," West said. "My girls and my husband were concerned when I first started doing this because they said,

'Mom you are just too tender-hearted.' I think that is the key. You have to have a big heart and genuinely care. I am really passionate about it. I think anybody who gets involved with it is also. It is so important."

Most case workers only accept one case at a time. West has three.

She said she has run through the gauntlet of emotions when it comes to her work — from disbelief and heartache to joy "when you see their faces and they are excited to see you." West said she tries to make a positive impact on the lives of the children in her cases who are in situations that are hard to comprehend as real.

"I feel like I am making an impact," she said. "I hope I am."

For West and CASA, the ultimate outcome for these children is to find a safe and permanent place to live.

With a shortage of volunteers to meet the growing case load in Howard County,

CASA is making a plea for help out into the community.

"We are turning cases away because there are not enough volunteers, so there are children in Howard County who do not have a CASA volunteer," Harmon said.

CASA volunteers must be 21 years old, be able to pass a criminal background check, complete 30 hours of training, commit at least one year of time or until the case is closed, make monthly visits with the child or children and the case supervisor, speak with all parties involved with the case, attend meetings concerned with the case and prepare reports for the court on information gathered as to what is in the child's best interest. CASA volunteers may also have to testify in court as to what is in the best interest of the child.

"Our volunteers come from all walks of life," Harmon said. "We have young adults

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Obituaries

Dr. Russell A. Patrick



Dr. Russell A. Patrick Sr., 84, of Big Spring, died Monday, June 2, 2014, in a local nursing home. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, June 6, 2014, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Mark Lindsey, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born Sept. 4, 1929, in Jennings, Mo. He served in the United States Marine Corps from 1946 to 1948. He graduated from Baylor University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth with a doctorate degree. Dr. Patrick served as a missionary in Columbia, South America as well as pastoring churches in Kirkwood, Missouri and Washington, DC. He became a chaplain with the Veterans Administration System in 1976, moving to Big Spring to work with

the Big Spring Veterans Administration Medical Center, retiring in 1995. He was an avid golfer.

Survivors include one son, Russell A. Patrick, Jr. and wife, Trini of Midland; four daughters, Donna Smith and husband, Richard of Harrogate, Tenn., Leanne Ward and husband, Steve of Houston, Amy Aguilar and husband, Jess of Andrews and Michelle Kanz of New Braunfels; one brother, Luther Patrick of Hannibal, Mo.; two sisters, Wanda Kassebaum of Washington, Mo. and Sharon Ruble and husband, Don of St. Louis, Mo.; 11 grandchildren; and the mother of his children, Nancy Patrick and LaVerne Patrick who he later married.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Roy and Mary Patrick; and one brother, Norman Patrick.

The family suggests memorials to the Southern Baptist Convention International Mission Board at www.imb.org

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

Paid obituary

Police/Sheriff

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- DANIEL RIOS, 28, of 711 Creighton, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of resisting arrest, search or transport.
- EPIFANO GUZMAN, 43, of 700 Douglas, was arrested Wednesday on a warrant from another agency.
- DENNIS MICHAEL RICHARDSON II, 29, of 1104 Mulberry, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of theft greater than or equal to \$50 but less than \$500 shoplifting.
- KIMBERLY MARIE CASTILLO, 30, of 1611 Avion, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of theft less than \$50 shoplifting.
- MICHAEL LEE LOPEZ, 26, of 411 N. Scurry, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of evad-

ing arrest/detention previously convicted.

- MARK ANTHONY LOPEZ, 23, of NE 8th St., was arrested Wednesday on a charge of reckless driving.
- JENNY MARIE LYON, 39, of 1002 N. Main St. no. 6, was arrested Wednesday on a warrant for parent contributing to nonattendance.
- THEFT was reported at the 200 block of W. FM 700 – two incidents and on Kiowa Circle.
- MAJOR ACCIDENT was reported at the 500 block of Highland.

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

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 87 inmates at the time of this re-

port.

- TRAVIS GARY WILLIAMS was booked by HCSO for sentencing for credit card or debit card abuse.

- EPIFANO JOSE "JOE" GUZMAN was booked by BSPD on a charge of indecency with a child sexual contact.

- DENNIS MICHAEL RICHARDSON was booked by BSPD on a charge of theft of property greater than or equal to \$50 but less than \$500.

- KIMBERLY MARIE RUIZ was booked by BSPD on a charge of theft less than \$50.

- MICHAEL LEE LOPEZ was booked by BSPD on a charge of evading arrest detention with previous conviction.

- MARK ANTHONY LOPEZ was booked by BSPD on a charge of reckless driving.

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

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

- Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Baptist Temple Church

Fellowship Hall, 400 E. 11th Place. Open meeting at 7 p.m.

TUESDAY

- Noon – The Just For Today Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets in Room 3 at Spring Creek Fellowship, 501 Birdwell Lane.

- Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month. This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.

- Special Parents for Special Children support group meets the first Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at Elbow Elementary. Contact Kerri Rosenbaum at 432-816-3320 or kerrirosenbaum9488@msn.com

- VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

- Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

- "A Journey to a New

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

- RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy, a chronic pain disease), a new support and informative group meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207 for more information.

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 & 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

THURSDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

- Spring Tabernacle Ministries has a faith-based support group for those who need help finding and continuing to walk down the path God has for each of us. Meetings are at 11 a.m. until noon and again at 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.. The classes take place at Spring Tabernacle Ministries, located at 1209 Wright St.

- Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to.

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

FRIDAY

- 7 p.m. – The Just For Today Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets in Room 3 at Spring Creek Fellowship, 501 Birdwell Lane.

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

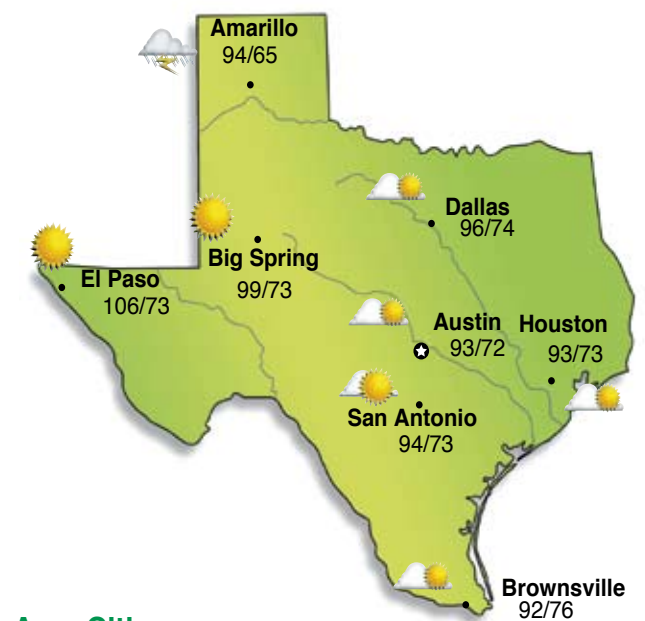
Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast

| Fri 6/6 | Sat 6/7 | Sun 6/8 | Mon 6/9 | Tue 6/10 |
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| 99/73 Sunny skies. Hot. High 99F. Winds SSE at 20 to 30 mph. | 100/72 Sunshine. Highs 98 to 102F and lows in the low 70s. | 93/68 Scattered thunderstorms. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the upper 60s. | 93/64 Scattered thunderstorms possible. | 97/70 Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the low 70s. |
| Sunrise: 6:39 AM Sunset: 8:50 PM | Sunrise: 6:39 AM Sunset: 8:51 PM | Sunrise: 6:39 AM Sunset: 8:51 PM | Sunrise: 6:39 AM Sunset: 8:52 PM | Sunrise: 6:39 AM Sunset: 8:52 PM |



Texas At A Glance



Area Cities

| City | Hi | Lo | Cond. | City | Hi | Lo | Cond. |
|----------------|-----|----|-----------|-----------------|-----|----|-----------|
| Amarillo | 94 | 65 | t-storm | Kingsville | 94 | 74 | mst sunny |
| Austin | 93 | 72 | pt sunny | Livingston | 93 | 71 | pt sunny |
| Beaumont | 91 | 73 | mst sunny | Longview | 93 | 71 | mst sunny |
| Brownsville | 92 | 76 | pt sunny | Lubbock | 96 | 71 | sunny |
| Brownwood | 96 | 71 | sunny | Lufkin | 95 | 72 | pt sunny |
| Corpus Christi | 89 | 77 | pt sunny | Midland | 99 | 73 | sunny |
| Corsicana | 93 | 72 | pt sunny | Raymondville | 95 | 76 | pt sunny |
| Dallas | 96 | 74 | pt sunny | Rosenberg | 92 | 73 | pt sunny |
| Del Rio | 101 | 76 | windy | San Antonio | 94 | 73 | mst sunny |
| El Paso | 106 | 73 | sunny | San Marcos | 93 | 72 | pt sunny |
| Fort Stockton | 103 | 72 | windy | Sulphur Springs | 92 | 73 | pt sunny |
| Gainesville | 95 | 73 | pt sunny | Sweetwater | 98 | 72 | windy |
| Greenville | 93 | 73 | pt sunny | Tyler | 92 | 72 | mst sunny |
| Houston | 93 | 73 | pt sunny | Weatherford | 96 | 72 | pt sunny |
| | | | | Wichita Falls | 102 | 75 | pt sunny |

National Cities

| City | Hi | Lo | Cond. | City | Hi | Lo | Cond. |
|-------------|----|----|-----------|----------------|-----|----|-----------|
| Atlanta | 88 | 69 | t-storm | Minneapolis | 83 | 57 | pt sunny |
| Boston | 74 | 60 | pt sunny | New York | 81 | 62 | mst sunny |
| Chicago | 82 | 62 | mst sunny | Phoenix | 104 | 68 | sunny |
| Dallas | 96 | 74 | pt sunny | San Francisco | 62 | 50 | sunny |
| Denver | 80 | 55 | t-storm | Seattle | 71 | 51 | sunny |
| Houston | 93 | 73 | pt sunny | St. Louis | 83 | 67 | t-storm |
| Los Angeles | 80 | 61 | sunny | Washington, DC | 81 | 62 | sunny |
| Miami | 85 | 76 | t-storm | | | | |

Moon Phases



UV Index

| Fri 6/6 | Sat 6/7 | Sun 6/8 | Mon 6/9 | Tue 6/10 |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 |
| Extreme | Extreme | Extreme | Extreme | Extreme |

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection.

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Correction

In the Heritage Museum photo exhibit article that appeared in the Wednesday edition of the Herald the artists name should have read Charlotte Shelton. The Herald regrets the error.

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Take Note

• Holy Trinity Catholic Youth Group will be having a rummage sale Saturday from 8-3 in the church hall at 1009 Hearn Street in Big Spring. A large variety of items will be for sale such as; skis, playpen, tools, DVD players, curtains, computer keyboard, printer, computer desk, golf bag, men, women and children clothing and many more. Asado plates with rice and beans will also be for sale for \$7. All proceeds go to help send youth to a summer conference.

• A medical expense account has been established for Amber Aleander McCalister at Big Spring Education Employee Federal Credit Union. She was involved in a traffic accident and is faced with multiple surgeries and procedures. BSEE Federal Credit Union is located at 1110 Benton St. in Big Spring. Your love, support and prayers are also requested.

• The Howard County Republican Club will meet at 5:30 p.m. June 9 in the Howard County Library (basement meeting room). Guest speaker will be Sandra Bloom, Howard County elections clerk. For more information, contact Bo Fryar 432-399-4510.

• Marty Rowley, who is a member of the State Board of Education, will be speaking to Howard County Republican Club on Tuesday, June 10 at 5:30 p.m. in the community room (basement) of the Howard County Library. The public is invited to come and hear him speak about the Common Core and C-Scope educational curriculums.

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center's Healthy Woman program is continuing the focus on fitness with the June event "Move Your Move." Occupational Therapist Becky Carter will be instructing attendees in a 20-minute workout at the YMCA at 5:30 p.m. June 26. As always, the monthly events are free and open to the public. To find out more information or to RSVP to the Healthy Woman event, call Amanda Duforat at 268-4699 or Anita Cline at 268-4721. Bring a water bottle and be

ready to move your move.

• The goal of the Downtown Revitalization Association is to create a dynamic downtown Big Spring and promote Big Spring as a tourist destination. Our association supports downtown businesses by beautifying the area and by hosting events that bring residents and visitors downtown. The Alon USA 7-Eleven Fantastic 4th is our signature, annual event. Last year, more than 20,000 people attended the event, and this year we expect even more. Sponsors will get significant exposure and there will be plenty of potential customers for vendors. Please consider being a part of something truly good for our entire community.

To participate as a sponsor, call 432-466-2268.

To participate as a vendor, call 432-816-9381.

• A fund has been set up at BBVA Compass Bank to help Melinda Garcia with medical expenses while recovering from surgery. Account number is 673000597.

• Medical funds have been established for Kathran O'Brien Grant, who is recovering from a recent accident. An account is set up at Western Bank No. 1012020. Contact Donnie Baker at 432-556-2186 for more information. A medical fund has also been set up at Wells Fargo.

• The Big Spring Senior Center dance is open to all ages. No alcohol or smoking. Our parking lot is now well lit, and we are handicapped accessible. The cost is \$8 per person.

• The Powwow Committee of Big Spring has been restructured and is seeking new members, according to committee secretary Greg Bodin. "Please accept our invitation to attend a meeting." For more information, including meeting times and dates, contact Vice President Randy McKinney at 432-267-4843 or President Richard Lesser at 432-935-0125.

• Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based

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

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

• The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nurturing and permanent home. We need your help. If you're interested in volunteering, please contact Sara Basaldua at 1-877-316-8346 or visit www.BecomeaCASA.org or www.casawtx.org.

• Mobile Meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you can donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Macaria Cantu at 263-4016.

• Spring Tabernacle Ministries, 1209 Wright St., has a brief, inspirational message before giving away food and clothing on Thursday mornings. It's a great way to work off community service and get help, too. Be there at 9 a.m.-11 a.m. and get two for one plus a rehab meeting.

• Mitchell County Senior Citizen Dance, Colorado City Civic Center, 157 East 2nd Street, Colorado City, Texas, the fourth Thursday of each month from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., \$5 per person. Bring snacks to share.

Red Cross disaster drill set for weekend at Midland College

Special to the Herald

MIDLAND — Hurricanes, wildfires, thunderstorms and tornadoes are all common occurrences across the state of Texas. That's why it's imperative that the American Red Cross, an organization responsible for providing help and comfort in the face of emergencies, is as prepared as possible in advance of any unexpected event.

Starting Friday, Red Cross chapters across the state of Texas, including the Permian Basin Area Chapter, will practice the skills they will need to step into action and help communities in the event of a disaster.

Here in the Permian Basin, Red Cross volunteers will practice their skills of implementing and executing shelter activities alongside local partner agencies.

"If the unthinkable happens, families will need a safe shelter and food before anything else," said Eddie Pool, senior disaster program manager for the Permian Basin Area chapter, "An exercise like this strengthens our ability to respond quickly in an emergency by allowing more volunteers to receive hands-on shelter training before a real disaster strikes."

In the Midland-Odessa area, the Red Cross has partnered with the city of Midland, Midland County Emergency Management, Midland County Health Department, city of Odessa, Ector County Emergency Management, Ector County Health Department, Midland College, Permian Basin VOAD, and the 39th Composite Regiment of the Texas State Guard to get the best results from the exercise.

The Permian Basin Area Chapter of the American Red Cross is looking for community volunteers to participate in the exercise as "actors" who will test the agency's sheltering skills. Volunteers may register to participate at arcexercisevolunteer@gmail.com.

Community volunteers will report to Permian Basin VOAD Volunteer Check-In at the Physical Education Building at Midland College beginning at noon Friday, and the drill will end at noon Saturday. Community volunteers do not have to stay overnight, or for multiple hours, however the shelter will be in operation for 24 hours.

"Without question, this drill will help the Red Cross be better prepared for future disasters," said Stephanie Murphree, Permian Basin Chapter executive director. "The more we train through exercises like this one, the more we can help our neighbors when they truly need us."

To become a trained Red Cross volunteer, go to www.RedCross.org/Tx/Midland

RELAY

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is an annual event, raising awareness about the services the American Cancer Society provides is also a goal.

Although gas cards and breast prosthesis are no longer a part of those services, people who have been diagnosed can still find help in many ways.

Trained volunteers are available to those who

need transportation to and from treatment appointments.

And because some treatments can cause hair loss, there is a place in Big Spring to obtain a wig.

"A lot of people don't know about Merle Norman," said Negron. "Sherry (Phillips) has a place in the back of the store to assist and help cancer patients with wigs."

For many, being able to afford the travel to and from getting treatments in Lubbock is difficult at best, let alone affording the cost of a hotel stay.

Hope Lodge is a facility in Lubbock where can-

cer patients can stay overnight instead of having to drive back to Big Spring, according to Negron.

There is also a support group for breast cancer survivors in Big Spring called The Young and the Breastless which meets the first Thursday of the month in the Spring Town Plaza.

This year's Relay has been scaled back quite a bit, but next year Negron said there are big plans in the works.

"Next year is the national Relay For Life's 30th anniversary and we plan to make it very special," he commented.

BODY

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Monday.

Wednesday afternoon, Lubbock detectives and Big Spring police discovered a woman's body on an isolated stretch of property in

the vicinity of Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

"Lubbock detectives and crime scene personnel are currently processing evidence and working with local officials to identify the woman," said Sgt. Jason Lewis, public information officer for the Lubbock Police Department.

Rachel Guzman's husband,

Epifanio Jose "Joe" Guzman, 43, was booked into Howard County Jail Wednesday on a Lubbock County warrant charging him with indecency with a child by sexual contact. It is unclear what, if any, connection he has with his wife's disappearance, officials said.

CASA

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who make great volunteers who can really identify with the children, but we also have retired people who are great volunteers. The one thing they all have in common is that they have a caring heart."

CASA of West Texas has scheduled a re-

quired pre-service volunteer training from June 9-18. For more information or to register for the training, call Harmon at 432-683-1114. Applications can also be found at www.casawtx.org.

"CASA is a volunteer organization, a volunteer movement," said Harmon. "We can't do it

without volunteers. It's just not possible. I know there are people in Big Spring who would volunteer if they knew how great the need is. They just need to know what a difference they can make in a child's life."

CASA of West Texas serves seven counties: Andrews, Dawson, Gaines, Howard, Mar-

tin, Glasscock and Midland.

Contact Lyndel Moody at citydesk@bigspringherald.com or by 263-7331, ext. 234.

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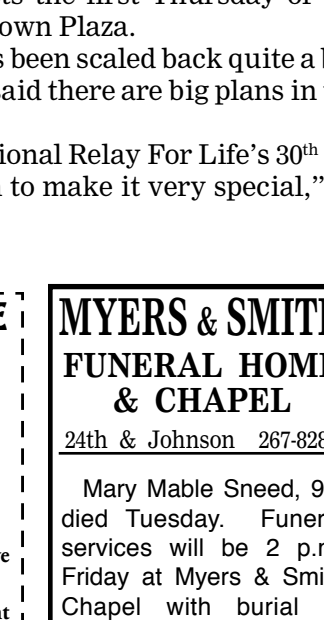
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Relay!

You don't want to miss it

The Herald encourages Howard Countians to get excited this week about Relay For Life. A fund-raiser for the American Cancer Society, Relay is truly a special event. If you've never been, you'll find it an emotional, compassionate experience with shared tears and shared laughter.

All of us have been touched by cancer. Everyone has a friend or family member who has faced this disease. Some of you know what it feels like to learn you have cancer. Beset by disbelief, devastation and — eventually — a resolve to fight back.

And that is what Relay is, a pledge to beat cancer, both by each pulling for each other, and by raising funds to find a cure.

You'll find Relay For Life to be uplifting and entertaining. There will be a silent auction this year, as well as various games and some always-tastes-good food cooked over an outdoor grill. Catsup, mustard or relish with that hot dog?

A couple of quick things about attending Friday's event (it starts at 6 p.m. at Blankenship Field — there's an event schedule in this paper) One, it's come and go. Grab a fajita tortilla and a soft drink and cheer on those in the Survivor's Walk. You certainly are not obligated to stay until midnight! Two, you are also not obligated to donate a dime and it costs nothing to get through the gate.

We hope you'll consider at least stopping by the field Friday. It will be a heart-warming experience as well as a show of support for the volunteers and the survivors (many are both) in their effort to “Finish the Fight.”

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DAILY PRAYER

Let us treat each other with compassion and love, dear Lord.

Amen

Obama: Judge of life vs. death

On Sept. 30, 2011, two American Predator drones based out of a Saudi Arabian CIA facility swept into Yemen and fired Hellfire missiles at a car containing terrorist and American citizen Anwar al-Awlaki. He was killed. So, too, was terrorist buddy Samir Khan, an American born in Saudi Arabia. President Barack Obama promptly announced the kill: “The death of Awlaki is a major blow to al-Qaida's most active operational affiliate. He took the lead in planning and directing efforts to murder innocent Americans ... and he repeatedly called on individuals in the United States and around the globe to kill innocent men, women and children to advance a murderous agenda.” Nowhere did Obama mention that either man was an American citizen.

Last Saturday, Obama announced that the United States had traded five Taliban terrorist leaders in exchange for American Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl. As the days passed, it became clear that Bergdahl was no American hero: he was, in fact, a deserter. He left a note at his base in Afghanistan on June 30, 2009, stating that he hated the military; he emailed his father stating that he hated America. Reports a year later



BEN SHAPIRO

from the U.K. Daily Mail stated that Bergdahl was teaching the Taliban bomb-making and had converted to Islam.

When asked about these problematic issues, Obama immediately signaled that Bergdahl's status as an American was an overriding factor in bartering terrorists for his release. “Whatever those circumstances may turn out to be, we still get an American soldier back if he's held in captivity. Period. Full stop,” Obama lectured. Former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton also jumped into the act: “This young man, whatever the circumstances, was an American citizen — is an American citizen — was serving in our military.”

The idea that you really care for your own citizens and particularly those in uniform, I think is a very noble one.”

The point here is not that Bergdahl should have been droned, or that al-Awlaki shouldn't have been. The point is that the president of the United States now has the apparent authority to determine whether or not someone deserves to live — indeed, whether he deserves to be hit with a Hellfire missile or whether we should exchange high-level terrorists for him. And no one can stop the president in such decision-making. He is the judge, jury, and either executioner or savior. He is all-powerful.

This should be frightening to anyone with a modicum of common sense. American

citizenship is now, apparently, a malleable commodity. Vice President Joe Biden believes that illegal immigrants are citizens. Obama believes that some Americans who join Islamist groups are citizens, while others are not. Who is an American? Whomever the executive branch deems an American. Who isn't? It depends on whether Obama ate his Wheaties or not.

Either American citizenship counts for something, or it does not. Either joining America's enemies strips you of your rights, or it does not. But when the president of the United States can arbitrarily decide whether or not those rights have been stripped, all of our rights have been stripped.

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Daily combat at the White House

Mike McCurry still has recurring dreams. They are like the ones people have about showing up at a final exam not having done the reading.

But for McCurry, who was the White House press secretary for Bill Clinton from December 1994 to August 1998 — from Whitewater through most of the Monica Lewinsky scandal, in other words — the dreams are slightly different.

“In my anxiety dream, I walk out to give the daily briefing and I don't have my briefing book,” McCurry says.

The briefing book, which takes enormous effort to assemble each morning, contains the assembled wisdom, positions, acumen and sheer flackery of the Cabinet, the executive agencies, the White House staff and sometimes even the president of the United States.

It is all done — and the process often starts before dawn — in anticipation of what questions the press corps will be asking at the daily briefing and what messages the White House wants to convey.

As McCurry once told me, “the modern presidency is defined by the manipulation of the news flow 24 hours a day.”

McCurry was the first press secretary to allow the daily briefings to be televised, a decision he now regrets. In the beginning, the networks used very little from the briefings because the briefings, then as now, produced very little news.

Sometimes the networks would take snippets for the nightly news but go live only for big, breaking stories, such as the bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City in 1995.

But in 1998, Monica happened. And everything changed. The networks began televising the briefings live, and a technical but very important change took place. “The moment I realized I had made some kind of mistake,” McCurry says, “was when the networks started using two cameras — one to shoot the brief-

ing (i.e., McCurry at the lectern) and a second one, right near my shoulder, to shoot correspondents asking the questions.”

“The dynamic changed,” McCurry goes on. “Now the briefings were television events rather than an opportunity to answer questions about the news.”

Reporters, especially television reporters, now could use the briefings to perform. The better their performances (which, in fairness, were mostly linked to a genuine attempt to dig out the news and determine the truth) the greater chance they had of looking tough and dogged during the afternoons and getting airtime that night.

“The networks would break away from their afternoon soap operas to present the real soap opera of Monica,” McCurry says.

Televised briefings also greatly enhanced the visibility of the White House press secretaries and their ability to cash in on that visibility (paid speeches, consulting firms, etc.) once they left office.

The current White House press secretary, Jay Carney, announced last week that he will be resigning in mid-June.

That set off a spate of stories assessing his performance, especially his on-camera performance. Most agree that whatever Carney's abilities, the daily briefing has become a trial by combat.

As early as last July, The New Republic published a piece by Reid Cherlin, a former White House assistant press secretary, who wrote: “The daily briefing has become a worthless chore for reporters, an embarrassing nuisance to administration staff, and a source of added friction between the two camps. It's time to do the humane, obvious thing and get rid of it altogether.”

Reid quoted Peter Baker of The New York Times as saying: “The White House decided a long time ago that it's not about candor; it's about deflection and survival. The press decided it's about preening.”

A few days ago, Reid wrote: “But whether docile or sneering, Carney was just doing what was expected of him, and — depending on where you sit — doing it quite capably. ... He doggedly protected the president's interests with the full understanding that doing so would earn him

bad reviews from reporters.”

Exactly. As I wrote about Carney's predecessor, Robert Gibbs: “Gibbs has one boss, and it isn't the press. It's the guy in the Oval Office.”

Press secretaries, standing up there behind the lectern each day, appear to wield great power. In fact, as with everybody else at the White House, their power is limited by the needs, desires and whims of the president.

“President Clinton used to watch, near as I could tell, the replay of the daily briefing on C-SPAN at 11:30 every night,” McCurry tells me. “And right after, I would get a call from him at home.” McCurry slips into Clinton's soft Arkansas accent: “I thought you did a fine job, but you know, we could also use this.”

McCurry, who often began his workday at 4:30 a.m., was not personally bothered by the lateness of the calls. But, he says, “we had small kids then, and they would wake up when the phone rang.”

On one day, McCurry gently and politely told the president, “I always enjoy getting feedback, but not so late at night.” And then he explained about the children.

“I'm so sorry,” Clinton said.

“And he never called back at night again,” McCurry says a little wistfully. “I probably should not have told him that.”

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Big Spring ISD summer school schedule

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Lunch will be served from 11:30 p.m. to 1 p.m.

Junior High:
June 9 -12, Monday through Thursday; 8:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.
June 16- 19, Monday through Thursday; 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Eighth grade students will review on the June 23 and test on the 24 and 25.
Breakfast will be served from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.
Lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Elementary:
June 9-12, Monday through Thursday; 8:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.
June 16-19, Monday through Thursday; 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Fifth grade students will review on the June 23 and test on the 24 and 25.
Breakfast will be served from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.
Lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

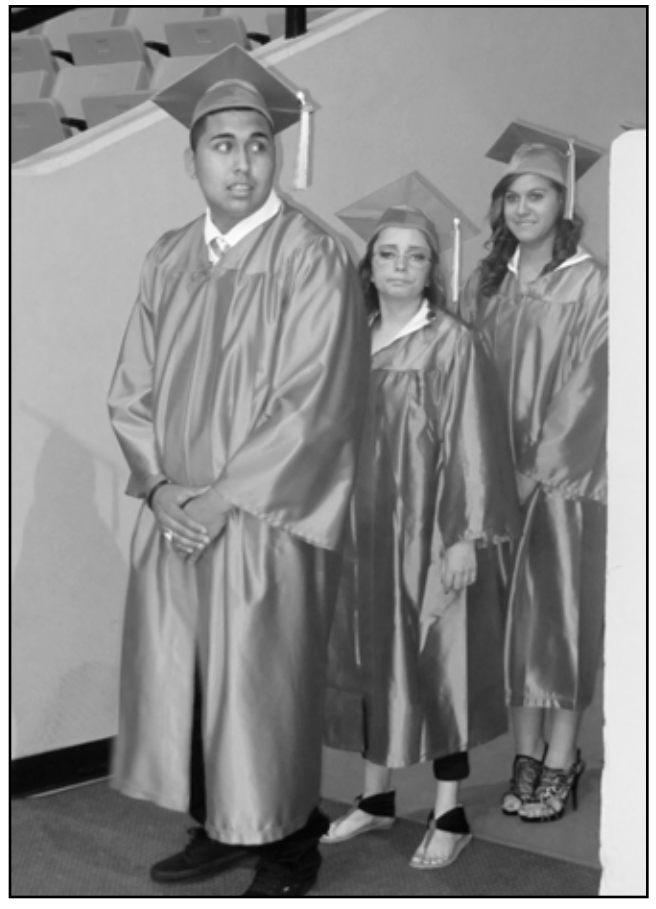
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• Big Spring Junior High, 624 E. 6th St. - Monday through Thursday. Breakfast: 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. Lunch: 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Children 18 years-of-age and under are eligible to eat at no cost. Participants do not have to attend BSISD or meet any income guidelines. Adult trays are \$3.50 for lunch and \$2 for breakfast. For more information contact BSISD Food Service at 264-3635.

Snap shots of area public schools graduation



HERALD photos/Lyndel Moody
The Class of 2014 from Howard County public schools finished its public school years off with commecent ceremonies held last week.

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These Coahoma High School students all earned medalist honors recently at Texas State Solo Contest in Pflugerville. They received first and second division ratings from their judge for their solo vocal performances. Front row: Richie Ewing, Coley Rinard and Caleb Daniels. Back row: Cameron Crabtree, Shayla Martin, Sandy Wallace, sponsor, and Zach Crabtree. Gold medals for Division I ratings were earned by Ewing, Crabtree and Crabtree while silver medals for Division II ratings were awarded to Rinard, Martin and Daniels.



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News in brief

Obama meets with leaders of France, Britain to navigate shifting terrain in Ukraine crisis

BRUSSELS (AP) — President Barack Obama is meeting with two of his most important European allies — Britain and France — as they navigate shifting conditions in the Ukraine crisis now that a new government is coming to power.

Obama plans to consult Thursday with British Prime Minister David Cameron in Brussels after a gathering of world leaders at the Group of 7 summit, then hop a short flight to Paris for dinner with French President Francois Hollande. Topping the agenda was what to do about Russia and its involvement in Ukraine.

The U.S. and Europe started out showing solidarity against Vladimir Putin by levying sanctions against the Russian president. But diverging approaches are emerging now that European leaders are planning separate, private meetings with Putin in Paris while Obama is steering clear of him.

Hollande said Thursday that it's up to Obama whether he wants to meet with Putin and noted that both men would be at events commemorating the 70th anniversary of the Allied invasion of Normandy Friday, along with other world leaders.

"The important thing is we have the same language, the same arguments on Ukraine all together," Holland said in a brief exchange with reporters traveling with Obama. "We are seven."

No hero's welcome for Bergdahl: National uproar prompts cancellation of return home party

HAILEY, Idaho (AP) — There will be no hero's welcome for Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl in his hometown, no fanfare of parades, music or picnics in the park.

A planned celebration for the end of June marking his return after five years of Taliban captivity in Afghanistan has been scrapped, largely due to security concerns as his release has touched off a nationwide debate. Was he an American prisoner of war who should be welcomed home after years in the enemy's hands or a deserter who abandoned his unit who should be punished accordingly?

For those who knew Bergdahl and his family in this small central Idaho town surrounded by forests and mountains, the politics of war have no place. They just want Bergdahl back home.

"It's like a modern day lynching. He hasn't even been able to give his side of the story yet. This community will welcome him back no matter what," said Lee Ann Ferris, who lives next door to the Bergdahl family and watched Bowe grow up. "He's a hometown kid and he's already suffered enough."

The town of 8,000 has been swamped with hate mail and angry calls, labeling the 28-year-old Bergdahl un-American and a traitor. Given the prospect of large crowds on both sides of the debate, organizers abruptly canceled their welcome home celebration.

State action to promote job growth may have side effect: a widening gap between rich and poor

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP) — Lawmakers in many states have been

trying to boost their post-recession economies by cutting income taxes, curbing aid to the long-term jobless or holding down the minimum wage. Some have pursued all of these steps.

Whether such policies will spur businesses to expand as hoped isn't yet clear. But collectively, the actions could ease the financial burden for the states' most affluent residents while reducing the safety net for those at the bottom.

The shift may also contribute to a trend that is prompting growing national concern: the widening gap between the richest Americans and everyone else. The divergence has developed over four decades and accelerated in recent years.

Economic statistics show that incomes for the top 1 percent of U.S. households soared 31 percent from 2009 through 2012, after adjusting for inflation, yet inched up an average of 0.4 percent for those making less. Many economists are sounding alarms that the income gap, greater now than at any time since the Depression, is hurting the economy by limiting growth in consumer spending.

Yet those concerns aren't resonating in some states. Last year, at least 10 states passed income tax cuts targeted at businesses or those in the top individual brackets. Several more already have cut taxes this year, including Democratic-led New York and Republican-led Oklahoma. Yet over the past three years, nearly one-fifth of the states have pared back unemployment benefits, and more cutbacks are under consideration.

Key questions for GM's attorney as probe of mishandled ignition switch recall is released

DETROIT (AP) — Along rows of cubicles at the General Motors Technical Center in suburban Warren, engineers knew for years about faulty ignition switches in small cars. Safety officials in the same complex knew, too. So did the lawyers downtown.

That knowledge loitered inside GM for at least a decade until this February, when the company recalled 2.6 million cars to repair the switches. During that time, at least 13 people lost their lives in crashes tied to the problem. Why that delay happened — and who is responsible — should be revealed Thursday, when a report by former U.S. Attorney Anton Valukas is made public.

The report, paid for by GM with the promise of an "unvarnished" inquiry, also will address just how high in the company knowledge of the problem reached. Valukas isn't expected to place blame with CEO Mary Barra. She has denied knowing the details until Jan. 31.

Although Valukas is expected to name names, it's likely that he'll find GM's bureaucratic structure at least partly responsible.

The switches can slip out of the run position, shut off the cars' engines and knock out power-assisted steering. This can make steering difficult and cause drivers to lose control. Congress and the Justice Department are investigating the delayed recall, too. Criminal charges are possible.

Japan hopes North Korea deal to investigate abductions brings answers, not more disappointment

TOKYO (AP) — Japan and North Korea appear to be on the verge of a

breakthrough on a bizarre legacy of the Cold War, a secret, government-ordered program that led to the abduction of more than a dozen and possibly several hundred Japanese citizens in the 1970s and 80s by North Korean infiltrators and spies.

After three days of talks in Stockholm last week, North Korea agreed to open a new investigation into the abductions, the biggest step forward Tokyo and Pyongyang have made in years. Questions over the fate of the abductees — some believed to still be alive — have kept relations in a deep freeze.

A resolution would be a big win for Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe, while North Korean leader Kim Jong Un would in return get the lifting of some sanctions and possibly increased humanitarian aid. The U.S. and South Korea, however, fear Abe could weaken diplomatic efforts for North Korea to abandon its nuclear program by focusing too much on the bilateral abduction issue.

Tokyo is as concerned as Washington and Seoul are about North Korea's development of nuclear weapons and long-range missiles, but the abductions have been the biggest thorn in its relations with Pyongyang. For many Japanese, the tales of a child vanishing on her way home from school, couples grabbed off beaches and tourists nabbed while abroad have put a human face on what they see as the brutality and hostility of the North Korean regime.

Abe, known for his hawkish nationalism and his hard-line stance toward Pyongyang, has made the abductions his cause celebre. He vowed in announcing the new deal that he will not relent until "the day the families of the abduction victims can hold their loved ones in their arms."

Senators push for bill on veterans' health care as new VA chief heads to Phoenix

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate is moving forward on a compromise bill to help veterans avoid long waits to see a doctor and make it easier to fire administrators who falsify records to cover up long wait times.

Hopes for a vote as soon as Thursday have dimmed, but senators said they would press ahead on a measure to address an uproar over veterans' health care following allegations that veterans have died while waiting to see a Veterans Affairs doctor.

Senators had wanted to pass the bill before Friday's 70th anniversary of the Allied invasion of Europe in World War II. Up to a dozen senators were expected to attend the D-Day ceremonies in France.

Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., chairman of the Senate Veterans Affairs Committee, had said Wednesday he was "cautiously optimistic" that a vote could be held Thursday.

Sanders and Republican Sen. John McCain of Arizona were leading negotiations on the bill, holding two closed-door meetings Wednesday to iron out details.

Israel advances 1,500 settlement housing units in response to Palestinian unity government

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel's housing ministry said Thursday it was advancing plans for nearly 1,500 new settlement housing units in the West Bank and east Jerusalem in response to the formation of a Palestinian unity government backed by the Islamic militant group Hamas.

Housing Minister Uri Ariel said in a statement that the move was a "fitting Zionist response to the formation of a Palestinian terror government," adding that the housing plans were "just the beginning."

Tenders were issued late Wednesday for about 900 housing units in the West Bank and about 560 units in east Jerusalem, territories that Israel captured in the 1967 war and which the Palestinians claim for their future state.

The tenders represent the final governmental approval before construction can begin.

Chief Palestinian peace negotiator Saeb Erekat said the settlement announcement is "a clear sign that Israel is moving toward a major escalation" and that the Palestinians were weighing their response to the announcement.

The Palestinians have long viewed settlement construction on land they want for their future state as a major obstacle to resolving the decades-old conflict.

The announcement of new settlement building was the first such move since the official end of nine months of U.S.-mediated Israeli-Palestinian peace talks in April.

U.S. Ambassador to Israel Dan Shapiro told Army Radio Thursday that the U.S. opposes the planned settlement construction.

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Longtime baseball fixture Don Zimmer dies at 83

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Don Zimmer wasn't a fixture in baseball forever. It just seemed that way.

He played alongside Jackie Robinson to win the World Series. He coached Derek Jeter on the New York Yankees' latest dynasty. And his manager once was the illustrious Casey Stengel.

For 66 years, Zimmer was a most popular presence at ball-

parks all over, a huge chaw often filling his cheek. Everyone in the game seemed to know him, and love him.

Zimmer was still working for the Tampa Bay Rays as a senior adviser when he died Wednesday at 83 in a hospital in nearby Dunedin.

He had been in a rehabilitation center since having seven hours of heart surgery in mid-April.

"Great baseball man. A base-

ball lifer. Was a mentor to me," teary-eyed Yankees manager Joe Girardi said.

Zimmer started out as a minor league infielder in 1949, hitting powerful shots as a batter. He went on to enjoy one of the longest-lasting careers in baseball history.

Zimmer played on the original New York Mets, saw his Boston Red Sox beaten by Bucky Dent's playoff homer

and got tossed to the ground by Pedro Martinez during a brawl.

Oh, the tales he could tell.

"Zim was around when I first came up. He was someone that taught me a lot of the game — he's been around, he's pretty much seen everything," Jeter said after the Yankees lost to Oakland 7-4. "His stories, his experiences."

With the champion Yankees, Zimmer was Joe Torre's right-

hand man as the bench coach.

"I hired him as a coach, and he became like a family member to me. He has certainly been a terrific credit to the game."

A career .235 hitter in the big leagues, numbers could never define all that Zimmer meant to the game. He had tremendous success, too — his teams won six World Series rings and went to the postseason 19 times.



Courtesy photo.

Minor League Champs!

The Reds won the Big Spring Minor Little League championship with a 7-6 victory over the Brewers Tuesday. The Reds rallied from a 5-0 third inning deficit and took the lead for good on a Gilbert Yorkman RBI triple in the fifth inning. The team is coached by Brandon and Sandy Shifflett, Bill Swafford and Kelby and Audra Bailey.

Heat, Spurs start up again

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — LeBron James and Dwyane Wade can point to statistics showing just how close the 2013 NBA Finals were.

Tim Duncan doesn't need them.

He can't forget the way his San Antonio Spurs lost, especially since every replay brings another painful reminder. The Spurs were on the verge of celebrating a fifth title in Game 6, and just two nights later were congratulating the Miami Heat on their second straight crown.

The Spurs wanted a rematch, and so did basketball fans. It begins Thursday in San Antonio.

"I think it's great that these two franchises have this opportunity in back-to-back years to compete for a championship," Wade said Wednesday. "Last year was an unbelievable series and ... it went down to the very end. We won the series by a total of five points, you know? That's how close it was. But it was a very even series. I think this year it could be another great series."

From Tony Parker's circus shot that stole Game 1 for the Spurs, to Ray Allen's 3-pointer that saved Game 6 for the Heat, to James' jumper that put away Game 7, almost every contest provided a new highlight. It deserved an encore, just like when the Boston Celtics and Los Angeles Lakers met in Game 7 of the 2002 NBA Finals.

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Attorney: Sterling agrees to sell Clippers

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Los Angeles Clippers owner Donald Sterling agreed Wednesday to sign off on selling the team he has owned for 33 years to former Microsoft CEO Steve Ballmer for \$2 billion, bringing the possibility of a resolution to weeks of rumors, uncertainty and looming possibilities for legal action.

The agreement hadn't been officially signed Wednesday afternoon, according to an individual with knowledge of the negotiations who wasn't authorized to discuss them publicly. But Donald Sterling's attorney, Maxwell Blecher,

said he "has made an agreement with the NBA to resolve all their differences."

The agreement was an about face for Donald Sterling, who just last week filed a \$1 billion suit against the NBA in federal court alleging the league violated his constitutional rights by relying on information from an "illegal" recording that publicized racist remarks he made to a girlfriend. It also said the league committed a breach of contract by fining Sterling \$2.5 million and that it violated antitrust laws by trying to force a sale. Blecher said that as a result of

the agreement, the federal suit will now be dismissed.

Sterling's comments to V. Stiviano included telling her to not bring black people to Clippers games, specifically mentioning Hall of Famer Magic Johnson. They resulted in a storm of outrage from the public and players and even prompted President Barack Obama to comment on what he called Sterling's "incredibly offensive racist statements."

NBA Commissioner Adam Silver ultimately decided to ban Donald Sterling for life and began efforts to force Ster-

ling to sell the team.

For weeks, Ballmer said through his attorneys that he would fight the NBA's decisions to try to force his ouster as a team owner. But last week Shelly Sterling utilized her authority as sole trustee of The Sterling Family Trust, which owns the Clippers, to take bids for the team and ultimately negotiate a deal with Ballmer.

Ballmer beat out bids by Guggenheim Partners and a group including former NBA All-Star Grant Hill. Ballmer made more than an hour-long visit to Shelly Sterling's home last

week and laid out his plan.

If the NBA owners approve the sale, it will be a record-high sum for a team that cost Donald Sterling about \$12 million in 1981. Blecher's co-counsel, Bobby Samin, said the vote by league owners is expected to take place in mid-July.

This is not Ballmer's first foray into potential NBA ownership. Ballmer and investor Chris Hansen headed a group that agreed to a deal to buy the Kings from the Maloof family in January 2013 with the intention of moving the team to Seattle.

West Texas Golf Classic slated to tee off on June 20

Area golfers should start limbering up. One of the region's top amateur golf tournament is almost at hand.

The 2014 Crossroads of West Texas Golf Classic will be held on June 21-22 at the Big Spring Country Club Golf Course. A "shootout" will be held on June 20.

The tournament, which is sponsored by The Big Spring Area

Chamber of Commerce, will be played under a 2-man scramble format and is limited to the first 100 paid teams.

The event will be pre-flighted by tournament committee and local golf pro. A handicap score is required to enter.

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pro shop merchandise at 100 percent of winnings or may take cash at 70 percent of their winnings. In all, 100 percent of entry fees will be paid back to the participants.

All entries must be accompanied by cash, check or credit card. There will be no charges or unpaid reservations.

The \$200 per team fee will include lunch on Saturday and Sunday.

Lady Steers announce '14 volleyball schedule

It may barely be June, but that doesn't mean the area high school coaches and players are gearing up for the start of the 2014-15 athletic seasons.

The Big Spring High Lady Steers' volleyball team is among those. The Lady Steers, fresh off a trip to the Class 3A state tournament last season, released its 2014 schedule last week.

Big Spring, which will be moving into the Class 4A ranks this season, thanks to the University Interscholastic League's new classification rules, is slated to tip

off its season on Aug. 8 with a preseason scrimmage against San Angelo Central in San Angelo. The following day, on Aug. 9, Big Spring will hold a scrimmage in the BSHS gym.

The official start of the Lady Steers season will take place three days after their final scrimmage. The team will travel to Abilene on Aug. 12 to face Cooper and Abilene High in games. They will then participate in the Bev Bell Volleyball Classic on Aug. 15-16 in Abilene.

The Lady Steers will begin district play on Sept. 27.

Black Gold tourney set for June 6-7

The first tennis tournament of the BlackGold circuit will be held Friday and Saturday, June 6-7, at Figure 7 Tennis Center in Big Spring.

For more details contact Dana Jones, tournament director, at (432) 557-3831 or by e-mail at tdjones1@suddenlink.net.

There is a \$25 entry fee for the event.

The next event in the series will be the Midland Lee Black Gold Tournament on June 9-10.

For more information on that tournament call Roger Wyrick at (432)-889-8342 or e-mail him at: rwyrick@midlandisd.net.

BSHS baseball camp set for June 16-18

The Big Spring High School Athletics Department will be sponsoring a baseball skills camp on June 16-18 at the Steer Park.

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for students in grades three through eight.

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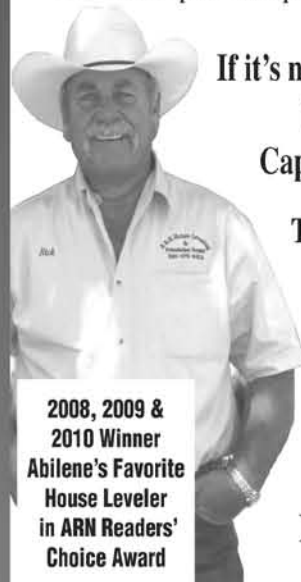
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Legals

Texas Commission On Environmental Quality

Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision for Hazardous Industrial Waste Permit/Compliance Plan Renewal

Permit/Compliance Plan No. 50140
APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. Alon USA, LP, 200 Refinery Road, Big Spring, Texas 79720, a petroleum refiner, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a permit/compliance plan renewal to authorize storage and treatment of industrial and hazardous waste as part of the production operations, continue post-closure care on two (2) closed land treatment units, continue compliance monitoring for the Site E LTU and continue operation of a pump-and-treat system in the Boundary Interim Corrective Action (BICA) area to remediate contaminated groundwater. The facility is located at 200 Refinery road, Big Spring, Texas, 79720 in Howard County, Texas. TCEQ received the application on January 14, 2011. The following link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and is not part of the application or notice: http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=32.269444&lng=-101.421388&zoom=13&type=r_for_exact_location_refer_to_application.

The executive director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit/compliance plan. The draft permit/compliance plan, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The executive director has made a preliminary decision that this permit/compliance plan, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit/compliance plan are available for viewing and copying at the Howard County Library, 500 South Main Street, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, 79720.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application.

The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ holds a public meeting if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING.

After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material or significant public comments. **Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing list for this application. Will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision.** A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

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Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. The Commission will only grant a contested case hearing on disputed issues that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised in timely filed comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. **The TCEQ may act on this application without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION.

The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

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Legals

Texas Commission On Environmental Quality

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Daring Virgo Moon

This is a particularly graceful Virgo moon, flitting through the cosmic landscape, forming auspicious angles, tossing out flirtatious intentions and agreeing with several planets at the party while daring to defy the host, the Gemini sun. An afternoon squared aspect to the sun may very well bring about the most interesting part of the day.



HOLIDAY MATHIS

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You'll be passing out praise. Note that it will be most helpful to praise a person for good efforts, not natural abilities. This will grow the number of efforts being made.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). It will be apparent how the town you are from has influenced you.

You'll notice that you're doing something you learned when very young. Others might not understand it, but it's part of the culture you were raised in.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). There is no "normal" today; there's only the way you're doing it. If it works your way, it's good. You'll be content for as long as you can remain unconcerned about what the others think.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Everyone can't be thinking alike. If this seems to be the case, then someone is either not giving or not having a true opinion. Surprise and test people to make sure they are awake.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). People who bring their body to one place but wish they were somewhere else have diminished power and charisma. Wherever you go, go with your whole being.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll get people talking to one another. The topic is less important than the result: the group becomes energized. You can

accomplish remarkable things within an energized group!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Just thinking about what you don't want to do is an annoyance and an energy drain. That's why you really can't afford to say "yes" if you know it's something that doesn't thrill you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Regulating your personal energy will be more of a challenge now, as life keeps throwing you different obstacles, opportunities and sources of fresh excitement.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). When you get the urge to impress someone, pay attention to that urge, but don't heed it. You're already enough without doing anything extra. Less will be more.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Some are fast and loose with the word "genius," and others reserve it for only the most outstanding and rare intellectual achievements. There will be a benefit to giving generous but not overly generous praise.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The first rule of

dating is the same as the first rule of entertainment, conversation and perhaps even life: Don't be boring. Your interesting choices will dazzle across the board.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Cost and product comparisons will be a necessary part of business, but they are totally unnecessary (and ill-advised) in regard to your personal life. Thought: No one's life is as fabulous as the Facebook page makes it seem.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (June 5). Strong and energetic, you'll set your sights on a goal you wouldn't have aimed for last year. You'll make the most of a glamorous opportunity in July. Your circle of friends enlarges as you follow unusual interests. You need better training, so invest in it in September and reap the financial rewards soon after. Cancer and Virgo people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 30, 14, 26, 2 and 45.

PRE-RETROGRADE CLEANUP: There's much to accomplish before the

Mercury retrograde at the end of the week. One small task done well starts a wave of productivity. What's your lucky task?

SCORPIO: Never content to take things at face value, you are the sign of the underlying functionality of life. The skeleton, if you will. The sign of "What came first?" and "How did that happen?" That's why sometimes cleaning and clearing don't seem to be enough. You want better systems. You want to prevent the mess to begin with.

For instance, do you have a system for dealing with what comes into your house every time you walk in the door? Coats, keys, mail, flyers, shopping items -- if they are handled straight away, your home maintains the feeling that all is manageable. This is accomplished with a designated "I'm home" area. This is where the key hook lives, the coats are hung and the mail can be immediately sorted and dealt with. If you don't have an "I'm home" area or are not

convinced that your "I'm home" area is functional or beautiful enough, this is the time to change that.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Very few people have made the transition from teen pop star to respected actor, but Mark Wahlberg not only successfully braved that crossing; he also upped the ante by becoming a respected producer, as well. This Gemini was born under a tenacious Mercury and Venus in Taurus, and he has a number of credits coming out in the next year, including the much anticipated "Entourage" movie.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

| | KMID (3) Midland | UNI (4) Spanish | KPEJ (5) Odessa | KOSA (7) Odessa | KTLE (8) Telemundo | KWES (9) Midland | WTBS (11) Atlanta | KMLM (12) Odessa | KPBT (13) Odessa | KWWT (14) Odessa | DISC (20) Discovery | AMC (21) Classics | SPIKE (22) Spike TV | TNT (23) Atlanta | BET (26) Black Ent. | DISN (27) Disney | ESPN2 (28) Sports | ESPN (29) Sports | |
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| 5:PM :30 | News ABC | Casa | Two Men Notic. | News | Tele Noticias | News | Seinfeld | Yohanah | Charlie Rose | Rifleman | Triggers: Change | mons. Ayelet Zurer | Cops | Castle (DVS) | 106 & Park | Jessie | Around Pardon | SportsCenter | |
| 6:PM :30 | Jeopardy! | De Que Te Quiero, Te Quiero (SS) | Big Bang | News | Caso Cer-rado | News | Seinfeld | Rik | PBS News-Hour | M*A*S*H | Sons of Guns | | Cops | Castle (DVS) | Movie: Life, Obba Babatundé | Austin | 30 for 30 | | |
| 7:PM :30 | J. Kimmel | Lo Que la Vida | Gang Related | Two Men Bad | En Otra Piel (SS) | Undate | Big Bang | Light of the Southwest | Texas Tenors-You Should | Gilligan | Sons of Guns | Movie: Ghost-busters, Har-old Ramis | Cops | Castle (DVS) | | Princess Protection Program | Inside | X Games: Austin. | |
| 8:PM :30 | 2014 NBA Finals: Game 1: Teams TBA. | Qué Pobres | Mod Fam | (:01) El-ementary | El Señor de los | Last Comic Standing | Big Bang | | Tenors: Lead With-Heart | Gilligan | Sons of Guns | (:31) Movie: Ghostbusters II, Sigourney Weaver | Cops | Castle (DVS) | Movie: Phat Girlz, Godfrey | Good | Baseball Tonight | | |
| 9:PM :30 | News | Impacto | Arsenio Hall | News | Tele | News | Conan | McGee | Charlie Rose | Twizt Zone | Sons of Guns | | Movie: The Marine, Kelly Carlson | Hawaii Five-0 | Wendy Williams | Good | Baseball Tonight | | |
| 10:PM :30 | Jimmy Kimmel Live | Familia-Suerte | How I Met How I Met | Ferguson | En Otra Piel (SS) | Seth Meyers | Conan | Israel | T. Smiley | Adam-12 | Sons of Guns | Halt and Catch Fire | Police Videos | Cold Justice | Queen Latifah | Shake It | NBA | SportsCenter | |
| 11:AM :30 | Nightline (:37) Extra | Amorcito Corazón | TMZ | Insider | News | Holmes | BAS | | | Hitchcock Hr. | Sons of Guns | (:04) Movie: Arachnopho- | Police Videos | CSI: NY | One Mic | Deck | NASCAR | SportsCenter | |
| 12:AM :30 | Paid | Conducta | Law & Order: SVU | Ent | Pagado | (:07) Today | Bridget Jones: The | Light of the Southwest | | | | | | | | | | | |

DENNIS THE MENACE

6-5
"NOW THAT'S A WEB SITE."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane

6-5
"Mommy, which is closer to a 'yes' - 'maybe' or 'we'll see'?"

HAGAR

6-5
"DAD, HOW DO I KNOW IF SOMETHING IS RIGHT OR WRONG?"
"THAT'S EASY!"
"WHEN SOMETHING IS GOOD FOR YOU..."
"...IT'S RIGHT!"

BC

6-5
"JAKE IS GOING NUTS LOOKING FOR HIS BIRTHDAY PRESENT."
"WHERE DID YOU HIDE IT?"

WIZARD OF ID

6-5
"HELLO, MR. WIZARD. CAN YOU PLEASE HELP ME WITH MY HOMEWORK?"
"WHAT SUBJECT?"
"GEOMETRY."
"WELL, YOU SEE THIS HERE? THESE ZITS FORM A DOCECAHEDRON."
"PARKER."

BLONDIE

6-5
"ACCORDING TO THIS, JUNE IS A BETTER SLEEP MONTH."
"BETTER?? BUT I GET PERFECT SLEEP ANYWAY!!"
"NOW MY PROBLEM'S GONNA BE LOSING SLEEP WORRYING ABOUT GETTING BETTER SLEEP!!"
"2 APPARENTLY NOT TOO MUCH OF A PROBLEM."

AGNES

6-5
"AGNES, PLEASE TRY TO PAY ATTENTION."
"JUST A MINUTE, PLEASE."
"I DON'T KNOW IF YOU HEARD, BUT SCHOOL IS OUT AT THE END OF THE WEEK, AND MY SUMMER ITINERARY ISN'T JUST YET FLESHED OUT TO MY SATISFACTION."
"DON'T BOTHER TAKING YOUR FEET OFF THE DESK. I ALREADY SAW THE FLIP-FLOPS."
"PRINCIPAL"

HI AND LOIS

6-5
"DOT'S GONNA MARRY SOME BOY."
"THAT WON'T HAPPEN FOR AWHILE."
"ALL YOU TALK ABOUT IS MARRYING REGINALD."
"BUT HE HASN'T MET ME YET."

THE OTHER COAST

6-5
"I BET YOU'RE A TAURUS. I'M A SCORPIO, AND SCORPIOS ARE SENSITIVE TO STUFF LIKE THAT. WOW, YOU HAVE CUTE ANTENNAE..."
"TROUBLE AT THE BUG BAR"

SNUFFY SMITH

6-5
"WOW !! WHAT'S ALL THIS, LUKEY?"
"THAR GONNA BE PRESENTS !!"
"I'VE DECIDED TO MAKE MORE TIME FER MY FAMBLY !!"
"CLOCK KIT"

BETLE BAILEY

6-5
"HERE'S YOUR BOX OF CANDY"
"COSMO'S CORNER"
"AND HERE'S MY CHECK"
"SPECIAL TODAY: 10% OFF CANDY"
"GREG MOORE WALKER"
"CAN I SEE YOUR CHECKBOOK?"

This Date In History

Today is Thursday, June 5, the 156th day of 2014. There are 209 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On June 5, 2004, Ronald Wilson Reagan, the 40th president of the United States, died in Los Angeles at age 93 after a long struggle with Alzheimer's disease.

On this date:
In 1794, Congress passed the Neutrality Act, which prohibited Americans from taking part in any military action against a country

that was at peace with the United States.

In 1884, Civil War hero Gen. William T. Sherman refused the Republican presidential nomination, saying, "I will not accept if nominated and will not serve if elected."

In 1933, the United States went off the gold standard.

In 1947, Secretary of State George C. Marshall gave a speech at Harvard University in which he outlined an aid program for Europe that came to be known as The Marshall Plan.

In 1950, the U.S. Supreme Court, in *Henderson v. United States*, struck down racially segregated railroad dining cars.

In 1963, Britain's Secretary of State for War, John Profumo, resigned after acknowledging an affair with call girl Christine Keeler, who was also involved with a Soviet spy, and lying to Parliament about it.

In 1964, The Rolling Stones performed the first concert of their first U.S. tour at Swing Auditorium in San Bernardino, California.

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Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

HANDY FARE by Lonnie Burton
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Family dogs, for short
 - 5 Cantina offering
 - 10 Stoke, as a furnace
 - 14 Not home
 - 15 Polishing mineral
 - 16 Language of Pakistan
 - 17 Possible salad ingredients
 - 19 Square beside Marvin Gardens
 - 20 Casino honcho
 - 21 Winding
 - 23 Hunch over
 - 24 Buying binge
 - 27 Place to graze
 - 29 Ponder
 - 34 Actor Mineo
 - 37 Plow team
 - 39 Ancient artifact
 - 40 Fist, so to speak
 - 44 Pretty silly
 - 45 "It wasn't me"
 - 46 Ref's call
 - 47 Hawaiian observatory site
 - 49 Mac alternatives
 - 52 Toy truck maker
 - 54 47 Across outflow
 - 58 With great care
 - 62 World's tallest tree
 - 64 River through Wheeling
 - 65 Hors d'oeuvres, for instance
 - 68 In-your-face
 - 69 Horrendous

- DOWN**
- 1 Scandinavian nomads
 - 2 Look forward to
 - 3 Md.'s largest city
 - 4 Emblem
 - 5 Casual wear
 - 6 Accumulate
 - 7 According to
 - 8 Finesse
 - 9 Methodical way
 - 10 Kodak rival
 - 11 Long stretches
 - 12 Make more readable, maybe
 - 13 As authorized
 - 18 Optimistic outlook
 - 22 Outlandish
 - 25 Laundry step
 - 26 Come after
 - 28 Huffington Post owner
 - 30 Freshly made
 - 31 Landed
 - 32 Check mark
 - 33 Repeat
 - 34 Turn pages quickly
 - 35 Heroine for Eugene or Leo
 - 36 Party with poi
 - 38 Gas in some headlights
 - 41 *Crossfire* ailer
 - 42 "Ode to Psyche" poet
 - 43 Just beat
 - 48 Natural sponge
 - 50 USCG officer
 - 51 Felt best
 - 53 Contend verbally
 - 55 Christmas carol bird
 - 56 Dinero
 - 57 Venomous snake
 - 58 Biopic starring Kutcher
 - 59 Cry after a spill
 - 60 Corn Belt tower
 - 61 Ruckus
 - 63 Marine predators
 - 66 ___ Jima
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| American League | | | | |
| East Division | | | | |
| W | L | Pct | GB | |
| Toronto | 36 | 24 | .600 | — |
| Baltimore | 30 | 27 | .526 | 4½ |
| New York | 29 | 29 | .500 | 6 |
| Boston | 27 | 31 | .466 | 8 |
| Tampa Bay | 23 | 37 | .383 | 13 |
| Central Division | | | | |
| W | L | Pct | GB | |
| Detroit | 31 | 24 | .564 | — |
| Chicago | 30 | 30 | .500 | 3½ |
| Cleveland | 29 | 30 | .492 | 4 |
| Minnesota | 28 | 29 | .491 | 4 |
| Kansas City | 28 | 31 | .475 | 5 |
| West Division | | | | |
| W | L | Pct | GB | |
| Oakland | 37 | 22 | .627 | — |
| Los Angeles | 31 | 27 | .534 | 5½ |
| Seattle | 31 | 28 | .525 | 6 |
| Texas | 29 | 30 | .492 | 8 |
| Houston | 25 | 35 | .417 | 12½ |
| Wednesday's Games | | | | |
| Seattle 2, Atlanta 0 | | | | |
| Oakland 7, N.Y. Yankees 4 | | | | |
| Boston at Cleveland, 7:05 p.m. | | | | |
| Toronto 8, Detroit 2 | | | | |
| Miami 5, Tampa Bay 4 | | | | |
| Baltimore 6, Texas 5 | | | | |
| L.A. Angels 4, Houston 0 | | | | |
| Minnesota 6, Milwaukee 4 | | | | |
| St. Louis 5, Kansas City 2, 11 innings | | | | |
| ChiSox at L.A., late | | | | |
| Thursday's Games | | | | |
| Oakland (Pomeranz 5-2) at N.Y. Yankees (Tanaka 8-1), 1:05 p.m. | | | | |
| Toronto (Happ 4-2) at Detroit (Verlander 6-4), 1:08 p.m. | | | | |
| Miami (Ja.Turner 1-3) at Tampa Bay (Odorizzi 2-5), 4:10 p.m. | | | | |
| L.A. Angels (Skaggs 4-3) at Houston (Peacock 1-4), 7:10 p.m. | | | | |
| Baltimore (Tillman 5-2) at Texas (Lewis 4-4), 8:05 p.m. | | | | |
| Milwaukee (W.Peralta 4-5) at Minnesota (Correia 2-6), 8:10 p.m. | | | | |
| St. Louis (Wacha 4-3) at Kansas City (Ventura 2-5), 8:10 p.m. | | | | |
| National League | | | | |
| East Division | | | | |
| W | L | Pct | GB | |
| Atlanta | 31 | 27 | .534 | — |
| Miami | 31 | 28 | .525 | ½ |
| Washington | 28 | 28 | .500 | 2 |
| New York | 28 | 31 | .475 | 3½ |
| Philadelphia | 24 | 32 | .429 | 6 |
| Central Division | | | | |
| W | L | Pct | GB | |
| Milwaukee | 35 | 25 | .583 | — |
| St. Louis | 31 | 29 | .517 | 4 |
| Pittsburgh | 28 | 31 | .475 | 6½ |
| Cincinnati | 27 | 30 | .474 | 6½ |
| Chicago | 22 | 34 | .393 | 11 |
| West Division | | | | |
| W | L | Pct | GB | |
| San Francisco | 38 | 21 | .644 | — |
| Los Angeles | 31 | 29 | .517 | 7½ |
| Colorado | 28 | 29 | .491 | 9 |
| San Diego | 27 | 33 | .450 | 11½ |
| Arizona | 24 | 36 | .400 | 14½ |
| Wednesday's Games | | | | |
| Seattle 2, Atlanta 0 | | | | |
| San Diego 3, Pittsburgh 2 | | | | |
| Miami 5, Tampa Bay 4 | | | | |
| San Francisco 3, Cincinnati 2 | | | | |
| Chicago Cubs 5, N.Y. Mets 4 | | | | |
| Minnesota 6, Milwaukee 4 | | | | |
| St. Louis 5, Kansas City 2, 11 innings | | | | |
| Arizona at Colorado, late | | | | |
| Thursday's Games | | | | |
| San Francisco (Bumgarner 7-3) at Cincinnati (Leake 3-4), 12:35 p.m. | | | | |
| Philadelphia (K.Kendrick 1-5) at Washington (Fister 3-1), 4:05 p.m. | | | | |
| Miami (Ja.Turner 1-3) at Tampa Bay (Odorizzi 2-5), 4:10 p.m. | | | | |
| N.Y. Mets (deGrom 0-2) at Chicago Cubs (T.Wood 5-5), 7:05 p.m. | | | | |
| Milwaukee (W.Peralta 4-5) at Minnesota (Correia 2-6), 8:10 p.m. | | | | |
| St. Louis (Wacha 4-3) at Kansas City (Ventura 2-5), 8:10 p.m. | | | | |
| Arizona (Arroyo 4-4) at Colorado (Nicasio 5-3), 8:40 p.m. | | | | |
| Texas League | | | | |
| North Division | | | | |
| W | L | Pct | GB | |
| Tulsa | 32 | 25 | .561 | — |
| Arkansas | 28 | 29 | .491 | 4 |
| Springfield | 27 | 31 | .466 | 5½ |
| NW Arkansas | 19 | 38 | .333 | 13 |

Astros have top pick for 3rd year in a row

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Astros figure they added two players who can be future cornerstones of their franchise with the overall No. 1 pick in the last two Major League Baseball drafts. Tonight, they'll have a chance to add another impact player when they once again have the top selection. But after three 100-plus loss seasons, they are not interested in having the pick of the draft next season. "That is our aspiration," general manager Jeff Luhnow said. They used their first No. 1 pick on high school shortstop Carlos Correa and chose Stanford pitcher Mark Appel first last season. Houston amateur scouting director Mike Elias said earlier this

week that they don't know who they'll take with the selection, but that they had narrowed it down to six or seven players. While it's an exciting process for Luhnow and his staff, he certainly feels the pressure to get it right. "You need to hit on 1-1," Luhnow said. "It's critical because it's a big investment." A few years ago, the Astros had one of the worst farm systems

in the majors. The restocking began by trading away their veterans and continued with the draft. Now their minor league system is consistently ranked among the best in baseball. "I think it's a great opportunity for our organization to continue to take steps in right direction," Luhnow said of the draft. "These players we've taken in the last couple of years of the draft have really

bolstered our farm system. They're a big reason why our farm system is one of the best in baseball right now." Correa and Appel are Houston's top two prospects and Correa is rated by Baseball America as the seventh prospect in all of baseball. Correa is hitting .328 with five homers and 49 RBIs in Single-A Lancaster. Appel has had some setbacks and is currently in extended spring training in Florida.

Ogando goes to DL with elbow condition

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The Texas Rangers placed reliever Alexi Ogando on the 15-day disabled list Wednesday because of inflammation in his right elbow and recalled left-handed reliever Aaron Poreda from Triple-A Round

Rock. Ogando gave up two hits and three earned runs in a third of an inning in an 8-3 loss to Baltimore on Tuesday. The right-hander reported soreness in his elbow after throwing only 11 pitches in his first out-

ing in five days. A former starter who began his career as a reliever, Ogando is 2-3 with a 6.84 ERA in 27 relief appearances this season. Poreda was 2-0 with a 3.38 ERA in 15 appearances.

NBA

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Antonio is considered a slight favorite this time, perhaps a little deeper, healthier and better than it was last year, and owning the home-court advantage this time. The Spurs don't need to change much to change the result. They outscored the Heat 684-679 over seven games, and there were 47 ties and 42 lead changes, according to STATS. "If you look at the numbers, the lead changes, the ties and the points in that series, it's almost even," James said. "So we did our part, they did their part."

He then missed a shot and follow attempt from right in front of the basket in the final minute of Game 7 with San Antonio trailing by two. Not even getting back to the finals again with the league's best record can make him forget. "It lasts. I have a very good memory, especially for my misses and losses. You keep those, you learn from them and you hope to change them next time," Duncan said. "That stuck with me and obviously it's always in the back of my mind, and every time I see anything to do with that, it pops right back in."

about the last couple. "Last year is last year and we're excited about it, but this trophy this year belongs to nobody," James said. "It's up for grabs." Both teams have reason to think they will win it. Wade is much healthier than last year, when he needed extensive treatment before Game 7, and the Heat have been able to get him extra rest by losing just three games in the

first three rounds. The Spurs' Manu Ginobili is also in much better shape this year and Patty Mills has emerged as an effective point guard off the bench, giving San Antonio options if Parker is slowed by the sore left ankle that knocked him out of Game 6 of the Western Conference finals. It's the sixth finals for the Spurs since 1999 and Miami's fifth in nine years.

Both teams put themselves in a position to win an NBA championship, and we just happened to make one or two more plays to win it." Duncan, a three-time NBA Finals MVP who had been 4 for 4 at this stage, wasn't on the floor when the Spurs couldn't come up with a rebound just before Allen's shot.

James had similar regrets in his first finals with Miami in 2011, but it's been all smiles since. The Heat are the first team to play in four straight finals since Boston from 1984-87, and can become the first three-time champion since the Lakers more than a decade ago. But their focus is only on winning the next title, not reminiscing



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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

The Grand Slam Force

South dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♥ A K J
♦ Q 6 4 2
♣ A K Q 5
♠ A 5

WEST
♦ 7 5 4 2
♥ J
♠ 10 8 4 3
♣ 10 9 7 3

EAST
♦ 10 8 6 3
♥ K 9 5
♦ 9 7 2
♣ 8 6 2

SOUTH
♠ Q 9
♥ A 10 8 7 3
♦ J 6
♣ K Q J 4

The bidding:
South West North East
1♥ Pass 3♦ Pass
3♥ Pass 4NT Pass
5♦ Pass 5NT Pass
6♦ Pass 7♥

Opening lead — ten of clubs.

those cards. How, then, would you try to find out precisely what his trump holding is?

Through the years, several different methods have been developed to answer questions like this, but certainly one of the simplest (and oldest) is the Grand Slam Force. In response to one heart, you jump to five notrump, commanding South to bid seven hearts if he holds two of the top three trump honors. With only one of them, he bids six hearts.

The convention would have kept North-South out of a very poor grand slam on this deal. North would have learned of a potential trump loser and would have signed off at six. By using Blackwood for kings, as he did, North found out that his partner had one king, but, not knowing which one it was, he gambled that it was the king of hearts.

After recovering from the initial shock brought on by the gaping hole in his trump suit, South did what any conscientious declarer would do: He asked himself if there was any lie of the cards that would allow him to avoid a trump loser. He could see only one possibility, and he played for it.

After winning the opening club lead in dummy, he led the queen of hearts. East covered with the king — it would not have helped him to duck — and South took the ace, felling West's jack. A subsequent trump finesse trapped East's nine, and the slam came rolling home.

Tomorrow: Opening-lead quiz.

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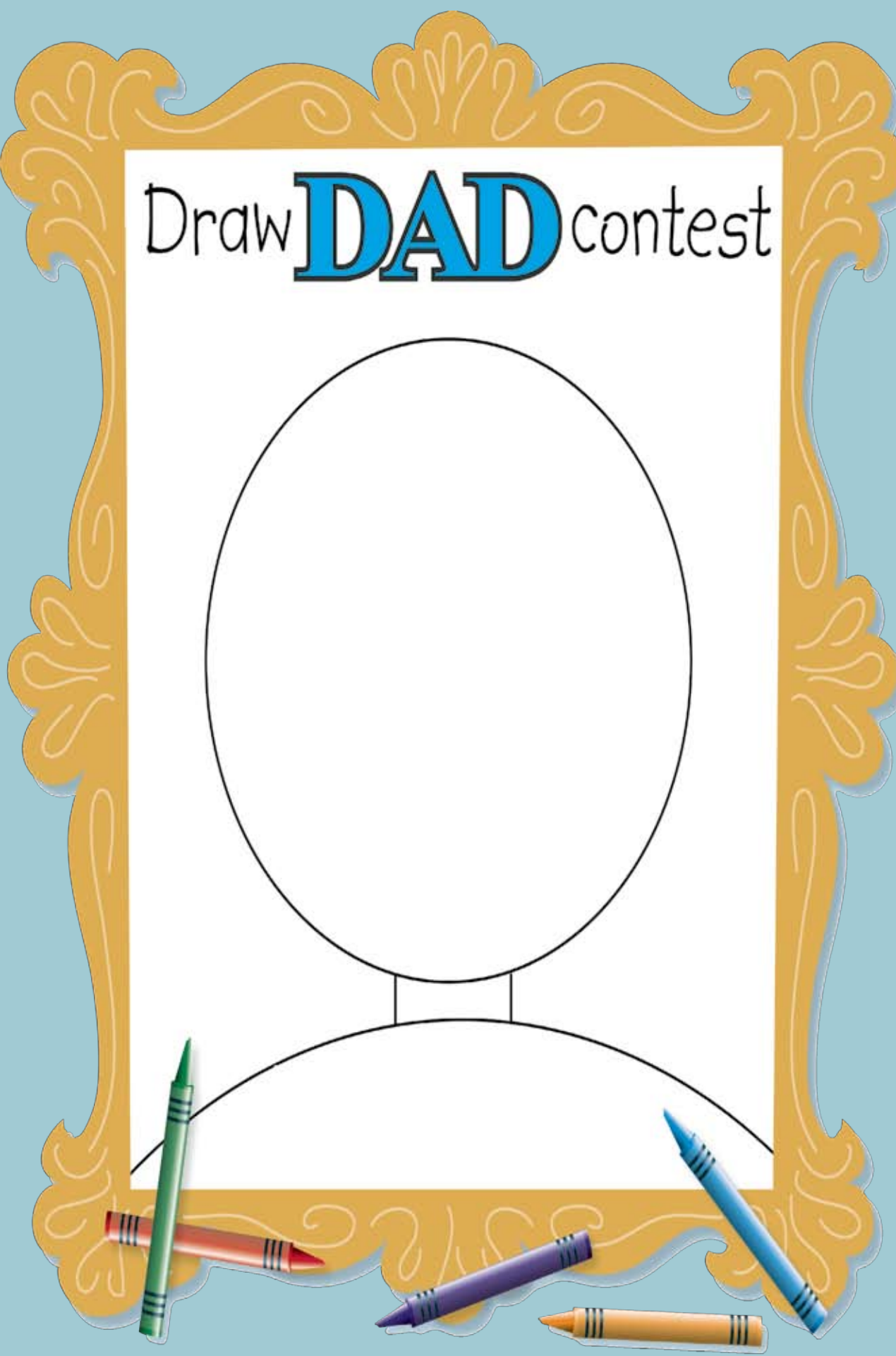
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