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Clean sweep

City council gives EDC board its walking papers

By **STEVE REAGAN**
 Staff Writer

Faced with what they described as a drastic situation at the local Economic Development Corporation, the Big Spring City Council devised an equally drastic solution.

In an emotionally charged council chamber Tuesday evening, the council voted

by a 5-to-2 margin to remove the EDC board of directors — Don Avant, Nati Saldivar, Frances Hobbs, Jim DePauw and Scott MacKenzie. Mayor Larry McLellan was joined by council members Raul Marquez Jr., Justin Myers, Bobby McDonald and Raul Benavides in voting to oust the board, while Carmen Har-

bour and Marvin Boyd voted against the action.

The removal is effective immediately.

This is the first time in recent memory that a city board has been relieved *en masse*, but McLellan, who laid out the case for the board's removal, said the action was unavoidable.

Relations between the council and the EDC board had become increasingly untenable in recent months and reached a head last week when the board approved a new set of policies and procedures, an action McLellan said was against the expressed wishes of the city council.

"The EDC board works un-

der the arm of the city council," he said. "In July, this council passed a unanimous resolution ... telling the EDC what we expected of them — that they should use the policies and procedures they already have in place."

To dramatize his point,

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HERALD photos/Steve Reagan

After lengthy and sometimes emotional debate, the Big Spring City Council voted Tuesday to remove the Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors. In the photo at left, Don Avant speaks out in favor of retaining the board. In the photo at right, council members Raul Marquez Jr. (left) and Carmen Harbour listen to the debate.

City trash gets more expensive

Residents, businesses to see utility increase

By **STEVE REAGAN**
 Staff Writer

An unfortunate fact Big Spring residents are only too aware of is that trash costs money — and it's about to get even more expensive.

Spurred on by the need to pay for a new landfill, Big Spring City Council members approved new trash collection rates by a 6-to-1 vote during their Tuesday night meeting. Marvin Boyd was the only council member who voted against the measure.

The new rates, which are expected to take effect by Oct. 1, will result in residential customers paying \$3.60 more per month on their utility bills, while commercial customers will pay between \$32.04 and \$164.64 a month, depending on the level of service they receive from the city.

The increased rates will not result in increased trash collection — City Manager Todd Darden said city crews will still collect trash once a week. That spurred Boyd to vote against the measure.

"The citizens aren't getting a fair shake out of this," he said. "They're paying for an increase while not getting an increase in their service."

Darden explained the increase was necessary because the sanitation enterprise fund — where money to pay for the new landfill is

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BSISD ready to approve tax rate

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
 Staff Writer

Trustees with the Big Spring Independent School District will be able to adopt the proposed 2014-2015 budget and tax rate as originally scheduled when they meet Thursday evening.

Big Spring ISD was one of several taxing entities informed by the Howard County Assessor/Collector's

Office Monday about incorrect information given out in the original figures entities used to calculate their proposed tax rate.

After recalculations, BSISD Chief Financial Officer Debbie Green said the proposed tax rate stays at \$1.3605 per \$100 valuation which is broken down to \$1.0505 per \$100 valuation for maintenance and operation and 31 cents for debt service. If adopted,

the district projects to bring in more property tax revenue than the previous year.

How much of a raise teachers will receive in the proposed budget was one issue not settled when trustees met earlier this month. Currently, a 3 percent raise has been worked into the proposed budget, but trustees are considering upping that to 4 or 5 percent.

Trustees will meet at 5:15

p.m. in the high school board room, 707 11th Place.

Also on the agenda, trustees will consider for approval:

- A hiring schedule.
- The Howard County Appraisal District budget.
- The 2014-2015 teacher appraisal calendar.

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

Coahoma ISD trustees adopt 2014-2015 budget

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
 Staff Writer

COAHOMA — Financial matters dominated the Coahoma Independent School District board of trustees meeting Tuesday night.

Starting off the meeting, the board adopted a tax rate of \$1.27 per \$100 valuation — the same as the expiring rate — following a public hearing which also included the 2014-2015 budget. That

number is expected to draw more projected tax revenue than last year, said CISD Superintendent Dr. Amy Jacobs. The board also adopted the budget.

In other business, trustees

authorized Jacobs to execute the purchase of a building located about two blocks from the campus as a possible solution to the employee

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Forsan ISD board members take care of business

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
 Staff Writer

Forsan — Trustees with the Forsan Independent School District adopted the 2014-2015

budget and tax rate Monday night following a public hearing over the issue.

The 2015 adopted tax rate is \$1.38928 per \$100 value,

the same as the expiring tax rate but is expected increase projected tax revenue. That number did not change, FISD officials said, who re-

ceived the news Monday from the Howard County Assessor/Collector's office that

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David James Green



David James Green, 47, of San Antonio, formerly of Big Spring, died Saturday, Aug. 23, 2014, in a San Antonio nursing home. Graveside funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 28, 2014, at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring with the Rev. Ken McIntosh, pastor of First Christian Church, officiating.

The family will receive friends from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

David was born July 20, 1967 in Syracuse, N.Y. He lived in Sweetwater for more than 30 years in a home provided by Home Community Service. He moved to San Antonio in July 2011. He enjoyed listening to Elvis Presley music.

Survivors include his mother, Fran Green of San

Antonio; a sister, Laura Carusetta and husband, Jerry of San Antonio; a nephew, Sgt. James Carusetta of Vilseck, Germany; an aunt, Jonell Griffin of Dallas; and four cousins, Jackie and Sandy Griffin, Bobby and Sherry Griffin. Jimmy and Cathy Griffin and Teresa and Steve Fenton.

He was preceded in death by his father, Ken Green; and his grandparents, J. A. and Alice Faulkenberry and Peter and Laura Pandelly.

David was not a suit and tie person and the family requests casual attire for the service.

The family would like to thank the staff at Paramount Rehab and Healthcare and the staff at Heart to Heart Hospice for the wonderful care David received.

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

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

Paid obituary

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- GENARO LOPEZ CASTILLO III, 24, of 1205 Harding, was arrested Tuesday on charges of possession of controlled substance greater than or equal to 4 grams but less than 200 grams.

- KRYSTAL ANNETTE BUCHANAN, 31, of 2911 W. Highway 80 no. 139, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of hindering apprehension/prosecution of known felon.

- LUPE RANGEL HERNANDEZ, 55, of 911 N. Runnels, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for criminal trespass - property/building/aircraft/vehicle.

- SUZANNE MICHELLE MURPHY, 49, of 501 Central, Coahoma, Texas, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid with previous conviction.

- CHARLES RAY TIMMS, 22, of 2452 Junius St., San Angelo, Texas, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of evading arrest/detention.

- ANGELA SHEA MORRIS, 38, of 410 35th St., Snyder, Texas, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of forgery of a financial instrument and a warrant from another agency.

- KRISTINA LEA MILLER, 32, of 1809 Mittel, was arrested Tuesday on charges of driving while license invalid - driving while intoxicated related and use or possession of illegal smoking material.

- LARRY DEAN WHITE, 42, of 611 S. Aylesford, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of expired registration.

- STEVAN RUSSELL HARP, 50, of 811 Wyoming St., was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for theft less than \$20 by check and theft greater than or equal to \$50 but less than \$500.

- SHERRIE ANN THOMPSON, 49, of 120 Hooser, was arrested Tuesday on charges of expired registration and possession of drug paraphernalia.

- THEFT was reported at the 3200 block of Rickabaugh, the 1400 block of S. Scurry, the 1600 block of Virginia, the 3600 block of W. Highway 80 and the intersection of Interstate Highway 20 and Stallings Rd.

- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported at County Rd. 32.

- BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported at the 600 block of W. Interstate Highway 20.

- FORGERY was reported at the 3600 block of W. Highway 80.

- DISTURBANCE was reported at the 500 block of N. Lamesa Highway.

- STOLEN VEHICLE was reported at the 1200 block of Sycamore.

The Howard County Sheriffs Office reported the following activity:

Note: Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 88 at the time of this report.

- ANDREW WAYNE BRADSHAW was booked by Glasscock County on a charge of public intoxication.

- LARRY DEAN WHITE was booked by HCSO on a charge of display expired registration.

- KRYSTAL ANNETTE BUCHANAN was booked by BSPD on a

charge of hinder apprehension or prosecution of a known felon.

- CASSIE CHRISTINE CANTU was booked by HCSO on a warrant for bail jumping and fail to appear.

- LUPE RANGEL HERNANDEZ was booked by BSPD on a warrant for criminal trespass.

- SUZANNE MURPHY was booked by BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid with previous conviction/suspension without final resolution.

- CHARLES RAY TIMMS JR. was booked by BSPD on a charge of evading arrest detention.

- ANGELA SHEA MORRIS was booked by BSPD on a charge of forgery of a financial instrument and a warrant for theft greater than \$500 but less than \$1,500.

- SHERRIE ANN THOMPSON was booked by HCSO on a charge of expired registration and possession of drug paraphernalia.

- STEVAN HARP was booked by HCSO on a warrant for theft less than \$20 by check and theft greater than or equal to \$50 but less than \$500.

- KRISTINA LEA MILLER was booked by BSPD on charges of driving while license invalid with previous conviction/suspension without final resolution.

- DAVID HEFFINGTON was booked by HCSO on a charge of driving while license invalid with previous conviction/suspension without final resolution.

- DAVID VEGA DOMINGUEZ III was booked by BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid with previous conviction/suspension without final resolution.

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, located at 1209 Wright St.

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

to. Flexible payment options.

- Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, across from the movie box office, next to Sears). Open meeting at 7 p.m.

FRIDAY

- 7 p.m. — The Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, across from the movie box office, next to Sears).

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

SATURDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion

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

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, noon-1 p.m., 615 Settles.

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

- Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) TX 0021 meets at First Christian

Church at 10th and Goliad, in the dining hall on the east side of the building. Weigh-in starts at 2:50 p.m. and meeting starts at 3 p.m. We have a different program each week. For more information, please call 517-4922 or 935-6306.

- Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction.

Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the back of the church.

- Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, across from the movie box office, next to Sears). Open meeting at 7 p.m.

Daury Cockrell Booth

Daury Cockrell Booth, 78, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Aug. 26, 2014, at her residence. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast

Thu 8/28	Fri 8/29	Sat 8/30	Sun 8/31	Mon 9/1
97/71 Sunshine and clouds mixed. A stray afternoon thunderstorm is possible.	93/71 A few clouds. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the low 70s.	95/73 A few clouds. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.	97/74 Abundant sunshine. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the mid 70s.	100/74 Abundant sunshine. Highs 98 to 102F and lows in the mid 70s.
Sunrise: 7:18 AM Sunset: 8:15 PM	Sunrise: 7:19 AM Sunset: 8:14 PM	Sunrise: 7:19 AM Sunset: 8:12 PM	Sunrise: 7:20 AM Sunset: 8:11 PM	Sunrise: 7:21 AM Sunset: 8:10 PM

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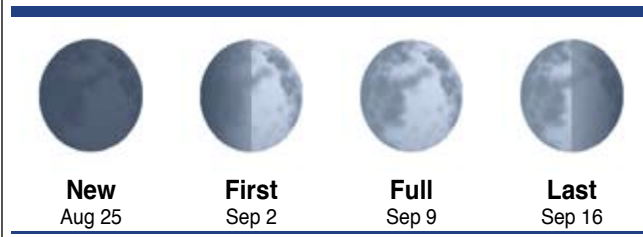
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City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	97	76	mst sunny	Kingsville	95	77	t-storm
Amarillo	89	64	t-storm	Livingston	93	75	t-storm
Austin	95	75	t-storm	Longview	94	74	mst sunny
Beaumont	91	75	t-storm	Lubbock	91	66	t-storm
Brownsville	93	78	t-storm	Lufkin	95	75	t-storm
Brownwood	97	74	sunny	Midland	96	71	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	90	78	t-storm	Raymondville	93	78	t-storm
Corsicana	95	75	mst sunny	Rosenberg	92	76	t-storm
Dallas	96	78	mst sunny	San Antonio	97	76	t-storm
Del Rio	100	78	mst sunny	San Marcos	97	76	t-storm
El Paso	92	70	sunny	Sulphur Springs	93	76	mst sunny
Fort Stockton	96	73	t-storm	Sweetwater	96	72	pt sunny
Gainesville	94	75	sunny	Tyler	94	74	mst sunny
Greenville	95	76	pt sunny	Weatherford	96	76	mst sunny
Houston	91	77	t-storm	Wichita Falls	99	75	mst sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	93	67	sunny	Minneapolis	68	63	rain
Boston	80	58	sunny	New York	83	62	sunny
Chicago	74	68	rain	Phoenix	97	74	sunny
Dallas	96	78	mst sunny	San Francisco	70	57	pt sunny
Denver	71	52	t-storm	Seattle	82	61	sunny
Houston	91	77	t-storm	St. Louis	92	75	t-storm
Los Angeles	89	69	pt sunny	Washington, DC	88	64	sunny
Miami	88	80	t-storm				

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- Tickets are available for the first Disabled American Veterans Chapter 47 Dove Hunt for Veterans community dinner. Come show your support for four U.S. veterans — Mark Pilgram, USAF; Buck Christopher, U.S. Army; Kris Pool, U.S. Marines; and Mike Meinen, U.S. Army. The dinner will be held at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 6, at Moss Creek Ranch in honor of these men and to say thank you for their service. Tickets can be purchased for \$10 a piece at Mr. Scrubs, Culligan, the American Legion or by calling Tommy Sullivan at 432-517-0584.

To donate to the annual Dove Hunt for Veterans, call Mike Tarpley, 432-556-2227 or Ed Meiser 432-213-2154.

- The Howard County Association board invites all elementary school children, pre-kindergarten through fifth grade to attend the Howard County Fair without charge Thursday, Sept. 25 and Friday, Sept. 26, between the hours of 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. These hours are available only for this age-level student and are not during the regular hours of the fair. To schedule a time for your class to visit, contact Gale Pittman or Sandy Stewart at 432-267-5201, 432-935-1604 or uway@big-springtx.com.

- Friends of the Library of Howard County requests donations of books in good condition for the book sale to be held Oct. 17-19. If you have books you wish to donate to this worthwhile cause, take them to the Howard County Library, Monday through Friday during regular library hours. Please, no National Geographic magazines, other magazines, or condensed books.

- 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.go-fundme.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.

- 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.

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EDC

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McLellan piled several policy manuals governing EDC operations in front of his spot on the council podium.

“These are the operating procedures for the EDC. Almost everything they can do is in there, and if it’s not, it’s required by state law ... I don’t know why what we already have in place is not functional, but all this arguing over policies and procedures has polarized the board to the point where its more argumentative and dysfunctional.”

“This thing has dragged on for the better part of 10 months,” the mayor said. “And the main result is we now have a non-cohesive unit at the EDC.”

Two EDC board members addressed the complaints — Board President Avant and Hobbs, who released a statement read by Avant.

In her statement, Hobbs defended the board’s actions as a necessary step toward mak-

ing the EDC’s transactions more transparent.

“Up until now, there has been almost no oversight of public money (spent by the EDC),” the statement read. “This was confirmed by an audit ... which revealed several deficiencies in compliance and control.”

Hobbs also attacked the “personal relationship” several council members have with EDC Executive Director Terry Wegman, saying such a relationship made the members highly biased.

“Due to the personal relationship the executive director has with you and others on the council, this has made our efforts a daunting task. Should you vote to remove us from the board ... this will be the height of hypocrisy,” Hobbs concluded.

In his comments, Avant attempted to deflect criticism away from his fellow board members.

“If you want to chop someone’s head off, start with me and leave the rest of the board alone,” Avant said. “I’m

the president and I’m the one responsible.”

He added that, despite the growing controversy, the board has been doing the job it was chartered to do — encourage industrial development in Big Spring.

“My whole deal since I started with the board has been to see this community grow,” Avant said. “We did what was asked of us and we did it for the citizens of Big Spring.”

However, the majority of council members stood firm for removal of all the board members.

“My thing is that I’ve been to several meetings and the board seems dysfunctional, for whatever reason,” said Myers, a former EDC board member. “It doesn’t seem to me that the board is headed in the right direction for the citizens of Big Spring.”

Benavides had even stronger words in favor of ousting the EDC directors.

“This board has created an environment of hostility and intimidation,” he said. “We have

to be a cohesive unit and work together. These are good times for Big Spring, good economic times, and we have to work together and not head off in different directions.”

Boyd rose to the board’s defense.

“The only thing the EDC board has done

to rile people up is in the area of policies and procedures, and that’s something that was needed since Day 1,” he said. “There is no good cause for this action. We should leave the board alone.”

After the council meeting, McLellan said city officials will accept ap-

plications for the EDC board for the next few weeks. He said the goal was to have a new board in place sometime in September.

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CISD

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housing situation. A housing shortage in the area and high living expense has made recruiting teachers for school districts problematic.

Rounding out the night on financial issues, trustees entered into a year-long agreement with Specialized Public Finance, a company that will watch the bond market to find opportunities to re-finance the district’s 2007 bond series at a cost saving,

Jacobs said. The bonds were originally issued to help with improvements around the district’s campuses.

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FISD

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incorrect information was passed on to county taxing entities in the original release of figures used to calculate their proposed tax rate.

Officials with FISD confirmed the districts’ effective rate — the rate that brings in about the

same amount of tax revenue as last year — did change.

The approved budget includes three new positions and the conversion of a part-time employee to full-time to help with the district’s growing student population.

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Opinion

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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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City council was right to clean house

Last night's action by the Big Spring City Council was inevitable, most of us will agree.

By a 5-to-2 vote, the council chose to make a clean sweep of the Big Spring Economic Development Corporation board. "Let's stop the bickering and move forward," council members in effect said.

The council was right about one thing at the very least. In a day when Big Spring's future seems to be bounding forward, it's not ideal for an important entity such as the EDC to spend its time in bickering matches over a power struggle with the city. They should be doing what they were appointed to do: attract and expand business opportunities in the Big Spring area.

Instead, the EDC board spent months — almost a year, in fact — scrutinizing "policies and procedures," in what at times appeared to be attacks directed against EDC Executive Director Terry Wegman.

The group — which is appointed by the city council — got so carried away with this "mission" that council members recently passed a resolution giving it more power over the EDC board and — without saying it directly — for the group to get its act together and operate under "established" policies and procedures.

Instead of doing that, however, the EDC board's reaction, by 3-2 vote, was to approve another set of policies. Mayor Larry McLellan called the action "illegal," and that set the scene for last night's action.

Three members of the EDC team — Don Avant, Frances Hobbs and Nati Saldivar — voted as a block on almost every decision since they were all appointed, and were opposed just as often by Scott McKenzie and Jim DePauw. Often times there were flare ups and heated exchanges. Professionalism went out the window.

There will be differences of opinion on every board; we understand that. But board members must treat each other with respect and dignity, and do their best to keep an open mind.

That wasn't happening, so the city council chose to clean house Tuesday night and start over with a completely new board. We agree — mainly because instead of picking and choosing who might stay on the board and who might be dismissed, it seems like the fair thing to do.

The city council is right. It is time to start over.

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DAILY PRAYER

Help us, oh Lord, to work for the good of all mankind and not our own petty wants.

Amen

Sorting out donations and ALS

If you've been on any form of social media over the past few weeks, you've most likely seen videos of people being doused by large buckets of ice water, often with the assistance of their all-too-willing family members and friends.

Whether you agree with the concept or not, the videos can be both hilarious and inspiring. Celebrities, politicians, sports figures, policemen, firefighters, pastors, priests, and thousands of other people are engaging in what is becoming one of the most successful viral fundraising campaigns in history, the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge. And, yes, I'm one of the millions who has emptied a container of ice cold water on my head in support of what I consider to be a worthy cause, and there is a video posted on Facebook to prove it.

Donations to the A.L.S. Association, a Washington-based nonprofit that funds global research to find treatments and a cure for the disease, have surged since the challenge started trending in late July. The group said Thursday morning that it had received \$41.8 million in donations from July 29 until Aug. 21. And it is still going strong. More than 739,000 new donors have given money to the association. That's more than double the \$19.4 million in total contributions the association received during the year that ended Jan. 31, 2013, according to a filing with the Internal Revenue Service.

Now, here's where the trouble starts. People, like me who are opposed to blindly supporting organizations that do any kind of "research", want to know what they are contributing to. What am I really funding? That question is the basis for a firestorm of controversy that has arisen because of this rather genius campaign that is dominating the spotlight of public awareness. The problem isn't the fun of getting doused with ice, but rather what our contributions are actually funding.

ALS stands for amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, but it's more commonly known as Lou Gehrig's disease, a progressive neurodegenerative disease that affects nerve cells in the brain and the spinal cord. It is a fatal

condition and impacts some 30,000 Americans at any given time. It's a horrible disease and anyone in their right mind would want a cure to be found as soon as humanly possible.

What most people don't realize, however, is that The ALS Association supports and is currently engaged in embryonic stem cell research. In other words, they support the practice of killing unborn embryos for medical research.

The ALS Association website states, "Adult stem cell research is important and should be done alongside embryonic stem cell research as both will provide valuable insights. Only through exploration of all types of stem cell research will scientists find the most efficient and effective ways to treat diseases."

The American Life League contacted The ALS Association to inquire if they are currently engaged in embryonic stem cell research. They replied:

"The ALS Association primarily funds adult stem cell research. Currently, The Association is funding one study using embryonic stem cells (ESC), and the stem cell line was established many years ago under ethical guidelines set by the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS); this research is funded by one specific donor who is committed to this area of research.

In fact, donors may stipulate that their funds not be invested in this study or any stem cell project. Under very strict guidelines, The Association may fund embryonic stem cell research in the future."

In the process of extracting cells from an embryo's body for medical research purposes, the embryo is killed. That means our increasingly utilitarian society allows the killing of helpless, voiceless members of the human race in order to perform medical research that will supposedly cure its more developed members.

Those of us who recognize that all human life is sacred, regardless of size, location, level of development, or degree of dependency, must vehemently object to killing human embryos for any reason, including medical research. Plus, no significant progress or cure has been found by using embryonic stem cells, whereas substantial progress has been made with adult stem cells (which involves no killing of human beings).

In an article posted in May 2013, John Stonestreet, co-host of BreakPoint Radio, wrote, "Tragically, the attention given to embryonic stem cells has obscured the far greater therapeutic potential of adult stem cells." Stonestreet then went on to share about Elizabeth Lobato, a 14-year-old girl who was diagnosed with osteogenesis imperfecta (also known as "brittle bone disease") when she was only 10 months old. This young lady has experienced tremendous progress through adult stem cells that have strengthened her severely fragile bones.

In a recent article published by NPR, Dr. Micheline Mathews-Roth, MD, associate professor of medicine at Harvard, stated, "I encourage the use of adult stem cells, because no one is killed in the process of obtaining them. Also, since adult stem cells will come from the person needing the transformed cells, they will present no rejection problems, nor do they form teratomas."

I unequivocally believe we should work ardently to cure ALS, MS, cancer, heart disease and a myriad of other debilitating diseases. To do so at the expense of other innocent, voiceless human beings, however, is morally indefensible. It seems as if using abortion as a tool to supposedly further a humanistic, utilitarian agenda is an acceptable treatment option and I just can't agree. Honestly, I am still praying about my personal convictions concerning the whole matter of stem cell research.

If you're looking for organizations to support I encourage you to do your own research before donating, but here are just a few of my personal suggestions:

The John Paul II Medical Research Institute clearly states its goals to eradicate serious illnesses, including ALS, without embryonic stem cell research.

The Midwest Stem Cell Therapy Center at the University of Kansas Medical Center is a new effort, but only engages in adult and nonembryonic stem cell research.

The Mayo Clinic has an ongoing clinical trial for ALS patients with adult stem cells.

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

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Reid's gaffes just keep on coming

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid told the Asian Chamber of Commerce last week: "The Asian population is so productive. I don't think you're smarter than anybody else, but you've convinced a lot of us you are." In remarks videotaped by the GOP group America Rising, Reid also joked that he has trouble keeping his "Wongs straight." Then followed this apology: "My comments were in extremely poor taste, and I apologize. Sometimes I say the wrong thing."

Sometimes? Reid is being far too humble. After the perfunctory apology, then comes the phase when Beltway solons offer explanations for why the Senate's top Democrat can be the author of many a faux pas without being branded as a creepy kook. The Washington Post's Aaron Blake wrote that Reid is "like Joe Biden; he's almost built up a gaffe immunity by committing so many small-ish gaffes."

Republican Sarah Palin's many ill-considered words

define her in Washington. But Democrat Reid gets gaffe immunity. He just keeps running off at the mouth and then apologizing, but he never really has to worry about paying a heavy political price. He's a ruthless politician, yet Washington treats him as if he were this regular guy — but with a tact problem.

Reid's comments to the Asian Chamber of Commerce weren't hateful — unless, that is, you belong to an ethnic group that the sage of Searchlight, Nevada, believes is not so productive. These remarks are reminiscent of what he said in 2008 about Barack Obama's being electable as a "light-skinned" African-American "with no Negro dialect, unless he wanted to have one." In 2010, Reid had to apologize for his "poor choice of words" after they found their way into "Game Change," the groundbreaking exposé of the presidential race written by Mark Halperin and John Heilemann.

Reid also dismissed Justice Clarence Thomas as an "embarrassment to the Supreme Court."

It must be so, because Reid is so enlightened about people of color that he ventured to opine in 2010, "I don't know how anyone of Hispanic heritage could be a Republican."

In 2012, Reid charged that Mitt

Romney "didn't pay taxes for 10 years." PolitiFact rated that claim "pants on fire" false — but it served to muddy Romney's reputation under cover of Reid's gaffe immunity.

He once complained that Washington's humidity was so high "you could literally smell the tourists coming into the Capitol." Well, he thought it was funny.

Reid famously told a reporter that the death of Ted Kennedy would help Democrats pass health care reform.

Once, CNN's Dana Bash asked Reid whether he would vote for a bill to continue National Institutes for Health funding: "If you can help one child who has cancer, why wouldn't you do it?"

Reid's answer: "Why would we want to do that? I have 1,100 people at Nellis Air Force Base that are sitting home. They have a few problems of their own."

If a GOP Senate candidate said half the things Reid has said, then Reid would show him no mercy.

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Bird Poop: Golfer finds a real birdie on course

Slowly creeping into our time outdoors, approaching nightfall inched into several more seconds of a late summer evening. Our custom of watching migrating birds settle into the highest points of old growth trees for a night's rest was slowly growing shorter.

No longer burdening Paula Farquhar's trees, vultures were landing on the VA water tower, and further east along Beals Creek. The next day, they might very well head further south.

Suddenly, about a block and a half away, Mississippi kites rose and descended over and over again. Circling were four adults and their offspring as they practiced their final approach. At least those two families were beginning the arduous journey to the tip of South America.

Could they be from Lubbock? Or further north? Their sudden presence reminded us of how few we had seen or handled this July and August. An adult, and only two fledglings had been scant compared to previous years. While two succumbed, the remaining youngster had presented its own set of problems.

From Carol Griffin in Midland had come word that a young raptor had been found at Ranchland Hills Country



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As a golfer's ball landed in the middle of a lengthy fairway, a sudden movement to the right had caught a foursome's attention.

On the sides of the links, tall trees had for years offered nest sites for Mississippi kites. Players often had to dodge wrathful attacks by adult parents if young were in the nests. Now a stranded youngster stood in the path of oncoming golfers and their

carts.

Like a swarm of wasps, even the prospect of this bird's parents diving at any one caused a lot of concern for one of the players. Since the youngster was neither flight worthy nor knew of impending danger, or how to find food, he attempted to put the bird back in the tree.

Using his golf club as a tempting roost, he prodded the errant bird into climbing aboard. Then carefully,

he lifted the iron so the youngster could access a limb.

Eager to explore the world beyond, the immature bird didn't hesitate to glide to the ground once the man had taken only a few steps back toward the cart. "It's on the ground!" yelled his teammate.

Again, he followed the same routine. He hoped it would stay. He had barely turned toward the fairway when he heard a familiar voice: "It's out again!"

Uneasy about the numerous golfers that would follow, the man decided to capture the kite. The extra towels in his bag would protect his hands until he could reach the clubhouse.

When Carol met us in Stanton, she slowly opened a cardboard box. Huddled inside was a fledgling Mississippi kite.

Its head was white and streaked with black. Marked with rusty-brown hues, its creamy breast was a notable contrast to its gray wings and darker primaries.

In the future, it would resemble its parents. Its head would become a light gray accented with dark eye patches and red eyes. The soft, darker gray of its body, and charcoal colored wing parts and tail would give it a striking appearance

Even though it had left the nest, it was still dependent upon its parents. Taking the roving youngster was always

a difficult choice. Its parents might have chosen to nurture or abandon it. Perhaps they had not found enough food for themselves and two offspring. Left to fend for itself, it would have starved because it did not have the stamina or skills to hunt and find prey.

Placed with other young kites and recovering adults at the wildlife center in Lubbock, the fledgling would have somewhat of a chance to adopt the behavior and guidance needed to have a successful migration. Such an association would also help it attain the gliding and soaring abilities it needed.

Upon delivery of the youngster to Gail Barnes, we learned that the decline of the kite population in 2014 was not solely in our area. The ongoing study of the species by students at Texas Tech was suspended for several reasons including numbers were drastically reduced and the kites left early in July.

This last week of August, and ensuing months, may offer many an exception to what often has seemed commonplace. Due to fires, excessive rainfall, drought, storms and lack of food, we may be offered a glimpse into the effects of climate change on birds. Through avian travels, our pleasure in noting what once were the timely treks of migratory routes may be altered greatly.

Bebe McCasland is author of The Scoop from Bird Poop. She is federally and state licensed to rehabilitate wild birds.

You can't succeed if you stay on the sidelines

Each of us has choices to make about what we will do with our lives. One choice we can make is to be less than we have the potential to be: To earn less; to have less; to read less and think less; to try less and discipline ourselves less.

These are the choices that lead to an empty life, and once made, lead to a life of constant apprehension instead of a life of wondrous anticipation.

Another choice is to do it all: To become all that we can possibly be; to read every book that we possibly can; to earn

as much as we possibly can; to give and share; to strive and produce and accomplish as much as we possibly can.

Our life is a trajectory. Every choice we make alters that trajectory, in a positive or negative way. Life has its ups and downs and everybody experiences success and failure.

But how will we categorize success and failure? Every person has their own definition of what success and failure means to them. One can generally say that success could be described as an achievement, whether in a particular area of life or in all areas of life and a failure is an incident in life where something goes wrong or does not go according to plan.

One person may consider getting a bad

grade a failure, as the term "fail" suggests, while others might see it as a chance to try again and succeed in the second attempt.

Success and failure can occur in different areas of life. A person can be successful in his job; he can lead a successful private life or be in a successful relationship, or achieve success in his hobbies. Possible examples of success in professional life could be getting our dream job, receiving a pay raise or being complimented by our boss. But in a time of a dramatically increasing number of burnout cases, being successful in our job could also mean not being stressed out and still achieving good results at work.

Leading a successful private life could mean being in a happy relationship or having

great friends. Success in hobbies could apply to sports, home decorating or playing computer games. Whether we are successful or a failure is sometimes judged by others, yet through it all we judge ourselves.

The principal rule to success is mental strength. Optimism or positive thinking can help in becoming successful in any area of life. An optimistic attitude can strongly influence everything we do and therefore play a major part in our way to success.

Whether we succeed or not will mostly be a result of our own work towards our goals, and should not be defined by others.

I remember reading a story about a boy who was attending a circus with his dad and saw an elephant with a chain

around his foot restricting his movements. The boy asked his dad why the elephant didn't break the chain since he surely had the strength to do so. The dad explained to his son that the elephants had been chained in such a manner since they were very young and didn't have the strength to break the chain and as they grew older they became so accustomed to the chain they were unaware that they had the strength to break away so they remain constricted. The same

is with us. We often accept restrictions of our abilities without realizing that we can break loose and achieve our potentials but we have limited our dreams to our situation.

A wise person once said, "Do not stay on the sidelines of life. Your number has been called, get in the game! It is your time to shine."

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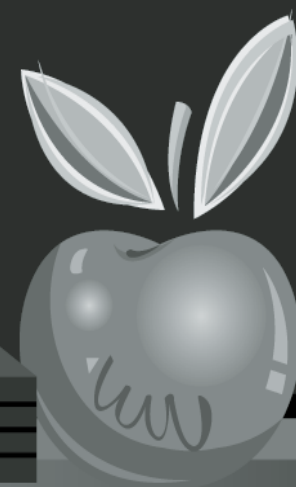
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Lady Steers drop 3-0 decision to Frenship

The Big Spring High School Steers suffered a tough 3-0 setback to the Frenship Lady Tigers in Lubbock on Tuesday evening in non-district volleyball action.

With the loss, the Lady Steers slipped to 5-11 heading into this weekend's appearance in the Frenship Invitational Volleyball Tournament. Big Spring has lost its last three games dating back to Saturday at the Granbury Classic.

Frenship didn't collect the win easily, however. The Lady Steers battled throughout the three games.

Big Spring, behind the play of Brigette Pollard, Julianna Rodriguez and Leksey Yarbar, more than proved they could hold their own early in the contest. Frenship used a late run to secure a tough 25-19 win in Game 1 of the best-of-five series.

Frenship, a former district

rival of Big Spring, grabbed a 20-0 lead by winning Game 2 by a 25-19 decision.

The Lady Steers came back stronger in the final frame. Big Spring pounded out 21 points in the frame before finally succumbing 25-21.

Pollard and Rodriguez both turned in stellar outings in the showdown, as did Yarbar. Rodriguez finished the game with a team-high 14 assists and also contributed three

kills and eight digs.

Pollard led the team in kills with nine. She also registered a team-high 12 digs and six blocks. Yarbar added six kills to the BSHS attack.

Emilie Smith also played well from her setter spot. She recorded nine assists and four kills, and also served up an ace.

Defensively, Katie Wash and August Alexander both starred for Big Spring. Wash

had 10 digs, three blocks, three assists and a pair of kills. Alexander finished with five digs and two aces/

Big Spring is scheduled to return to action Friday when they open pool play at the Frenship tournament. The BSHS spikers will begin play at 2 p.m. with a matchup against Lubbock Coronado. They will face Lubbock High at 5 p.m. and Amarillo Caprock at 7 p.m.

Cano HR lifts Mariners past Rangers, 5-0

SEATTLE (AP) — The rest is starting to come off for James Paxton, and the rest of the American League might want to take note.

Given an early lead after Robinson Cano hit his 12th home run in the first, Paxton pitched into the seventh inning in a bounce-back start to lead the Seattle Mariners to a 5-0 win over the Texas Rangers on Tuesday night.

Paxton threw a career-high 118 pitches and came an out away from tying his career high with seven innings pitched. The rookie lowered his ERA to 1.71, the best his ERA to 1.71, the best in his first 11 major league starts since 1990.

"He's getting there, he's not quite there as far as command is concerned, but I think stuff-wise, velocity-wise, yeah, he's there," said Mariners manager Lloyd McClendon of Paxton, who missed almost four months due to a strained back muscle.

"I feel like I'm getting closer with each start," Paxton said. "I feel like my stuff is starting to come around."

Cano's two-out home run in the first opened the scoring and was his 71st RBI of the year.

Seattle broke open a two-run game in the fifth, with the big blow coming on a double by Endy Chavez, which

drove in a pair. Dustin Jackson later in the inning with a single.

Texas starter Nick Martinez struggled through five innings, allowing five runs on six hits and four walks.

"He just didn't command the baseball the way he had been earlier," Rangers manager Ron Washington said. "He couldn't keep his fastball away like he wanted to, he couldn't get his breaking ball over with consistency, and he left his changeup up a lot tonight. He just didn't have his command."

The Rangers put runners on the corners with two outs in the third after a review reversed a call at first base and negated an inning-ending double play. Alex Rios grounded out, though, to end the threat.

Texas failed to advance a runner past first base until Mike Carp took second on indifference in the ninth.

Danny Farquhar did not allow a hit in the final 2 2-3 innings for the Mariners.

The Mariners avoided back-to-back losses for the first time since losing four straight from July 22-25.

"We're focused, we're playing good baseball," Chavez said. "We just need to continue to do that."

College football begins with low-key opener

ATLANTA (AP) — Welcome back, college football!

The season begins Wednesday night with a game that won't have any impact on the national championship race: Georgia State, starting its first year as a full-fledged FBS member, takes on Division I new-

comer Abilene Christian at the Georgia Dome.

It will be the first of three games in four days at the stadium in downtown Atlanta, the others having a bit more curb appeal. No. 18 Mississippi faces Boise State on Thursday night, then No. 2 Alabama meets West Virginia on Saturday.



Herald photo/Tommy Wells

Off and running ...

SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf head coach Darrick Jackson talks to members of his team while Marti Lail (left) translates in sign language during a break in the Lady Rattlers' first-ever volleyball game. SWCID fell to Western Texas, 25-7, 25-4, 25-6. A complete wrapup of the Lady Rattlers' game will appear in Thursday's Big Spring Herald.

Carter powers Astros to 8-2 win over A's

HOUSTON (AP) — Oakland Athletics outfielder Jonny Gomes robbed Chris Carter of an extra-base hit that likely would have given the Houston Astros an early lead on Tuesday night.

After that dazzling defensive play in the fourth inning, however, Carter would have his revenge with a shot that Gomes couldn't touch.

Carter turned a pitch that missed its location into his 32nd homer, a three-run drive in the eighth inning that gave

the Astros a 4-2 win.

Gomes' biggest regret was that the A's let the Astros stay within striking distance.

"You want to get some insurance to where a homer won't decide it," Gomes said. "Those guys, one through nine, are swinging for the fences. There's no secret about that. And that's what got us, two homers."

Oakland starter Jason Hammel had retired 10 straight batters when he was replaced by Luke Gregerson (3-3) for the eighth in-

ning. Robbie Grossman reached on an error by first baseman Stephen Vogt with one out and Gregerson hit Jose Altuve with a pitch.

Carter then launched a 90 mph fastball onto the tracks atop the wall in left field to put Houston on top. Carter homered for the second straight game and leads the majors with 19 since the start of July.

"I was trying to go sinker, down and away," Gregerson said. "It started away, but it just ran all the way across the plate, down

and in."

Carter nearly made Hammel pay in the fourth inning before Gomes bailed him out with a diving catch near the left-field warning track to leave two runners stranded for Houston.

"He got all of it, but thank goodness Jonny will go all out to get the ball," Hammel said. "He'll run through a brick wall if he has to. As long as we can keep the ball in the yard and give our guys a chance to field it, it's a way to win ball games."

Holy Trinity tourney set for Sept. 6-7

The Fifth Annual Holy Trinity Golf Tournament will be held Sept. 6-7 at the Comanche Trail Golf Course in Big Spring.

Payout will be \$2,000 a flight. A \$100 Closest to the Pin award will be held on all Par 3 holes.

For more information about the tournament contact Charlie Garcia at 432-213-2081 or Tommy Billalba at 432-816-1091.



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Countdown begins ...
The Coahoma Bulldogs and Folsom Bulldogs will open the local high school season on Friday with a game at Memorial Stadium. The game will start at 7:30 p.m.

Latest Astrodome proposal: create a massive indoor park

(AP) — The iconic but shuttered Houston Astrodome could come back to life as an indoor park that county officials say would be the world's largest, according to the newest proposal for reusing the stadium.

The pitch came from Harris County Judge Ed Emmett, the county's top elected official, during a news conference Tuesday on the floor of the

49-year-old county-owned building.

Emmett said while some people feel the structurally sound but dilapidated stadium should be demolished, he views the Astrodome as an asset that's still useful.

"Before we just toss it on the trash heap, we need to take a look at what people in our community need," he said.

Emmett said he came

up with the idea while on a morning walk during one of Houston's hot and humid days.

The proposal includes a green space for festivals and other gatherings, a possible amphitheater and an area for sports activities. Emmett pointed to the Astrodome's upper seating levels Tuesday, saying they could be a good location for hiking, biking and fitness trails.

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**NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF AP-
PLICATION AND
INTENT TO OBTAIN WATER
QUALITY PERMIT RENEWAL
PERMIT NO. WQ0001768000
APPLICATION.** Alon USA,
LP, P.O. Box 1311, Big Spring,
Texas 79721, which owns a
petroleum refinery, has applied
to the Texas Commission on
Environmental Quality (TCEQ)
to renew Texas Pollutant Dis-
charge Elimination System
(TPDES) Permit No.
WQ0001768000 (EPA I.D. No.
TX0104515) to authorize the
discharge of treated wastewa-
ter and stormwater at an inter-
mittent flow variable rate via
Outfalls 001, 002, and 003.
The facility is located at 200
Refinery Road, Big Springs, in
Howard County, Texas 79721.
The discharge route is from the
plant site via internal Outfall
101 to either Outfall 001 prior
to I-20 Lake (an asphalt-lined
impoundment with a leak de-
tection system) in the water-
shed of Beals Creek or Outfall
003, via Outfall 003 to either
Outfall 103 for oilfield water-
flood operations or Outfall 002;
via Outfall 002 to either oilfield
waterflood operations or dis-
charge to Red Draw Reservoir,
thence to Red Draw, thence to
Beals Creek, thence to Colo-
rado River Below Lake J.B.
Thomas. TCEQ received this
application on May 29, 2014.
The permit application is avail-
able for viewing and copying at
Howard County Library, 500
South Main Street, Big Spring,
Texas. This link to an elec-
tronic map of the site or facil-
ity's general location is pro-

vided as a public courtesy and
not part of the application or
notice. For exact location, re-
fer to application.
<http://www.tceq.texas.gov/as-sets/public/hb610/index.html?la-t=32.270986&lng=-101.42008&zoom=13&type=r>
ADDITIONAL NOTICE.
TCEQ's Executive Director has
determined the application is
administratively complete and
will conduct a technical review
of the application. After techni-
cal review of the application is
complete, the Executive Direc-
tor may prepare a draft permit
and will issue a preliminary de-
cision on the application. **No-
tice of the Application and
Preliminary Decision will be
published and mailed to those
who are on the county-wide
mailing list and to those who
are on the mailing list for this
application. That notice will
contain the deadline for submit-
ting public comments.**
**PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC
MEETING.** You may submit
public comments or request
a public meeting on this ap-
plication. The purpose of a
public meeting is to provide the
opportunity to submit commen-
ts or to ask questions about
the application. TCEQ will hold
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 con-
tested case hearing.
**OPPORTUNITY FOR A CON-
TESTED CASE HEARING.** Af-

ter the deadline for submitting
public comments, the Execu-
tive Director will consider all
timely comments and prepare
a response to all relevant and
material, or significant public
comments. **Unless the appli-
cation is directly referred for
a contested case hearing, the
response to comments, and the
Executive Director's decision
on the application, will be
mailed to everyone who sub-
mitted public comments and
to those persons who are on
the mailing list for this applica-
tion. If comments are received,
the mailing will also provide
instructions for requesting re-
consideration of the Executive
Director's decision and for
requesting a contested case
hearing.** A contested case
hearing is a legal proceeding
similar to a civil trial in state
district court.
**TO REQUEST A CONTESTED
CASE HEARING, YOU MUST
INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING
ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST:**
your name, address, phone
number; applicant's name
and proposed permit num-
ber; the location and dis-
tance of your property/activi-
ties relative to the proposed
facility; a specific descrip-
tion of how you would be ad-
versely affected by the facil-
ity in a way not common to
the general public; and, the
statement "[I/we] request a
contested case hearing." If
the request for contested
case hearing is filed on be-
half of a group or associa-
tion, the request must desig-

nate the group's representa-
tive for receiving future cor-
respondence; identify an in-
dividual member of the group
who would be adversely af-
fected by the proposed facil-
ity or activity; provide the in-
formation discussed above re-
garding the affected member's
location and distance from the
facility or activity; explain how
and why the member would be
affected; and explain how the
interests the group seeks to
protect are relevant to the
group's purpose.
Following the close of all appli-
cable comment and request
periods, the Executive Director
will forward the application and
any requests for reconsidera-
tion or for a contested case
hearing to the TCEQ Commis-
sioners for their consideration
at a scheduled Commission
meeting.
The Commission will only grant
a contested case hearing on
disputed issues of fact that are
relevant and material to the
Commission's decision on the
application. Further, the Com-
mission will only grant a hear-
ing on issues that were raised
in timely filed comments that
were not subsequently with-
drawn. **TCEQ may act on an
application to renew a permit
for discharge of wastewater
without providing an oppor-
tunity for a contested case
hearing if certain criteria are
met.**
MAILING LIST. If you submit
public comments, a request for
a contested case hearing or a
reconsideration of the Execu-

tive Director's decision, you will
be added to the mailing list for
this specific application to re-
ceive future public notices
mailed 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 TCEQ Office
of the Chief Clerk at the address
below.
**AGENCY CONTACTS AND
INFORMATION.** All written
public comments and requests
must be submitted to the
Office of the Chief Clerk,
MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box
13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087
or electronically at
[www.tceq.state.tx.us/about/c-omments.html](http://www.tceq.state.tx.us/about/comments.html). If you need
more information about this
permit application or the per-
mitting process, please call
TCEQ Public Education Pro-
gram, Toll Free, at
1-800-687-4040. Si desea in-
formación en Español, puede
llamar al 1-800-687-4040.
General information about
TCEQ can be found at our web
site at www.tceq.texas.gov.
Further information may also
be obtained from Alon USA, LP
at the address stated above or
by calling Mr. Miguel Martinez,
Senior Environmental Engi-
neer, at (432) 263-9354.
Issuance Date: August 7, 2014
#8434 Aug. 27, 2014

Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Howard County Commis-
sioners' Court will conduct a
public hearing on the proposed
2014-15 budget at 10:30 a.m.
on September 8, 2014 in the
Courtroom, Courthouse 3rd
floor, 300 Main Street, Big
Spring, Texas.
This budget will raise more to-
tal property taxes than last
year's budget by \$852,978
(7.02%), and of that amount
\$43,955 is tax revenue to be
raised from new property
added to the tax roll this year.
Citizens will have an oppor-
tunity to comment at the hearing.
For more information contact
Mark Barr, County Judge 300
Main Street, Courthouse 2nd
floor, Big Spring, Tx.
432-264-2202
Jackie Olson, County Auditor
#8419 Aug. 27th 2014

Legals

LEGAL NOTICE
This Texas Lottery Commission
Scratch-Off game will close
September 29, 2014. You have
until March 28, 2015 to redeem
any ticket for this game: #1555
Weekly Grand (\$2) overall odds
are 1 in 3.96. Theses Texas Lottery
Commission Scratch-Off games
will close on October 29, 2014.
You have until April 27, 2015 to
redeem any ticket for these games:
#1587 Chili Pepper Tripler (\$2)
overall odds are 1 in 4.46, #1582
20X The Cash (\$5) overall odds
are 1 in 3.48, #1585 Cash Multiplier
(\$5) overall odds are 1 in 3.49.
The odds listed here are the overall
odds of winning any prize in a
game, including break-even prizes.
Lottery retailers are authorized to
redeem prizes of up to and
including \$599. Prizes of \$600
or more must be claimed in person
at a Lottery Claim Center or by mail,
with a completed Texas Lottery
claim form; however, annuity prizes

Legals

or prizes over \$1,000,000 must be
claimed in person at the
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Austin. Call Customer Service at
1-800-377-LOTTO or visit the Lottery
Web site at txlottery.org for more
information and location of nearest
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not responsible for lost or stolen
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directives, instructions, conditions,
procedures, and final decisions of
the Executive Director. A
Scratch-Off game may continue to
be sold even when all the top
prizes have been claimed. Must be
18 years of age or older to
purchase a Texas Lottery ticket.
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**NOTICE OF GLASSCOCK
COUNTY BUDGET HEARING**
A public hearing will be held on
September 8, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in
the Glasscock County Courthouse,
Garden City, Texas. The purpose
of this hearing is for public
comment on the proposed budget
for the County of Glasscock for
the fiscal year 2014-2015. Follow-
ing the hearing, the Glasscock
County Commissioner's Court will
hold its regular meeting where the
proposed budget will be considered
for adoption. The proposed budget
has been filed with the Glasscock
County Clerk and is available for
inspection in the clerk's office and
on the county's website at
www.co.glasscock.tx.us. This
budget will raise more total
property taxes than last year's
budget by \$2,509,282 and of that
amount \$6,860.35 is tax revenue
from new property added to the tax
roll this year.
#8435 Aug. 27, 2014

Legals

**Venus and Mars
Argue**
Yesterday Venus
antagonized Jupiter. Now
she's using her feminine
wiles to pull Mars into
the conflict. Venus/Mars
strife usually hits close to
home, as the male/female
dynamic is at the root of
our essence. We would
not exist without it!
Hopefully this
disharmony will precede
a greater appreciation
and understanding of
both energies.
ARIES (March 21-April
19). What is this growing
sense of contentment

Legals

creeping up on you?
Wait, no, it's better than
that. You're happy --
really happy! Maybe
there are reasons, and
maybe it's just because
you decided to be.
TAURUS (April 20-May
20). You may be playing a
rather small part today,
but you are committed to
the work and it shows.
Your courteous attitude
and the interest you take
in the work of others will
pay off immediately and
down the line.
GEMINI (May 21-June
21). You have a toolbox
for solving problems, and
among your most used
instruments are your

Legals

smile, your charm and
your unique ability to
listen past what people
are saying and into what
they really want.
CANCER (June 22-July
22). Avoid those with a
bleak outlook, no matter
how smart they sound.
What's so smart about
bringing people down or
showing them a logical,
ugly reality? Keep the
magical thinking alive.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).
You'll apply your keen
intuition to your love life
and come up with a new
way to relate to others.
Your nearest and dearest
will benefit, and so will
the world at large.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept.
22). Everyone is quirky in
some way, though your
quirks are more obvious
today. Your quirks will
act up, shout out, lean in
-- and endear a few fans
in the process.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct.
23). Life is not inherently
fair by human standards,
but things will have a
way of pleasantly
balancing out. Tables
turn, ironies play out, the
meek get their
inheritance, and the
powerful bend in humble
deference.
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov.
21). They say you can't
please everyone all the
time, but then again,
"they" never met you in
the game. You're on.
You're thoughtful. You're
playful. You're really just
trying to please yourself,
and the rest get happy
being a part of that.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov.
22-Dec. 21). To each his
own. That, quite simply,
is the lesson of the day. It
will be hard to resist
righting the obvious
slights, ignorances and
pretensions. But it's
probably not your job to
do so.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-
Jan. 19). It may be
requested that you
perform a certain
function when in reality
you are there for moral
support. Do not discount
the importance of moral
support. The feeling can
be more important than
the product.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-
Feb. 18). It's time for
those material
possessions that don't
serve you well to be
released to someone who
will put them to good use.
Immediately, the lack of
encumbrance will make
you feel younger.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March
20). Play up your quirks
for all they are worth
because people need to
know what they are
getting when they get
you. Besides, those
quirks are what someone
will fall in love with.
TODAY'S BIRTHDAY
(Aug. 27). You're an
attractive mystery. The
others will keep coming
around to try to figure
you out. Flattered by
their attention, you'll
enjoy the perks of
popularity in September
and October. November
brings new work and
different rules. Keep your
eyes peeled for financial
opportunity in December,
and you'll buy low and
sell high. Aquarius and
Leo people adore you.
Your lucky numbers are:
10, 3, 33, 28 and 17.

Contract Bridge
By Steve Becker
Defense Is a Two-Way Street

South dealer.
East-West vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ K 9 8 5
♥ 6
♦ 10 9 2
♣ A Q 10 7 4

WEST
♠ 7 2
♥ J 10 9 5 2
♦ A J 7
♣ 9 8 6

EAST
♠ 6 4
♥ A K 8 4
♦ 8 5 4 3
♣ K 5 2

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

The bidding:
South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 2 ♣ Pass
2 ♠ Pass 3 ♣ Pass

Opening lead — jack of hearts.
A declarer sees all his side's
resources as soon as dummy appears,
but the defenders do not have a cor-
responding advantage. As a result,
they must work harder to ascertain
their respective assets and liabilities.
If they collaborate well, they will
nearly always collect all the tricks
they are entitled to score.
Consider this deal where routine
defense would allow declarer to
make four spades, while well-coor-
dinated defense would defeat the

contract. West leads a heart, won by
East with the king. East must obvi-
ously shift to a diamond, but the
question is, which one?
First, let's suppose East returns the
three, in keeping with the standard
practice of leading fourth-best. South
would play the king, and West would
presumably win with the ace.
Unfortunately, if this position is
reached — and it is only trick two —
the defense is all washed up. What-
ever West returns, South makes the
contract, losing only a heart, a dia-
mond and a club.
Now let's go back to trick two
and have East return the eight of dia-
monds — a "top of nothing" lead.
East can easily read the eight as
West's highest diamond, so — after
South plays the king — West follows
with the seven!
West can afford to duck the king
because he knows declarer has the
K-Q. He also sees that the only
chance to beat the contract lies in
scoring two diamond tricks, which
can happen only if his partner regains
the lead with either a club or a trump
trick. If East can't regain the lead,
four spades cannot be defeated.
West must reason along these
lines to have a chance to beat the
contract, and the path to the winning
defense begins with East's eight-of-
diamonds return at trick two.

Tomorrow: So near and yet so far.
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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.

2		3	9			1		
	1		6			4		7
	8		7		1		2	
			2		5	4	3	
8	6							5
		4	7	2	6		8	
		4		1		6		9
7		9			3		4	
			1			2	7	5

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5:PM ABC	News	P. Luche	Two Men	News	Tele	News	Seinfeld	With Schol- ars	Charlie Rose	Rifleman	American Muscle	Get Smart, Dwayne Johnson	Cops Jail	Movie: The Town, Jon Hamm (DVS)	106 & Park	Austin Ten.	U.S. Open Ten.	SportsCenter
6:PM ABC	Jeopardy!	Notic.	Two Men	News	CBS	News	Seinfeld	Mani	PBS News- Hour	M*A*S*H	American Muscle		Cops Cops		Apollo Live	Austin Dog	2014 U.S. Open Tennis: Men's First Round and Women's Second Round.	MLB Base- ball: Teams TBA.
7:PM ABC	Wheel	De Que Te Quiero	Big Bang	Ent	Ent	Newsweek	Mom	House	Earthflight- Nat	M*A*S*H	American Muscle	Movie: The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift	Cops Cops		Apollo Live	Jessie Austin		
8:PM ABC	Mod Fam	Mi Corazón Es Tuyo	So You Think You Can Dance	Big Brother	Extant	Reina de Corazones	Fam. Guy Fam. Guy	Upd Dollars	NOVA (DVS)	Heroes	American Muscle		Cops Cops	Legends	Movie: Stomp the Yard, Ne-Yo	Movie: High School Musical		
9:PM ABC	Mod Fam	Hasta el Fin				En Otra Piel (SS)	America's/ Talent	Light of the Southwest		Kotter	American Muscle		Cops Cops	Franklin & Bash				Baseball Tonight
10:PM ABC	Motive (DVS)	La Malquerida	Mod Fam	Extant	News	El Señor de los	(:01) Taxi Brooklyn	Big Bang	Operation Maneater	F Troop F Troop	Fast N' Loud		Cops Cops	Franklin & Bash				Baseball Tonight
11:PM ABC	News	Impacto	Arsenio Hall	News	Tele	News	Conan	Rik	Charlie Rose	Twizt Zone Perry Mason	American Muscle		Cops Cops	(:01) Leg- ends	Game	Girl	Olbermann	SportsCenter
12:AM ABC	Jimmy Kim- mel Live	Noticiero	La Que No	Letterman	Titulares	Tonight Show	Office	Chevalme	World	Adam-12	Fast N' Loud		Cops Cops	(:01) Frank- lin & Bash	Wendy Wil- liams	Movie: Zenon: Z3	Olbermann	SportsCenter
1:AM ABC	Nightline	Amorito Corazón	TMZ	Insider	News	Office	Zola Lev.	Hitchcock Hr.	American Muscle	Police Videos	(12:02) Ha- waii Five-0		Cops Cops	One Mic	Deck	Wizards	NFL Live	SportsCenter
2:AM ABC	Extra	Paid	Alma	Law & Order: SVU	Ent	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Jail	(:02) Law & Order		Cops Cops	One Mic	Wizards	Wizards		

DENNIS THE MENACE

"I LIKE HANGIN' OUT WITH GRAMPA, BUT SOMETIMES IT'S GOOD FOR HIM TO PLAY WITH SOMEBODY HIS OWN AGE."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane

"Stop that right now, Jeffy! You know you're never s'posed to text and drive."

HAGAR

DOES YOUR DIMWITTED DOG DO ANY TRICKS?
YES!

I TAUGHT HIM TO IGNORE IDIOTS!

BC

YOU CAN SHOVE THAT TEACUP BETWEEN YOUR NOSTRILS AND SMASH YOURSELF IN THE FACE WITH A STEAM PIPE.

WIZARD OF ID

THIS SUPER-CATAPULT HAS DOUBLE THE RANGE OF OUR PREVIOUS WEAPON.
IS IT MORE ACCURATE?
WE'RE NOT SURE... WE CAN'T SEE THAT FAR.

BLONDIE

SNIFF! SNIFF!
HONEY, WAKE UP! YOU'RE CRYING IN YOUR SLEEP.
YEAH, I WAS DREAMING THAT I LOST THE WINNING LOTTERY POWER BALL TICKET WORTH MILLIONS!

SNIFF!

This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, August 27, the 239th day of 2014. There are 126 days left in the year.

Today's Highlights in History:
On August 27, 1964, President Lyndon Baines Johnson accepted his party's nomination for a term in his own right, telling the Democratic National Convention in Atlantic City, New Jersey, "Let us join together in giving every American the fullest life which he can hope for." The Walt Disney movie musical fantasy "Mary Poppins," starring Julie Andrews and Dick Van Dyke, premiered at Grauman's Chinese Theater in Hollywood.

Comedian Gracie Allen, the wife of George Burns, died in Los Angeles.

On this date:
In 1776, the Battle of Long Island began during the Revolutionary War as British troops attacked American forces, who ended up being forced to retreat two days later.
In 1883, the island volcano Krakatoa erupted with a series of cataclysmic explosions; the resulting tidal waves in Indonesia's Sunda Strait claimed some 36,000 lives in Java and Sumatra.
In 1908, Lyndon Baines Johnson, the 36th president of the United States, was born near Stonewall, Texas.

In 1928, the Kellogg-Briand Pact was signed in Paris, outlawing war and providing for the peaceful settlement of disputes.

In 1939, the first turbojet-powered aircraft, the Heinkel He 178, went on its first full-fledged test flight over Germany.

Answer to previous puzzle

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AGNES

SINCE I'VE DONNED MY NEW DESIGNER BAG, PEOPLE LOOK AT ME WITH ENVY AND HIGH ADMIRATION.
IT'S A STUPID GROCERY BAG. THEY THINK YOU HAVE FOOD.
HEH HEH... ENVY IS ENVY.

HI AND LOIS

TEDDY ALWAYS WELCOMES ME WITH OPEN ARMS.
I LOVE YOU, EVEN IF YOU CAN'T HUG ME.

THE OTHER COAST

LOUIE IS SUCH A GOOD DOG, AND HE'S EVEN CRATE-TRAINED.
GIVE ME A HACKSAW AND I'D BUST OUT OF IT IN A HEARTBEAT.

SNUFFY SMITH

THIS OL' CHAIR HAS BEEN PASSED DOWN IN MY FAMBLY FROM GEN'RATION TO GEN'RATION !!
WIF TH' HOPE THAT SOMEBODY'LL BE BETTER AT FIXIN' STUFF THAN THEY WERE !!

BEEBLE BAILEY

WANT TO GO TO TOWN TONIGHT?
I'LL SEE IF SARGE WILL GIVE ME A PASS.
WHAT DID HE SAY?
GREG+MORT WALKER

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6 Pulsate
11 Yak it up
14 Swell up
15 Work with a loom
16 Bard's "before"
17 President who has written 20+ books
19 Squeak silencer
20 Narrow route
21 Of nerve cells
23 Good-natured teasing
27 Journalistic point of view
28 Poker phrase
29 Evildoer
32 _ Vader
33 Unhip
34 Film director Anderson
37 Incoming plane stats.
38 Paperwork to fill out
39 Having the know-how
40 NYSE regulator
41 Speaks indistinctly
42 Flowing easily
43 "Big" boss
45 Nap in Nogales
46 Home sweet home
48 Restaurant's back room
49 RoboCop or Terminator
51 River sediment
52 Where DC is capital
53 President who was a Rhodes Scholar

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59 Dream state, for short
60 Downloaded novel
61 Leif Ericson's crew
62 High bond rating
63 Dry runs
64 Grain to be ground
9 48 Across device
10 "Stay alert!"
11 President who paints world leaders
12 Computer typeface
13 Lady at a ball
18 Chaplin prop
22 Single: Prefix
23 Gets a lift
24 Furious
25 President who once headed the Harvard Law Review
26 Small pieces
29 Quotable catcher
30 Equips for war
31 Oral surgeon's deg.
33 Person, place or thing
35 Upper-echelon
36 Auto style
38 Winter bug
39 Baldwin of 30 Rock
41 Frozen dessert
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44 Big bother
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Boxer accused of shooting cousin

(AP) — Former middleweight boxing champion Jermain Taylor has been arrested on suspicion of domestic battery and assault in a shooting that wounded Taylor's cousin at the boxer's suburban Little Rock home, authorities said.

"Mr. Taylor was arrested for domestic battery, first-degree, and aggravated assault," Pulaski County Sheriff's Office Lt. Carl Minden said Tuesday. "It was his cousin and another individual that came over to his house, an altercation ensued, he (Taylor) grabbed a weapon and opened fire."

The cousin was hospitalized in serious condition with an apparent gunshot wound and the other man, described as a friend of the cousin, was not injured, Minden said. The two drove away from the home and were found at a Dollar General discount store several blocks away, Minden said. A woman believed to be Taylor's wife called

911 shortly before 6 p.m. to report an intruder and a shooting at the home.

The names of the cousin and other man were not released.

Taylor, 36, was being held in the Pulaski County jail without bond, according to online jail records. His attorney did not immediately return an after-hours phone call seeking comment.

Taylor is expected to appear in Pulaski County District Court via video from the jail on Wednesday morning, Minden said.

Minden said the nature of the altercation was still under investigation and that Taylor was arrested without incident.

"He was very calm and very cooperative with our investigators," Minden said.

Taylor was the professional middleweight boxing champion from 2005 until 2007 when he lost the title to Kelly Pavlik. Taylor was also a bronze medalist in boxing at the 2000 Olympics.

Klitschko fight rescheduled

RANKFURT, Germany (AP) — Wladimir Klitschko's management says his heavyweight title defense against mandatory IBF challenger Kubrat Pulev has been rescheduled for Nov. 15 in Hamburg.

The fight was originally slated for Sept. 6 but had to be postponed

after Klitschko tore a bicep in sparring and was forced to miss four weeks of training.

The Bulgarian challenger is undefeated in 20 fights, with 11 knockouts.

Klitschko's record is 62-3, including 53 KOs. It will be his 26th title fight.

BASKETBALL
WNBA
(x-if necessary)
CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS
(Best-of-3)
Eastern Conference
Chicago 2, Atlanta 1
Friday, Aug. 22: Chicago 80, Atlanta 77
Sunday, Aug. 24: Atlanta 92, Chicago 83
Tuesday, Aug. 26: Chicago 81, Atlanta 80
Indiana 2, Washington 0
Thursday Aug. 21: Indiana 78, Washington 73
Saturday, Aug. 23: Indiana 81, Washington 76, OT
Western Conference
Phoenix 2, Los Angeles 0
Friday, Aug. 22: Phoenix 75, Los Angeles 72
Sunday, Aug. 24: Phoenix 93, Los Angeles 68
Minnesota 2, San Antonio 0
Thursday Aug. 21: Minnesota 88, San Antonio 84
Saturday, Aug. 23: Minnesota 94, San Antonio 89
CONFERENCE FINALS
(Best-of-3)
Eastern Conference
Indiana vs. Chicago
Saturday, Aug. 30: Chicago at Indiana, 7 p.m.
Monday, Sept. 1: Indiana at Chicago, 4 p.m.
x-Wednesday, Sept. 3: Chicago at Indiana, 7 p.m.
Western Conference
Phoenix vs. Minnesota
Friday, Aug. 29: Minnesota at Phoenix, 10 p.m.
Sunday, Aug. 31: Phoenix at Minnesota, 3:30 p.m.
x-Tuesday, Sept. 1: Minnesota at Phoenix, 10 p.m.

BASEBALL
American League
East Division
W L Pct GB
Baltimore 75 55 .577 —
New York 68 62 .523 7
Toronto 66 66 .500 10
Tampa Bay 64 68 .485 12
Boston 58 74 .439 18
Central Division
W L Pct GB
Kansas City 73 58 .557 —
Detroit 71 59 .546 1½
Cleveland 67 63 .515 5½
Chicago 59 72 .450 14
Minnesota 58 73 .443 15
West Division
W L Pct GB
Los Angeles 78 53 .595 —
Oakland 77 54 .588 1
Seattle 72 59 .550 6
Houston 56 77 .421 23
Texas 51 80 .389 27
Tuesday's Games
Baltimore 4, Tampa Bay 2
Boston 11, Toronto 7, 11

innings
Detroit 5, N.Y. Yankees 2
Cleveland 8, Chicago White Sox 6, 10 innings
Kansas City 2, Minnesota 1
Houston 4, Oakland 2
L.A. Angels 8, Miami 2
Seattle 5, Texas 0
Wednesday's Games
Texas (Lewis 8-11) at Seattle (E.Ramirez 1-5), 3:40 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Smyly 8-10) at Baltimore (Gausman 7-5), 7:05 p.m.
Boston (J.Kelly 0-1) at Toronto (Stroman 7-5), 7:07 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Greene 3-1) at Detroit (Price 12-9), 7:08 p.m.
Cleveland (Kluber 13-7) at Chicago White Sox (Noesi 7-9), 8:10 p.m.
Minnesota (P.Hughes 14-8) at Kansas City (Hendriks 1-0), 8:10 p.m.
Oakland (Pomeranz 5-4) at Houston (Peacock 3-8), 8:10 p.m.
Miami (H.Alvarez 10-5) at L.A. Angels (H.Santiago 3-7), 10:05 p.m.

American League Leaders
BATTING — Altuve, Houston, .333; VMartinez, Detroit, .327; Beltre, Texas, .327; Cano, Seattle, .326; McCabrera, Toronto, .310; Brantley, Cleveland, .310; JAbreu, Chicago, .308; McCabrera, Detroit, .308.
RUNS — Dozier, Minnesota, 92; Trout, Los Angeles, 89; McCabrera, Detroit, 82; Kinsler, Detroit, 81; Brantley, Cleveland, 79; McCabrera, Toronto, 79; Donaldson, Oakland, 79.
RBI — JAbreu, Chicago, 94; Ortiz, Boston, 93; Trout, Los Angeles, 92; McCabrera, Detroit, 89; NCruz, Baltimore, 88; Cespedes, Boston, 87; Donaldson, Oakland, 87.
HITS — Altuve, Houston, 180; McCabrera, Toronto, 167; Cano, Seattle, 157; Markakis, Baltimore, 154; AJones, Baltimore, 153; Kinsler, Detroit, 153; Brantley, Cleveland, 151.
DOUBLES — McCabrera, Detroit, 41; Plouffe, Minnesota, 37; Trout, Los Angeles, 35; Altuve, Houston, 34; McCabrera, Toronto, 34; Brantley, Cleveland, 33; EEscobar, Minnesota, 33; Kinsler, Detroit, 33.
TRIPLES — Rios, Texas, 8; Bourn, Cleveland, 7; Eaton, Chicago, 7; Gardner, New York, 7; AJackson, Seattle, 6; Kiermaier, Tampa Bay, 6; LMartin, Texas, 6; DaSantana, Minnesota, 6; Trout, Los Angeles, 6.
HOME RUNS — NCruz, Baltimore, 34; JAbreu, Chicago, 33; Carter, Houston, 32; Ortiz, Boston, 30; Trout, Los Angeles, 29; Encarnacion, Toronto, 27; Bautista, Toronto, 25; Donaldson, Oakland, 25; VMartinez, Detroit, 25.
STOLEN BASES — Altuve, Houston, 47; Ellsbury, New York, 35; RDavis, Detroit, 31; JDyson, Kansas City, 29; AEscobar, Kansas City, 24; Andrus, Texas, 23; Reyes, Toronto, 23.
PITCHING — Scherzer, Detroit, 15-4; Porcello, Detroit, 15-8; Kazmir, Oakland, 14-6; Weaver, Los Angeles, 14-7; PHughes, Minnesota, 14-8; 7 tied at 13.
ERA — Sale, Chicago, 2.03; FHernandez, Seattle, 2.07; Kluber, Cleveland, 2.46; DDuffy, Kansas City, 2.47; Lester, Oakland, 2.53; Lester, Oakland, 2.53; Richards, Los Angeles, 2.61.
STRIKEOUTS — Price, Detroit, 221; Scherzer, Detroit, 209; Kluber, Cleveland, 205; FHernandez, Seattle, 204; Darvish, Texas, 182; Lester, Oakland, 181; Sale, Chicago, 165.
SAVES — Holland, Kansas City, 40; Rodney, Seattle, 38; DavRobertson, New York, 34; Perkins, Minnesota, 32; Nathan, Detroit, 28; Britton, Baltimore, 28; Uehara, Boston, 26.

National League
East Division
W L Pct GB
Washington 75 56 .573 —
Atlanta 68 64 .515 7½
Miami 65 66 .496 10
New York 62 70 .470 13½
Philadelphia 60 72 .455 15½
Central Division
W L Pct GB
Milwaukee 73 59 .553 —
St. Louis 71 60 .542 1½
Pittsburgh 68 64 .515 5
Cincinnati 63 69 .477 10
Chicago 59 72 .450 13½
West Division
W L Pct GB
Los Angeles 75 58 .564 —
San Francisco 69 62 .527 5
San Diego 61 70 .466 13
Arizona 55 77 .417 19½
Colorado 53 78 .405 21
Tuesday's Games
Pittsburgh 5, St. Louis 2
Philadelphia 4, Washington 3
N.Y. Mets 3, Atlanta 2
Chicago Cubs 3, Cincinnati 0
L.A. Dodgers 9, Arizona 5
L.A. Angels 8, Miami 2
San Diego 4, Milwaukee 1
San Francisco 3, Colorado 0
Wednesday's Games
St. Louis (Wainwright 15-8) at Pittsburgh (Locke 5-3), 12:35 p.m.
Washington (Fister 12-4) at Philadelphia (K.Kendrick 6-11), 7:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Teheran 12-9) at N.Y. Mets (Za.Wheeler 9-8), 7:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Ja.Turner 4-7) at Cincinnati (Latos 4-3), 7:10 p.m.
Milwaukee (Gallardo 8-7) at San Diego (Despaigne 3-5), 9:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 15-3) at Arizona (Miley 7-9), 9:40 p.m.
Miami (H.Alvarez 10-5) at L.A. Angels (H.Santiago 3-7), 10:05

p.m.
Colorado (F.Morales 5-7) at San Francisco (Hudson 9-9), 10:15 p.m.
Texas League
North Division
W L Pct GB
Arkansas 38 26 .594 —
Springfield 29 34 .460 8½
x-Tulsa 29 34 .460 8½
NW Arkansas 27 37 .422 11
South Division
W L Pct GB
x-Frisco 36 28 .563 —
Midland 36 28 .563 —
Corpus Christi 30 34 .469 6
San Antonio 30 34 .469 6
Tuesday's Games
Tulsa 6, NW Arkansas 5
Midland 4, San Antonio 3
Arkansas 5, Springfield 4
Corpus Christi 1, Frisco 0
Wednesday's Games
Northwest Arkansas at Tulsa, 8:05 p.m.
Midland at San Antonio, 8:05 p.m.
Frisco at Corpus Christi, 8:10 p.m.
Arkansas at Springfield, 8:10 p.m.

Thursday's Games
Northwest Arkansas at Tulsa, 8:05 p.m.
Midland at San Antonio, 8:05 p.m.
Frisco at Corpus Christi, 8:10 p.m.
Arkansas at Springfield, 8:10 p.m.
Canadian Football League
East Division
W L Pts PF PA
Toronto 3 6 6 223 249
Hamilton 1 6 2 149 185
Montreal 1 7 2 125 217
Ottawa 1 7 2 126 231
West Division
W L Pts PF PA
Edmonton 7 1 14 214 142
Calgary 7 1 14 223 121
Saskatchewan 6 2 12 193 151
Winnipeg 6 3 12 230 217
B.C. 5 4 10 212 182
Friday, Aug. 29
Ottawa at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Aug. 31
Winnipeg at Saskatchewan, 4 p.m.

National Football League
Preseason
American Conference
East
W L Pct PF PA
Miami 2 1 .667 55 50
New England 2 1 .667 78 65
N.Y. Jets 2 1 .667 62 62
Buffalo 1 3 .250 63 81
South
W L Pct PF PA
Houston 2 1 .667 50 56
Tennessee 2 1 .667 68 64
Jacksonville 1 2 .333 47 43
Indianapolis 0 3 .000 53 63
North
W L Pct PF PA
Baltimore 3 0 1.000 83 50
Pittsburgh 1 2 .333 56 67
Cincinnati 1 2 .333 75 79
Cleveland 0 3 .000 49 70
West
W L Pct PF PA
Denver 2 1 .667 72 34
San Diego 1 2 .333 48 69
Kansas City 1 2 .333 69 97
Oakland 1 2 .333 54 67
National Conference
East
W L Pct PF PA
N.Y. Giants 4 0 1.000 99 79
Washington 2 1 .667 64 52
Philadelphia 1 2 .333 94 97
Dallas 0 3 .000 57 89
South
W L Pct PF PA
New Orleans 3 0 1.000 80 65
Atlanta 1 2 .333 40 66
Carolina 1 2 .333 53 66
Tampa Bay 1 2 .333 51 50
North
W L Pct PF PA
Minnesota 3 0 1.000 70 46
Chicago 2 1 .667 60 81
Detroit 2 1 .667 52 51
Green Bay 2 1 .667 68 48
West
W L Pct PF PA
Seattle 2 1 .667 91 41
Arizona 1 2 .333 73 49
St. Louis 1 2 .333 64 61
San Fran. 1 2 .333 24 64
Thursday, Aug. 28
Atlanta at Jacksonville, 6 p.m.
Kansas City at Green Bay, 7 p.m.
Detroit at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
Indianapolis at Cincinnati, 7 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
St. Louis at Miami, 7 p.m.
New England at N.Y. Giants, 7:30 p.m.
Carolina at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.
San Francisco at Houston, 8 p.m.
Baltimore at New Orleans, 8 p.m.
Denver at Dallas, 8 p.m.
Minnesota at Tennessee, 8 p.m.
Chicago at Cleveland, 8 p.m.
Arizona at San Diego, 10 p.m.
Seattle at Oakland, 10 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS
American League
CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Reinstated OF Adam Eaton from the 15-day DL. Optioned OF Jordan Danks to Charlotte (IL).
LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Designated LHP Wade LeBlanc for assignment. Selected the contract of RHP Yoslan Herrera from Salt Lake (PCL).
SEATTLE MARINERS — Signed general manager Jack Zduriencik with a multiyear contract extension.
TEXAS RANGERS — Extended its player development agreement with Spokane (NWL) through the 2016 season.
TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Recalled OF Kevin Pillar from

Buffalo (IL). Designated OF Nolan Reimold for assignment.
National League
CHICAGO CUBS — Reinstated INF Starlin Castro from the bereavement list. Optioned INF Logan Watkins to Iowa (PCL).
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
ATLANTA HAWKS — Re-signed F Mike Scott.
MILWAUKEE BUCKS — Acquired F Jared Dudley and a conditional 2017 first-round draft pick from the Los Angeles Clippers for F Carlos Delfino, C Miroslav Raduljica and a 2015 second-round draft pick. Signed F Damien Inglis to a multi-year contract.
OKLAHOMA CITY THUNDER — Acquired a trade exception and a 2015 protected second round draft pick from Philadelphia for C Hasheem Thabeet and cash considerations.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
BUFFALO BILLS — Signed QB Jordan Palmer. Released QB Thad Lewis. Placed LB Kiko Alonso on the reserve/non-football injury list. Claimed P Jordan Gay off waivers from Carolina.
CHICAGO BEARS — Waived G James Brown and CB Isaiah Frey.
CINCINNATI BENGALS — Waived LB J.K. Schaffer, CB Lavelle Westbrook, TE Kevin Brock, WR Jasper Collins, LB James Davidson and QB Matt Scott.
CLEVELAND BROWNS — Placed OL Michael Bowie and LB Darius Eubanks on injured reserve. Placed OL Nick McDonald on the reserve/non-football injury list.
DETROIT LIONS — Claimed TE Michael Egnew off waivers from Miami and FB Emil Igwenagu off waivers from Philadelphia. Released TE Jacob Maxwell and G Bryce Quigley.
GREEN BAY PACKERS — Placed WR Jared Abbrederis, T-G Don Barclay, RB Rajion Neal, DT B.J. Raji, LB Joe Thomas and G Andrew Tiller on injured reserve.
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS — Placed RB Vick Ballard, RB Deji Karim and OL Ulrick John on injured reserve. Placed FB Stanley Havili on the PUP list.
KANSAS CITY CHIEFS — Waived OT Ryan McKee, CB Kevin Rutland and CB Damond Smith.
MIAMI DOLPHINS — Terminated the contract of QB Brady Quinn. Waived WR Armon Binns, TE Brett Brackett, CB Steven Clarke, DE Rakiem Cox, DT Cory Grissom, C Tyler Larsen and WR Ryan Spadola. Placed RB Mike Gillislee, TE Arthur Lynch and DT A.J. Francis on injured reserve.
MINNESOTA VIKINGS — Released TE Mike Higgins.
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Released DL Ben Bass, DB Travis Hawkins, WR Derrick Johnson, LB Deontae Skinner, DB Jemea Thomas and WR Wilson Van Hooser. Placed RB Tyler Gaffney and LB Cameron Gordon on injured reserve.
NEW ORLEANS SAINTS — Waived LB Victor Butler, QB Logan Kilgore, DB Rod Sweeting, LB Kevin Reddick, LB Rufus Johnson, OL Manase Foketi, DE George Uko and TE Travis Beckum.
NEW YORK GIANTS — Placed S Cooper Taylor and WR Marcus Harris on injured reserve. Waived/injured LB Justin Anderson and DE Emmanuel Dieke. Waived CB Charles James, CB Ross Weaver, S C.J. Barnett, S Kyle Sebetic, LB Spencer Adkins, WR Travis Harvey, TE Xavier Grimble, TE Jerome Cunningham, G John Sullen, DT Everett Dawkins and K Brandon McManus.
OAKLAND RAIDERS — Placed TE Nick Kasa on injured reserve. Placed CB DJ Hayden on the PUP list. Released QB Trent Edwards. Waived WR Juron Criner, G Lucas Nix and K Kevin Goessling. Waived/injured S Larry Asante, WR Greg Jenkins and RB Kory Sheets. Claimed K Giorgio Tavecchio off waivers from Detroit.
PITTSBURGH STEELERS — Waived LB Vic So'oto, OL Chris Elkins, OL Emmanuel McCray, DL Hebron Fangupo, DL Brian Arnefelt, CB Devin Smith, CB Lewis Toler, WR C.J. Goodwin, WR Kashif Moore, RB Jordan Hall, RB Miguel Maysonet, RB Tauren Poole, TE Eric Waters, S Jordan Dangerfield and LS Luke Ingram.
SEATTLE SEAHAWKS — Waived/injured DT Michael Brooks, WR David Gilreath and LB Horace Miller. Placed LB Heath Farwell, CB A.J. Jefferson and G C.J. Davison on injured reserve. Placed CB Eric Pinkins on the reserve/non-football injury list.
TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS — Acquired G Logan Mankins from New England for TE Tim Wright and a 2015 fourth-round draft pick.
TENNESSEE TITANS — Signed QB Dominique Davis.
Canadian Football League
TORONTO ARGONAUTS — Released RB Jeremiah Johnson. Waived LB David Hinds and WR Isaiah Williams. Waived/injured OL Gabe Ikard. Placed LB Colin McCarthy on injured reserve.
WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS — Announced due to corporate restructuring, vice-president and chief operating officer Jim Bell will no longer serve the club.



We would like to thank all of our supporters and sponsors for helping us reach our 1st Year Anniversary! Throughout this successful year we have accomplished:

- Labor Day (400 hot dogs served)
 - Naming of Andries Park
 - Monster Mash
- Thanksgiving Feast (750 plates served)
- Big Spring Christmas Parade (won 1st place)
 - Festival of Lights
- Brick Fundraiser (Mi Familia Pavilion)
- Easter Egg Hunt (over 3,000 eggs hidden and toys and bikes given)
- Cinco De Mayo (over 5,000 in attendance)
 - We reached 501 C3 Status
 - Flea Market 2014
- Back to Basics School Clothes Drive (clothed 170 students)

We look forward to serving our community in the years to come!

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- Dale Avant – Co-Founder and Treasurer
- Don Avant – Co-Founder
- Norma Garcia – Co-Founder
- Junior Yanez – Vice President



Delle Donne's late jumper rallies Sky past Dream

TLANTA (AP) — Despite trailing by 17 early in the fourth quarter, the Chicago Sky weren't ready to give up on their season. Instead, they kept their focus and pulled off the biggest fourth-quarter comeback in WNBA playoff history.

Elena Delle Donne scored 17 of her 34 points in the final period, including the winning jumper with 8.4 seconds left, as the Sky rallied from 20 points down to beat the Atlanta Dream 81-80 on Tuesday night and advance to the Eastern Conference finals.

"I just know that when we were in huddles and I was talking to the team, everyone had that look in their eye like we were not done yet — we

were not ready to go home," Delle Donne said. "So I was very confident. ... I knew we were playing pretty good defense, just not doing the little things like finishing with a rebound, finishing with a contested shot."

The Sky, who trailed by 16 after three quarters, became the first team to rally from such a deficit in a playoff game since the WNBA went to four quarters in 2006, according to information provided by the league from the Elias Sports Bureau. It's been done three times in regular-season games.

Tamera Young scored 16 points and Sylvia Fowles added 13 points and 15 rebounds as the Sky won a playoff series

for the first time in franchise history. Chicago was swept by Indiana in the first round last year in the Sky's first postseason appearance.

The Sky will visit the Fever for the opener of the East finals on Saturday.

The road team won each game in this best-of-three series, with Chicago taking the opener 80-77 last Friday, and Atlanta winning 92-83 in Game 2 on Sunday.

Erika de Souza scored 18 points and Angel McCoughtry had 17 for the Dream, who reached the WNBA Finals in three of the last four seasons.

Chicago trailed 44-24 about midway through the second quarter and was down 72-55 with 8:12 remaining. Delle

Donne then scored 13 points during the Sky's 19-2 run that tied the score at 74-all on her 3-pointer with 3:33 to go.

"In the fourth quarter, coach put the ball in my hands, the team trusted me and it just went from there," Delle Donne said.

The Dream shot 1 for 6 from the field with three turnovers during Chicago's big run before de Souza and McCoughtry made baskets 20 seconds apart to put the Dream up four with 2:14 to go.

"I think we got away from what we were doing well," Dream coach Michael Cooper said. "I thought the execution of our offense kind of went out the window a little bit. We started to take some quick

shots and some bad shots. And then our defense kind of got away from us."

Shoni Schimmel's jumper gave Atlanta an 80-77 lead with 29 seconds left, but Delle Donne made two jumpers in the last 24 seconds — with the final basket giving Chicago its first lead since 6-5.

"It was just a resilient effort by my team. Obviously, Atlanta owned us for much of the game," Sky coach Pokey Chatman said. "They were having our way us in terms of points in the paint. Everything was not in our favor, but we stayed the course, and when it got late it became time for players to make plays. My big time player (Delle Donne) stepped up."

Mankins traded to Buccaneers; Bradford, Raji on Injured Reserve

On the NFL's first preseason cutdown day, a trade and several key players going on injured reserve overshadowed other moves.

In an unusual transaction for its timing, New England sent six-time Pro Bowl guard Logan Mankins to Tampa Bay on Tuesday for tight end Tim Wright and a draft choice.

The Patriots apparently are satisfied with a young group of blockers, and the Buccaneers were desperate to improve their offensive line.

"He has a history of a certain type of play in the league," new Bucs coach Lovie Smith said, adding that the 10th-year pro will bring leadership on and off the field. "We got better, kind of simple as that."

Bringing in a tight end could mean the Patriots are particularly concerned when Rob Gronkowski can return to the lineup. The injury-prone Gronkowski, coming

off right knee surgery, only recently began to take part in contact drills.

While Gronkowski works to come back, gone for the season are Rams quarterback Sam Bradford and Packers defensive tackle B.J. Raji.

Both went on injured reserve Tuesday, Bradford after tearing his left ACL for the second straight year, Raji with a torn biceps.

Also on injured reserve is Bills linebacker Kiko Alonso, who hurt his left knee before training camp began.

Other veterans placed on IR were Colts running back Vick Ballard, Seahawks linebacker Heath Farwell and Browns offensive lineman Michael Bowie.

Put on the physically unable to perform list were Colts fullback FB Stanley Havili and Raiders cornerback DJ Hayden.

Hayden, Oakland's top draft pick in 2013, has a stress fracture in his right foot. Players on PUP must miss at least six weeks of the regular season.

"We didn't feel like he was going to be ready," coach Dennis Allen said. "We feel like he's still a couple of weeks away from actually being ready to be out there practicing and playing football."

The first wave of cuts down to the maximum 75 players saw veterans quarterbacks Thad Lewis, Brady Quinn and Trent Edwards released. Buffalo cut Lewis when it signed Jordan Palmer, while Quinn was let go by Miami and Edwards by Oakland.

Also released were veteran linebacker Victor Butler and tight end Travis Beckum by New Orleans.

The next cut, to the 53-man roster for the regular season, will be Saturday.

Bumgarner flirts with perfection in Giants win

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Giants pitcher Madison Bumgarner wanted to waste a two-strike curveball in front of Rockies cleanup hitter Justin Morneau.

He left the ball up just enough for Morneau to get a piece of it — the only mistake on an otherwise memorable night for the San Francisco left-hander.

Bumgarner pitched a one-hitter and matched his career high of 13 strikeouts, and the Giants beat the Rockies 3-0 on Tuesday night to snap a three-game losing streak.

The two-time All-Star retired the first 21 batters before Morneau doubled down the right field line to end the bid for perfection. That was the only baserunner

Wolves giving away tickets

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — The newest Minnesota Timberwolves are pitching in to help the Lynx push toward another championship.

Andrew Wiggins, Anthony Bennett, Zach LaVine and Thaddeus Young have purchased a total of 500 tickets for Game 2 of the Western Conference finals against the Phoenix Mercury on Sunday. The upper level tickets will be available for free to those who call the Lynx ticket office.

Wiggins, Bennett and

Bumgarner (15-9) gave up. He fanned the next three hitters.

"I was going to try to bounce a curveball," Bumgarner said. "I think it would have probably bounced if he (wouldn't have) hit it. He's a good hitter and he was in there being aggressive. He happened to hit it pretty good. No regrets on throwing it."

San Francisco's husky left-hander was attempting to follow Tim Lincecum's no-hitter at AT&T Park on June 25 against San Diego with another milestone for a sellout crowd of 41,050 on a pristine Bay Area evening.

His 103-pitch gem kept the Giants in a wild-card spot.

Matt Cain is the last Giants pitcher to throw a perfect game, on June

13, 2012.

"That game was probably more impressive than a lot of no-hitters, that's how well he threw tonight," San Francisco manager Bruce Bochy said. "You look at the strikeouts, his stuff, the command ... it was a very, very impressive evening for him."

Buster Posey homered twice for San Francisco.

The hapless Rockies came close to breaking up Bumgarner's bid for perfection in the top of the fifth. Matt McBride was thrown out by shortstop Brandon Crawford on a close play at first base. Colorado manager Walt Weiss came out to dispute the call but did not ask for a replay after getting a signal from his dugout.

Drew Stubbs hit a deep fly to left in the first, but Gregor Blanco made the catch near the wall.

Colorado didn't come close to getting a hit otherwise.

Bucks acquire Dudley from Clippers

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Small forward Jared Dudley is going to the Milwaukee Bucks.

The seven-year veteran was dealt by the Los Angeles Clippers on

Tuesday in exchange for forward Carlos Delfino, backup center Miroslav Raduljica and a 2015 second-round draft pick. The Bucks are also receiving a

conditional 2017 first-round pick.

Dudley averaged 6.9 points last year in his only season with the Clippers.

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