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COMING DOWN



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The long awaited demolition has begun. The Furr's building is coming down as workers began the infancy stages of preparation for a strip mall to take its place. Furr's, located at S. Highway 87 on Wal-Mart property, closed earlier this year.



2 juveys jailed for church fire

Another suspicious blaze extinguished this morning

Herald Staff Report

Two juveniles have been arrested in connection with a Tuesday fire that heavily damaged the Sand Springs First Baptist Church.

The juveniles, whose names were not released because of their ages, had been previously detained by the Howard County Sheriff's Office and are now charged with arson in connection with the fire, which occurred in the 8500 block of N. Service Road in Sand Springs.

Carl Condray, Big Spring Fire Department fire marshal, said arson was immediately suspected as the cause of fire,

which destroyed the church.

"The place was ransacked and there was a lot of damage," said Condray, who also reported that there were signs of break in and burglary.

Several buildings adjacent to the church also were damaged, officials said.

The juveniles have been turned over to the Howard County Juvenile Detention Center for processing, information from the sheriff's office stated.

VACANT HOME BURNS

A vacant home on the east side of Big Spring was

See **FIRES**, Page 3

Jim Rhodes receives Bandmasters award

Herald Staff Report

FORSAN — Forsan band director Jim Rhodes has been named a recipient of the 2014 Meritorious Achievement Award by the Texas Bandmasters Association.

"Jim has such a magnetic personality that students as well as faculty and parents are drawn to him and his drive for success and that has paid off in huge ways for Forsan ISD," said Superintendent Randy Johnson. "He is a big part

of the success that we have year in and year out. Not only in the band program, but also in the UIL academic program, One-Act Play, and just setting a competitive spirit around our school.

"We are extremely proud each time Jim is honored with an award," Johnson continued. "He has received a number of awards over the years, as it should be. We are very proud of him and excited to see him receive this."

TBA President Richard Herrera will present the award during the annual

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North Side Movement plans flea market at Andries Park

Booth space free!

BY LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Bargain hunters get ready because the North Side Movement (NSM) Flea Market is this weekend.

"We want everyone to come and have fun, take time to look and hopefully find something they want," said Junior

Yanez, vice president of the North Side Movement.

The Flea Market opens at 9 a.m. and runs to 7 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, at Andries Park in the 100 block of N.E. Seventh St, near Fire Station No. 4. By Tuesday morning, Yanez confirmed at least 26 booths were already booked for the event.

"The spots are free," he said.

"It's a big plus that is drawing

quite a few people to reserve spots. They can come out and sell some of their old stuff. It helps them out and helps us out. This is a good thing for everybody."

The NSM — a 501c3 non-profit agency — will also have a booth. All items purchased from this booth will go into NSM coffers to support its

See **NSM**, Page 3

Road, bridge department moving, making way for hotel construction

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

The Howard County Road and Bridge Department is literally pulling up stakes and moving.

County commissioners have agreed to sell the property at N.W. 11th and N. San Antonio, which is currently home to its

road and bridge department, to a Midland development firm which plans to construct a hotel at the site.

To make way for the future development, the road and bridge department is being relocated, fuel tanks and all, to the intersection of Old Colorado City Highway and County Airport Road northwest of Big Spring.

The final roadblock to the sale was removal of the department's underground fuel tanks and notification from state officials that the action met environmental standards.

"We received a letter from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality that no further action was needed," said Road and Bridge Administrator Brian Klinksiek. "That was the last thing the developers needed."

Klinksiek said it would take about six months for his department to complete the move and has earmarked Jan. 22, 2015, as the date for the new facility to be open.

"Of course, if it's completed before than, that'll be great," he said.

See **MOVE**, Page 3



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

Howard County officials are selling the property housing the Road and Bridge Department, 1101 N. San Antonio, to a Midland developer who plans to construct a hotel at the site. The road department will relocate to property near the old county airport northeast of Big Spring.



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Obituaries

Joe Don Womack



Joe Don Womack, born Feb. 26, 1932, passed away July 26. He is survived by his wife, Carole, son Randy Womack of Austin Texas; daughter, Patti Gary and husband John of Grapevine, Texas; son, Tony Womack and wife Karie of McLean, Va.; five grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

Raised in Fort Worth, he graduated from Amon Carter Riverside High School and was an avid alumnus of Texas A&M University, Class of 1953.

Don had a 34-year career with Texas Electric Service Company, later renamed Texas Utilities, serving in West Texas, including Colorado City and Big Spring. After time in West Texas, Don worked many years in Washington DC as a Senior Executive, advocating for TXU in the design, development and production of efficient electrical power.

The family gratefully thanks Vitas Hospice and its dedicated team of caregivers.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to: CASA Court Appointed Special Advocate, CASA of Denton County, 614 N. Bell Ave., Denton, TX 76201 or Montague County Welfare Board, P.O. Box 343, Montague, TX 76251.

Allen Darden

Allen Darden, 49, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, July 30, 2014, at his residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

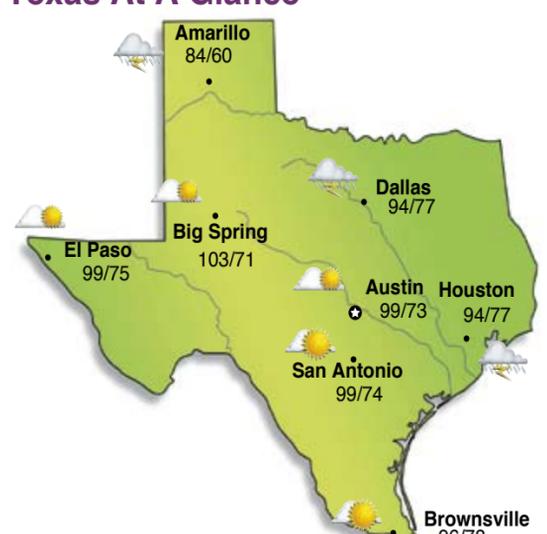
Local 5-Day Forecast

Thu 7/31	Fri 8/1	Sat 8/2	Sun 8/3	Mon 8/4
103/71 Sunshine and clouds mixed. High 103F. Winds SSW at 15 to 25 mph.	88/67 Scattered thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the upper 60s.	90/69 Partly cloudy. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the upper 60s.	90/70 Partly cloudy. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the low 70s.	91/70 Partly cloudy. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the low 70s.
Sunrise: 6:59 AM Sunset: 8:45 PM	Sunrise: 7:00 AM Sunset: 8:44 PM	Sunrise: 7:01 AM Sunset: 8:43 PM	Sunrise: 7:01 AM Sunset: 8:42 PM	Sunrise: 7:02 AM Sunset: 8:41 PM

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Texas At A Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	100	73	cloudy	Kingsville	98	76	sunny
Amarillo	84	60	t-storm	Livingston	94	73	pt sunny
Austin	99	73	pt sunny	Longview	89	71	cloudy
Beaumont	92	72	mst sunny	Lubbock	95	65	pt sunny
Brownsville	96	78	mst sunny	Lufkin	94	74	pt sunny
Brownwood	98	73	pt sunny	Midland	102	72	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	93	80	mst sunny	Raymondville	101	79	mst sunny
Corsicana	95	75	cloudy	Rosenberg	94	75	t-storm
Dallas	94	77	t-storm	San Antonio	99	74	mst sunny
Del Rio	103	80	sunny	San Marcos	100	73	pt sunny
El Paso	99	75	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	83	71	t-storm
Fort Stockton	102	75	pt sunny	Sweetwater	100	71	pt sunny
Gainesville	83	69	t-storm	Tyler	91	74	cloudy
Greenville	83	71	t-storm	Weatherford	95	75	t-storm
Houston	94	77	t-storm	Wichita Falls	89	68	t-storm

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	86	66	mst sunny	Minneapolis	82	61	mst sunny
Boston	77	63	mst sunny	New York	82	67	mst sunny
Chicago	78	59	t-storm	Phoenix	106	81	mst sunny
Dallas	94	77	t-storm	San Francisco	69	58	pt sunny
Denver	63	55	t-storm	Seattle	83	59	sunny
Houston	94	77	t-storm	St. Louis	84	66	pt sunny
Los Angeles	89	69	mst sunny	Washington, DC	85	67	sunny
Miami	89	78	t-storm				

Moon Phases



UV Index

Thu 7/31	Fri 8/1	Sat 8/2	Sun 8/3	Mon 8/4
10	9	11	11	11
Very High	Very High	Extreme	Extreme	Extreme

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

Correction

In Monday's Police Blotter, Samantha Barbara Munoz, who was arrested on a charge of possession of a controlled substance under one gram, had an address listed as 1007 Sycamore. That is not her correct address.

Police/Sheriff/Fire/EMS

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

- **MARK MATTHEW LINDEM**, 36, of 1409 Virginia, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for theft less than \$1,500 or more convictions.
- **FRANCESCA CHRISTINE GIBBS**, 32, of 1700 Settles, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for fraudulent possession of controlled substance prescription for schedule III/IV narcotic.
- **ROBERT RIVERA JR.**, 43, of 613 Bucknell, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of criminal trespass - property/building/aircraft/vehicle.
- **GENARO LOPEZ CASTILLO III**, 24, of 1206 Harding, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of criminal trespass - habitation/shelter.
- **EDDIE JOE ALVARADO**, 18, of 1500 Lincoln, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant from another agency.
- **RONALD STANLEY HASELBY**, 63, of 1302 Tucson, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **BRANDON S. COX**, 39, of 1101 E. 6th St., was arrested Tuesday on a charge of hindering officers discharging official duties.
- **RANDY JAY YBARRA**, 27, of 1504 E. 5th St., was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for unlawful restraint and assault causing bodily injury.
- **THOMAS ALLEN YOUNG**, 19, of 908 S. Nolan, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of possession of marijuana less than or equal to 2 ounces and 4 warrants from another agency.
- **ETHAN BLAKE WESTBROOK**, 21, of 113 Calutta, Odessa, Texas, was arrested Tuesday on charges of theft greater than or equal to \$50 but less than \$500, false report to peace officer or law enforcement employee, possession of marijuana less than or equal to 2 ounces and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported at the 100 block of Broadway in Coahoma, Texas.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported at Chapman Rd., Coahoma.

- **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** reported at the 900 block of San Antonio, the 1100 block of N. Aylesford and the intersection of 21st St. and State.
- **THEFT** reported at the 500 block of S. Birdwell, the intersection of FM 2230 and CR 15, the 1000 block of S. Gregg, the 500 block of Westover, the 1400 block of Lexington and the 1500 block of Stadium.
- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** reported at the 1100 block of S. Anderson, the 1500 block of Stadium and the 1700 block of Purdue.
- **DISTURBANCE** reported at the 1200 block of Harding.
- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported at the 1100 block of E. 12th St.
- **MINOR ACCIDENT** reported at the intersection of 5th St. and Lancaster.
- **HIT AND RUN** reported at the 2000 block of S. Gregg.

- **RONALD HASELBY** was booked by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **RANDY JAY YBARRA** was booked by BSPD on a charge of unlawful restraint and assault causing bodily injury.
- **BRANDON SHANE COX** was booked by BSPD on a charge of hindering officers discharging official duties.
- **MICHAEL SCOTT JACKMAN** was booked by HCSO on a warrant for injury to a child/elderly/disabled person and criminal negligence.
- **THOMAS ALLEN YOUNG** was booked by BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana and warrants for possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram, delivery of marijuana less than or equal to 5 pounds but greater than 1/4 ounce, possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram and bondsman off bond - possession of marijuana 2 ounces.
- **WHITNEY GONZALES** was booked by HCSO on a warrant for tampering with government record - insurance document.

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Note: Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 78 at the time of this report.

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Support Groups

- 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, 1209 Wright St.

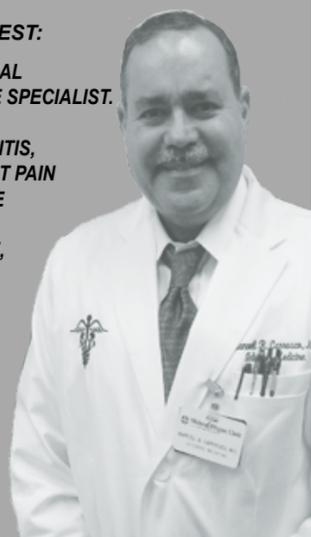
- Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential.

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FIRES

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consumed by fire early this morning. Five Big Spring Fire Department Units responded to a structure fire at the 1400 block of Princeton at approximately 2:30 a.m. The structure was fully involved upon their arrival. The house had not been occupied for several years and had fallen into a state of disrepair with the yard being overgrown with weeds and brush, officials said. Numerous reports of transient activity have been noted over the past few years. The fire started in the rear of the structure and spread throughout, leaving the property a total loss. The property next to the structure was slightly damaged. The incident is under investigation and is considered suspicious. If anyone has similar properties in their neighborhood, they are asked to remain vigilant and report any type of suspicious activities to law enforcement immediately. Anyone with information about this fire is asked to contact Fire Marshall Carl Condray at 432-264-2305. Further details will be released as they become available.

NSM

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various projects. "All the funds we raise goes back into the community, whether it is here in the North Side or anywhere in Big Spring," Yanez said. "We will be raising funds for the account, so we can distribute them throughout Big Spring for things we see need attention, if somebody needs help, or for things that need attention on the North Side."

The NSM mission is to bring attention to North Side by beautifying, attracting new business, restoring pride, and serving as a voice and link between city government for the residents of North Side to help to create a better quality of life.

For more information about the Flea Market, call Nati Saldivar 466-5363.

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

MOVE

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Despite relocating the department's base of operations outside Big Spring city limits, Klinskiak believes the move will help make operations more efficient. "With the increased traffic on Highway 87 and the (Interstate 20)

service roads, it's made it difficult for us to move our heavy machinery, especially if it's needed on short notice to help the volunteer fire department," he said. "This move should really help shorten our response times."

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 234 or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

The 1969 class of BSHS will hold a reunion on Oct. 3-4. The following lost class members are being sought for by the committee. Please contact Shelane Parnell Roberts 432-267-2798 or Jann Forrest Caffey 432-393-5284.

Robert Aaron, Mary Ann Abreo (Ficke), Steve Austin; Ruth Bailey, Shirley Baldock, Judy Barber, Rhonda Barger, Jessie Ladd Bennett, Linda Gail Benson, Mike Bolte, Brenda Bradbury, Dwight Brown, James Brown, Sherry Buford, Mary Beth Burcham, Douglas Lee Burnett, Bobbie Beatrice Byrd, and Candace Carothers.

Jimmy Ray Carter, Yvette Casillas (Padilla), Lucy Cervantes, Rob Chapman, Ema Chavez, Gwen Clark, Karen Conway McCustian, Larry Cotton, Benjamin Rush Crocker, Alanda Deans, Santa Diaz, Alfred Doporto, Janie Duke, Petra Duran, Debra Erhardt, Michael Evans, Clifton Ray Fidler and Patie Lue Finke.

Marva Elizabeth Foster, Debbie Fritz, Larry Froman, Laura Fulbright (Jones), Chris Gilbert, Wanda Sue Gipson, Irene Gomez, Katie Gomez, Katherine Gresham (Lackey), Darwin Griffin, Nancy Jo Hall, Thomas Ham, Theresa Heard, Bill Henry, Donald Hickson, David Hilario, Jascuila Hilario, Lewis Hinojos, Mike Hubbard and Dale Hughes.

Arthur Huse, Charles C. Hyden, Doris Ann Jenkins, Deborah Ann Jensen, Helen Johnson (Ray), Nancy Kasch, James Kelly, Juanice Ann Key, Cathy Kirby (Murray), Bertha Kirk, Joan Knight (Ridgeway), Victoria Lynn Knoepfel, David Leal, Mary Francis Lee, Joy Legg, Kenneth Charles Le Roy, Barbara Long, Mimi Luevano, Vera

Norma Luevano, Roberta Hazel Marks, Gerald Matin, Elizabeth McCarra, Nancy McWhorter, Wanda Jane Mesimer, Gene Willard Meyers, Earsie Jean Miller, Thomas Molina, Carolyn Ann Montgomery, Karen Marie Moore, Irene Munoz (McCurdy), Larry Newton, Doris Virginia Noble, Mary Jane Ovalle and Rosalinda Palomino.

John Pannel, Gorge Annn Patton, Richard Barry Payne, Roger Dale Peacock, Angelina Carmen Phillips, Cynthia Jane Pinson, Sara Elizabeth Pohl and Cathy Poole.

Take Note

Arthur Porras, Michael Proctor, Albert Ramirez, Paula Ramirez, Larry Ray, Coy Reagan, Mary Rhodes, Ophelia Alvarez Rios, Deola Maureen Rivers, Terry Joan Robertson, Pam Rowland, Karen Joyce Russell, Jennifer Schneider, Adelyne Scott (Lewis), Mark Shaver, Larry Sloan, Gary Smith and Gerald Wayne Smith.

Gwenhe Gayle Smith, Stanford Stewart, Wendell Stewart, Larry Taylor, Robert Gale Thompson, Fidel Tovar,

Jesse Trevino, Antonio Subia Valencia, Armando Vera, Richard Vera, Carl Van Veet, Joyce Walker, Herbert Ward, Roy Lee Warren, Glee Webb, James Webb, Betty L. Welch, Michael David Wiggins, Rocky Wooley and Manuel Ybarra.

Hang gliders will be in Big Spring Aug. 2 and 3. Tandem flights will be available at \$100 per flight. To schedule a flight, contact Russell Brown at 352-516-8616.

The Cross Roads Young Marines are now taking applications for another boot camp. For more information, call 432-517-4791. Young Marines welcomes boys and girls ages 8 to 18 who are still attending school.

A bank account has been set up to help defray funeral expenses for the family of Shelly Lopez. To make a donation to the Shelly Lopez Memorial fund contact the Big Spring Educational Employee Federal Credit Union at 263-8393 located at 1110 Benton.

Crossroads Hospice is looking for volunteers. Come and be part of our team. Contact Eva at 432-263-5300.

Help Kids Succeed is asking the public to help local struggling families with back to school expenses. The average family spends between \$200 and \$600 per child. Jury Padron and her husband Peter Padron hope to "pay it forward" by helping these families with donations of clothes, shoes or school supplies. To make a donation, go to www.gofundme.com/ams9v8 or in person by cash, check or money order. To make a supply donation

or for more information call Jury at 638-0861 or Peter at 270-5228.

Friends of the Library is asking the public to begin gathering books for donation to the annual book sale. Books should be in good condition. Please, no magazines or condensed books. Friends will let the public know when to begin bringing books to the Howard County Library.

Forsan School - All Class Reunion will be held Saturday, Aug. 2, 2014, from 9:30 a.m. until late. Lunch will be held at 12:30 p.m. Cost is \$20 per person. The meeting will be held at the Forsan High School cafeteria. Dress is casual. All ex-students, spouses, teachers and friends of the school are invited. Volunteers are needed to help as well as donations for door prizes. For more information and to submit a suggestion for the event, call Ida Lou Raney at 432-264-9580, 432-270-7086, 432-267-2414 or e-mail ida.raney@suddenlink.net.

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

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

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

RHODES

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TBA Convention/Clinic in San Antonio, Texas Rhodes is in his 16th year as band director of Forsan ISD. His 38 years of teaching in public schools include stops in Alpine, Grandfalls-Royalty and Monahans. He is a 1971 graduate of Humble High School and a 1975 graduate of Sul Ross State University in Alpine.

Rhodes' bands have been consistent UIL Sweepstakes winners and State Marching Band and TMEA Honor Band finalists. His Grandfalls-Royalty band was named the 1987 Class A State Honor Band and appeared at the state marching contest three times.

Under his direction, the Forsan High School Band has been recognized at the state level in the TMEA Honor Band Competition

several times. In 2003 the band placed fifth in class 2A; in 2005 the band placed second in class 1A; and was the TMEA Class A Honor Band in 2007.

In addition to being competitive in the Honor Band process, the FHS Band has also had much success in marching band, advancing to the UIL State Marching Contest eight times. In 1999 the band placed fifth in Class 1A; in 2001 the band placed 12th in Class 2A; and in 2003 the band placed fourth in Class 2A. In

2005, the band was the state marching runner-up and won the Silver Medal in Class 1A. In 2007, the Buffalo Band was the state marching champion and won the Gold Medal in Class 1A. In 2009, the FHS Band once again won the Silver Medal at the state marching band contest in Class 1A. In 2011, the band finished in sixth place in Class 2A, and was the Silver Medalist in 2013 in Class 1A.

The FHS Band represented the state of Texas in the 2005 Fourth of

July Parade in Washington D.C. and just received its 16th consecutive sweepstakes award.

In 2009, Rhodes was awarded the UIL Sponsor of Excellence Award and in 2011 he received the Marcia Zoffuto Score A Goal in the Classroom Award.

In addition to being the head band director, Rhodes serves in many other roles in the class 1A Forsan Independent School District including: UIL academic director, junior high and

high school One Act Play director, and UIL academic coach for poetry and prose.

Rhodes is an active clinician, helping area bands and has also been a guest clinician for both TMEA and TBA. In 2011, he was a presenter in the First Texas Bandmasters Association Academy, focused on guiding and mentoring young band directors. He has previously served on the Phi Beta Mu Member at Large Committee and the State UIL Advisory Committee for One Act

Play. Rhodes is a highly sought after adjudicator and a member of ATSSB, TMEA, TBA, TMAA, and Phi Beta Mu.

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Opinion

Lessons in acts of kindness

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One thing is for sure in our world today, there is not enough kindness. There are too few who will go the extra mile to invest in someone's happiness or success. Too many are self-centered and selfish with their time and resources and the result is a severe shortage of people who really, genuinely care about others.

Desmond Tutu said, “Do your little bit of good where you are; it's those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world.” Mark Twain weighed in on the matter when he said, “Kindness is a language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see.”

There is an abundance of rude, selfish and self-seeking people around today and they are definitely making a difference in our world. The problem is it's the wrong kind of difference.

As our town continues to grow, problems are becoming visible to all of us. The continuous flow of traffic has increased so much that it is quite a task sometimes to get out of a business parking lot onto Gregg Street or 700, and many of them are out-of-state vehicles with people who drive and act as if they have a chip on their shoulder against us native Big Springers. Every time people from out of town, or even our own neighbors, don't show us kindness, we have a decision to make. The easiest thing to do is complain about the rudeness of our oil field related transplanted neighbors, maybe even to the point of actual retaliation. But, as hard as it may be, I am suggesting that maybe instead of wishing ill against them or “fighting fire with fire,” what we really need to do is “kill 'em with kindness.” Being kind to people who don't always deserve it can be a powerful dose of feel-good.

Jim Luff tells the following story about a lesson he learned



EDDY PRINCE

about being kind. In his own words, “One hot summer I was traveling down the freeway on a day excursion to Los Angeles. During my travel down the highway another motorist suddenly started merging into my lane. Being in the far right lane, my car was forced onto the shoulder of the road. Being a professional driver, I maneuvered my car back onto the highway without allowing road rage to consume me.

While I wasn't very happy with the person for cutting me off, I decided to consider it an honest mistake. A lack of attention to the lane change. A driver lost in a good daydream. It certainly could not have been an intentional act. The car sped away after cutting me off and soon was out of sight.

After a while, I came around a curve and found the same motorist on the side of the road. He was an elderly gentleman who was pacing along the side of the freeway on this hot day. With no call box in sight and the nearest services being at least 20 miles away, I decided to stop and see what the problem was.

The man's car had a flat tire and while he had a spare tire, he had no jack. I decided to help him by changing his tire for him and allowed him to sit in my air-conditioned car while I changed his tire. Fifteen minutes later, I was hot, sweaty and dirty, but I sure did feel good after a Random Act of Kindness to someone who had earlier run me off the road.”

An unknown author tells the following story that I believe has merit as we develop an awareness and tolerance for those around us. “During my second month of nursing school, our professor gave us a pop quiz. I was a conscientious student and had breezed through the questions, until I read the last one: “What is the first name of the woman who cleans the school?” Surely this was some kind of joke. I had seen the cleaning woman several times. She was tall, dark-haired and in her 50s, but how would I know her name? I handed in my paper leaving the last question blank. Be-

fore class ended, one student asked if the last question would count toward our quiz grade. “Absolutely,” said the professor. “In your careers you will meet many people. All are significant. They deserve your attention and care, even if all you do is smile and say ‘hello.’” I've never forgotten that lesson. I also learned her name was Dorothy.”

One night, at 11:30 pm, an older African American woman was standing on the side of an Alabama highway trying to endure a lashing rain storm. Her car had broken down and she desperately needed a ride. Soaking wet, she decided to flag down the next car. A young white man stopped to help her —generally unheard of in those conflict-filled 60s. The man took her to safety, helped her get assistance and put her into a taxi cab.

She seemed to be in a big hurry. She wrote down his address, thanked him and drove away. Seven days went by and a knock came on the man's door. To his surprise, a giant console color TV was delivered to his home. A special note was attached. It read: “Thank you so much for assisting me on the highway the other night. The rain drenched not only my clothes but my spirits. Then you came along. Because of you, I was able to make it to my dying husband's bedside just before he passed away. God bless you for helping me and unselfishly serving others. Sincerely, Mrs. Nat King Cole.”

I think of what Jesus had to say about the matter in Matthew 5, “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.” No, it's not always easy, but it is the best thing to do.

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

Eddy Prince is senior pastor at Grace Fellowship Church of God in Big Spring. He can be reached by email at pastorprince@msn.com.

Marijuana prohibition doesn't work

The New York Times has seen the light. On Sunday, the paper editorialized in favor of an end to the federal ban on marijuana. According to Tony Newman of the Drug Policy Alliance, The Gray Lady has become the first major national newspaper to support legalizing marijuana.

The Times did not celebrate marijuana use; it simply addressed the downside of prohibition — 658,000 arrests for marijuana possession in 2012, with a disproportionate representation of young black men. The editorial also laid out a rational view of marijuana. While research suggests that marijuana can have adverse affects on adolescent brains — hence the paper's support for a ban on sales to those under 21 — it's not as hazardous to health as alcohol and tobacco. The paper also made this commonsense but rare assertion: “Moderate use of marijuana does not appear to pose a risk for otherwise healthy adults.”

My guess is the editorial board wanted to appear relevant instead of late to the party. In 2012, Colorado and Washington voters approved ballot measures to legalize the recreational use of marijuana. Last year, a Gallup poll found that 58 percent of respondents support legalization. I think the New

York Times wanted to speak out before voters in Oregon, and perhaps Alaska, pass similar legalization laws in November.

Editorial board member David Firestone urged President Obama to order Attorney General Eric Holder to begin a study to remove marijuana from the federal list of controlled drugs. Likewise, Rep. Jared Polis, D-Colorado, has introduced the Ending Federal Marijuana Prohibition Act. While few observers expect the bill to pass, the Times' editorial just might prompt a few lawmakers to rethink what has been knee-jerk opposition to change.

Rep. Eric Swalwell, D-California, signed on as a co-sponsor of the bill last year — and he's a former prosecutor. “I believe that citizens in states across the county should be empowered to make their own decisions as to how to treat marijuana,” Swalwell said in a statement.

Apparently, it took marijuana to get Democrats to find a policy area that states should decide. Asked on CNN about legalizing marijuana, Hillary Rodham Clinton lauded states as “laboratories of democracy.” When Bill Clinton ran for president in 1992, he said he experimented with marijuana but didn't inhale. Now states are doing the experimenting.

Except California. In 2010, 54 percent of state voters rejected Proposition 19, which would have legalized recreational marijuana. The Drug Policy Alliance is working on a mea-

sure for the 2016 ballot that addresses the concerns of Prop. 19 critics and builds on lessons learned in Colorado and Washington.

Gov. Jerry Brown opposed Prop. 19, and he's not likely to support any new measure. In March he told NBC's Meet the Press, “How many people can get stoned and still have a great state or a great nation?”

It's an odd stance for a governor who reduced the state prison population from around 150,000 in 2010 to 117,500 inmates. Do Californians really want police enforcing marijuana laws when other offenders pose a bigger threat to public safety?

Alas, Brown's GOP challenger, Neel Kashkari, also opposes legalization.

I asked Swalwell if he thought legalization would increase use. He answered, “Honestly, no.”

It's not as though it's hard to get marijuana in California, where medical marijuana is legal. Then again, it wasn't hard to find marijuana in my high school before medical marijuana. Prohibition doesn't work.

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DAILY PRAYER

Help us to not be too quick to criticize, dear Lord.
Amen

Check this out: What's at the library

Many of "our" people who come to the library go straight to the Audio section to see what we have new. They like audio book for several reasons: listening while traveling; while working on hobbies; failing vision or other vision problems; or quite simply that is what they prefer.



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When ordering audio books, we try to keep a balance, but are always open to suggestions from the public. On occasion, Blackstone or Recorded Books will put their backlist on a super-sale and we will pick up some oldies for a good price (\$20 or less) but most of the time our audio books cost \$40 and up.

But enough of that! Here are some of our new Books on CD. I won't give a full description, because I have recapped some of them in the print version:

• "Ruby" (AUCD F BON C) by Cynthia Bond writes about how Ephram Jennings never forgot the beautiful girl with the long braids running through the piney woods of Liberty, their small East Texas town. Young Ruby, "the kind of pretty it hurt to look at," has suffered beyond imagining, so as soon as she can, she flees suffocating Liberty for the bright pull of 1950s New York.

When a telegram from her cousin forces her to return home, 30-year-old Ruby Bell finds herself reliving the devastating violence of her girlhood. With the terrifying realization that she might

not be strong enough to fight her way back out again, Ruby struggles to survive her memories of the town's dark past. Meanwhile, Ephram must choose between loyalty to the sister who raised him and the chance for a life with the woman he has loved since he was a boy.

• We have two John Sandford's for you, both feature Virgil Flowers: "Storm Front" (AUCD F SAN J) with Virgil Flowers who is awaiting an Israeli investigator who is chasing a man who has smuggled out an extraordinary relic - an inscribed stone with startling details about King Solomon. In "Mad River" (AUCD F SAN J), Virgil is chasing a modern day Bonnie and Clyde, who are cutting a swathe through rural Minnesota. But something just doesn't feel right to him and he hopes he can figure it out before too many more people die.

• Maeve Binchy's "Chestnut Street" (AUCD F BIN M) is ready to check out

• "Longbourn" (AUCD F BAK J) by Jo Baker, an alternate look at "Pride and Prejudice" from the servant's point of view.

• Other audio books include "Night Diver" (AUCD F LOW D) from Elizabeth Lowell; "Saving Faith" (AUCD F BAL D) by David Baldacci and "Private Berlin" (AUCD F PAT J) by James Patterson.

"Hidden America: From Coal Miners to Cowboys" (305.562 LAS J) by Jeanne Marie Laskas, is the exploration of occupations who make America work. Laskas dives deep into her subjects and makes these character-driven stories into a gripping and revelatory tale.

Stories include the men

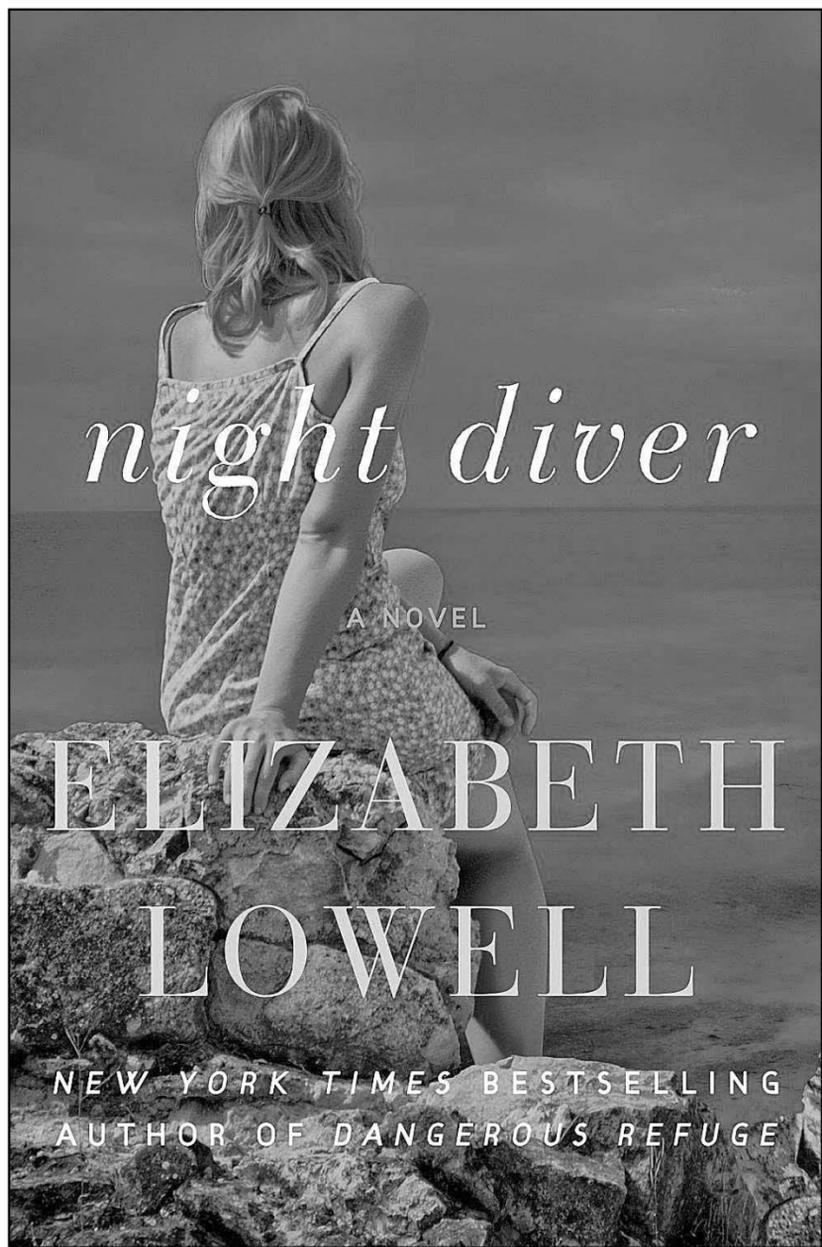
who go deep into the earth at the Hopedale Coal Mine in Cadiz, Ohio; you learn of Smitty and the mail-order bride and Pap and his dying mother. Life on the North Slope on an oil drilling rig - ever heard of a polar bear cage? I now have. Also featured are a beef ranch in Texas, a landfill in California, a gun shop in Arizona and life as a Ben-Gal Cheerleader in Cincinnati. It is a fascinating book; one that is hard to put down.

Lynette Jensen, who wrote "Quilting a Patchwork Garden" (746.46 JEN L), is another renowned quilter who has her own line of patterns and fabric. In this book, Lynette has combined her love of gardening and quilting, from spring to autumn, and her quilts reflect those seasons.

Enjoy her Tulip Patch Wall Quilt, Summertime Runner, and Harvest Table Square.

A neat cookbook with some very tasty sounding recipes has arrived: "America's Favorite Brand Name Light Cooking" (641.533 PUB I) from Publications International.

Most of the recipes do not call for exotic ingredients



that our local stores do not carry, and if they do, I think you would find it easy enough to find a substitute. Cheese Tortellini with Tuna, Lasagna Roll-Ups, Quick Refrigerator Sweet Pickles, Brownies, Lemon Raspberry Tiramisu ... now, don't all of those sound like they are low calorie? I am getting hungry as I look at the recipes and gaze at the photos - is it time

for lunch?

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Odds and ends

Centenarian gets honorary high school diploma

EAST PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — A Rhode Island centenarian has received something she'd wanted for more than eight decades: her high school diploma.

East Providence resident Mary Moniz (MOH'neeze) received the honorary diploma from the Fall River, Massachusetts, school department on Saturday. She turned 100 on Monday.

Moniz attended high school in Fall River. But she went for only two years because her family moved back to the Azores amid the Great Depression.

In 1949, she moved back to the United States. But she never completed high school. Her son says she always regretted not finishing.

She says she had wanted to be a history teacher. She worked for a metal products company for 16 years. She says she's honored to get her degree.

Her family arranged the honorary diploma by contacting the education commissioner in Massachusetts.

Pesky pig that scared kids on Maine trail captured

OAKLAND, Maine (AP) — An 80-pound domestic pig that chased children and adults on a walking trail in Maine during three weeks of freedom has been nabbed.

Officials in Oakland closed the trail after the runaway pig scared two children walking on it between Messalonskee middle and high schools and then chased a high school student and attacked a woman.

The Morning Sentinel reports the 4-month-old black and white pig's freedom came to an end Tuesday. The newspaper says Oakland's animal control officer and an expert from the U.S. Department of Agriculture tracked, baited and captured the pig.

Elegant Louvre Garden in Paris infested with rats

PARIS (AP) — Rats are on the rampage in the elegant garden of the Louvre Museum, so bold they romp on the grass in broad daylight, defying death threats from sanitation workers and scaring tourists.

The hot weather in Paris has brought many picnicking visitors to the garden, whose garbage is a feast for the rats. And they're getting help from animal lovers who dig up poison and feed them water.

Maybe it's the "Ratatouille" effect, with the beloved French rat Remy from Disney's computer animated film helping real-life rats win Parisian hearts.

The vermin are finding a lifeline from "people

who don't want us to kill animals," said Jean-Claude Ndzana Ekani, a museum employee who was working Tuesday with technicians from an extermination company.

The lush area which extends into the Tuileries Gardens gives a rat plenty of places to hide, but still the critters scamper about openly, unfazed by people strolling about.

The Louvre, which owns the garden, has been trying to combat the rat problem for months but clearly hasn't succeeded. In May, sanitation officials and exterminators decided to embark on an all-out offensive: "A decision was made to do a shock operation," Ndzana Ekani said. Workers, acting methodically, were seen Tuesday pouring poison down the rat holes.

Couple wants middle names to include 'Seamonster'

HOLYOKE, Mass. (AP) — Sea monsters may exist only in the imagination, but a Massachusetts couple wants to make them part of their names.

The Republican newspaper of Springfield reports that the couple, Melanie Ann Convery and Neal James Coughlin of Holyoke, are petitioning Massachusetts to allow them to make both of their middle names "Seamonster."

The couple has made the request in a legal notice published in a local newspaper as required by state law. A hearing on the request is scheduled for Wednesday in Hampden Probate and Family Court.

The couple gave no indication why they wanted the legendary creatures to be included in their names.

Oak Ridge cancels class to reduce Southern accents

OAK RIDGE, Tenn. (AP) — Some employees at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory in Tennessee complained about a class aimed at teaching them how to reduce their Southern accents. Now, managers are calling the whole thing off.

The course had been advertised as a way to feel confident in meetings, when one might need to speak with a more neutral accent. The class was touted as a way to "be remembered for what you say and not how you say it."

Carolyn Ward of ORNL's Learning and Development Services told the Knoxville News Sentinel that an employee requested the class, so it was offered for others too.

ORNL spokesman David Keim said the class "probably wasn't presented in the right way."

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News in brief

Israeli tank shells slam into UN school in Gaza, kill 15; elsewhere, 27 die as war rages

JEBALIYA REFUGEE CAMP, Gaza Strip (AP) — Israeli tank shells slammed into a crowded U.N. school Wednesday sheltering Gazans displaced by fighting, killing 15 and wounding 90 after tearing through the walls of two classrooms, a spokesman for a U.N. aid agency and a health official said.

The relentless bombardment also killed 27 Palestinians elsewhere in the coastal territory Wednesday, further dimming hopes of a sustainable ceasefire.

The strike at the U.N. school in the Jebaliya refugee camp came amid Israel's heaviest air and artillery assault in more than three weeks of Israel-Hamas fighting.

The Israeli military said it is looking into the incident. Its campaign escalated on Tuesday, with airstrikes destroying key symbols of Hamas power, including the home of the top Hamas leader. Gaza's only power plant was shut down after shells set its fuel tank on fire.

On Wednesday, Israeli aircraft struck dozens of Gaza sites, including five mosques it said were being used by militants, while several other areas came under tank fire.

AP ANALYSIS: Even as Gaza war rages, exit scenarios for Israel are starting to take shape

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — The savage fighting between Israel and Hamas is escalating in Gaza, cease-fire efforts take on elements of farce, and bravado rules the public discourse. But even through the fog of war, a few endgame scenarios can nonetheless be glimpsed.

For the moment, the deadlock is well-entrenched: As long as the crippling blockade of Gaza remains in place, Hamas says it will continue firing rockets at Israel — terrifying but mostly ineffectual, thanks to the "Iron Dome" defense system. Israel says the blockade must stay to stop a terrorist government from importing yet more weapons.

There is not much pressure on either side to stop — even in Gaza, where more than 1,200 people, mainly civilians, have been killed, amid widespread devastation. An Egyptian-led cease-fire plan more than two weeks ago, which Israel accepted and was a straight return to the status quo before this current round — was rejected by Hamas, and there was little criticism of that decision in Gaza. Such is the hatred of the air, land and sea blockade in the strip — in addition, perhaps, to the fear of Hamas.

Last week's mediation effort led by John Kerry fizzled amid a most undiplomatic frenzy of criticism in Israel of the U.S. secretary of state. He had dared suggest Hamas' blockade-ending demands be on the table. He also had ignored Israel's new demands — probably long-term at best — that the militant group be disarmed.

While it is too early to say how all this will end, quiet diplomacy continues. There also is a growing sense that it can't go on much longer — but then again, it might.

Russia's central bank promises support for targets of new sanctions

MOSCOW (AP) — Russia's central bank prom-

ised to support financial institutions hit by U.S. sanctions as stocks took a tumble in Moscow on Wednesday.

In an online statement, the bank promised to "take adequate measures" to support targeted institutions. Russia's state-owned VTB bank — Russia's second-largest — was down 0.5 percent on Wednesday morning.

Other major banks that were left unscathed by sanctions — such as the country's largest, Sberbank — were trading higher. Russia's MICEX benchmark index added 2.3 percent from its previous closing.

U.S. officials said Tuesday that roughly 30 percent of Russia's banking sector assets are now constrained by sanctions.

The move comes after Malaysia Airlines Flight 17 was shot down over eastern Ukraine. Western officials accuse pro-Russian separatists of bringing down the plane with a missile supplied by Moscow.

Landslide triggered by rains hits village in western India, possibly trapping over 150 people

NEW DELHI (AP) — A landslide hit a village in western India following torrential rains Wednesday, sweeping away scores of houses and raising fears that more than 150 people could be trapped, officials said.

Federal rescue workers were being hampered by continuing rains and poor roads leading to the village of Ambe in Pune district in Maharashtra state, where the landslide buried about 40 houses, said local commissioner Prabhakar Deshmukh.

"Reaching the exact space is taking time because there is a lot of damage to the road," Sandeep Rai Rathore, a top official of the federal National Disaster Response Force, told NDTV news channel.

Police and medical teams arrived in the area but had difficulty communicating because of poor telephone and cellphone connectivity, local legislator Dilip Walse Patil told CNN-IBN TV network.

"It is a small village and this happened very suddenly," he added.

Senators face do-nothing taunts as partisan gridlock robs them of popular bills to campaign on

WASHINGTON (AP) — The "Bipartisan Sportsmen's Act of 2014" seemed ideal for Sen. Kay Hagan's re-election bid in politically divided North Carolina, where many people like to hunt and fish. Her bill would open more federal lands to hunters, and conservation groups liked it too.

The first-term Democrat lined up dozens of co-sponsors from both parties and appeared ready to claim a feel-good accomplishment. And yet the proposal still collapsed, one of many uncontroversial measures to die as members of Congress, consumed by midterm election politics, deny each other achievements — then complain about their do-nothing colleagues.

The dilemma may boost Republicans' hopes of winning the six new seats they need this fall to gain the Senate majority. The closest races involve Hagan and other Democrats from states that President Barack Obama lost.

With the president relatively unpopular, these senators are desperate to cite personal achievements that set them apart from generic Democrats. Their opponents, meanwhile, suggest they are deadbeats.

"Look at the folks running for re-election. What have they done?" said Sen. Richard Burr, R-N.C., who supports Hagan's GOP challenger, Thom Tillis. "She's got nothing," he said of Hagan. Burr

added, however, "She's not alone in that."

Poll: Americans cool to border-crossing Latino children, wary of granting refugee status

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Americans are wary of granting refugee status to children crossing the U.S. border to flee strife-torn countries in Central America, and most in an Associated Press-GfK poll say the U.S. does not have a moral obligation to accept asylum seekers generally.

The new poll found 53 percent of Americans believe the United States has no moral obligation to offer asylum to people who escape violence or political persecution, while 44 percent believe it has that responsibility.

And more than half, 52 percent, say children who say they are fleeing gang violence in Central America should not be treated as refugees, while 46 percent say they should.

The responses expose a partisan rift, with 70 percent of Republicans saying Central American children should not be treated as refugees compared with 62 percent of Democrats who believe they should. On whether the United States has an obligation to accept people fleeing violence or political persecution, 66 percent of Republicans say it does not and 57 percent of Democrats say it does.

Border bill likely to come up short in Senate as crisis sets off maneuvering on Capitol Hill

WASHINGTON (AP) — A bill to deal with the immigration surge at the border appears headed for procedural defeat in the Senate as lawmakers trade blame over their inaction on the crisis.

Days ahead of Congress' five-week summer recess, Senate Democrats' \$3.5 billion emergency spending bill designed to help deal with tens of thousands of young migrants crossing the border illegally has yet to draw the necessary support to move forward. A vote in the Senate was expected Wednesday.

The inclusion of hundreds of millions of dollars to fight Western wildfires and provide aid for Israel's defense hasn't been enough to win over Republicans, who demand legal changes rejected by Democrats to return the young migrants more quickly to Central America.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., said it was Republicans' fault that the Senate looked set to adjourn for August without addressing what both parties have called a humanitarian crisis.

Mississippi to decide whether to challenge ruling that keeps sole abortion clinic in business

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — Mississippi's governor and attorney general will have to decide whether to challenge a federal appeals court ruling that is keeping the state's only abortion clinic in business.

A panel of the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals voted 2-1 Tuesday to block a 2012 Mississippi law that requires abortion doctors to obtain admitting privileges at nearby hospitals.

When Republican Gov. Phil Bryant signed the law, he said he hoped it would end abortion in the state. In defending the law, state attorneys said women with unwanted pregnancies could always travel to other states. But the appellate judges ruled that every state must guarantee constitutional rights, including abortion.

Bryant, in a statement late Tuesday, said he was disappointed by the court's ruling.

"This measure is designed to protect the health and safety of women who undergo this potentially dangerous procedure, and physicians who provide abortions should be held to the same standards as physicians who perform other outpatient procedures," Bryant said.

Sudoku Answer on Page 3

sudoku

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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4	9		8	6	2	5		
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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Sylvia Takes Up Stayman

East dealer.
East-West vulnerable.

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

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

EAST
♠ 10 6 4
♥ 9 7 6 4 2
♦ Q 9
♣ J 10 7

SOUTH
♠ A 8 5 3
♥ A J 10
♦ 5 4
♣ A K 6 5

The bidding:
East South West North
Pass 1 NT Pass 2 ♣
Pass 2 ♦ Pass 3 NT
Pass 4 ♣

Opening lead — king of spades.
When Sylvia first heard about the Stayman convention, a brand-new world opened before her eyes. Gadget-minded by nature, Sylvia readily adopted every convention she came across with an exuberance that left her frantic partners limp with each additional experience.

Consider this deal that arose at the club shortly after Sylvia took up Stayman. Sylvia held the North cards, and when her partner opened

with one notrump, her face was a joy to behold. She responded with two clubs, asking South to bid a four-card major suit if he had one. The fact that she did not have a four-card major herself did not concern her in the least.

South obediently responded with two spades, after which Sylvia, having exploited her newest toy, jumped to three notrump.

But South naturally assumed that if Sylvia did not have four spades, she had to have four of the other major, so he bid four hearts. South was apparently worried about his diamond weakness and thought the hand might play better in hearts than notrump, even though he would be playing in a 4-3 fit.

Sylvia passed, of course, and West led the king of spades. Declarer was surprised to find only three hearts in dummy, but this did not stop him from dashing home with the contract.

He took the spade lead with the ace, ruffed a spade, played a club to the king, ruffed another spade, played a club to the ace and ruffed his last spade. The A-J-10 of trumps and ace of diamonds then rounded out 10 easy tricks. Three notrump, of course, would have had virtually no chance of succeeding.

Tomorrow: The introspective approach.

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Romo skips full-pad session for 1st time at camp

(AP) — The Dallas Cowboys are taking it easy with Tony Romo's back. Romo sat out a competitive practice for the first time at training camp Tuesday, although coach Jason Garrett said it wasn't because of any setbacks from surgery for a herniated disk in late December. Garrett said the Cowboys are making daily decisions on workload, and Romo is in on them as

well. Romo said after the practice that camp was going as planned. "Feeling great," Romo said "Everything's on schedule. Just got to be smart. It's going exactly like I thought." Executive vice president Stephen Jones said it was the 34-year-old quarterback's idea when he skipped Friday's full practice, which was lighter work without pads. Romo did all the com-

petitive work in the first two practices with pads Saturday and Sunday. The team was off Monday, and Romo was part of the morning walkthrough. "There's an old adage in football: A day off can be really valuable, two days off can be life changing," Garrett said. "So when you get in this kind of a situation, we had yesterday off, got some good work this morning in the walkthrough, some men-

tal work of some of the different situations we're working on." Owner Jerry Jones said Romo "is 100 percent" and he was "not at all" concerned about the health of the first player in franchise history to sign a \$100 million contract. "We're really pleased with the way he's practicing and the work he's getting done and what he's doing both on and

off the field," Jones said. "But nothing in any way certainly about his back." Romo sustained the injury against Washington last season but stayed in and threw a game-winning touchdown pass. He had surgery two days before the Cowboys lost to Philadelphia with Kyle Orton at quarterback in a season-ending loss that kept Dallas out of the playoffs.

After being held out of competitive situations throughout the offseason, Romo was declared ready for camp. But the Cowboys have been cautious by limiting his throws. Tuesday's break is the most significant cutback so far of training camp. "The biggest thing we talked to Tony about and really all of our players about, is honest feedback," Garrett said.



Getting close ...

Big Spring High School football players will join those from around the state in beginning pre-season drills on Monday morning. Teams across the state will kick off the high school season on Aug. 4 with their first practices.

NY overcomes Arencibia's 7 RBIs in 12-11 victory

ARLINGTON (AP) — J.P. Arencibia became the first Texas Rangers player with four extra-base hits since Josh Hamilton's four-homer game, and drove in a career-high seven RBIs.

"Not enough," Arencibia said when asked to describe his game. "Unfortunately we were one run short."

Despite the big night by Arencibia that included a grand slam and a near comeback in the ninth off New York Yankees closer David Robertson, the Rangers lost 12-11 on Tuesday night.

"We didn't quit, we kept fighting," manager Ron Washington said.

Robertson scored off Robertson, the fifth Yankees pitcher, and had the bases loaded after Elvis Andrus had a two-run single. Adrian Beltre hit a towering flyball to deep left that finally ended the game after 3 hours, 51 minutes.

"It was about as bad as you can suck and still get one of the better hitters in the game out and not lose the ballgame," said Robertson, who got his 27th save in 29 chances.

The Yankees never trailed after Brett Gardner reached base twice in a seven-run sixth inning that made it 8-4.

"If you look into that sixth inning, I don't think there were many people that thought we had a chance," Washington said. "We was one swing away with the right guy at the plate."

New York was up 10-4 before Arencibia, already with two doubles and a solo homer, hit his grand slam in the seventh.

The last player in the series with at least seven RBIs in a loss was Jonathan Lucroy in 2012, when Milwaukee fell to the Cubs, STATS said. That was the same season Hamilton homered four times at Baltimore.

Arencibia struck out

Fans turn out in droves to cheer Jeter

ARLINGTON — The Texas Rangers' final homestand against the New York Yankees this season has turned into a Derek Jeter lovefest.

Fans gave him a standing ovation every time he stepped to the plate Monday night of the opening game of the series. Many whipped out their cellphone cameras and shot videos of the Yankees' 40-year-old shortstop.

Jeter's No. 2 jersey was by far the most popular player number at Globe Life Park in Arlington. Kids and adults alike wore it, showing their respect for one of history's greatest shortstops in his final season.

Yu Darvish was ultimately the biggest story in the Rangers' 4-2 win over the Yankees as he pitched seven strong innings. But Jeter put on a show for the fans with three hits.

He passed Carl Yastrzemski to become the seventh-leading hitter in major league baseball history.

to start the ninth before the Rangers had two hits and three walks off Robertson.

After winning the series opener 4-2, the Rangers missed a chance to win consecutive games for the first time in a month. They have lost 30 of their last 37 games overall, and 11 of 13 at

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Qualls blows lead in 9th in loss to A's

HOUSTON (AP) — With his name frequently mentioned as the trade deadline approaches, Houston Astros closer Chad Qualls had his worst outing of the season.

Qualls blew a three-run lead, slumping Brandon Moss then hit a go-ahead single during a six-run rally in the ninth inning and the Oakland Athletics beat the Houston Astros 7-4 Tuesday night.

Houston led 4-1 before pinch-hitter Alberto Callaspo had a two-run single off Qualls (1-2). After Houston couldn't turn a potential game-

ending double play on John Jaso's grounder, Jed Lowrie and Yoenis Cespedes tied it with a single.

"You've been throwing the ball well for quite some time so your expectations are really high," Qualls said. "When an inning like that happens, you let your team down and you don't feel good."

Brandon Moss ended an 0-for-14 rut with an RBI single off Tony Sipp and then Josh Donaldson hit a two-run double off Jose Veras.

Qualls has now allowed runs in two straight outings for

the first time since the opening week of the season after previously making 31 of 33 appearances without allowing an earned run. Qualls' blown save was his third in 14 save opportunities and first since June 12.

"I don't want to say they got lucky because, obviously, that's not the case," Qualls said. "But they just found some holes when they needed to and hit the ball on the screws when they needed to. I just didn't get it done."

Marwin Gonzalez homered off the left field foul pole in the

first to give the Astros a lead. Enrique Hernandez had an RBI triple as part of a two-run fifth and an RBI double in seventh to give the Astros the 4-1 lead.

"Any time you lose games in the eighth or ninth inning, those are tough games to lose," Houston manager Bo Porter said. "We were in position to win the ballgame and just were not able to close it out."

Astros starter Scott Feldman allowed one run and five hits in seven innings. He rebounded after one of his worst outings of the season Thursday.

Tokyo governor defends venue relocation

TOKYO (AP) — Tokyo Governor Yoichi Masuzoe on Wednesday defended his call to cut costs by relocating some venues for the 2020 Olympics, even if it threatens plans for having almost all the facilities close to the athletes village.

Tokyo won the right to host the 2020 Olympics last year with a promise to deliver a compact games, with 28 of the proposed 33 competition venues within five miles

(8 kilometers) of the village.

But Japanese Olympic organizers said they are reviewing their venue plans because of concerns over rising costs. Japan has already informed the International Olympic Committee about its intention to review and revise its plans.

According to reports in the Japanese media, organizers are considering moving some venues to locations as far away as

Saitama, which is part of the Greater Tokyo Area but an hour away from central Tokyo.

"Even if a venue is 100 kilometers (60 miles) away you can still achieve a maximum travel time of 30 minutes if the transportation system is appropriate," Masuzoe told a news conference at the Foreign Correspondents' Club of Japan.

Masuzoe said the relocation of some venues

outside that radius will not increase travel times between the facilities if good transportation systems are in place.

Insisting that he also has a responsibility to Tokyo taxpayers, Masuzoe said the games need to be compact in terms of cost and not just geography — a principle the IOC agrees with.

"Expenses can be 30, 40, 50 times more than the original plan," Masuzoe said.

State designation could help save Astrodome

HOUSTON (AP) — The Texas Historical Commission is poised to decide whether to designate the famed Houston Astrodome a "state antiquities landmark," a status that would make demolishing the iconic

structure harder, officials said.

A vote on the antiquities landmark designation was expected during the commission's Wednesday meeting in the West Texas city of Alpine.

The Astrodome is in no immediate danger of being torn down, despite voter rejection last year of a \$217 million bond issue to turn it into a multipurpose special events center.

The designation would

mean any proposal to alter or demolish the Astrodome would need commission approval. While the designation doesn't bar demolition, preservation groups say it would provide an extra layer of protection.

Dodgeball tourney set for Aug. 2 at YMCA

A dodgeball tournament has been slated for Aug. 2.

The tournament is sponsored by the scenic Mountain Medical Center/Family Medical Center Cancer Crushers Relay for Life team.

Registration begins at 9 a.m. and the game starts at 10:30 a.m. at the YMCA. Each team is limited to 10 people

and the cost is \$6 per person. Pre-registration is available. Prizes will be given for first and second place. Concessions will be available during the tourney. On tourney day, please wear comfortable clothing and bring a towel.

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A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: Suit Affecting the Parent-Child Relationship as is more fully shown by the Intervener's Petition on file in this suit.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR WATER QUALITY LAND APPLICATION PERMIT FOR MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER RENEWAL PERMIT NO WQ0010723001

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. City of Coahoma, P.O. Box 420, Coahoma, Texas 79511, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environment Quality (TCEQ) for a renewal of TCEQ Permit No. WQ0010723001, which authorizes the disposal of treated domestic wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 86,800 gallons per day via surface irrigation of 95 acres of farmland on the R.L. Powell Farm and 100 acres of farmland on the J.L. Metcalf Farm. This permit will not authorize a discharge of pollutants into waters in the State. TCEQ received this application on March 21, 2014.

The wastewater treatment facility and disposal site are located adjacent to the west side of Farm-to-Market Road 820, approximately 1.2 miles south of the intersection of Interstate Highway 20 and Farm-to-Market Road 820 in Howard County, Texas 79511. The wastewater treatment facility and disposal site are located in the drainage basin of Colorado River Below Lake J.B. Thomas in Segment No. 1412 of the Colorado River Basin.

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at the Coahoma City Hall, 122 North 1st Street, Coahoma, Texas. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application. <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=32.276103&lng=101.301119&zoom=13&type=r>

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

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

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

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material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised in timely filed comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. **TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconstruction is filed, the Executive Director may issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed out by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

All written public comments and public meeting requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, Texas Commission on Environment Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 79711-3087 or electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040, Si desea informacion en Espanol, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.TCEQ.texas.gov.

Further information may also be obtained from City of Coahoma at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Ray Seales, Public Utilities Director, at 432-213-8038.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

deliberately. One stroke of genius may answer many questions at once.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You have an excellent sense of what will be important to another person -- it's as though you precisely measure the emotional weight of things. You'll use this skill to give what's needed and get back what you need in return.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You want to be memorable to a certain someone, and therefore you will put thought into making your moments together stand out as unlike any other. Act on those highly original ideas.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You realize when the old energy is dying and it's time for something new. Keep yourself and others from falling into a funk. Take control and lead your partner or group to revitalization.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Take the breaks you deserve. If you don't, you risk burning out before you reach your goal. There is no fast without slow. Slow it down if only to prove that you can.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You momentarily may have lost sight of what you were projecting to the world, but what you get back today will clue you in again. You'll quickly get attuned to your own attitude and the attitudes of those around you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). That vendetta you've been carrying around with you? You don't think of it all the time, but today it pushes its way to the top of your secret agenda and fuels your success, which is, of course, the best revenge.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You build on what your partner says, and it goes back and forth, gaining intensity until the final idea is reached. This process can be extremely constructive as long as you both focus on the positive.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You love to be productive, and this day won't disappoint, as the action buzzes along, overlapping in such a way that you may not be able to account for all that's happened until way after the fact.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 30). New friends will invigorate, charm and amuse you. You'll commit to a difficult job, and what you'll have accomplished by the end of August will make you truly proud. Your talent will get the spotlight in September. November and May are the most romantic times. Your family will expand in June. Aquarius and Libra people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 20, 1, 14, 48 and 42.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "My friend started calling me the One-Upper. When she first did it, I laughed, but inside I was really offended. Now I've let her get away with this name, and it's starting to stick. I think it's cruel. I've been told before that my personality is a little strong. But should I really have to tone down the things I want to talk about just because they might make other people feel insecure? I'm thinking about dropping my friend. Maybe she's just too jealous of me to be a true friend. What should I do? I'm a Gemini, and she's a

Libra."

As two air signs, there are many points of connection between you and your friend. Your conversations are lively and intelligent, offering real insight and fun. It would be a shame to throw this away because of one incident. While you shouldn't feel you have to downplay your fabulous life, it is important that you give your Libra the moment when it's her turn to shine. Born as an astrological twin, you are naturally competitive, while it's in Libra's nature not to compete, but to balance and support. Ask your friend to drop the nickname, and in the future, try to share the conversational glory more equitably.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Leo comedy queen Lisa Kudrow recently filmed a television pilot created by Nancy and Steve Carell with costars Quincy Jones and Rashida Jones. The former "Friend" was one of several Leos in the cast of "Friends," and that solar-powered cast continues to shine in syndication. Kudrow was born when the sun and Mercury were in Leo and the moon was in worldly Sagittarius.

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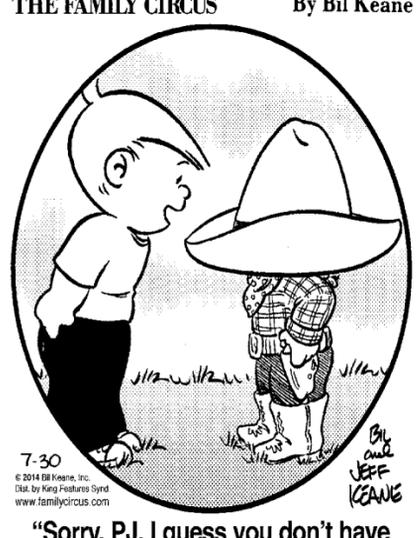
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THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane

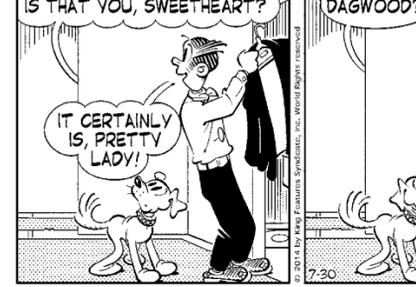


"Sorry, P.J. I guess you don't have a ten-gallon head."

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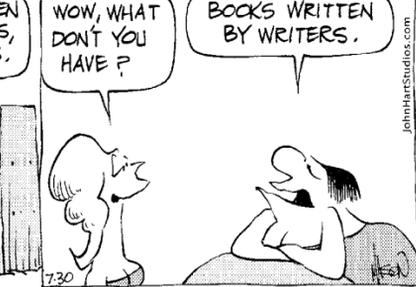
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This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, July 30, the 211th day of 2014. There are 154 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On July 30, 1864, during the Civil War, Union forces tried to take Petersburg, Virginia, by exploding a gunpowder-laden mine shaft that had been dug out beneath Confederate defense lines; the attack failed. On this date: In 1729, Baltimore, Maryland, was founded. In 1918, poet Joyce

Kilmer, a sergeant in the 165th U.S. Infantry Regiment, was killed during the Second Battle of the Marne in World War I. (Kilmer is perhaps best remembered for his poem "Trees.") In 1932, the Summer Olympic Games opened in Los Angeles. In 1942, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed a bill creating a women's auxiliary agency in the Navy known as "Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service" - WAVES for short. In 1945, the Portland class heavy cruiser USS Indianapolis was torpedoed by a Japa-

nese submarine during World War II; only 316 out of some 1,200 men survived. In 1953, the Small Business Administration was founded. In 1956, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a measure making "In God We Trust" the national motto, replacing "E Pluribus Unum" ("Out of many, one").

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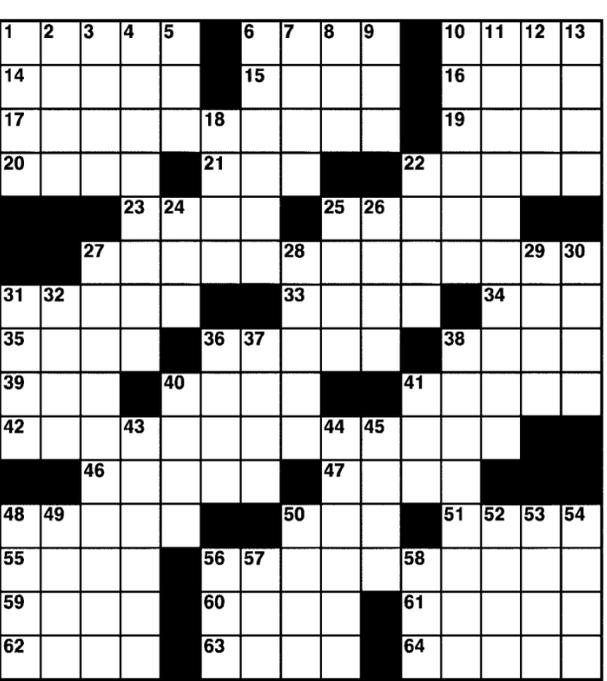
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- 27 Love of money, per the New Testament
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- 34 Ore suffix
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- 39 Director Lee
- 40 Cozy corner
- 41 American Leaguer since 2013
- 42 Where to read about the Ark
- 46 Foul moods
- 47 Give the boot to
- 48 Role player
- 50 In favor of
- 51 Bit of folklore
- 55 The one there
- 56 Etymology
- 59 Place to shop
- 60 Australian gem

- 61 Formally change
- 62 Energetic
- 63 Suffix for leather
- 64 Examinations

- 11 People on parole
- 12 Period of time
- 13 Lacerated
- 18 Work on proofs
- 22 With proficiency
- 24 Fishing gear
- 25 SWAT team
- 26 One on your side
- 27 "Yellow Submarine" singer
- 28 Lucky shot
- 29 "Click ___ ticket" (seatbelt safety slogan)
- 30 Fallon's predecessor
- 31 Hunk of meat loaf
- 32 Casino game

- 36 Pillow
- 37 Clothing, slangily
- 38 "Now?"
- 40 Black: Fr.
- 41 Wild equine
- 43 Tough to solve
- 44 Piece of pasta
- 45 Money in Monaco
- 48 They're filled with dough
- 49 Bloke
- 50 Rushee recruiter
- 52 Mellows with time
- 53 Fabric fuzz
- 54 Wraps up
- 56 Tribulation
- 57 Select, with "for"
- 58 Hamelin pest



'Out of nowhere': Twins add undrafted 24-year-old

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — In one of their craziest scouting experiences, the Minnesota Twins have reached a deal with a 24-year-old pitching prospect who has thrown 100 mile per hour fastballs but has never been drafted.

Brandon Poulson was pitching earlier this month for the Healdsburg Prune Packers in a collegiate summer league. His manager was Joey Gomes, the brother of big leaguer Jonny Gomes.

Now, the Twins are about to give him \$250,000.

"It's a great story," Twins

West Coast scouting supervisor Sean Johnson said Tuesday. "This kid came out of nowhere."

The Twins knew about Poulson from his recent season with Academy of Art University, where he had an 8.38 ERA for the San Francisco school.

Poulson played there after taking a couple of years off to work in his father's business — "John's Excavating" — with the thought he'd take it over someday and leave athletics behind for good.

The 6-foot-6 right-hander

previously played baseball, but chose football at Santa Rosa Junior College. The Twins think Poulson's story could make a great movie.

"I played for the Prune Packers summer of '13, but missed nearly three-fourths of the games because I was busy working," said Poulson, who didn't make his high school baseball team as a freshman.

The Twins are giving him about 10 times more than an undrafted player would typically receive as a bonus. Poulson will begin as a reliever.

Poulson traveled to Minne-

apolis last week to undergo a physical at Target Field before returning to Northern California, then was cleared Tuesday.

He is set to travel Wednesday to the Twins' rookie club in the Appalachian League in Elizabethton, Tenn.

Poulson will sign his contract once he reports. He could pitch in a game as soon as this weekend.

Until last fall, Poulson was operating heavy machinery — driving 18-wheelers, front-loaders and backhoes. All the while, he played baseball in a

Sunday night men's league, fittingly called the "Wine Country" league.

"I went to work with my father and didn't want to gamble with sports anymore," Poulson said.

He later changed his mind and decided to give baseball one last chance, spending months retooling his delivery with Prune Packers pitching coach Caleb Balbuena.

Poulson's statistics this summer include 31 strikeouts and six hits in 12 1-3 innings, with four saves in 12 appearances.

Scoreboard

BASKETBALL				
WNBA				
Eastern Conference				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Atlanta	16	9	.640	—
Washington	13	14	.481	4
Indiana	12	14	.462	4½
New York	11	14	.440	5
Chicago	10	16	.385	6½
Connecticut	10	17	.370	7
Western Conference				
W	L	Pct	GB	
x-Phoenix	22	3	.880	—
x-Minnesota	20	6	.769	2½
San Antonio	13	14	.481	10
Los Angeles	12	15	.444	11
Tulsa	10	17	.370	13
Seattle	9	19	.321	14½

x-clinched playoff spot

Tuesday's Games
Atlanta 89, Connecticut 80
New York 80, Washington 76,

OT
San Antonio 92, Chicago 74
Tulsa 80, Seattle 74

Phoenix 90, Los Angeles 69

Wednesday's Games
No games scheduled

Thursday's Games
New York at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Phoenix at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Atlanta at Tulsa, 8 p.m.
Indiana at Seattle, 10 p.m.

BASEBALL
American League

East Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Baltimore	59	46	.562	—
Toronto	58	50	.537	2½
New York	55	51	.519	4½
Tampa Bay	53	54	.495	7
Boston	48	59	.449	12

Central Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Detroit	57	46	.553	—
Kansas City	53	52	.505	5
Cleveland	52	54	.491	6½
Chicago	52	55	.486	7
Minnesota	48	57	.457	10

West Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Milwaukee	59	49	.546	—

Oakland	66	40	.623	—
Los Angeles	63	42	.600	2½
Seattle	55	51	.519	11
Houston	43	64	.402	23½
Texas	42	65	.393	24½

Tuesday's Games
Baltimore 7, L.A. Angels 6, 12
innings
Seattle 5, Cleveland 2
Chicago White Sox 11, Detroit

4
Tampa Bay 5, Milwaukee 1
Toronto 4, Boston 2

N.Y. Yankees 12, Texas 11
Minnesota 2, Kansas City 1
Oakland 7, Houston 4

Wednesday's Games
Milwaukee (Gallardo 5-5) at
Tampa Bay (Price 11-7), 12:10
p.m.

Oakland (Hammel 0-3) at
Houston (Keuchel 9-7), 2:10
p.m.

L.A. Angels (Richards 11-3) at
Baltimore (Gausman 4-3), 7:05
p.m.

Seattle (F.Hernandez 11-2) at
Cleveland (Kluber 10-6), 7:05
p.m.

Chicago White Sox (Noesi
5-7) at Detroit (Scherzer 12-3),
7:08 p.m.

Toronto (Buehrle 10-7) at
Boston (Workman 1-3), 7:10
p.m.

N.Y. Yankees (Kuroda 7-6) at
Texas (Lewis 6-8), 8:05 p.m.

Minnesota (P.Hughes 10-7) at
Kansas City (Duffy 5-10), 8:10
p.m.

National League

East Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Washington	57	47	.548	—
Atlanta	58	49	.542	½
Miami	53	53	.500	5
New York	51	56	.477	7½
Philadelphia	47	60	.439	11½

Central Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Milwaukee	59	49	.546	—

Pittsburgh	57	49	.538	1
St. Louis	56	49	.533	1½
Cincinnati	53	53	.500	5
Chicago	44	61	.419	13½

West Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Los Angeles	60	47	.561	—
San Francisco	57	50	.533	3
San Diego	47	59	.443	12½
Arizona	46	61	.430	14
Colorado	43	63	.406	16½

Tuesday's Games
Cincinnati 3, Arizona 0
Tampa Bay 5, Milwaukee 1
Philadelphia 6, N.Y. Mets 0
Miami 3, Washington 0
Chicago Cubs 4, Colorado 3,
16 innings

L.A. Dodgers 8, Atlanta 4
San Diego 3, St. Louis 1
Pittsburgh 3, San Francisco 1

Wednesday's Games
Milwaukee (Gallardo 5-5) at
Tampa Bay (Price 11-7), 12:10
p.m.

Philadelphia (K.Kendrick 5-10)
at N.Y. Mets (Za.Wheeler 5-8),
12:10 p.m.

Arizona (Miley 6-7) at
Cincinnati (Simon 12-5), 12:35
p.m.

Washington (Roark 10-6) at
Miami (Hand 2-2), 12:40 p.m.

Pittsburgh (Morton 5-10) at
San Francisco (Lincecum 9-7),
3:45 p.m.

Colorado (B.Anderson 1-3)
at Chicago Cubs (T.Wood 7-9),
8:05 p.m.

Atlanta (A.Wood 7-8) at L.A.
Dodgers (Greinke 12-6), 10:10
p.m.

St. Louis (J.Kelly 2-1) at San
Diego (Hahn 6-2), 10:10 p.m.

Texas League

North Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Arkansas	21	18	.538	—
NW Arkansas	19	20	.487	2
Springfield	17	22	.436	4
x-Tulsa	16	23	.410	5

South Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Midland	24	15	.615	—
x-Frisco	22	17	.564	2
San Antonio	19	20	.487	5
Corpus Christi	18	21	.462	6

x-clinched first half

Tuesday's Games
Frisco 6, Midland 2
Springfield 7, Tulsa 2
NW Arkansas 3, Arkansas 1
San Ant. 10, Corpus Christi 4

Wednesday's Games
Midland at Frisco, 8:05 p.m.
Springfield at Tulsa, 8:05 p.m.
San Antonio at Corpus Christi,
8:10 p.m.

Northwest Arkansas at
Arkansas, 8:10 p.m.

Thursday's Games
Corpus Christi at Midland, 8
p.m.

Northwest Arkansas at Tulsa,
8:05 p.m.

Frisco at San Antonio, 8:05
p.m.

Arkansas at Springfield, 8:10
p.m.

FOOTBALL
Arena Football League
Playoff Schedule
First Round
Saturday, Aug. 2
National Conference
Spokane at San Jose, 7 p.m.

American Conference
Philadelphia at Cleveland, 7 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 3
National Conference
Portland at Arizona, 6 p.m.

American Conference
Pittsburgh at Orlando, 2 p.m.

Canadian Football League
East Division

W	L	Pts	PF	PA	
Hamilton	1	3	2	74	92
Ottawa	1	3	2	80	113
Montreal	1	3	2	70	113
Toronto	1	4	2	110	149

West Division

BASKETBALL
National Basketball
Association

W	L	Pts	PF	PA	
Calgary	4	0	8	99	52
Edmonton	4	1	8	130	84
Winnipeg	4	1	8	141	114
Saskatchewan	2	2	4	96	93
B.C.	2	3	4	102	92

Thursday's Game
Winnipeg at Hamilton, 7 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 1
Toronto at Montreal, 7 p.m.
B.C. at Calgary, 10 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 2
Saskatchewan at Ottawa, 7
p.m.

TRANSACTIONS
American League
KANSAS CITY ROYALS —
Recalled INF Christian Colon
from Omaha (PCL).

OAKLAND ATHLETICS —
Designated OF Kenny Wilson
for assignment.

TORONTO BLUE JAYS —
Optioned LHP Rob Rasmussen
to Buffalo (IL).

National League
ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS
— Recalled RHP Bo Schultz
from Reno (PCL). Optioned OF
Alfredo Marte to Reno.

CHICAGO CUBS — Placed
RHP Neil Ramirez on the 15-day
DL. Recalled RHP Blake Parker
from Iowa (PCL).

CINCINNATI REDS — Placed
OF Jay Bruce on the bereavement
list. Recalled RHP Curtis Paruch
from Louisville (IL).

COLORADO ROCKIES —
Activated 1B Justin Morneau and
LHP Boone Logan from the DL.
Recalled INF Cristhian Adames
from Colorado Springs (PCL).

Optioned INF Ben Paulsen, RHP
Brooks Brown and RHP Chad
Bettis to Colorado Springs.

SAN DIEGO PADRES
— Reinstated SS Everth
Cabrera from the 15-day DL.
Designated LHP Jason Lane for
assignment.

FOOTBALL
National Football League
ARIZONA CARDINALS —
Agreed to terms with CB Patrick
Peterson.

CAROLINA PANTHERS —
Announced the retirement of OL
Travelle Wharton.

CHICAGO BEARS — Signed
WR Dale Moss to a one-year
contract.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS —
Released G Fouimalo Fonoti.
Signed RB Alfonso Smith to a
one-year contract.

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS —
Placed WR Taylor Price on
injured reserve. Released CB
Chandler Fenner and G Bronson
Irwin. Signed WR Randall
Carroll, CB Terrell Thomas and
OT Eric Winston.

HOCKEY
National Hockey League
TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS —
Agreed to terms with D Jake
Gardiner.

WINNIPEG JETS — Agreed to
terms with F Michael Frolik on a
one-year contract.

American Hockey League
CHARLOTTE CHECKERS —
Signed F Chad LaRose.

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Ray Guy's long wait for Hall comes to end

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Ray Guy built a Hall of Fame career of making other people wait.

Those anxious seconds for punt returners awaiting his booming kicks were nothing compared to the more than two decades Guy had to endure before finally getting the call that he was elected to the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

The seemingly interminable wait will come to an end Saturday in Canton, Ohio, when Guy gets to put on the Hall of Fame blazer for the first time as he becomes the first true punter to get inducted into the exclusive club.

As much as Guy wanted personally to be a Hall of Famer,

he also wanted it for his position, which he believed got disrespected every time he was passed over for the honor.

"That kind of bothered me because they were saying that's not a position, it doesn't take an athlete to do that, it's not important," Guy said. "That's what really got under my skin. It wasn't so much whether I did or didn't. I wish somebody had. It was just knowing that they didn't care."

"That's what kind of frosted me a little bit."

Guy was a finalist seven times starting in 1992 without being voted in and didn't even make it that far countless others, leaving him to wonder if the call would ever come. He

finally got in as a senior's nominee this year, joining place-kicker Jan Stenerud as the only kickers in the Hall.

Guy is the perfect player to get the honor because he is credited with revolutionizing the position after being the only punter ever taken in the first round when Raiders owner Al Davis drafted him 23rd overall in 1973.

His kicks went so high that one that hit the Superdome scoreboard 90 feet above the field in a Pro Bowl helped put "hang time" into the football vernacular. His ability to pin the opponent deep with either high kicks or well-positioned ones was a key part of the success for the great Raiders

teams of the 1970s and 80s.

"It was something that was given to me. I don't know how," he said. "I'm really blessed in that category. It's something I really appreciate and I advanced it and I made it into something great."

Guy's statistics look somewhat pedestrian compared to today's punters. His career average of 42.4 yards per kick ranks 61st all-time and his net average of 32.2 yards (excluding his first three seasons when the statistic wasn't kept by the NFL) isn't even in the top 100.

Yet, he still is considered by many as the best to ever play the position and is widely respected in the fraternity of

punters, including about 20 who plan to attend the induction.

"He should be first because he played his position in an outstanding manner in his era, and more important than that, he brought great notoriety to the position," said Sean Landetta, who punted for 22 seasons in the NFL. "You're talking about the Hall of Fame and the most famous punter is Ray Guy."

Guy also earned the respect of his teammates on the Raiders, who considered him much more than a specialist and a key component on three Super Bowl champions with his ability to change field position every time he kicked the ball.

ESPN suspends Smith for comments

NEW YORK (AP) — ESPN has suspended outspoken sportscaster Stephen A. Smith for a week because of his comments about domestic abuse suggesting women should make sure that they don't do anything to provoke an attack.

Smith's commentary occurred during a discussion on ESPN2's "First Take" last Friday about the NFL's two-game suspension of Baltimore Ravens running back Ray Rice following charges he assaulted his now-wife. The remarks attracted widespread attention, including a stinging rebuke online from a fellow ESPN personality.

Smith issued an on-air apology Monday,

saying it was the most egregious mistake of his career.

A day later, ESPN took action. The network's chief executive, John Skipper, told ESPN's staff in a memo it was done after a "thoughtful discussion" about appropriate actions with men and women in his company.

"I believe his apology was sincere and that he and we have learned from what we've collectively experienced," Skipper said.

Smith will not appear on "First Take" or ESPN radio until Aug. 6, the network said.

During the Rice discussion, Smith alluded to women in abuse cases when he said, "Let's make sure we don't do

anything to provoke wrong action ... we got to also make sure that you can do your part to do whatever you can do to make, to try to make sure it doesn't happen again."

Shortly after Smith's remarks, colleague Michelle Beadle responded on Twitter that "I was just forced to watch this morning's First Take. A) I'll never feel clean again B) I'm not aware that I can provoke my own beating."

Beadle, host of ESPN2's "SportsNation," continued with a se-

ries of tweets. She said that "Violence isn't the victim's issue. It's the abuser's. To insinuate otherwise is irresponsible and disgusting."

Smith, during his apology, said it wasn't his intention to say that women could be responsible for their own abuse. "It was not what I was trying to say," he said. "Yet the failure to clearly articulate something different lies squarely on my shoulder."

Smith didn't explain the point that he was trying to make.

Sanders helping with Heads Up Football

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Barry Sanders and Randy Gradishar have joined the growing list of former NFL players who want to promote USA Football's safety program, Heads Up Football.

The program is designed to teach football coaches in youth leagues and at the high school level how to reduce the amount of head injuries in the game. Over the years, former players such

as Sanders and Gradishar have played a role in spreading the message.

Of this year's 78 trainers, 17 played in the NFL. Another 127 ambassadors, such as Sanders and Gradishar, have NFL experience.

Trainers lead full-day instructional sessions.

Ambassadors are asked to help strengthen awareness of the program.

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home.

Brandon McCarthy (3-0) went six innings for the Yankees, who have won all four of his starts

since getting the big right-hander in a trade from Arizona on July 6.

Teixeira, in his first start in nine games after a back strain, homered in the eighth to make it 12-8. He also walked three times and scored two other runs.

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