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For Sale: County looking to sell some property

By **STEVE REAGAN**

Staff Writer

Howard County officials are moving forward with plans to sell some property to outside commercial interests.

When they meet Monday, commissioners will discuss the pending sale of county owned property in north Big

Spring. The property, currently the site for the county road and bridge department, is located just west of Lamesa Highway and south of Interstate 20.

No details of the pending sale have been released, but county officials, who have been negotiating this deal

for months, said the property will likely become the new home for a motel.

The commissioners' meeting will convene at 10 a.m. Monday in the third floor courtroom of the Howard County Courthouse.

In other business, commissioners will consider:

- Public hearing and possible vote on establishment of a reinvestment zone.

- Tax abatements.
- An agreement with the city of Big Spring concerning emergency ambulance service in the county.

- A budget work session.
- The retirement plan as-

essment for 2015.

- Invoices, purchase requests and budget amendments.
- Personnel matters.

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 235 or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

Grass fire said started by kids with fireworks

By **LYNDEL MOODY**

Staff Writer

A grass fire Thursday afternoon that threatened some residential houses was caused by children playing with fireworks, according to Big Spring Fire Department officials.

The firefighters responded to the call at 3:10 p.m. Thursday of a grass fire in an undeveloped area of land between Wasson Road and Thorpe streets. Homes along Clanton and Apache streets were threatened until firefighters were able to get control of the fire, which was about an hour after responding, said Fire Chief Craig Ferguson.

The fire was extinguished by 6:18 p.m., according to a press release from the fire department. Firefighters stayed on the scene to watch and extinguish hot spots until 8:24 p.m. when the area was officially cleared. The fire burned approximately 10 acres, the release reports.

Fire suppression vehicles and three command staff vehicles responded, including units from the Howard County Volunteer Fire Department, the release reports.

Anyone with information



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Cody Rosenbaum helps control Thursday's grass fire. However, local officials are cautioning residents to stay out of danger and allow firefighters to battle fires.

regarding this fire is asked to contact Crime Stoppers at 263-8477 or the Big Spring Fire Marshal's office at 264-2305.

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



HERALD photo/Andreia Medlin

The Big Spring Kid's Triathlon, part of the USA Triathlon SouthMidWest region youth series, took place at the McEwen Aquatic Center in the Comanche Trail Park Saturday. Youth ages 7 through 15 from a four-state area competed for points toward the series championship. All finishers received a finisher's medal and the top three in each age group received place awards.

Council caps water service outside city limits

By **STEVE REAGAN**

Staff Writer

The city of Big Spring is limiting the number of customers living outside the city limits who receive water service.

During their Tuesday meeting, the city council approved an ordinance that effectively put a cap on the number of residents outside Big Spring's city limits who receive water from municipal sources.

Citing the escalating cost of providing water and the strain on its delivery sys-

tem, the city will not grant any new requests for water services to homes outside the corporate limits of Big Spring. The ordinance will not effect those who were receiving service as of July 1.

"We're not going to cut off anybody's existing water service," said a city official who declined to be identified. "We're just not going to open any more taps outside the city limits."

Population growth and an increasing demand for water service were the major reasons for the city's action, the officials said.

"As the city has grown, the demand for water service has put a real strain on some of our system," the official said.

The official was unable to estimate how many out-of-city customers currently receive water service.

For more information, contact city hall at 264-2401.

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 235 or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

FISD super to receive informal evaluation

By **LYNDEL MOODY**

Staff Writer

FORSAN — Trustees with the Forsan Independent School District will conduct an informal, six-month evaluation of Superintendent Randy Johnson when the board meets Monday.

Although Johnson receives an official written evaluation in January each year, he said

this unofficial review gives trustees an opportunity to clear up any issues that may be brewing.

"We've been doing this for the past five years," Johnson said. "This gives the board an opportunity to visit with me and address some concerns they may have."

Trustees will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the boardroom, 411 W. Sixth St., Forsan.

In other business, trustees will hear an update on the 2014-2015 budget process, financial reports and current construction updates of the multi-million dollar bond project to upgrade the secondary campus and build a new elementary school adjacent to the high school/junior high campus.

Johnson reports major progress has been made to

the secondary campus, including work on a safety vestibule by the school's entrance. Concrete work for the new elementary school is expected to begin by early- to mid-August, Johnson said.

Also on the agenda, trustees will consider:

- A joint tax collection agreement.

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Obituaries

Warren Willborn



Warren Willborn, 74, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, July 9, 2014, at his residence. Graveside services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, July 14, 2014, at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born Nov. 3, 1939, in Big Spring and was a lifelong resident. He had worked as a ginner, an auto mechanic and a welder.

He is survived by his mother, Louise Willborn of Lubbock; one brother, Brice Willborn and wife Janis of Bridge City; one sister, Carolyn Martin and husband Fred of Lubbock; four children, Sherry Barclay and husband Clay and Doug McDonald and wife Sandra, all of Midland, Ricky Creswell and wife Lynn and Robbie Creswell and wife Shannon, all of Big Spring; nine grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father, Gerald Willborn; and a daughter, Sandy Allen.

The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 2121, Big Spring, Texas 79721-2121.

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

Police blotter

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

- LAURA LEUNA YANEZ, 35, of 1313 Kindle, was arrested Friday on charge of public intoxication.
- SAMANTHA BELLE SCHOLES, 30, of 3304 W. Highway 80 no. 15, was arrested Friday on a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.
- KENNETH WAYNE PHILLIPS JR., 21, of 906 Runnels, was arrested Friday on three warrants from another agency.
- JIMMY WASHINGTON BRANNAN, 32, of 1601 Meadow, was arrested Friday on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- CHRISTOPHER RYAN COLEGROVE, 22, of 1108 Lamar, was arrested Friday on charges of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram and injury to a child with intent to cause bodily injury.
- JACKIE LOYD MURPHREE, 21, of 1904 E. 25th St., was arrested Friday on a warrant for harassment.
- EYNAR GUTIERREZ, 26, unknown address, was arrested Saturday on charges of evading arrest/detention using vehicle, failure of identify giving false/fictitious information and driving while intoxicated 2nd offense.
- KIMBERLY MICHELE WADDELL, 28, of 505 MN. 1st St., was arrested Saturday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY reported at the 2000 block of W. FM 700.

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

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

TUESDAY

• 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 kerriroosenbaum9488@msn.com

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

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

• 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. Flexible payment options.

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• The Young and the Breastless of Big Spring meets every first Thursday at 11:30 a.m. at Brooklyn's Deli in the Spring Town Plaza. This is a support group for breast cancer survivors.

Today's Weather

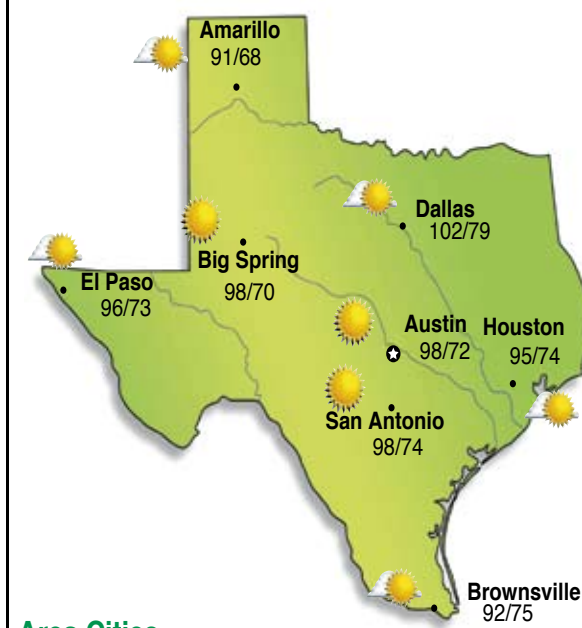
Local 5-Day Forecast

Sun 7/13	Mon 7/14	Tue 7/15	Wed 7/16	Thu 7/17
98/70 Sunny skies. High 98F. Winds SSE at 10 to 15 mph.	98/73 Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the low 70s.	96/72 Isolated thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.	98/69 Partly cloudy with a stray thunderstorm.	86/66 Scattered thunderstorms possible.
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Texas At A Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	99	74	mst sunny	Kingsville	96	73	pt sunny
Amarillo	91	68	mst sunny	Livingston	93	73	mst sunny
Austin	98	72	sunny	Longview	98	75	mst sunny
Beaumont	91	73	t-storm	Lubbock	95	70	mst sunny
Brownsville	92	75	mst sunny	Lufkin	98	74	mst sunny
Brownwood	99	70	sunny	Midland	96	70	sunny
Corpus Christi	92	77	sunny	Raymondville	94	75	sunny
Corsicana	100	76	mst sunny	Rosenberg	96	73	pt sunny
Dallas	102	79	mst sunny	San Antonio	98	74	sunny
Del Rio	98	75	sunny	San Marcos	99	72	sunny
El Paso	96	73	mst sunny	Sulphur Springs	100	76	pt sunny
Fort Stockton	96	68	sunny	Sweetwater	98	73	sunny
Gainesville	101	75	sunny	Tyler	97	76	mst sunny
Greenville	100	76	sunny	Weatherford	100	75	mst sunny
Houston	95	74	mst sunny	Wichita Falls	102	76	sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	91	73	pt sunny	Minneapolis	75	56	mst sunny
Boston	86	70	windy	New York	82	73	t-storm
Chicago	85	61	rain	Phoenix	105	81	mst sunny
Dallas	102	79	mst sunny	San Francisco	62	53	pt sunny
Denver	82	59	t-storm	Seattle	90	64	pt sunny
Houston	95	74	mst sunny	St. Louis	88	68	t-storm
Los Angeles	84	68	mst sunny	Washington, DC	94	75	t-storm
Miami	86	78	t-storm				

Moon Phases



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Oil and gas regulator chairman makes fracking plea

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — The head of the agency that regulates the oil and gas industry in Texas is asking officials of Denton in North Texas to withhold support from a grass-roots petition advocating a ban on hydraulic fracturing within the city limits.

The university town sits on the Barnett Shale, believed to hold one of the largest natural gas reserves in the U.S.

Barry Smitherman, chairman of the Texas Railroad Commission, called the measure “essentially a ban on drilling” that is “extremely misguided,” in a letter Thursday addressed to Denton Mayor Chris Watts and the City Council.

“If other cities were to follow your lead, then we could poten-

tially, one day, see a ban on drilling” in Texas, Smitherman wrote.

City leaders temporarily halted fracking as they consider making their city the first in the state to permanently ban the practice.

The temporary ban does not apply to the 275 currently active gas wells in Denton, and likewise, a permanent ban would only prevent any additional fracking from taking place, the petition’s organizers have said.

“They can keep drilling, they just can’t frack,” said Cathy McMullen, a leader of the Denton Drilling Awareness Group, which submitted the petition.

Fracking involves blasting a mix of water, sand and an assort-

ment of chemicals deep into underground rock formations to free oil and gas. The method has long stirred concerns about its effect on air and water quality.

Industry proponents argue that fracking can be done safely and is cleaner than other forms of energy extraction.

The Denton City Council plans a July 15 public hearing, and Watts says the letter will be added to the public record.

“We’re receiving a lot of literature from both sides of the issue,” Watts said.

Even if the council rejects the ban, Denton voters could still vote on it in November.

Smitherman lost an attorney general’s race in March’s Republican primary.

Iraqi authorities say Kurdish forces have taken over 2 oil fields near northern city of Kirkuk

BAGHDAD (AP) — Kurdish security forces took over two major oil fields outside the disputed northern city of Kirkuk before dawn Friday and said they would use some of the production for domestic purposes, further widening a split with the central government of Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki.

The takeover of the Bai Hassan and Kirkuk oil fields were the latest land grabs by Kurds, who have responded to the Sunni militant insurgency that has overrun large parts of Iraq by seizing territory of their own, effectively expanding the Kurdish autonomous zone in the north. Those moves have infuriated al-Maliki’s government while stoking independence sentiment among the Kurds.

Kurdish fighters known as peshmerga pushed into the city of Kirkuk, a major hub for the oil industry in the north, and the surrounding area weeks ago in the early days of the Sunni militant blitz. But until now they had not moved into the oil fields in the area. On Friday, however, the fighters took over the Bai Hassan and Kirkuk fields and expelled local workers, the Oil Ministry in Baghdad said.

Obama relishes roadshow, but agenda still stuck

WASHINGTON (AP) — Welcome to Barack Obama’s split-screen presidency.

On one side: a confident Obama making campaign-style stops around the country and ridiculing his political opponents to the delight of cheering supporters. On the other side: an increasingly unpopular president hobbled by a gridlock on Capitol Hill and a steady stream of vexing foreign policy crises.

Obama has long sought refuge outside of Washington when his frustrations with the nation’s capital reach a boiling point. But his ability to rally public support in a way that results in progress for his legislative agenda has perhaps never been weaker than it is as he nears the midpoint of his second term.

To the White House, the take-away is that Washington — and the Republican Party in particular — is out of touch with the American people and failing to address their priorities. But to GOP leaders, Obama’s activities in a midterm election year reinforce their view of a

president more focused on soaring speeches and partisan politics than on working toward compromise solutions to the nation’s problems.

Each side has at least some evidence to support their case.

Many Americans are indeed deeply frustrated with Washington’s inability to get anything done. Polls show majorities want to see action on some of Obama’s proposals, including increasing the minimum wage and overhauling the immigration system. Yet Obama’s own approval rating has fallen to the lowest levels of his presidency. And with his party at risk of losing control of the Senate, the president has ramped up his fundraising for the midterms and taken on a sharply partisan tone when voicing his frustration with Republicans.

During a speech Thursday in Austin, Texas — a Democratic enclave in a GOP-leaning state — Obama berated Republicans for, by his account, failing to act on “every serious idea” he’s put forth this year.

“The best you can say for them this year is that so far they have not shut down the government,” he said. “That’s the best you can say. But of course, it’s only July so who knows what they may cook up in the next few months.”

Egged on by a raucous and supportive crowd, Obama slipped deeper into campaign mode, leaning into the podium, responding to commentary from the audience and slipping into the familiar campaign language of his presidential bids. “Cynicism is a choice. Hope is a better choice,” he declared.

The president still pays lip service to the idea of being willing to work with Republicans, but his advisers privately acknowledge that they have low expectations that there will be any bursts of bipartisan productivity in Washington this year.

Comprehensive immigration legislation is going nowhere this year, with the matter complicated even further by the humanitarian crisis at the U.S.-Mexico border. A bill to increase the minimum

wage stalled in the Democratic-controlled Senate. And there’s barely even a mention of working on gun control or climate change legislation, two areas that were at the top of Obama’s priority list when he began his second term.

Obama’s domestic stalemate with Republicans has been compounded by a flurry of international crises, including Russian provocations in Ukraine and a fast-moving Islamic insurgency that’s threatening to upend U.S. military progress in Iraq.

The result has been a dip in Obama’s approval rating to the low 40s.

The president’s trips outside of Washington — or even just stops outside the White House — have become something of a coping mechanism. He’s taken to walking to and from events close to the White House, albeit with Secret Service agents and journalists trailing him closely. In between fundraisers and speeches in Colorado and Texas this week, Obama made time to drop by local restaurants for pizza

and barbeque, as well as play a game of pool and have a beer with Colorado Gov. John Hickenlooper.

Almost all of these types of events are planned by the White House, though not publicly announced before the president’s arrival. And the White House’s increasing reliance on such events as a way to garner attention opened the president up to ridicule from Republicans when after he declared in Texas that he wasn’t going to take a first-hand look at the humanitarian crisis at the Texas border because he was “not interested in photo ops.”

“Obama’s presidency has been defined by photo-ops and political theater,” said Kevin Madden, a Republican strategist who advised

Obama’s 2012 presidential rival, Mitt Romney. “Every time he’s gotten in trouble, he’s sought to seize the airwaves or the podium to try to frame his crisis negatively.”

White House officials insist the president is simply trying to reconnect with Americans and show them that someone in Washington is looking out for their interests.

“A presidential appearance somewhere sends a very important message about the president’s priorities,” White House spokesman Josh Earnest said.

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• Submitting a nomination to the Howard County Appraisal District board to fill a vacant position.

• Reports by the secondary and elementary campus principals.

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DAILY PRAYER

Thank you, Lord, for the full moon which reminds us of your majesty.

Amen

Ann Houser taught private piano lessons in Big Spring. She was a tyrant.

She thought all of her students would one day become concert pianists and be popular the world over. She was well known throughout the state. When Ferrante and Teicher, the famous piano duo, came to Big Spring for a concert, they ended up at Ann's house and played until the wee hours for a few invited guests.

My wife Susan took lessons from Ann. "I was not her best student," says Susan. "She and my mom were friends and they both expected more from me. I felt I was under pressure all the time to play better. Once, at a recital, I got to play a duet with a friend of mine who was an exceptional piano player. Ann Houser complimented me on my playing. It was such a special moment I'll always remember it. Once, when my parents were out of town, I

spent the night at Ann's house and learned she was a real human being, not just a demanding teacher."

Ann's daughter, Susan Houser Brinegar, is a musician and has made appearances in Europe. She is also an artist whose paintings are on display in homes, galleries and museums around the country. Susan lives in Phoenix now and enjoys telling stories about her mother, who at one time lived in a tent in the oil patch near Forsan.

"My dad wanted her to have a little more upbeat life than just sitting in a tent. So he put a wooden floor in the tent and had glass beads hanging down to separate the rooms. He bought cheap Persian-like rugs to put down and he bought her a piano. So she spent her days and evenings playing the piano. Dad would sometimes work the night shift. So she would play all night and then fix breakfast for him the next morning and they would go to sleep.

"Once, while Dad was working, Mom was playing some Chopin at about two or three o'clock in the morning. She heard a car drive up and she

wondered why is Ed, my father, getting home early from the oil field. So she went to the door and walking up was this man. His wife was sitting in the car.

"He told my mom, 'we are totally lost. We're in the middle of an oil field and we don't know how to get out of it. And I could not believe it when I heard Chopin's music coming from a tent in the middle of an oil field. Was that you?'

"My mom replied that it was indeed she who was playing the piano. The man commented on how beautiful it was. My mom thanked him and told the man, 'my husband will help you out of the oil field but he won't be home until morning. Would you like to come in?'

"So they went inside, she fixed them coffee and she played for them the rest of the night. When morning came, she fixed breakfast for them when Dad came home and they left, saying they would always remember Texas because of hearing Chopin in an oil field."

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Where strawberries are king

In 1949, when Stilwell, Oklahoma's "Strawberry Festival" was just one year old, crooners were applauded when they cut loose with Dear Hearts and Gentle People. They got extra points if referencing their own hometowns or the communities where they were appearing at the time.

One such singer was Gene Autry. They "whooped and hollered" in his hometown that was named four times before they got it right — "Gene Autry, OK," 200 crowd-flight miles from Stilwell.

The song was "tailor-made" for Stilwell, too, where values remain strong, cooperation still is underscored, neighborliness is commonplace and every kitchen is bulging with recipes calling for strawberries....

Oklahoma became a state and Adair became a county in 1907, but the town of Stilwell was thriving a decade earlier, when visionary and committed citizens laid groundwork for churches, schools and civic undertakings.

Members of the Kiwanis Club kicked off the "Strawberry Festival" in 1948. It has expanded every year since, now boasting "wow" participation and far-flung notoriety. The Kiwanians still sponsor it, but now have additional help, what with hordes of people descending on the second Saturday in May for "all things strawberry."

They parade, crown a queen and kick up heels with much merry-making in the town of 4,000.

And "hordes" will have to do,

because accurate attendance numbers are hard to come by. Conservative estimates are 20,000, some claim 30,000 and a few "upwards of 40,000." Whatever, the one motel in a town with five traffic lights in the foothills of the Ozarks can't begin to accommodate the masses. Folks with extra beds in Stilwell and Adair County wind up hosting relatives they didn't know they had.

Puts me in mind of Brownwood, Texas, my hometown. In May, 1948, it hosted the State Democratic Convention. Hotels and tourist courts displayed "no vacancy" signs early on.

Front page appeals in the Brownwood Bulletin urged residents to "sleep Democrats at your house." (Later in the year, Lyndon B. Johnson became the Democratic candidate for the U.S. Senate.)

Shortly after leaving the presidency, LBJ spoke in Brownwood at a luncheon honoring the late Coach Gordon Wood. The president smiled at mention of the long-ago convention, where the expression "politics make strange bedfellows" was revived.

I digress. I've a strong hunch that Stilwell folks have a "tried and true recipe" with ingredients for happiness. They know that true contentment comes from giving back. An example is the Adair County Historical and Genealogical Association, whose volunteers have led the renovation of the old railroad depot.

Stilwell folk recognize the importance of reaching both forward and back, claiming what is new and better without tossing aside time-honored principles.

They care, they work and they believe that the same God who has intervened in the affairs of man throughout history is still in charge.

It is a community that believes in itself. Long before the Oklahoma Legislature in 1949 decreed Stilwell to be the "Strawberry Capital of the World," the Democrat Journal was chronicling community goings-on.

The newspaper itself is an institution, publishing weekly editions since 1898.

It has grown up with the town. Brothers Keith and Darrell Neale have been in tandem for most of their adult years, the former editing the Democrat Journal where he's worked 35 years, and the latter the Westville Reporter, a dozen miles away.

Stilwell newspaper distribution is unique. They print about 5,000 copies, with some 500 mailed to subscribers. The rest are sold in businesses around the area.

For almost 40 years, most sales are credited to a person "hawking" papers four hours each week. At least 400 and sometimes 600 copies are sold to motorists passing by the newspaper office.

It's a Wednesday morning habit for many. Don Duke held the job for 16 years, even when he was on oxygen. Another man with bad eyesight got too close to a car, resulting in a crushed foot.

Many jokes are told about small towns.

Reality suggests, however, that many youngsters who can't wait to leave home in a few years are eager for opportunities allowing them to return.

In Stilwell, hearts are still dear, people are still gentle and community pride is very much alive.

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Odds & Ends

Popping truck's hood yields scaly surprise

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) — When a woman's pickup stalled on a street in Santa Fe, N.M., local chef Jackson Ault stopped to lend a hand.

Ault and the driver both ended up with a surprise when Ault popped the hood and found a brown and yellow python slithering across the engine block.

A police lieutenant retrieved the 20-pound snake.

The python was taken to the Santa Fe Animal Shelter, where spokesman Ben Swan says the reptile has minor injuries.

Police say the snake likely crawled into the pickup at the motorist's home several blocks from where the vehicle stalled.

Kodiak, Alaska, has most expensive haircut in U.S.

KODIAK, Alaska (AP) — If you've seen a lot of long-haired men on Alaska's Kodiak Island, this might be the reason.

A new study finds the city of Kodiak has the priciest men's haircut in the nation, on average at \$26.67 a cut. The national average is \$13.95.

The figure is included in a state Labor Department report comparing cost of living data for more than 300 cities.

There is, however, a silver lining for those Kodiak men who are embarrassed by their long locks and want to hide in a dark place.

The report says Kodiak has the most inexpensive movie ticket in Alaska, at \$6 on average. That's well below the average ticket price of \$10.68 in Anchorage.

Whoops! Police say tow truck tried to snag cop car

SALEM, Ore. (AP) — Authorities arrested the owner of Whoops Towing as he tried to haul off an undercover police car in Oregon.

Michael Alan Selmer, 35, of Falls City, who has spent much of the past decade in prison over several scams, was taken into custody after police got reports that a towing business was operating without a certificate, posting impound warning signs in parking lots, and using a spotter to generate tows, authorities said.

Police say they parked the unmarked vehicle as part of the investigation then arrested Selmer when he showed up in the tow truck.

He was booked on suspicion of failure to register as a sex offender and violating parole terms. Selmer was convicted in 2008 after posing as a firefighter, paramedic and as someone who ran an ambulance company.

WALKING THE RED ROAD

Freedom and independence

Part 2 - Native Americans as new Americans

In my last article, I told of how Native Americans helped to form a new America, the United States of America. Or actually a new nation comprised of many nations. I will pick up where I left off, around the start of the 20th Century.



RANDY A. MCKINNEY

The United States went to war again, this time in Europe, entering World War I.

Just as they had in 1812, Native Americans came to the aid of the United States, their new nation. Not just Cherokee this time, but from many tribes. Native Americans joined the armed forces.

Now it may seem strange that a people would willingly fight for the nation that had conquered their own. There are two main reasons for this. One; Native Americans had accepted their role as new Americans. Two; Native Americans came from a culture of warriors.

Every man was expected to become a warrior. Since they no longer made war on each other or the United States, there was no way to earn their status as a warrior. By joining the military,

they could become warriors. Many Native Americans fought for the United States in World War I. Many stories were told about how brave and fierce they were in battle. It was their nature.

Around this same time, skyscrapers were being built in the big cities of the north. Native Americans became steel workers — many of them from the Iroquois Nation. They were good at working the high steel. Once again, because of their nature, they were fearless.

Many high steel workers today are Native Americans, carrying on a family and tribal tradition, carrying on the ways of their people, keeping tradition and heritage alive in a new time and a new nation.

Once again, the United States went to war, not just in Europe but in the Pacific. Many more Native Americans joined the military. Many playing very important roles.

In the South Pacific, the Marine Corps had the code talkers — Navaho radio operators using a coded version of the Navaho language. The Japanese never were able to break the code.

When the flag was raised on Iwo Jima, one of the four Marines was a Texan.

Another was Ira Hayes. Ira Hayes was a Pima Indian. Yes there

were five men, the fifth was a Navy corpsman. I have the privilege of knowing two Navy corpsmen.

One heads up the Young Marines here in Big Spring. The other is a Comanche brother of mine who you can see dancing at our powwows.

In Europe, Comanche were used as radio operators, sending messages in their own language. The Germans were unable to understand the American messages they intercepted.

Native Americans fought in Korea and Vietnam. And the tradition continues today. There are more Native Americans in our military than ever before. They are fighting for Americas freedom and independence and that of others as well.

Other than the military, what are Native Americans doing for their new nation today? They are politicians and professors, doctors and lawyers, teachers and nurses. They are construction and industry workers, artists and musicians, actors and athletes.

Jim Thorp, considered by many to be the best athlete of the 20th Century, was Cherokee. Sam Bradford, quarterback at OU (forgive me UT — Hook-em-Horns) was the first Native American to win the Heisman Trophy. A Native American is also playing professional

golf. Native American artists are painters and pottery makers. They made beautiful jewelry and weave wonderful blankets and rugs. They continue cultural traditions that go back for generations.

Native American musicians not only play traditional music, drumming and singing. They are also country, rock, jazz and rap musicians, as well as mixing tradition music with modern music styles. Country music legend Ray Price was Cherokee. Rock musician Robby Robertson (The Band) is a Native American.

In closing this story, Native Americans have played many roles in the shaping of America as it is today. And Native Americans continue to play a role in our society.

We have always been a proud people. We are proud of our culture and heritage. We are proud of what our people have done for this great nation of America. And we are proud of what we continue to do. We are proud to be a part of the United States of America, a nation of freedom and independence.

Randy A McKinney is a member of the Sunrise Wind clan of Two Bear Claws and vice president of the Powwow Committee of Big Spring.

Fire crews battle clutter

NEW YORK (AP) — Another danger lurked as fire and smoke swept through the upper floors of a Brooklyn public-housing high-rise: junk.

The 19th-floor apartment where the blaze started last weekend was piled with it, fire officials said, creating a minefield that's being looked at as a potential factor in the death of a New York City firefighter, the department's first in the line of duty in more than two years.

Lt. Gordon Ambelas' death July 5 came amid what some officials say is an uptick in fire calls complicated by clutter, conditions the FDNY code names "Collyer's Mansion" after the infamous 1947 case of two brothers found dead amid the floor-to-ceiling clutter in their Harlem brownstone.

Up to 5 percent of the population has a hoarding disorder, the American Psychiatric Association estimates, and firefighters say it shows up when entryways, hallways and rooms are blocked by piles of stuff — knick-knacks, electronics, clothes, boxes, papers and garbage.

"We find it more common today because people have more possessions," said New York Assistant Chief Jim Hodgins, who heads the city's fire academy. "People have two, three TVs. People have more clothes today. I think as a society we have more stuff. ... It complicates

the search." The U.S. Fire Administration does not track hoarding-related fires, nor does the National Fire Protection Association. But there is no shortage of news accounts of fires where junk has played a role.

This week, a woman died in a blaze that tore through a New Jersey row house where firefighters had a hard time reaching her second-floor bedroom because of an extreme amount of clutter on the stairs. In Portland, Oregon, in April, neighbors were unable to save an elderly man in his burning home because he had too much junk blocking the doors. Fire officials said they were hampered by "extreme clutter/hoarding conditions."

In Manchester, New Hampshire, in February,

firefighters said they had trouble getting through knee-deep clutter during a blaze that killed a 72-year-old in her home.

"The front porch was loaded with things. The rear porch was loaded with things, every room in the house, the stairway," District Fire Chief Mark Pelletier said. "Just picture that, trying to walk in that under normal conditions but with full gear on trying to stretch a hose line. It hampered us drastically."

Privacy laws and red tape prevent authorities from fully knowing or understanding the dangers of their buildings and neighborhoods.

Fire departments can inspect commercial structures but are often powerless to check residences for hazards.

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Texas Briefs

Foul play ruled out in body found at Abilene lake

ABILENE, Texas (AP) — Investigators have ruled out foul play in the death of a swimsuit-wearing woman whose body was discovered at a West Texas lake.

Abilene police say toxicology results are pending on 30-year-old Amanda Conaway, who recently moved to Abilene from Stephenville.

Conaway's body was discovered Wednesday night along the shore at Kirby Lake in what police initially called a suspicious death.

Authorities later determined Conaway may have had medical conditions that contributed to her death. Further details on those issues weren't immediately released.

Sgt. Lynn Beard said Thursday that Conaway was identified through her fingerprints.

Texan who pawned camera gets 25 years in porn case

BEAUMONT, Texas (AP) — A Southeast Texas man whose pawned camera yielded child pornography images has been sentenced to 25 years in prison.

Christopher Dale Harrison was sentenced Thursday in Beaumont. Prosecutors say the 33-year-old Port Neches man pleaded guilty last November to production of child pornography.

Investigators in April 2013 searched Harrison's home and seized computer equipment and a cellphone. Authorities also confiscated a camera owned by Harrison that was recently pawned.

Officers determined all of the items contained images of child porn taken at his home and involved a minor who was ordered by Harrison to participate.

Further details weren't immediately released on what prompted the investigation.

Suburban Houston shooting survivor out of hospital

HOUSTON (AP) — The lone survivor of a suburban Houston shooting that left six other members of her family dead is out of the hospital.

In a statement, Children's Memorial Hermann Hospital reported 15-year-old Cassidy Stay was discharged Friday "in good condition." The hospital says she's "expected to make a full recovery."

Ronald Lee Haskell is accused of killing Stay's parents, Stephen and Katie Stay, and her four siblings ranging in age from 4 to 14.

Authorities have said Haskell was searching for his ex-wife, Katie Stay's sister, when he came to the Stays' home in Spring on Wednesday. Investigators say Cassidy Stay suffered a skull fracture from a bullet graze but survived by playing dead to call 911 and warn police that Haskell planned to shoot other relatives.

Accused killer's mom, sister, tell of attacks

VISTA, Calif. (AP) — Court documents allege Ronald Lee Haskell, accused of fatally shooting six members of a suburban Houston family, became angry with his mother a week before the killings and choked her until she passed out.

Karla Haskell obtained a temporary restraining order against her 33-year-old son and told a judge he taped her to a chair at her San Marcos, California, home before choking her. The elder Haskell, 61, said her son became enraged when she told him she had spoken with his ex-wife.

Court records contend Ronald Haskell threatened to kill his mother, his father and his 40-year-old sister.

His sister, Chandra, obtained a similar order against Haskell last year for attacking her when she objected to him screaming at his mother and throwing her to the ground.

Man charged in fiery North Texas confrontation

CEDAR HILL, Texas (AP) — Authorities have filed charges against a man accused of setting himself and a police officer on fire before dashing through the parking lot of a suburban Dallas shop-

ping strip as flames enveloped his body.

Authorities announced Friday that 27-year-old Terrance Jarmell Dunn is charged with aggravated assault on a public servant. He underwent surgery following the incident Wednesday in Cedar Hill and remains hospitalized.

City spokesman Corky Brown says officer Ann McSwain also is hospitalized and will require surgery for severe burns.

Two other injured officers were treated and released.

Officers had intended to question Dunn about a burglary when he ran into a restaurant while holding a bottle of flammable liquid. He lit himself on fire and the flames spread to McSwain before he ran from the eatery.

Lawmaker appears before grand jury in Perry probe

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Rep. Phil King is appearing before the grand jury investigating whether Texas Gov. Rick Perry abused his power by making good on a veto threat.

The Weatherford Republican entered the room at the Austin courthouse where the grand jury is meeting Friday. Asked why he was there, King said only, "You probably know."

A special prosecutor is investigating whether Perry abused his power by threatening to veto \$7.5 million for the state public integrity unit run by the Travis County district attorney's office.

Perry said he would cut funding if District Attorney Rosemary Lehmborg stayed in office after pleading guilty to drunken driving. She refused to resign, and Perry issued a veto.

Before that, King had led unsuccessful GOP-backed legislative efforts to remove the public integrity unit from Lehmborg's office.

Lone Ranger actor's outfit up for auction in Texas

WACO, Texas (AP) — The outfit Lone Ranger actor Clayton Moore wore when making appearances as the character after retiring from television is going up for auction in Texas.

Waco-based A & S Auction Co. will offer the items Saturday. The auction house's owner thinks the outfit could sell for at least \$75,000.

Moore, who died in 1999, played the masked lawman on the ABC television series "The Lone Ranger" from 1949 to 1957.

The auction house says that after retiring from

television, Moore made appearances in character at events including fairs. His outfit included a powder-blue shirt and pants, red kerchief, Stetson hat, boots, a gun belt and Colt pistols.

The outfit spent more than a decade in the collection of a late Texas businessman whose family is offering the items.

Texas man gets 12-year sentence in fatal crash

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — A 24-year-old North Texas man with a prior drunken driving conviction and several counts of public intoxication has been sentenced to 12 years in prison on an intoxication manslaughter charge.

Seth Michael Donnelly pleaded guilty Tuesday in the October 2012 death of 71-year-old Richard Franklin Lynn. He was sentenced Thursday.

Police say Donnelly was driving about 90 mph in an effort to flee an officer in Fort Worth when he slammed into the back of Lynn's motorcycle, killing him instantly.

Donnelly's blood alcohol content was 0.25, three times the legal limit.

Suspect pleads not guilty in officer's slaying

BELTON, Texas (AP) — A Central Texas man has pleaded not guilty in the May fatal shooting of a Killeen police officer who was serving a drug-related warrant.

The Killeen Daily Herald (<http://bit.ly/1q3K600>) reports Marvin Louis Guy on Thursday pleaded not guilty to a capital murder charge.

A Bell County grand jury on June 18 indicted Guy over the death of Officer Charles "Chuck" Dinwiddie. Dinwiddie and three fellow officers were shot May 9 while serving a warrant at Guy's apartment in Killeen. Dinwiddie died two days.

Guy last month pleaded not guilty to three counts of attempted capital murder in the shootings. He remains jailed on \$4.5 million bond.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Up With the King

South dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.
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♠ A 5 4 2
♥ 7 5 3
♦ J 8 7
♣ 6 5 2

WEST
♠ 9 7 6
♥ K Q J 9
♦ 9 5 2
♣ Q 8 3

EAST
♠ 3
♥ A 8 6 2
♦ 10 6 4 3
♣ K 10 7 4

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

The bidding:
South 1♠ West Pass North 2♠ East Pass
4♣

Opening lead — king of hearts.
There are times when one must violate a basic rule because the situation calls for it. For example, consider this deal where South was in four spades and the defense started with three rounds of hearts, declarer ruffing the third.

South started by cashing the K-Q of trumps and A-K-Q of diamonds before leading the ten of trumps to

dummy's ace and returning a club. After East followed low, South inserted the nine, losing to the queen. It didn't matter whether West returned a club into declarer's A-J or yielded a ruff-and-discard by leading a heart. Either way, South had the rest of the tricks and so made the contract.

However, South would have failed had East risen to the occasion by playing his king on the club lead from dummy at trick ten. This would have violated the general defensive principle of playing second-hand-low, but it would also have made South's position untenable. Whatever he did next, declarer would have had to lose two club tricks.

In retrospect, it is easy to see that East should have gone up with the king. He knew from the play to this point that declarer had started with precisely five spades, two hearts and three diamonds, and therefore had to have exactly three clubs.

If South had the A-Q-x, the king play would make no difference, since the club finesse was due to succeed. But if South had his actual holding, the king play was absolutely necessary to defeat the contract.

Tomorrow: Famous Hand.

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Sudoku Answer on Page 3A

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Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9 with no repeats.

That means no number is repeated in any row, column or box.

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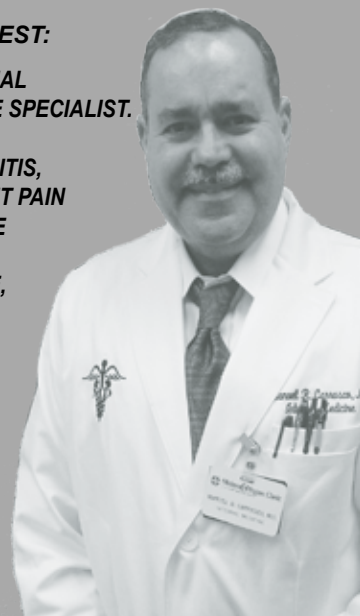
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U.S. border effort sputters as migrants cross again

MEXICALI, Mexico (AP) — A U.S. effort to discourage immigrants' repeated attempts to enter the country illegally by dropping them back in Mexico hundreds of miles away from where they were caught has been sharply scaled back after producing relatively modest gains.

U.S. authorities insist the Alien Transfer Exit Program has contributed to overall achievements in border security and say the cutbacks reflected a need to shift resources to deal with Central Americans pouring into Texas.

The government has flown or bused hundreds of thousands of Mexican men to faraway border cities since February 2008, believing they would give up after being separated from their smugglers.

But government statistics and interviews with migrants in Mexican shelters suggest the dislocation is a relatively ineffective deterrent, especially for immigrants with spouses, children and roots in the U.S.

After being dropped off, many get on another bus and head right back to where they started. Once there, they reunite with their

smugglers for another attempt, taking advantage of a standard practice that they pay only when they cross successfully.

"It's a nuisance. That's all," said Pablo Hernandez, 50, who lingered in the hallway of a shelter in Mexicali, swapping stories with other migrants after the U.S. government took him on a five-hour bus ride from Tucson, Arizona.

He planned to take a commercial bus to the Mexican town of Altar to reunite with his smuggler, who provided a phone number and said he wouldn't demand his \$3,400 fee until Hernandez made it.

The challenges illustrate the limits and pitfalls of massive spending increases on border enforcement.

Despite overwhelming numbers of Central Americans crossing in Texas, the Border Patrol is making strides by key measures, including a drop in the percentage of migrants who are arrested entering the country again after being caught.

The recidivism rate for all migrants arrested on the Mexican border fell to 16 percent in the

2013 fiscal year from 17 percent a year earlier, 20 percent in 2011, 24 percent in 2010 and 27 percent in 2009.

But results for ATEP, as the program is known, were higher: 25 percent last year, up from 24 percent the previous year, down from 28 percent the year before, 33 percent in 2010 and 34 percent in 2009.

Last year's 9-point difference between ATEP and the overall rate matched the widest ever.

ATEP has barely fared better than "voluntary returns," the term for migrants who are simply turned around without being charged. Criminal prosecutions have yielded the lowest recidivism rates.

Without fanfare, the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency largely withdrew from ATEP last June after spending \$15.2 million to fly 50,295 Mexican men on 421 flights from Harlingen, Texas, to California's Imperial Valley, which neighbors Mexicali.

ICE virtually stopped providing detention space for ATEP and pulled back on bus transportation.

Arizona mom of missing baby released from prison

PHOENIX (AP) — An Arizona woman convicted in the disappearance of her young son was released from prison Friday without ever providing authorities details on the whereabouts of the missing boy.

Elizabeth Johnson carried a cardboard box of belongings as she walked out of prison just after midnight and was driven away by her attorney to an undisclosed location. She has no plans to make any public statements.

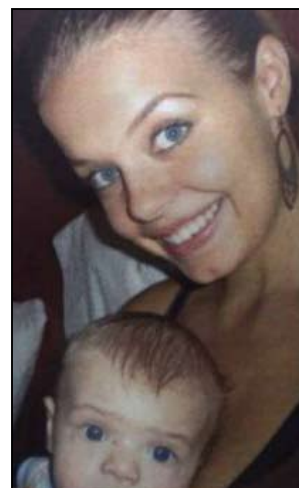
Johnson, 27, is "happy to be out, excited about her future, and optimistic about how things are going to go for her," her lawyer Marc Victor said.

The release from prison was the latest twist in the case that began with the December 2009 disappearance of 8-month-old "Baby Gabriel" and included police searches of trash containers and a Texas landfill.

Authorities have said Johnson initially told the boy's father that she killed her son and dumped him in a trash bin but later recanted and said she gave the infant to a couple at a park in San Antonio, Texas. With no sign of the child, prosecutors were only able to file lesser charges against her, including kidnapping, custodial interference and unlawful imprisonment.

A jury deadlocked on the kidnapping charge — the most serious count against her that could have brought more than two decades in prison. She was sentenced to 5-1/4 years on the interference and imprisonment convictions.

Despite Johnson



being released from prison, the case isn't necessarily finished. Authorities could still bring charges against her if the child turns up dead.

Deputy Maricopa County Attorney Angela Andrews, the prosecutor who tried the case, said she thinks about the missing baby every day and is bothered by the lack of closure.

"For the family, for the prosecuting team, for the investigators who worked the case, there is absolutely no closure in the case," Andrews said.

At sentencing in December 2012, Johnson sobbed and apologized but didn't provide any information about the baby's whereabouts.

Police say Johnson ran off to Texas with the child as a way to retaliate against his father for ending their tumultuous relationship. The father was never suspected in the disappearance of the child.

The boy was last seen with his mother on Dec. 26, 2009, at a hotel in San Antonio.

Investigators said Johnson took the child from Arizona to Texas, stayed for a week and then took a bus to Florida without him. She was arrested in Florida on Dec. 30, 2009.

World Briefs

Israeli airstrike hits mosque in operation targeting Hamas as Gaza death toll tops 120

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) — Israeli airstrikes targeting Hamas in Gaza hit a mosque its military says concealed the militant group's weapons, as the Palestinian death toll topped 120 Saturday in an offensive that showed no signs of slowing down.

Israel launched its campaign five days ago to stop relentless rocket fire on its citizens. While there have been no fatalities in Israel, Gaza Health Ministry spokesman Ashraf al-Kidra said overnight attacks raised the death toll there to over 120, with more than 920 wounded.

Dozens of the dead are civilians, though the exact breakdown remains unclear.

Hamas said Israel for the first time also hit a pair of mosques in its offensive. It hopes the incident will galvanize support in the Muslim world.

"The bombing of two mosques in Gaza overnight shows how barbaric this enemy is and how much is it hostile to Islam," said Husam Badran, a Hamas spokesman in Doha, Qatar. "This terrorism gives

us the right to broaden our response to deter this occupier."

Tracy Morgan sues Wal-Mart

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — Tracy Morgan has sued Wal-Mart over last month's highway crash that seriously injured him and killed a fellow comedian.

The lawsuit, filed Thursday in U.S. District Court in New Jersey, claims Wal-Mart was negligent when a driver of one of its tractor-trailers rammed into Morgan's limousine van. The complaint claims the retail giant should have known the driver had been awake for over 24 hours, and that his commute of 700 miles from his home in Georgia to work in Delaware was "unreasonable." It also alleges the driver fell asleep at the wheel.

"As a result of Wal-Mart's gross, reckless, willful, wanton, and intentional conduct, it should be appropriately punished with the imposition of punitive damages," according to the complaint.

The June 7 wreck on the New Jersey Turnpike killed 62-year-old comedian James McNair, who went by the name Jimmy Mack. Comedian Ardley Fuqua and Jeffrey and Krista Millea, who were injured as passengers in the limo, are also named as plaintiffs.

Morgan, former "30 Rock" star, is currently in a rehab center.



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King James decides to return to Cleveland

CLEVELAND (AP) — LeBron James returns older, more mature. He's got a little less hair, and a ton more experience.

Like anyone, he changed in four years.

The NBA's biggest star left four summers ago on poor terms, despised by fans who burned his jersey and scorned by an owner who felt betrayed. Cast as a villain, James was on a mission to win an NBA title — "not just one, not two, not three ... " — in Miami with Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh and he got two rings.

James has come back home to do something bigger, to do something no one has done for nearly 50 years. He wants to do some-

thing that would stamp his legacy and just maybe separate him from basketball's immortals.

He wants to deliver a championship — to Cleveland, the city where sports heartbreak is as predictable as cold winters.

"Our city," the Akron native said, "hasn't had that feeling in a long, long, long time. My goal is still to win as many titles as possible, no question. But what's most important for me is bringing one trophy back to Ohio."

Four years after he announced his decision to leave Cleveland on a poorly conceived, hour-long national TV special, James told the world he was going home in a powerfully written essay for

Sports Illustrated. It wasn't about "taking his talents" anywhere. It was from the heart.

"I'm coming home," he said. And with that, the balance of power shifted in the Eastern Conference, other free agents started looking for new teams and Cleveland, without a pro sports title since the Browns win it all in 1964, is again home to the best player on the planet.

James knows nothing is given, and the Cavs have a long way to go before they can challenge for a crown. But he's joining a young team with an All-Star in Kyrie Irving, No. 1 overall picks Anthony Bennett and Andrew Wiggins and plenty of potential.

The Cavs, too, might look to add another star and have had preliminary discussions with Minnesota about forward Kevin Love, who played with James on the U.S. Olympic team in London two years ago and has just one more year on his contract with the Timberwolves. Love can be gotten, but it might take Wiggins to get him.

Cleveland also may try to land free agents Ray Allen and Mike Miller, who both played with James in Miami.

However the roster ends up looking, James needs to help the Cavs grow up.

"I see myself as a mentor now and I'm excited to lead some of

these talented young guys," he said. "I think I can help Kyrie Irving become one of the best point guards in our league. I think I can help elevate Tristan Thompson and Dion Waiters. And I can't wait to reunite with Anderson Varejao, one of my favorite teammates."

Varejao is the only Cavs player left from 2010, when James played after his seventh season in Cleveland. He had promised to deliver a championship, but came up short after one trip to the finals in 2007. He was under pressure, and buckled. He wasn't ready. He needed some help.

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State competitors ...

Several Coahoma High School linemen competed in the Hardin Simmons Linemen Challenge in May and advanced to the state competition, which was held this Saturday in Abilene. Qualifying for state were (from left to right) Garrett Parrish, Zak Walton, Brody Coates, Philip Bacon, Kip Williams and Joe Melendez.

Steers advance to 7-on-7 q'finals

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The Big Spring High School Steers capped an impressive outing at the 2014 Texas State 7-on-7 Football Championships on Friday afternoon by advancing to the quarter-final round of the two-day event.

Playing in front of a large crowd at the Veterans Park Sports Complex in College Station, the Steers went 2-1 in the single-elimination championship round.

The Steers opened the championship round on a high note. Big Spring ousted East Bernard in the first round by sprinting to a 40-13 victory.

In the second round, the Steers held off a tough challenge by Trinity Christian Academy, winning a nail-biting 31-27 decision. Trinity Christian had advanced to the second round via a 38-25 win over Canton in its first-round matchup.

With the win over Trinity Christian, Big Spring moved into the quarter-final round to face Kaufman.

Kaufman ended the Steers' 7-on-7 season with a 27-16 decision.

Graham walked away from the tournament with the top honors. The Steers, after defeating Kaufman in the semifinals by a 24-8 margin, posted a thrilling 47-45 victory over Presswood in the Division state finals.

With the win, Graham claimed its second straight 7-on-7 state title.

Big Spring's District 4-4A rivals also did well at the tournament. The Stephenville Yellow Jackets advanced to the consolation bracket finals before falling to Boerne, 42-28.

Stephenville went 3-1 in the consolation bracket.

The Brownwood Lions went 101 ion the championship bracket. After notching a 31-27 win over Brady in the first round, they suffered a 32-27 loss to Eastland.

The Abilene Wylie Bulldogs made a quick appearance in the championship bracket. The Bulldogs suffered a 34-32 loss to China Spring in the first round.

Lady Steers' volleyball skills camp set for July 28

The summer sports camp season will officially get under way in the Crossroads on July 28 when Big Spring ISD hosts its annual volleyball skills camp in the

Big Spring Junior High School gym.

The camp, which is open to all athletes in grades 3-9, will run through July 31. The camp is divided into three grade divisions

and will operate from 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. each day.

According to camp information, athletes in grades 3-5 will attend the camp from 8:30 a.m.

to 9:30 a.m. Campers in grades 6-8 will participate from 9:45 a.m. to 11 a.m. Freshmen will attend the camp from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. each day.

The cost is \$25 per per-

son. A T-shirt can also be purchased for \$10. No checks will be accepted as a method of payment.

For more info, contact Lynn Sbourne at (254) 246-2148.

Rangers can't find offense, fall 3-0

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The Texas Rangers limited the major leagues' top scoring team to three runs Friday night after being flogged for 15 the night before by the same Los Angeles Angels.

No matter. Rangers outfielder Alex Rios wasn't interesting in talking moral victories following the 3-0 loss to Angels.

"We fought, but at the end of the day we lost," said Rios, the only Texas batter to manage two hits off right-hander Garrett Richards and two relievers as the Rangers' losing streak was extended to six

games. "I'm not talking anymore about losing. It's getting old."

Richards (11-2) allowed five hits over seven innings to extend his personal winning streak to seven decisions. Mike Trout provided Richards run support with a solo home run in the fourth inning, his 22nd of the season.

The Rangers (38-55) have lost 12 of their last 13 games and 20 of their last 23, saddling them with the worst record in the major leagues.

Texas manager Ron Washington delivered an impassioned 30-minute talk to his team after Thursday

night's 15-6 drubbing, in which Los Angeles scored 13 runs in the first three innings. Washington said his team played a crisper game Friday, but ran into one of the majors' hottest pitchers.

Richards is unbeaten in his last eight starts with an ERA of 1.27 during that span. His last loss was May 30, at Oakland.

Texas went 0 for 6 with runners in scoring position, each of those at-bats coming with two outs against Richards.

"We had six chances to put a run on the board; we just couldn't do it," Washington said.

Football gear to be distributed on July 28

Big Spring High School football athletes will get to get their hands — and heads — into football equipment for the first time on months later this month when the school's coaches begin distributing equipment.

According to the Big Spring coaching staff, players will be fitted for equipment

beginning with the seniors on July 28. Seniors will be fitted from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Incoming juniors will be fitted on July 29 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., while sophomores can pick up their gear on July 30 during the same time frame. Freshmen will be fit for equipment on July 31, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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Montgomery maintains 1-stroke lead at Senior Open

EDMOND, Okla. (AP) — Colin Montgomery thought it would be tough to keep his advantage from the first round at the U.S. Senior Open, and it was.

The Scotsman shot an even-par 71 on Friday and leads Scott Dunlap by one stroke after the second day of the tournament.

Montgomery opened with a 65 on Thursday, and then held off the field in mid-90s heat and high humidity. He is at 6 under after two rounds.

“It’s not easy to repeat a good round as yesterday’s was, but this was as good, to be honest,” he said. “Seventy-one out there was a good effort. Breezy conditions, windier than it was yesterday, warmer and with the pack coming at you — it’s never easy.”

Dunlap had a 69 in the first round and a 68 in the second to get to 5 under. He was at 2 under after starting on the back nine, and then went back to the front nine and birdied Nos. 2, 5 and 7

on his way to a 32.

“I have been particularly good with the putter this week,” Dunlap said. “Been tidy. I have made a couple, made all my short ones. You know, those will be big in any tournament, for sure, but especially a major.”

Dunlap has one bogey in 36 holes on a course regarded as one of the most difficult in the United States.

“Take my hat off to that,” said Bernhard Langer, who is tied for

third. “That’s good playing. It’s all I can say. It’s very difficult not to make bogies here. You can bogey every single hole. There’s no easy hole out here, and that’s very good ball striking or incredible scrambling, whatever he does.”

Langer, who leads the Champions Tour with three wins this season, moved into a tie for the lead with a 3-under 32 on the front nine, and then grabbed the advantage with a birdie on 14. He had bogeys on 15 and 16, both on

close misses, and then bogeyed 18 to finish at 4 under, tied with Gene Sauers.

“The score was pretty decent, but the round was very up and down,” Langer said. “Short game was good, really good. Made some good putts and good saves. Long game wasn’t quite up to par. Missed a lot of fairways today, and then you’re behind the 8-ball and trying to struggle and scramble.”

Scoreboard

BASKETBALL				
WNBA				
Eastern Conference				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Atlanta	13	5	.722	—
Indiana	10	10	.500	4
Connecticut	9	12	.429	5½
Chicago	8	12	.400	6
Washington	8	12	.400	6
New York	7	13	.350	7
Western Conference				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Phoenix	15	3	.833	—
Minnesota	15	6	.714	1½
San Antonio	11	10	.524	5½
Los Angeles	8	11	.421	7½
Seattle	9	13	.409	8
Tulsa	7	13	.350	9
Friday's Games				
Los Angeles 68, New York 54				
Seattle 88, San Antonio 67				
Phoenix 72, Chicago 66				
Saturday's Games				
Atlanta at Indiana, 7 p.m.				
Washington at Tulsa, 8 p.m.				
Sunday's Games				
Los Angeles at Connecticut, 1 p.m.				
Seattle at Minnesota, 3 p.m.				
San Antonio at Phoenix, 6 p.m.				
Chicago at Atlanta, 6 p.m.				

innings				
Toronto 8, Tampa Bay 5				
L.A. Angels 3, Texas 0				
Boston 8, Houston 3				
Detroit 2, Kansas City 1				
Colorado 6, Minnesota 2				
Seattle 3, Oakland 2				
Saturday's Games				
Chicago White Sox (Carroll 3-5) at Cleveland (McAllister 3-4), 3:05 p.m.				
N.Y. Yankees (Greene 1-0) at Baltimore (Tillman 7-4), 4:05 p.m.				
Boston (Peavy 1-7) at Houston (McHugh 4-8), 4:10 p.m.				
Minnesota (Correia 4-11) at Colorado (Matzek 1-3), 4:10 p.m.				
Toronto (Hutchison 6-7) at Tampa Bay (Odorizzi 4-8), 4:10 p.m.				
Detroit (Porcello 11-5) at Kansas City (Shields 9-4), 7:10 p.m.				
L.A. Angels (Weaver 9-6) at Texas (Mikolas 0-1), 7:15 p.m.				
Oakland (J.Chavez 7-5) at Seattle (Iwakuma 7-4), 10:10 p.m.				
Sunday's Games				
Chicago White Sox (Joh.Danks 8-6) at Cleveland (Bauer 3-4), 1:05 p.m.				
Toronto (Happ 7-5) at Tampa Bay (Undecided), 1:40 p.m.				
Boston (Buchholz 3-5) at Houston (Cosart 9-6), 2:10 p.m.				
Detroit (Verlander 8-7) at Kansas City (B.Chen 1-2), 2:10 p.m.				
L.A. Angels (Skaggs 4-5) at Texas (Irwin 0-1), 3:05 p.m.				
Minnesota (P.Hughes 9-5) at Colorado (F.Morales 5-4), 4:10 p.m.				
Oakland (Gray 9-3) at Seattle (C.Young 8-5), 4:10 p.m.				
N.Y. Yankees (Undecided) at Baltimore (Gausman 3-2), 8:05 p.m.				

West Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
San Francisco	51	42	.548	—
Los Angeles	52	43	.547	—
San Diego	41	52	.441	10
Colorado	40	53	.430	11
Arizona	39	55	.415	12½
Friday's Games				
Chicago Cubs 5, Atlanta 4				
Philadelphia 6, Washington 2				
N.Y. Mets 7, Miami 1				
Cincinnati 6, Pittsburgh 5				
St. Louis 7, Milwaukee 6				
Colorado 6, Minnesota 2				
San Diego 6, L.A. Dodgers 3				
San Francisco 5, Arizona 0				
Saturday's Games				
Arizona (Miley 4-6) at San Francisco (Vogelsong 5-6), 4:05 p.m.				
Atlanta (Minor 2-5) at Chicago Cubs (E.Jackson 5-9), 4:05 p.m.				
Miami (Koehler 6-7) at N.Y. Mets (Matsuzaka 3-3), 4:10 p.m.				
Minnesota (Correia 4-11) at Colorado (Matzek 1-3), 4:10 p.m.				
St. Louis (Wainwright 11-4) at Milwaukee (Nelson 1-0), 4:10 p.m.				
Pittsburgh (Morton 5-9) at Cincinnati (Leake 7-7), 7:15 p.m.				
Washington (Strasburg 7-6) at Philadelphia (Hamels 3-5), 7:15 p.m.				
San Diego (Kennedy 7-9) at L.A. Dodgers (Maholm 1-4), 10:10 p.m.				
Sunday's Games				
Miami (Hand 0-1) at N.Y. Mets (deGrom 2-5), 1:10 p.m.				
Pittsburgh (Liriano 1-6) at Cincinnati (Cueto 9-6), 1:10 p.m.				
Washington (Roark 7-6) at Philadelphia (K.Kendrick 4-8), 1:35 p.m.				
St. Louis (C.Martinez 2-3) at Milwaukee (W.Peralta 9-6), 2:10 p.m.				
Atlanta (Teheran 8-6) at Chicago Cubs (T.Wood 7-7), 2:20 p.m.				
Arizona (C.Anderson 6-4) at San Francisco (Bumgarner 9-7), 4:05 p.m.				
Minnesota (P.Hughes 9-5) at Colorado (F.Morales 5-4), 4:10 p.m.				
San Diego (T.Ross 7-9) at L.A. Dodgers (Ryu 9-5), 4:10 p.m.				

South Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Midland	13	7	.650	—
Corpus Christi	12	9	.571	1½
San Antonio	11	10	.524	2½
x-Frisco	10	10	.500	3
x-clinched first half				
Friday's Games				
Midland 3, San Antonio 2, 10 innings				
Corpus Christi 12, Frisco 4				
Arkansas 7, Tulsa 3				
Northwest Arkansas 3, Springfield 1				
Saturday's Games				
Northwest Arkansas at Springfield, 7:10 p.m.				
San Antonio at Midland, 8 p.m.				
Corpus Christi at Frisco, 8:05 p.m.				
Arkansas at Tulsa, 8:05 p.m.				
Sunday's Games				
Tulsa at Northwest Arkansas, 7:05 p.m.				
Frisco at San Antonio, 7:05 p.m.				
Springfield at Arkansas, 7:10 p.m.				
Midland at Corpus Christi, 7:10 p.m.				

Monday's Games				
Iowa at Orlando, 8 p.m.				
New Orleans at Jacksonville, 8 p.m.				
Canadian Football League				
East Division				
W	L	Pts	PF	PA
Toronto	1	1	2	69
Montreal	1	2	2	65
Ottawa	0	2	0	39
Hamilton	0	2	0	34
West Division				
W	L	Pts	PF	PA
Edmonton	3	0	6	115
Edmonton	3	0	6	82
Calgary	1	0	2	29
Saskatchewan	1	1	2	46
B.C.	0	2	0	29
Friday's Game				
Winnipeg 34 Montreal 33				
Edmonton 27, Ottawa 11				
Saturday's Game				
Calgary at Toronto, 6:30 p.m.				
B.C. at Saskatchewan, 9:30 p.m.				

National League				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Arizona	14	1	.933	970
Los Angeles	3	12	.200	567
San Antonio	1	14	.067	624
902				
Pacific Division				
W	L	Pct	PF	PA
y-San Jose	12	4	.750	907
x-Spokane	8	7	.533	784
Portland	4	11	.267	677
824				
American Conference				
South Division				
W	L	Pct	PF	PA
Orlando	8	7	.533	813
Tampa Bay	8	8	.500	803
Jacksonville	6	9	.400	771
New Orleans	2	13	.133	635
868				
East Division				
W	L	Pct	PF	PA
x-Cleveland	14	1	.933	823
x-Pittsburgh	13	3	.813	892
Philadelphia	8	8	.500	945
Iowa	6	9	.400	716
849				
x-clinched playoff spot				
y-clinched division				
z-clinched conference				
Friday's Games				

BASEBALL				
American League				
East Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Baltimore	51	41	.554	—
Toronto	49	45	.521	3
New York	46	46	.500	5
Boston	42	51	.452	9½
Tampa Bay	42	53	.442	10½
Central Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Detroit	52	37	.584	—
Kansas City	47	45	.511	6½
Cleveland	46	46	.500	7½
Chicago	44	50	.468	10½
Minnesota	42	50	.457	11½
West Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Oakland	58	35	.624	—
Los Angeles	55	37	.598	2½
Seattle	50	43	.538	8
Houston	39	55	.415	19½
Texas	38	55	.409	20
Friday's Games				
Cleveland 7, Chicago White Sox 4				
Baltimore 3, N.Y. Yankees 2, 10				

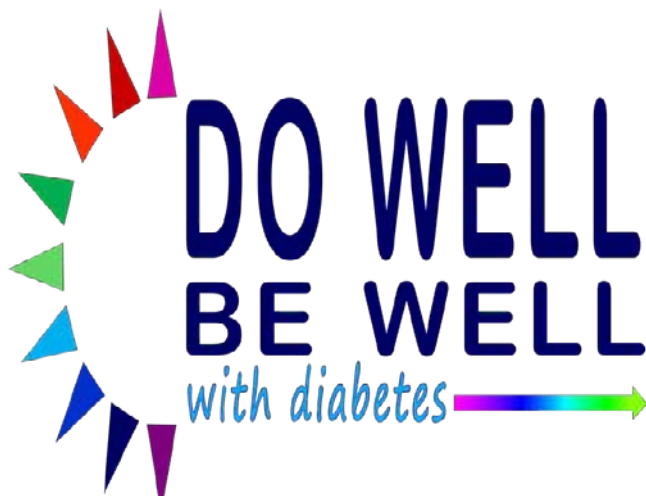
National League				
East Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Washington	49	42	.538	—
Atlanta	50	43	.538	—
Miami	44	48	.478	5½
New York	43	50	.462	7
Philadelphia	42	51	.452	8
Central Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Milwaukee	52	42	.553	—
St. Louis	51	43	.543	1
Cincinnati	50	43	.538	1½
Pittsburgh	48	45	.516	3½
Chicago	40	52	.435	11

Texas League				
North Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
NW Arkansas	11	10	.524	—
Arkansas	9	12	.429	2

FOOTBALL				
Arena Football League				
National Conference				
West Division				
W	L	Pct	PF	PA
z-Arizona	14	1	.933	970
Los Angeles	3	12	.200	567
San Antonio	1	14	.067	624
902				
Pacific Division				
W	L	Pct	PF	PA
y-San Jose	12	4	.750	907
x-Spokane	8	7	.533	784
Portland	4	11	.267	677
824				
American Conference				
South Division				
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Orlando	8	7	.533	813
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Jacksonville	6	9	.400	771
New Orleans	2	13	.133	635
868				

Transactions				
American League				
BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Placed RHP Ubaldo Jimenez on the 15-day DL.				
CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Agreed to terms with LHP Carlos Rodon on a minor league contract.				
CLEVELAND INDIANS — Recalled RHP Austin Adams from AAA Columbus (IL). Optioned LHP TJ House to Columbus. Signed C Gian Paul Gonzalez to a minor league contract.				
KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Activated OF Nori Aoki from the 15-day DL. Optioned INF Christian Colon to Omaha (PCL).				
MINNESOTA TWINS — Recalled LHP Kris Johnson from Rochester (IL). Optioned RHP Yohan Pino to Rochester (IL).				
NEW YORK YANKEES — Acquired LHP Jeff Francis and cash considerations from Oakland for a player to be named. Recalled RHP Matt Daley from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL). Designated RHP Jim Miller for assignment.				
SEATTLE MARINERS — Placed OF Michael Saunders on 15-day DL. Recalled 1B Justin Smoak from				

National League				
ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Reinstated OF Mark Trumbo from the 15-day DL. Optioned OF Roger Kieschnick to Reno (PCL).				
CHICAGO CUBS — Activated INF Darwin Barney from the paternity leave list. Recalled LHP Zac Rosscup from Iowa (PCL). Optioned RHPs Kyle Hendricks and Blake Parker to Iowa.				
CINCINNATI REDS — Placed 2B Brandon Phillips on the 15-day and OF Skip Schumaker on the 7-day DL.				
Optioned C Tucker Barnhart to Louisville (IL). Recalled RHPs Carlos Contreras and Curtis Partch and INF Donald Lutz from Louisville. Placed RHP Raisel Iglesias on the restricted list.				
COLORADO ROCKIES — Activated OF Carlos Gonzalez from the 15-day DL. Optioned RHP Jair Jurrjens to Colorado Springs (PCL).				
NEW YORK METS — Signed OF Michael Conforto to a minor league contract and assigned him to Brooklyn (NYP).				
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS — Activated 2B Marco Scutaro from the 15-day DL. Designated 2B Brandon Hicks for assignment. Signed RHP Tyler Beede to a minor-league contract.				
ST. LOUIS CARDINALS — Activated RHP Joe Kelly from the 60-day DL. Optioned LHP Tyler Lyons to Memphis (PCL). Transferred LHP Jaime Garcia from the 15- to the 60-day DL.				



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U.S. hopefuls down but not out at Tour's 7th stage

NANCY, France (AP) — Two promising American riders with an outside shot at victory in the Tour de France this year hit the asphalt in crashes in Friday's seventh stage, but picked themselves up to resume the chase of overall leader Vincenzo Nibali.

The 234.5-kilometer (146-mile) ride from Epernay in Champagne country to eastern Nancy, which was won by Italian Matteo Trentin, was the latest installment of a first week of many spills in the pack, some of which led defending

champion Chris Froome to pull out with an injury. That has blown the race wide open.

While relatively unscathed physically, BMC leader Tejay van Garderen took the biggest hit on Friday among the 10 or so riders who stand a reasonable chance of victory.

He was in the center of the pack with about 16 kilometers left, got bumped on his back wheel by a Movistar rider as he moved to the right. They tumbled, and then van Garderen got rolled over by another rider's bike.

He got back up, but lost more than a minute to Nibali and other contenders, even after several BMC teammates pedaled furiously to try to escort him back up to the pack.

"It's a tough blow, but the Tour is long, the race changes," van Garderen said of the time loss, and calling the crash "nothing major. So I'll definitely be fine to start tomorrow... you just have to keep the course, you just have to keep fighting."

More significant may be the withdrawal of Colombia's John Darwin Atapuma, a good climber

whom BMC was grooming to help escort van Garderen in the mountains ahead. Atapuma suffered a broken leg just above the knee.

Van Garderen, from Bozeman, Montana, dropped from 11th to 18th place overall, 3 minutes, 14 behind Nibali — after starting the stage only 2:11 adrift.

Andrew Talansky got bumped by Australia's Simon Gerrans in the final mad dash to the line. Talansky rolled over and grazed his left arm, with his jersey ripped at the shoulder.

Under course rules, Talansky didn't lose time in the title chase because his crash happened within the last three kilometers, so the Miami native remains eighth overall — 2 minutes, 5 seconds back.

"It's not something that's going to affect him much," Garmin-Sharp team boss Jonathan Vaughters said of Talansky on French TV. "I don't know if it was Gerrans' fault, but he's angry."

Van Garderen and Talansky represent the top echelon of American cy-

cling ambitions at the Tour in the generation after dethroned doping cheats Floyd Landis and Lance Armstrong became emblems of a blighted era of drug use.

Nibali, the leader of the strong Kazakh team Astana, captured and held the lead through a combination of savvy riding, calm and power on the English hills in Stage 2 — which he won. His lead is solid but not insurmountable with the biggest days of climbs in the Vosges, Alps and Pyrenees still to come.

Grizzlies take shot in signing Vince Carter

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — The Memphis Grizzlies signed Vince Carter on Saturday, looking to bolster their outside shooting with an eight-time All-Star who spent last season as a Dallas Mavericks reserve.

The 37-year-old guard agreed to a multiyear contract. Financial terms were not disclosed.

The Grizzlies lacked 3-point threats last season. The 6-foot-6 Carter gives the Grizzlies a replacement for free agent Mike Miller, who said on Twitter on Friday night he was "just informed the Grizz are going in another direction."

Carter averaged 11.9 points in 81 games, all off the bench, last season for Dallas. He has averaged 20.2 points over his 16-year career. He averaged at least 20 points for 10 straight seasons from 1999-09.

Memphis averaged 4.9 3-pointers a game during the regular season, low in the NBA. The 34-year-old Miller shot 45.5 percent

from 3-point range and averaged 7.3 points last season as one of the Grizzlies' top outside threats.

Carter moved into 25th place on the NBA's career scoring list last season, and the player once known best as a dunker is now seventh all-time in 3-pointers made (1,809). His 146 3-pointers last season were the most of any NBA player off the bench.

In Dallas' first-round playoff loss to eventual champion San Antonio, Carter shot 15 of 31 from beyond the arc and made a buzzer-beating 3-pointer to give Dallas a 109-108 victory in the third game of the series.

Carter has averaged 4.9 rebounds and 3.7 assists in 1,148 career regular-season games with Toronto, the Nets, Orlando, Phoenix and Dallas. He averaged 24.4 minutes a game last season.

He ranks eighth in career 3-point attempts (4,788) and 20th in field-goal attempts (19,045).

US, Ireland to play exhibition

CHICAGO (AP) — The U.S. soccer team is planning an exhibition game against Ireland in Dublin on Nov. 18.

The Independent in Ireland reported the game Friday. The U.S. Soccer Federation has not announced the match yet

because all the paperwork has not been signed.

After reaching the second round of consecutive World Cups for the first time, the Americans start the next four-year cycle with an exhibition against the Czech Republic in Prague on Sept. 3.

KING

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But after maturing as a player and person, and learning under Heat president Pat Riley's tutelage, James feels he knows what it takes to do it this time in Cleveland.

"I'm not promising a championship," he said. "I know how hard that is to deliver. We're not ready right now. No way. Of course, I want to win next year, but I'm realistic. It will be a long process, much longer than it was in 2010. My patience will get tested. I know that. I'm going into a situation with a young team and a new coach. I will be the old head.

"But I get a thrill out of bringing a group together and helping them reach a place they didn't know they could go."

Before he decided to come back, James said he met with Cavs owner Dan Gilbert, who had eviscerated the four-time MVP on his way out of town in 2010. Gilbert had written a letter to Cleveland fans, calling James a narcissist, coward and "self-proclaimed King." But the two reportedly cleared the air during a meeting in Florida last weekend.

The backlash of his departure scarred James. He has healed.

"It was easy to say, 'OK, I don't want to deal with these people ever again.' But then you think about the other side," he said. "What if I were a kid who

looked up to an athlete, and that athlete made me want to do better in my own life, and then he left? How would I react? I've met with Dan, face-to-face, man-to-man. We've talked it out. Everybody makes mistakes. I've made mistakes as well. Who am I to hold a grudge?"

Gilbert welcomed James back with a posting on Twitter, and said he and his youngest son had a moment that probably wasn't unique on a day Clevelanders won't forget.

Gilbert said his 8-year-old asked, "Daddy, does this mean I can finally wear my LeBron jersey, again?" he wrote. "Yes it does, son. Yes it does!"

Cleveland has forgiven him.

When the news broke at 12:17 p.m., strangers hugged and high-fived on the streets outside Quicken Loans Arena, which will likely be sold out for every game next season now that James is back. The Cavs are once again the hottest ticket in town.

For Cleveland, the pain is gone. Hope has returned.

The kid from Akron, dubbed a "King" in high school, is back on his throne.

James considered going elsewhere, but there really was only one choice.

"My relationship with Northeast Ohio is bigger than basketball. I didn't realize that four years ago. I do now," he said. "I looked at other teams, but I wasn't going to leave Miami for anywhere except Cleveland."

Busch wins pole at New Hampshire

LOUDON, N.H. (AP) — Kyle Busch went from upside down to top of the field.

Busch continued the season-long trend of track record qualifying speeds, turning a lap of 138.130 mph Friday to win the pole at New Hampshire Motor Speedway.

It's the second pole of the season for Busch, who will be joined on the front row by reigning Sprint Cup champion Jimmie Johnson for Sunday's Sprint Cup race.

Denny Hamlin, Tony Stewart and Jamie McMurray completed the top five.

Points leader Jeff Gordon starts 11th. Daytona winner Aric Almirola starts 19th.

Busch starts first a week after he rolled over at Daytona. He was involved in a 25-car wreck that ended with Busch getting flipped upside-down in his No. 18 Toyo-

ta.

"I thought it was a little bit tight but I guess I was driving through it enough that it was still carrying good speed," Busch said. "Lap felt good. It didn't feel that good, but it felt good."

It was the 13th track record set this season.

"We knew the track record was going to fall, especially at one of the places where testing started," Johnson said. "I was very optimistic coming into qualifying today. I thought I had enough to get it there. Then I saw Kyle's lap. He definitely put one down."

Busch had a pair of runner-up finishes last season at New Hampshire. He has one career win at the track.

The 72-year-old Morgan Shepherd made the race when a 44th entry dropped out, putting him in

the field. In the No. 33 Chevrolet, he'll extend his mark as the oldest driver to start a race in NASCAR's Sprint Cup series.

He made his Cup debut in 1970 and won four times in NASCAR's top series. He finished as high as fifth in the final standings in 1990 and hadn't started a Cup race since 2006. He last ran a full season in 1996.

Jim Fitzgerald was 65 when he raced in the 1987 Cup race at Riverside International Raceway. James Hylton is the oldest driver to start a NASCAR race. He was 76 for the 2011 Truck Series race at Pocono.

NASCAR has no age limit. Shepherd finished 43rd at Phoenix in his only other race of the season.

Joey Logano qualified sixth in his backup No. 22 Ford following an accident in practice.



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Clockwise from top: Junior Rodeo champ Canyon Atkinson takes his turn on the bull. Hudson Crenshaw holds the rope while his uncle Bucky Crenshaw gets ready to open the gate. Hagan Williams takes his turn to hold on for dear life. Hannah Crenshaw takes Shorty for a spin.

Jr. Bull Riding Champ Canyon Atkinson Wins Purse

Fireworks on the Fourth of July is a traditional family get-together for most people.

Barbecues and outdoor activities usually compliment the day for many.

While swimming, volleyball or a rousing game of baseball come to mind. Bull

riding isn't high on the list of things to do that day. But at the 5P Ranch that is what was going on this past Independence Day.

Junior bull riders Canyon Atkinson of Big Spring, Skyler Coulstan and Doo-gie Marquez, both of Monahans, and Hagan Williams of Seminole competed

for the \$500 purse with Atkinson taking the prize.

The event was held in conjunction with the Choate family reunion on their farm and was sponsored by Randy Phillips of Phillips Fabrication.

The yearling bulls are the property of 5P Ranch and are trained for the com-

petition. They are trained to enter and exit the gate and their job is to buck.

Atkinson is the 2013 Jr. Rodeo Champion and has won more than 20 belt buckles and 7 saddles.

The 5P Ranch Rodeo is expected to be a yearly event.

— By Andrea Medlin



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Tips for preventing child deaths in hot cars

The Associated Press

More than three dozen children die of hyperthermia in cars annually in the United States, and since 1998 more than 500 children have died in hot cars. Heatstroke can happen when the temperature is as low as 57 degrees, and car interiors can reach well over 110 degrees even when the outside temperature is in the 60s.

Here are some tips from safety advocates on avoiding accidental deaths in hot cars:

- Never leave children alone in a vehicle to run even a short errand. Use drive-thru windows at banks, dry cleaners and restaurants whenever possible. Use a debit or credit card to pay for gas at the pump.
- Put a purse, cell-

phone or other item you will need in the back seat of your car. This will ensure that you check the back seat before leaving the vehicle.

- Make a habit of opening the back door of your car and checking the back seat whenever you exit it.

- Keep a stuffed animal or toy in your child's unoccupied car seat. Put that item in the front seat when you place the child in the seat as a reminder that the child is in the back of the car.

- If a child is missing, immediately check the car, including the trunk.

- If you see a child alone in any vehicle for more than a few minutes, get the child out and call 911.

3 hurt, 1 seriously, in Pamplona bull run

PAMPLONA, Spain (AP)

Three people were injured, one seriously, as thousands of daredevils raced alongside six fighting bulls in the second running of the bulls at Spain's world-famous San Fermin festival Tuesday.

No one was gored but a Navarra regional government statement said a 23-year-old man from Nottingham, England, was in serious condition with chest

injuries and rib fractures sustained during the frenzied dash through the narrow winding streets of this northern city. He was identified only by his initials, T. H.

The governmentsaid a Japanese man and a Spaniard were also treated in hospital for light injuries.

One person was gored in the opening run Monday.

Dozens of people are injured

each year in the 8 a.m. runs along a 930-yard (850-meter) course from a holding pen to Pamplona's bull ring. Most are hurt in falls.

Fifteen people have died from gorings since record-keeping began in 1924.

The nine-day street-partying festival was immortalized in Ernest Hemingway's 1926 novel "The Sun Also Rises" and attracts thousands of foreign tourists.

'Zombie apocalypse' earns praise

The Spokane City Council praised a zombie apocalypse at Monday night's meeting with a resolution saluting the producers of the "Z-Nation" TV show for filming in the city this summer.

The 13-episode series employs about 300 crew and cast members plus 1,300 extras many local residents.

KXLY reports producer Rich Cowan thanked the council by giving each member authentic zombie brains.

"Z-Nation" is schedule this fall on the Syfy Network.

Silver Line will link Smithsonian's space museum

WASHINGTON (AP)

When Metro's new Silver Line opens later this month, it will provide the first public transportation link between the National Air and Space Museum's locations in D.C. and northern Virginia.

Beginning July 26, when the Silver Line launches,

Fairfax County will begin running a bus from Metro's Wiehle-Reston East station to the Smithsonian's Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center in Chantilly, Virginia. The Fairfax Connector Route 983 will run every 20 minutes. Metro's Silver Line also will have a stop near the

National Air and Space Museum on the National Mall at the L'Enfant Plaza station.

Museum Director J.R. "Jack" Dailey says bridging the 28-mile distance between the two locations will help the museum serve more people. Admission for both buildings is free.

Add zing to notebooks, store-bought or DIY

Associated Press

When it's time to start stocking the school backpack, it's easy to just grab a stack of plain, boring notebooks.

But since kids have to tote these things to and fro every day, why not trade the standard-issue ones for something snazzy and personalized?

There are plenty of eye-catching options to buy or to make yourself.

At Zazzle and Cafepress, you can upload favorite images and decorate custom journals and notebooks

with different fonts and colors. There are also fun backgrounds like chevrons, animal prints, sports themes and nature motifs that can be jazzed up with monograms or catchphrases. (www.zazzle.com; www.cafepress.com)

Frecklebox offers cute, 50-page, wide-ruled spirals printed with owls, hearts, flames, robots, camouflage, flowers and other kid-centric patterns for grades 2-8. They can be personalized with names or initials in a variety of styles. (www.frecklebox.com)

My Paper Monkey's

got some fun designs, including sporty cartoon dinosaurs for the younger set, and star, splatter and checkerboard designs for older kids. Names can be ordered in cool fonts that resemble graffiti, industrial stamps or pretty, Parisienne-style script. (www.mypapermonkey.com)

Add your name to a chalkboard image of inspiring words on a notebook at Tinyprints, or choose from designs like patchwork, meadow or feathers. (www.tinyprints.com)

If your kids are crafty, consider making a note-

book or journal from scratch using recycled paper.

Magazines, scrapbook paper and maps make good cover art, and can be cut into geometric shapes or left intact; apply to chipboard or cardboard, add blank or lined paper, and secure. Online tutorials suggest binding them with staples, duct tape, brads, book rings, wire, elastic or stitchery. (www.babbledabbedo.com)

Yarn and ribbon make pretty patterns on a plain book. Create stripes of color, or make a bunch of little bows or loops as embellishment.

You can affix bandanas or cloth napkins in zingy designs. Glue on buttons, sequins or shells.

Or give a composition book about three coats of chalkboard paint and add a bulldog clip to hold some chalk so you can carry an always-ready art space.

Find some craft pipe cleaners and create a colorful, textured notebook cover. Or add a rainbow of rubber bands to a notebook cover to hold clips and pencils.

Is there some material or felt lying around the house? Cover a book with soft velvet and add

a stamped design of leaves for a luxe little book you'll love to get to work in. Or if you like to sew, cut out a felt cover and embroider it closed around the edges; add a pocket for an eraser or pen. (www.spoonful.com) Got a favorite cereal, cookie or other food that comes in a box? Cut it up and grab the Mod Podge adhesive to make fun notebook covers that will remind kids that home, and snack time, await at the end of the school day. (www.mypaperpony.blogspot.com)

'Kinky Boots' star prepares for high-kicking tour

NEW YORK (AP) - Kyle Taylor Parker is going from backup dancer to leading man, but staying in 6-inch heels.

The performer who has been in "Kinky Boots" since it made its debut in Chicago in 2012 will step into Billy Porter's formidable high heels as the star of the first national tour of "Kinky Boots," which kicks off in Las Vegas on Sept. 4.

"It's been this slow and wonderful journey toward taking over the role," Parker said. "For me, taking it on for the tour is not just a very happy occurrence. It's really an honor on many levels."

The Tony Award-winning musical is based on a 2005 British film about a staid British

shoe factory on the brink of ruin that retrofits itself into a maker of footwear for drag queens. It has songs by Cyndi Lauper, a story by Harvey Fierstein and some fierce-looking drag queens. Now it leaves the cocoon of Broadway to travel America's heart.

"It's a show about pride. It's a show about acceptance. It's a show about joy," said Parker, who grew up in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. "It gives voice to people who have not had a voice. An African-American gay man leading this show and telling this story of pride and acceptance is an honor. It truly is."

Following Las Vegas, the musical will play West Coast stops in

Tempe, Arizona; San Diego, California; Portland, Oregon; Seattle; Denver; Los Angeles; San Francisco; and Costa Mesa, California, before heading east in 2015.

The new year will bring stops in Detroit; Nashville, Tennessee; Houston; St. Louis, Missouri; Cleveland; Philadelphia; Minneapolis; Boston; and Providence, Rhode Island.

Parker has been part of the show's ensemble of six drag queens called Angels since it began and also became an understudy for Lola, played by Tony Award-winner Porter. Now he'll spend months living out of a suitcase, something the former veteran of the national

"In the Heights" tour says he loves.

"It's really great training because each theater is different, each environment is different. What your voice sounds like in Vegas is very different from what your voice sounds like in Wisconsin," he said. "Audiences are different, too. So for me it's the best training to give a consistent show no matter what the circumstances are."

Parker knew he wanted to be on Broadway by the time the curtain fell on his first ever Broadway show. It was 1997. He was 5. The show was "Annie" at the Martin Beck Theatre.

"I don't know if it was seeing those kids on a Broadway stage or just falling in love with the

story, but I looked at my mom and I said, 'I want to do that,'" he recalled.

He did exactly that. Parker graduated from the American Musical and Dramatic Academy in New York and was thrilled when "Kinky Boots" rode into Broadway's Al

Hirschfeld Theatre. It was Parker's Broadway debut and it was at a familiar place: The Al Hirschfeld Theatre was the new name of the Martin Beck Theatre the same place he saw "Annie" all those years ago.

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Fort Worth Pipe is one of the 20 companies located at the McMahon-Wrinkle Air Park. The site has become a hub of industrial related businesses in Big Spring and has grown exponentially in the past year, according to the Big Spring Economic Development Corporation.

SMMC re-designated as Level IV trauma facility

Special to the Herald

The Texas Department of State Health Services has re-designated Scenic Mountain Medical Center as a Basic (Level IV) Trauma Facility in Trauma Service Area-J. The state designation is valid for a three-year

period. "We take the responsibility of being the provider of health care in this community very serious and we are proud to announce this re-designation," SMMC CEO Larry Rodgers said. "We will continue to serve our patients and their families to the

best of our ability while providing, high-quality, compassionate and safe care."

Scenic Mountain Medical Center met all standards of care relating to the treatment of trauma in Texas, actively advocates for trauma system development and works to improve the

availability and quality of trauma care as an active member of Texas "J" Regional Advisory Council.

To find out more information about services offered at SMMC or to see the ER wait time, visit www.SMMCCares.com.

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Don't be fooled by fuel additives

With gas prices above \$3 per gallon, summer travel can come with a hefty price tag. When gas prices climb, products that claim to improve fuel efficiency might be appealing. But it's a smart idea to be skeptical of any gas-saving claims for automotive devices or oil and gas additives.

According to the Federal Trade Commission, it's a good idea to watch for these red flag phrases of gas savings:

"Improves gas mileage by 20 percent." The EPA has not found any product that significantly improves gas mileage after evaluating more than 100 alleged gas-saving devices. Ads that tout savings of a specific percentage are likely fabricated.

"After installing this product, my car gets an extra 4 miles per gallon." Testimonials from satisfied customers will often have exact numbers, but it is very difficult to test for precise changes in gas mileage after installing a product that claims to save gas. Many variables affect fuel consumption, including traffic, road and weather conditions, and the car's condition — these factors make it close to impossible to attribute gas savings to an additive.

"It's approved by the federal government." Gas-saving products for cars are not endorsed by any government agency. An ad may be able to claim that EPA has reached conclusions about possible fuel savings by testing the product or evaluating the manufacturer's test data. If the seller claims that its product has been evaluated by EPA, ask for a copy of the EPA report, or check epa.gov for information.

Better Business Bureau (BBB) serving Central, Coastal, Southwest Texas and the Permian Basin has the following gas-saving advice:

Clean out your trunk. Don't carry what you don't need.

Slow down. According to FuelEconomy.gov, each 5 mph you drive over 60 mph is like paying an additional 24 cents per gallon for gas.

Find the least expensive gas stations. Saving a few cents can go a long way. Use a mobile app or website to help you find the closest and cheapest gas station.

Turn off your engine. If you're parked and waiting, turn your engine off to save on fuel.

Keep your tires inflated. It is important to keep an eye on your tire pressure. For maximum efficiency, be sure tires are inflated to the recommended level.

Make your next car purchase a fuel-efficient one. If you're in the market for a car, it's important to consider fuel economy. Assuming gas costs \$3.50 per gallon and you drive 15,000 miles a year, a car that gets 30 miles per gallon (MPG) versus one that gets 20 MPG amounts to over \$4,000 in savings over 5 years. Visit fuelEconomy.gov for gas mileage estimates and other information for cars older than 1985.

Tyler Patton is director of the Permian Basin Better Business Bureau.



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The office of Dr. Darrell Franks, Family Medical Center Orthopaedic Department, has been relocated to 2301 S. Gregg St. To schedule an appointment with Dr. Franks, call 432-268-4800.

Local Tractor Supply store wins 'Class Champion' 4-H Award

Special to the Herald

The Big Spring Tractor Supply Company store was recently recognized for winning the "Class Champion" award for meeting the company goals during the 4-H/TSC Spring 2014 Paper Clover Promotion.

Store employees had 20 percent of all transactions include a 4-H Paper Clover purchase and will be presented with a ribbon from 4-H to recognize this achievement.

The 4-H/TSC Paper Clover Campaign is a nationwide, in-store fundraiser that benefits 4-H programming in the communities where a TSC store



is located. The fall campaign raised more than \$750,000 that supports 4-H on the local, state, and national level. During the 12-day promotion, the Big Spring TSC raised \$1,025 for 4-H in Howard County.

The effort has provided direct support for local camps, after-school programs and other activities, and has granted scholarships to these events that youth can explore their interests in everything from animal science to robotics. In Howard County the Paper Clover funds have gone to support the Howard County 4-H.

TxDOT receives excellent customer satisfaction ratings

AUSTIN — The Texas Department of Transportation recently achieved a 92-percent satisfaction rating among its external customers.

The survey, conducted by the Texas Legislative Council (TLC) between October 2013 and January 2014, measured all areas of the agency's multi-modal approach to keeping Texans moving safely and efficiently across land and water, as well as through the air. "Meeting the expectations

of our business partners helps nurture productive outcomes for the entire state of Texas," said Chairman Ted Houghton, Texas Transportation Commission. "We are pleased to hear such positive feedback and will continue to maintain the exceptional levels of satisfaction that are beneficial to our business partners and the hardworking people of Texas."

"TxDOT has made great strides in recent years to be more open and responsive to

the people it works with every day while also improving agency operations," said Sen. Kirk Watson. "That shows in these high marks. Just about every Texan is affected by our state's transportation system and I'm pleased TxDOT has focused on listening to them and local partners."

The TLC survey was conducted through a combination of online and mailed questions distributed to more than 6,200 individual customers and 19 service areas with-

in the agency. The survey collected feedback on the public's satisfaction with agency business services, staff, communications, facilities, website and complaint-handling processes, among other categories. Along with TxDOT's overall 92-percent satisfaction rating, the agency's Aviation division and Travel Information Centers scored 95- and 99-percent satisfaction ratings, respectively.

"Our customers are absolutely essential to guiding

the ways in which we do business," said TxDOT Executive Director LtGen Joe Weber, USMC (Ret). "We're very proud that these survey results indicate an overall and exceptional level of satisfaction, but our work is far from done. We look forward to continuously improving our service to the people of Texas and exploring new and innovative ways to build and strengthen partnerships that benefit all who travel our great state."

Public Records

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Marriage Licenses
 Dillon S. Walker, 22 and Baylee R. Howell, 18, both of Big Spring
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 Raul Ortiz Jr., 37 and Gloria Rodriguez, 44, both of Big Spring
 Quinton D. Burton, 40, of Big Spring and Tammy K. Westbrook, 36, of Forsan

District Court Filings
 Cosden Federal Credit Union vs Randall Scott Morgan – Accounts, notes and contracts
 Stacia Coleman vs Chad Coleman – Divorce
 Portfolio Recovery Associates LLC Assignee of GE Capital Retail Bank (Sam's Club) vs Erika Salinas – Accounts, notes and contracts
 Martha Patricia Deck vs Robert Edward Deck – Divorce
 Imelda Rangel vs Alfredo Rangel – Divorce
 David Higgins and Janet Higgins vs Wade Choate – Civil suit

Warranty Deeds With Vendors Leins
 Grantor: Jason Roberts and Cindy Roberts
 Grantee: Faye Walker
 Property: Lot 12, blk 27, Monticello Addition
 Date: July 9, 2014

Grantor: Yolanda J. Lee and Preston Myrick
 Grantee: Daniel Levi Gorman dba Happy Trails RV Park
 Property: Tract containing 3.10 acres out of and part of NW/4 of sec 44, blk 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey, Howard County
 Date: June 30, 2014

Grantor: Debra Vernon and Peggy Vernon
 Grantee: Gilbert A. Gonzales
 Property: Lot 34, blk 6, Monticello Addition
 Date: June 30, 2014

Grantor: Billy Dean Myers and Charls Ann Myers
 Grantee: Alive in Christ Lutheran Church of Howard County, Texas, a Texas non-profit organization
 Property: Lot 17, blk 9, Kentwood (unit 1) Addition, Howard County
 Date: July 1, 2014

Grantor: Shane Faucett and Staci Faucett
 Grantee: Courtney Grissam
 Property: Lot 19, blk 26, Monticello Addition no. 7
 Date: July 1, 2014

Warranty Deeds
 Grantor: Michael Parsons
 Grantee: United Energy LLC
 Property: W/2 of NW/4 of sec 28, blk 31, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey; E/2 of NW/4 and N/2 of SW/4 of sec 28, blk 31, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey, Howard County
 Date: July 9, 2014

Grantor: Marsh Trucking LLC
 Grantee: Marsh Holding Co. LLC
 Property: A 3.42 acre tract out of and part of NE/4 of sec 46, blk 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey, Howard County
 Date: July 1, 2014

U.S. records \$71 billion budget surplus in June

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. government ran a monthly budget surplus in June, putting it on course to record the lowest annual deficit since 2008.
 The Treasury Department said Friday that its June surplus totaled \$71 billion, following a \$130 billion deficit in May. The government also ran a surplus in June 2013, bolstered by dividends from Fannie Mae, the mortgage giant under federal conservatorship for the past six years.
 For the first nine months of this budget year, the deficit totals \$366 billion, down 28 percent from the same period in 2013. Tax receipts are up 8 percent compared to the prior year-to-date, while spending has increased 1

percent.
 The Congressional Budget Office is forecasting a deficit of \$492 billion for the full budget year ending Sept. 30. That would be the narrowest gap since 2008.
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NOTE: Please complete a BCEC employment application at www.bigcountry.coop (a resume may be attached to the completed application). Please forward to the Human Resources Department at Big Country Electric Cooperative/ PO Box 518/Roby, TX 79543-0518 or sloimas@bigcountry.coop

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West Texas Centers

Position 322: Provider Service Part Time positions. This position provides services to persons with intellectual or developmental disabilities. Services range from skills training, to assistance with daily living activities. Services are provided in the home, the community in a vocational setting. Schedules are flexible. Hrlly \$12.90.

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West Texas Centers

Mental Health Rehab Provider: Employee will perform psychosocial rehabilitation and skills training services to reduce the symptoms of and disabilities of mental illness. Services will be delivered primarily in the community.

Mental Health Part Time Crisis Worker: Employee will be responsible for responding to mental health crisis calls after hours and on weekends, and also participating with an on-call team.

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/Liason 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.

MH Peer Provider: uses their life experience in mental health recovery to assist other adults in their mental health recovery. Performs direct services that engage clients in activities designed to reduce the symptoms of and disabilities that result from their diagnosed mental illness and to increase the ability of the individual to live and work within the community. Requires flexible hours, involves completing paperwork. Travel and the use of a personal vehicle are required. Must have a valid Texas driver's license. Must have High School diploma or GEd \$10.59 hr (\$847.38 bi weekly \$22,032 annually).

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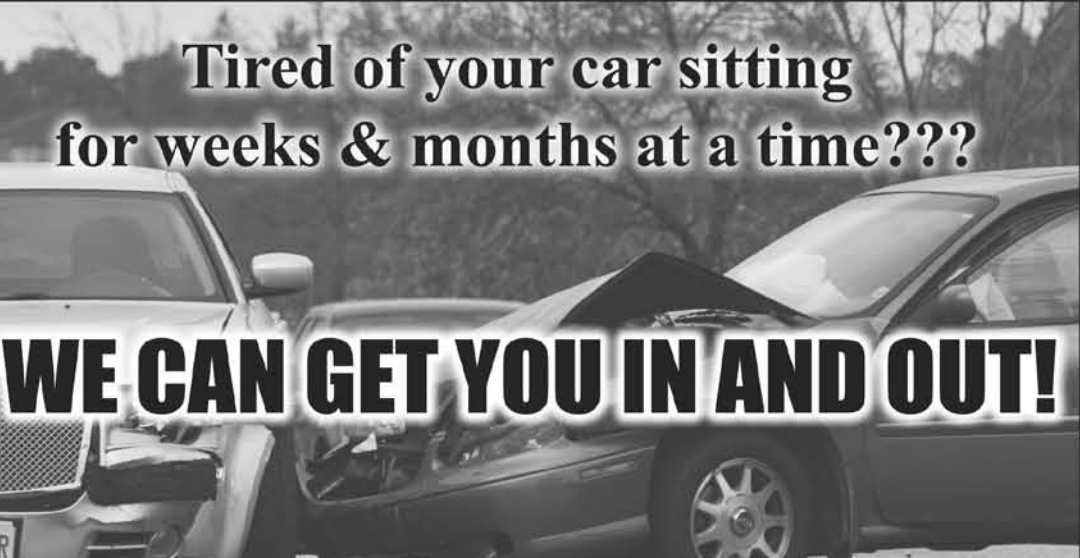
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Venus Harmonizes with Mars

Venus in Gemini forms a coquettish angle to Mars in Libra, and interest between men and women is stirred. Men and women understand one another better. For a moment, it's as though the natural differences between the sexes are cast in such a light that they are seen only as intriguing and endearing. Flaws transform into mere quirks.



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you, as you prefer decisive, independent types. However, you'll also find the dynamic flattering and very telling, too.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). While standing straight, bending backward and molding yourself to assist or support another, your spine will send a message to the world about how far you're willing to go to help.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your ideas are good, and you'll be most persuasive as you sell them. You constantly think of what's in it for the other person and highlight all the benefits you can think of. In the end, you'll get what you want.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You can't polish a jewel without friction. So when life rubs you the wrong way, don't run. Lean into it. You'll learn from the obstacles you must overcome today.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Gentle changes are made over time. Revolutionary changes are made forcibly in an instant. When you're not sure which kind of change would be best, don't make a change at all.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Strategic thinking will be necessary to carry out the demands of the day. Lay the groundwork for your plans without tipping your hand. The rest of them don't need to know what you're up to just yet.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Do not seek support for what you want to do. No one will understand until you have already created the dynamic you seek. There is power in action. Do the deed and the support will come later.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You are loved. You lose touch with this fact too often and forget about the many people in your life who need and celebrate you. Pictures will be a reminder. Take a trip down memory lane.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 13). Your new solar year opens with a bang as good fortune in your personal life brings excitement and action. Somewhere in the excitement you'll find moments of tranquility,

too. You'll find that family and the spiritual aspects of your life bring you great joy through September. A financial aim is furthered in October. Sagittarius and Scorpio people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 1, 33, 2, 38 and 18.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: The week after the full moon starts off with a day-after-the-party feeling, though a favorable angle of Venus to Mars makes for an extremely pleasant experience. Men and women get along, have excellent communication, appreciate their differences and are naturally inclined to be playful, tender and upbeat with one another.

The harmonious angle of Mercury to Neptune at the end of the week gives a kind of poetry to our correspondence. Here are some of the many things that could be born of such a fortunate arrangement between the communication planet and the king of Dreamland. You could:

Say a profound thing in a simple way.
Create art that speaks to many, each with a different interpretation.
Communicate with long gone ancestors.

Feel connected to all things.
Dream dreams that are more vivid than the scenes in real life.

Love in the depths of the unexplained and unexplainable.
Meet coincidentally.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: "Star Wars" made Harrison Ford a household name, but the Cancer movie star sealed his fate as an iconic star in roles like Indiana Jones, Rick Deckard and Dr. Richard Kimble. Ford was born when four luminaries were in Cancer, indicating that though his on-screen persona is often rugged and indestructible, it's the juxtaposition of real-life tenderness that makes the persona so compelling.

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Newsday Crossword

SATURDAY STUMPER by Frank Longo
Edited by Stanley Newman
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Physical effects
- 10 Like many digs
- 15 Dorm shower
- 16 They're often made-up for dinner
- 17 Warrants
- 18 ___ resin (organic adhesive)
- 19 Router option
- 20 Fascinating
- 22 One way to sail: Abbr.
- 25 Literally, "performing arts person"
- 26 Succeed
- 31 Nordic nickname for Helena
- 33 Only nation with a Caspian and Indian Ocean coastline
- 34 Aid in reaching a goal?
- 35 Relatives of ashes
- 37 Burden
- 38 Any of six set to music by Bernstein
- 40 Caplet, e.g.
- 41 Legendary source of immortality
- 43 Operation specialist
- 44 Page's love in Juno
- 45 "Doo" alternative
- 46 Striking formations
- 49 "The Sun City"
- 51 Form of *naître*
- 52 Light shows?
- 54 Setting
- 59 Hopping
- 60 *Candid Camera* presaged it
- 63 Lindsey took his seat in 2003

- 64 Eventually got
- 65 Letter thought to resemble a skull
- 66 His last line in a 1987 film is "I think I'll have a drink"
- DOWN**
- 1 Chrysler category, 1981-95
- 2 Silver with many diamond pieces
- 3 They're trained with paddles
- 4 What a thruster may hold
- 5 Neat and tidy
- 6 End of many record labels
- 7 Lodge offerings: Abbr.
- 8 Fiery film role for Mary Pickford and Liz Taylor
- 9 Super memorizer
- 10 Words on Kenyan currency
- 11 TKO preceder, perhaps
- 12 "Aah," à la Irving Berlin
- 13 Big part of 27 Down
- 14 905-year-old, per Genesis
- 21 Sharer of cooler space
- 23 Starting impetus
- 24 Captains' calculations
- 26 Arts
- 27 Calculus expert's concern
- 28 One with biased ancestors?
- 29 "Building Worlds Kids Love" sloganeer
- 30 Clout

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Patience and dedication and an appreciation for beauty. Jesus Bravo planted 5 Vanco's he brought from his home (he says they are often mistaken for Periwinkles) at the Howard County Courthouse three years ago and they have flourished under his care. Bravo advises iron fortified fertilizer, regular weeding and plenty of water to achieve the success he has had. Bravo is an employee at the Howard County Courthouse and the flowers can be seen on the south side of the building in the large pots and along the sidewalk to the pagoda. The courthouse is located at Main and Scurry.

Visitors wait 5 hours for Harry Potter ride

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — You might need a magic wand to get on the new Harry Potter ride at Universal Orlando Resort.

For a second day in a row, visitors waited up to five hours to get on the ride, Harry Potter and the Escape from Gringotts, located in the new Diagon Alley section of Universal Studios. A day earlier, on the first day Diagon Alley was open to the public, visitors waited for as long as seven hours.

A sign at the entrance to the 3-D ride at midday Wednesday said the wait would be 300 minutes.

"We're not going to wait," said Eric Poudrier after snapping a photo of the wait time. He was visiting with his girlfriend and 2-year-old daughter from Montreal.

Tammy Clark and her 11-year-old son, Ethan, also decided to skip the ride after seeing the line.

"It's a five-hour wait," said Clark, of Bridgeport, W.Va. "You won't be able to see anything else."

Juan Sigler, his wife Susy and their two children, Samantha and Steven, arrived at the park after 7 a.m., got in line and didn't exit the ride until well after noon. But they said it was worth a five-hour wait since they felt immersed in Harry Potter's world.

"It has great special effects and you see the central characters," said Susy Sigler, of Pembroke Pines, Fla.

The ride is the centerpiece of the new Harry Potter section. It combines a roller coaster ride with 3-D projections featuring characters from the Harry Potter books and movies. The rest of Diagon Alley consists of seven detail-heavy shops selling merchandise such as wizard robes and interactive wands that allow visitors to per-

form wizard tricks throughout the section.

Honeymooners David and Jennifer O'Neill spent their second day in Diagon Alley but skipped the ride since Jennifer isn't a fan of roller coasters. Dressed in wizard robes, they wandered through the shops of Diagon Alley purchasing wizard wands and other merchandise.

"It's fantastic! It's like being in Diagon Alley," said Jennifer O'Neill, of Dallas. "We walked in and it was so surreal."

Universal spokesman Tom Schroder said the park doesn't disclose attendance figures but "we are very pleased with the results we're seeing." Park workers were trying to accommodate the crowds by giving visitors a ticket with a time to return if they found the wait too long on a first attempt, he said.

Not everyone was thrilled with the long wait to get on Harry

Potter and the Escape from Gringotts.

Jason and Kristi Phillips of Baton Rouge, La. waited with their twin 9-year-old sons, Jacob and Jordan, for four and a half hours. When asked if the wait was worth it, all four said in unison: "No!"

They had to board the ride three different times Wednesday morning since it stopped twice mid-trip because of technical glitches.

"Nothing is worth a four and a half hour wait," Kristi Phillips said.

German artist's sculptures to grace Park Avenue

NEW YORK (AP) —

Next month a stretch of Park Avenue will be home to seven large-scale stainless steel sculptures by a German artist.

The series is titled "Moments in a Stream." It's the work of Amsterdam-based German artist Ewerdt Hilgemann.

The works will be located on the center median between 52nd and 67th streets. They'll be on view from Aug. 1 to Oct. 31.

The installation will coincide with the first large-scale survey in the U.S. dedicated to the German art group ZERO. The exhibition will open at the Guggenheim Museum in October.

Hilgemann was a student of one of the movement's early co-founders. The group focused on movement and light as artistic media.

His work also will be shown at the Magnan Metz gallery on Aug. 7-21.

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