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## Officers arrest 5 on Lorilla

Herald Staff Report

Five individuals, including one considered armed and dangerous, were apprehended early this morning as officers executed a search warrant at 713 Lorilla.

The Big Spring Police Department and Howard County Sheriff's Office SWAT team participated in the search warrant, which was the result of an investigation conducted by the BSPD narcotics unit. According to a press release, police had "received information of drug sales and the probable location of Theodore Rios," who was wanted for parole violation and considered armed and

dangerous. Rios was arrested along with four other individuals. The individuals were taken to the Big Spring Police Department for processing.

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## Self defense courses said filling up fast

By **STEVE REAGAN**

Staff Writer

The oil boom has brought more than an increase in population; unfortunately, violent crime has spiked, as well.

In response, area law enforcement officials are offering self-defense courses beginning later this week.

The classes, scheduled to begin Friday, are free to area residents and will cover the basics of self-defense, Howard County Sheriff Stan Parker said.

"It was our decision to put this together," Parker said. "We have some guys who teach us things (who will be instructing the public). We know there's a little bit of fear out there because of what's been going on out there."

The course is not necessarily designed to make someone a master at self-defense, Parker said.

"The classes will cover basic concepts of self-defense, how to protect yourself in a situation and how to protect yourself at your home," he added.

Those basic concepts include firearm safety, how to properly use pepper spray and some one-on-one self-defense moves.

"These are things we've heard from the public," Parker said. "Things like, they've got pepper spray but are unsure how to use

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HERALD photo/Andrea Medlin

Big Spring Girl Scouts held an old fashioned ice cream social Tuesday at the Comanche Trail Park. Pictured from left are Zylee Lozano, Emily Hallford, Destiny Hallford and Amber Hallford. More than 20 girls and their families attended the recruiting event. For more information or any questions, contact helpdesk@gdsdw.org or call 1-800-895-7385. The Girl Scout membership year starts Oct. 1 and ends Sept. 30.

## First reading coming on city budget

By **STEVE REAGAN**

Staff Writer

The Big Spring City Council will present the first of two public hearings on the proposed FY 2015 tax rate when they hold a special meeting at 5:30 p.m. Thursday in council chambers, 307 E. Fourth.

The council was supposed to have held a public hearing on the new rate last week, but a software error at the tax appraisal district resulted in incorrect information

being relayed to the various taxing entities in Howard County.

City Finance Director Donald Moore said the error won't change the city's proposed tax rate of 85.7 cents per \$100 valuation, but officials had to republish the new information, causing the rescheduling of the public hearings.

A second public hearing on the new tax rate and budget for the coming fiscal year is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. Sept. 11 in council chambers.

Also Thursday, the council will consider first reading of an ordinance rezoning a 29-acre tract in the vicinity of S. Highway 87 and Village Road (near Comanche Trail Park Lake) from single family and agriculture to planned development. This matter was tabled at last week's council meeting.

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

## Quilt fundraiser to aid Gift of Hope

By **ANDREA MEDLIN**

Staff Writer

Signal Mountain Quilters and Crafters Guild will give away an all inclusive cancer quilt on Oct. 28 at 1 p.m.

The quilt measures 9 feet, 7 inches long and 9 feet, 5 inches wide. The event will be hosted by the Heritage Museum and tickets are \$1. All proceeds from tickets sold will go to "Gift of Hope."

The organization helps patients in need with expenses and/or transportation to and from chemotherapy sessions provided primarily by the Allison Cancer Center as well as other facilities as needed.

The quilt will be on display at the Big Spring Senior Center from Aug. 26-29 and at the museum Oct. 1-28.

Cancer squares are being accepted to make into comfort/lap quilts, quilts you make, crochet

and knitted afghans. The blankets and quilts will be placed under the Guild Christmas Tree at the Heritage Museum during the Tree of Lights.

The quilts and afghans will be donated to the chemotherapy patients at the Allison Cancer Center.

For more information, call Jeanne at 556-6403.

To contact Andrea Medlin, call the Herald at 263-7331.

## Rotarians aim to boost school attendance

For the second consecutive school year, The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club seeks to boost student attendance at the four elementary schools in Big Spring: Goliad Elementary, Marcy Elementary,

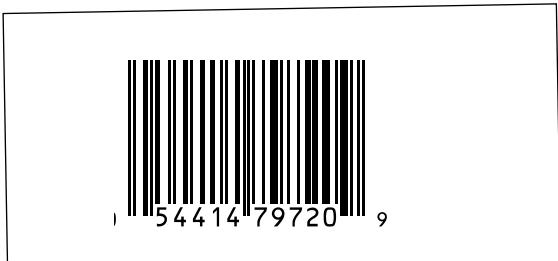
Moss Elementary and Washington Elementary.

All the boys and girls who have perfect attendance by the end of the fall semester will have a chance to win a bicycle at each school. One

boy's bike and one girl's bike will be given away at each school.

In addition, the club has expanded its program to include sixth

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## Winnie Bobo Dodson



Winnie Bobo Dodson, 74, of Coahoma, died Monday, Sept. 1, 2014, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 4, 2014, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at First Baptist Church of Coahoma with Pastor Elwin Collum, pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church and Pastor Mark Winn, pastor of First Baptist Church of Coahoma, officiating. Burial will follow in Coahoma Cemetery.

Winnie was born on May 27, 1940, in Kilgore, Texas, to Alma and Floyd Bobo. She married Bobby Dodson on Nov. 11, 1955. She was a secretary at Coahoma Elementary for more than 30 years. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Coahoma.

She is survived by her husband, Bobby Dodson of Coahoma; children, Danny Dodson of Coahoma and Paula Norris and husband David of Greenwood; two grandchildren; one great-grandchild; step-children, Lindsey Duckworth, Katy, Jeremy and John Norris, all of Odessa; a step-granddaughter; one brother, James Bobo and wife Jean of Arab, Ala.; two sisters, Betty Parrish and husband Charles of Coahoma and Jeannie Darden and husband Billy Jack of Midland; an aunt; and a number of nieces, nephews and cousins.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by three brothers: Bobby, Willie and Vernon Bobo and one sister Era Horn.

The family suggests memorials to First Baptist Church of Coahoma, Box 376, Coahoma, TX 79511 or other favorite charity.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com)

## Police/Sheriff/EMS

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

- **ESMERALDA ADAME URIAS**, 24, of 407 S. Bell, was arrested Tuesday on warrants for safety seat system – child less than age 8 or less than 4' 9" tall and fail to appear.

- **JESSICA BLANCO**, 32, of 1503 Sycamore apt. B, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant from another agency.

- **ADRIANA MARIE HARRISON**, 25, of 1002 N. Main apt. 22, was arrested Tuesday on two warrants from another agency.

- **LESLIE FOSTER IMLER**, 44, of 1012 Dogwood, was arrested Tuesday on two warrants from another agency.

- **MARIE LYNN ARVIEW**, 31, of 814 Creighton, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of theft greater than or equal to \$50 but less than \$200.

- **JOHNNY JOE RODRIGUEZ**, 21, of 1607 Harding, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

- **ADRIAN AGUILAR**, 21, of 2505 Carol, was arrested Tuesday on two warrants from another agency.

- **BRANDON LEON RAMEY**, 35, of 1301 Mt. Vernon, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for bail jumping/failure to appear felony.

- **LONNIE MALCOLM JOHNSON JR.**, 38, of 1406 E. 6<sup>th</sup> St. apt. B, was arrested Tuesday on 8 warrants from another agency and driving while intoxicated with BAC greater than or equal to 0.15.

- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported at the 1600 block of Tucson.

- **THEFT** was reported at the 3200 block of E. Interstate Highway 20, the 800 block of Comanche Park Rd., the 500 block of S. Birdwell and the 200 block of W. FM 700.

- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported at the 2400 block of S. Gregg.

- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported at the 500 block of Wilbanks.

The Howard County Sheriffs Office reported the following activity:

Note: Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 93 at the time of this report.

- **ESMERALDA ADAME URIAS** was booked by BSPD on warrants for safety seat system – child less than age 8 or less than 4'9" tall and fail to appear.

- **JESSICA BLANCO** was booked by BSPD on a warrant for revocation of community supervision – org for charge of hindering apprehension.

- **ADRIANA MARIE HARRISON** was booked by BSPD on a warrant for theft of property greater than or equal

to \$1,500 but less than \$20,000 and credit card or debit card abuse.

- **LEONA JEAN RADASA** was booked by HCSO to begin sentence for public intoxication with 3 prior convictions.

- **BRANDON LEON RAMEY** was booked by HCSO on a warrant for possession of marijuana less than or equal to 5 pounds but greater than 4 ounces.

- **LESLIE FOSTER IMLER** was booked by BSPD on a warrant for theft greater than \$1,500 but less than \$20,000 and forgery.

- **MARIE LYNN ARVIEW** was booked by BSPD on a charge of theft of property greater than or equal to \$50 but less than \$500 shoplifting.

- **LONNIE MALCOLM JOHNSON** was booked by HCSO on a warrant for motion to revoke probation for driving while intoxicated with BAC greater than or equal to 0.15 and fail to display or expired motor vehicle inspection, fail to maintain financial responsibility, violate promise to appear – two counts and failure to appear – four counts.

- **JOHNNY JOE RODRIGUEZ JR.** was booked by BSPD on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

- **ADRIAN AGUILAR** was booked on warrants for bail off bond/possession of marijuana less than or equal to 2 ounces in a drug free zone and bail off bond/delivery of a controlled substance greater than 1 gram in a drug free zone.

- **JOHN MANUEL SOLIS** was booked by BSPD on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia, tampering or fabricating physical evidence with intent to impair and possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

- **DAVID REY GONZALES** was booked by

BSPD on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity:

Thursday:

- **MEDICAL** call reported at the 3200 block of Parkway. One patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** reported at the intersection of FM 700 and Interstate Highway 20. One patient transported to SMMC. One patient refused.

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** reported at the intersection of 19<sup>th</sup> St. and Gregg. Service refused.

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** reported at the intersection of county road 16 and FM 821. One patient transported to SMMC. One patient refused.

- **GRASS FIRE** reported at the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Blvd. Extinguished.

- **ELECTRICAL BOX FIRE** reported at the 3300 block of Duke. On-call dispatched. Fire extinguished.

Friday:

- **MEDICAL** call reported at the 600 block of W. 18<sup>th</sup> St. One patient transported to SMMC.

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** reported at the intersection of 18<sup>th</sup> St. and Gregg.

- **MEDICAL CALL/TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** reported at the 2600 block of Gregg. Two patients transported to SMMC.

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** reported at the intersection of Apron and Douglass. One patient transported to SMMC.

- **MEDICAL** call reported at the 1000 block of Birdwell. One patient transported to SMMC.

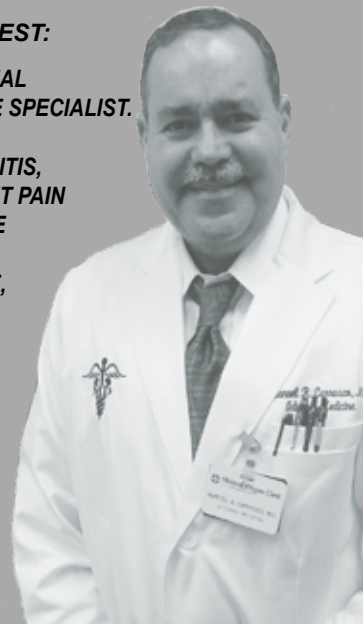
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## Undine Kernodle

Undine Kernodle, 86, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Sept. 3, 2014. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

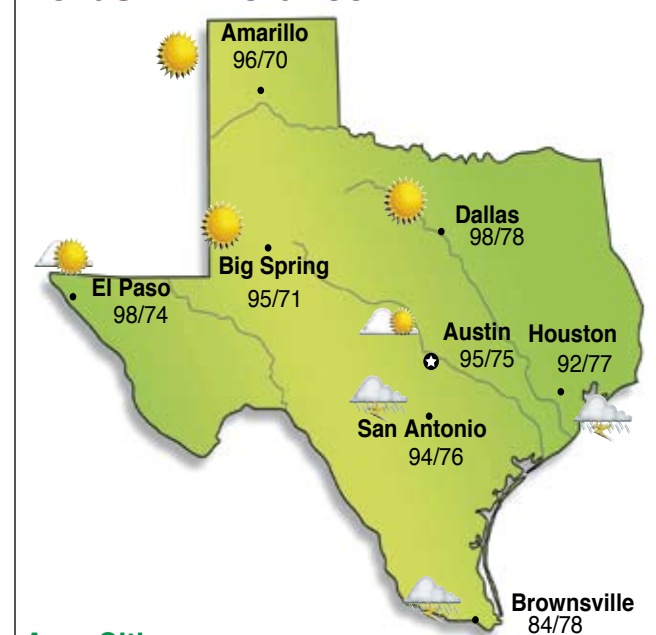
## Today's Weather

### Local 5-Day Forecast

Thu 9/4	Fri 9/5	Sat 9/6	Sun 9/7	Mon 9/8
<b>95/71</b> Sunny. High near 95F. Winds S at 10 to 20 mph.	<b>95/73</b> Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.	<b>94/72</b> A few clouds. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.	<b>90/69</b> Afternoon showers and thunderstorms.	<b>90/69</b> Isolated thunderstorms. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the upper 60s.
<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:22 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:07 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:22 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:06 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:23 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:05 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:24 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:03 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:24 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:02 PM

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### Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Ablene	97	74	sunny
Amarillo	96	70	sunny
Austin	95	75	pt sunny
Beaumont	90	75	t-storm
Brownsville	84	78	t-storm
Brownwood	97	73	mst sunny
Corpus Christi	89	79	t-storm
Corsicana	98	75	pt sunny
Dallas	98	78	sunny
Del Rio	94	74	pt sunny
El Paso	98	74	mst sunny
Fort Stockton	93	70	sunny
Gainesville	95	75	sunny
Greenville	96	75	sunny
Houston	92	77	t-storm
Kingsville	88	76	t-storm
Livingston	93	74	t-storm
Longview	96	74	pt sunny
Lubbock	94	70	sunny
Lufkin	94	74	t-storm
Midland	94	71	pt sunny
Raymondville	85	76	t-storm
Rosenberg	93	76	t-storm
San Antonio	94	76	t-storm
San Marcos	97	76	pt sunny
Sulphur Springs	96	76	sunny
Sweetwater	94	72	sunny
Tyler	95	75	pt sunny
Weatherford	97	75	sunny
Wichita Falls	99	77	sunny

### National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	92	71	t-storm
Boston	86	65	sunny
Chicago	85	71	sunny
Dallas	98	78	sunny
Denver	92	57	mst sunny
Houston	92	77	t-storm
Los Angeles	81	63	pt sunny
Miami	87	78	t-storm
Minneapolis	83	70	t-storm
New York	89	71	sunny
Phoenix	104	79	sunny
San Francisco	70	59	pt sunny
Seattle	71	54	pt sunny
St. Louis	89	75	mst sunny
Washington, DC	90	74	pt sunny

### Moon Phases



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# Take Note

• Spring Town Plaza will be the home of a pink recycling bin starting Thursday. American Recyclers take pride in assisting the community by donating to non-profit charities. The charity for Big Spring is Susan G. Komen — hence the pink bins.

• The Howard County Fair Quilt is on display at Compass Bank. Tickets are available for \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5. Tickets can be purchased at Compass Bank, Prosperity Bank and Wells Fargo Bank. The Howard County Fair will be taking entries on Wednesday, Sept. 24, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Howard County Fair Barn. Entries include agriculture products, art and photography, baked goods, canned goods and creative arts.

• 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@bigspringtx.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.gofundme.com/ams9v8](http://www.gofundme.com/ams9v8) or in person by cash, check or money order. To make a supply donation or for more information call Jury at 638-0861 or Peter at 270-5228.

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

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

• Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to violent crimes of as-

sault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies as needed. If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process background check and attend training. We need you. For more information, call Linda Calvio at 432-263-3312.

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

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

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

• Spring Tabernacle Ministries, 1209 Wright St., has a brief, inspira-

tional message before giving away food and clothing on Thursday mornings. It’s a great way to work off community service and get help, too. Be there at 9 a.m.-11 a.m. and get two for one plus a rehab meeting.

• The Homeownership Preservation Foundation (HPF) is an independent national nonprofit dedicated to helping distressed homeowners navigate financial challenges and avoid mortgage foreclosure. If you want to stop foreclosure and are in need of foreclosure help, the time to call 888-995-HOPE is now. The Homeowner’s HOPE hotline is a counseling service provided

by HPF to work with you to find a solution to your problem. HPF can provide counseling free of charge, in English and 170 other languages, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. For free foreclosure help, call the hotline.

## COURSE

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it.” Several classes are already full, but applications are still being accepted. To apply, contact the law enforcement center at 264-2231, ext. 112.

Contact Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 235 or by e-mail at [reporter@big-springherald.com](mailto:reporter@big-springherald.com)

## ARRESTS

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dangerous.

At 4:30 a.m. today, officers executed the warrant and arrested the 44-year-old Rios on a Class A warrant for assault, a Class C warrant for parole violation and a bondsman off bond warrant.

Also arrested were:

• David Rey Gonzales, 43, for possession of a controlled substance, less than one gram;

• Kendra Lynn Brown, 31, possession of a controlled substance, less than one gram;

• Paul Steven Meeh, 48, possession of drug paraphernalia;

• Kellie Moana Warf, 42, possession of drug paraphernalia.

According to police, the investigation is ongoing.

## BIKES

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graders at the new intermediate school. Sixth graders with perfect attendance will be entered into a drawing for a pass to the Russ McEwen Family Aquatic Center during its 2015 summer season.

The key to qualify for the bike drawing or the aquatic center pass is to attend school. Bicycles will be on display in the office of each school during the semester.

### MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

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Winnie Bobo Dodson, 74, died Monday. The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at First Baptist Church of Coahoma with burial in Coahoma Cemetery. Undine Kernode, 86, died Wednesday. Services are pending.

## EMS

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• MEDICAL/TRAUMA reported at the 1100 block of Nolan. One patient transported to SMMC.

• TRAFFIC ACCIDENT reported at the intersection of FM 700 and Birdwell. One patient transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL call reported at the 2200 block of Alabama. One patient transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL call reported at the intersection of 2nd St. and Benton. Cancelled en route.

• RUBBISH FIRE reported at the intersection of Union and 2nd St. Out on arrival.

Sunday:

• MEDICAL call reported at the 1400 block of Stadium. One patient transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL call reported at the 1900 block of E. 25th St. One patient transported to SMMC.

• TRAFFIC ACCIDENT reported at mile marker 174 on Interstate Highway 20. One patient transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL call reported at the 1700 block of Lancaster. One patient transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL/TRAUMA call reported at the 700 block of E. 16th St. Transport refused.

• GAS LEAK reported at the 200 block of Jefferson. Gas turned off at meter.

Monday:

• TRAFFIC ACCIDENT reported at the intersection of Eleventh Pl. and Midway Rd. One patient transported via Air Evac.

• MEDICAL call reported at the 500 block of Lancaster. One patient transported to SMMC.

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• MEDICAL call reported at the 500 block

of W. 17th St. One patient transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL call reported at the 2500 block of E. 23rd St. No transport.

• MEDICAL call reported at mile marker 169 on Interstate Highway 20.

• MEDICAL call reported at the 600 block of NW 7th St. No transport.

• MEDICAL call reported at the 700 block of NW 7th St. One patient transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL call reported at the 300 block of Veterans Blvd. One patient transported to SMMC.

Monday:

• MEDICAL call reported at the 1700 block

of Lancaster. One patient transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL call reported at the 500 block of Westover. One patient transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL call reported at the 1800 block of Runnels. One patient transported to SMMC.

Tuesday:

• MEDICAL call reported at the 1600 block of Lancaster. One patient transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL call reported at the 500 block of W. 17th St. One patient transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL call reported at the 1600 block of Harding. Refused transport.

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## DAILY PRAYER

Thank you, Lord, for the sunshine.

Amen

# Human trafficking needs our focus

Some things are almost impossible for me to wrap my brain around. There are things that are so wonderful and amazing they defy my ability to grasp the majesty or beauty of them. Then, unfortunately, there are things that are so far at the opposite end of the spectrum they also are beyond the borders of my imagination or comprehension.

Although it is too often covered up or ignored by the general public, one of those unimaginable and horrific things is human trafficking. And as much as we would like to believe it is a third world country problem, human trafficking has been reported in all 50 states, Washington, D.C., and in some U.S. territories.

The FBI estimates that more than 100,000 children and young women are trafficked in America today. They range in age from 9 to 19, with the average being age 11. Many victims are not just runaways or abandoned, but are from “good” families who are coerced by clever traffickers.

It's sad but true, that here in this country, people are being bought, sold, and smuggled like modern-day slaves. They are trapped in lives of misery—often beaten, starved and forced to work as prostitutes or to take grueling jobs as migrant, domestic, restaurant or factory workers with little or no pay.

We're working hard to stop human trafficking — not only because of the personal and psychological toll it takes on society, but also because it facilitates the illegal movement of immigrants across borders and provides a ready source of income for organized crime groups and even terrorists.

The largest human trafficking case in recent U.S. history occurred in Hawaii in 2010. Global Horizons Manpower Inc.,

a labor-recruiting company, bought 400 immigrants in 2004 from Thailand to work on farms in Hawaii. They were lured with false promises of high-paying farm work, but instead their passports were taken away and they were held in forced servitude until they were rescued in 2010.

According to the U.S. State Department, human trafficking is one of the greatest human rights challenges of this century, both in the United States and around the world. There are more human slaves in the world today than ever before in history. There are an estimated 27 million adults and 13 million children around the world who are victims of human trafficking.

Human trafficking not only involves sex and labor, but people are also trafficked for organ harvesting.

An estimated 30,000 victims of sex trafficking die each year from abuse, disease, torture and neglect. Eighty percent of those sold into sexual slavery are under 24, and some are as young as 6 years old.

Ludwig “Tarzan” Fainberg, a convicted trafficker, said, “You can buy a woman for \$10,000 and make your money back in a week if she is pretty and young. Then everything else is profit.”

A human trafficker can earn 20 times what he or she paid for a girl. Provided the girl was not physically brutalized to the point of ruining her beauty, the pimp could sell her again for a greater price because he had trained her and broken her spirit, which saves future buyers the hassle. A 2003 study in the Netherlands found that, on average, a single sex slave earned her pimp at least \$250,000 a year.

Although human trafficking is often a hidden crime and accurate statistics are difficult to obtain, researchers estimate that more than 80 percent of trafficking victims are female. More than 50 percent of human trafficking victims are children.

According to a 2009 Washington Times article, the Taliban

buys children as young as 7 years old to act as suicide bombers. The price for child suicide bombers is between \$7,000-\$14,000.

UNICEF estimates that 300,000 children younger than 18 are currently trafficked to serve in armed conflicts worldwide. Human traffickers are increasingly trafficking pregnant women for their newborns. Babies are sold on the black market, where the profit is divided between the traffickers, doctors, lawyers, border officials and others. The mother is usually paid less than what is promised her, citing the cost of travel and creating false documents. A mother might receive as little as a few hundred dollars for her baby.

According to United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), over the past 30 years, more than 30 million children have been sexually exploited through human trafficking.

Human trafficking is one of the fastest growing criminal enterprises because it holds relatively low risk with high profit potential. Criminal organizations are increasingly attracted to human trafficking because, unlike drugs, humans can be sold repeatedly. Tragically, it is a global phenomenon that is fueled by poverty and gender discrimination.

Human trafficking is estimated to surpass the drug trade in less than five years. Journalist Victor Malarek reports that it is primarily men who are driving human trafficking, specifically trafficking for sex.

Victims of human trafficking suffer devastating physical and psychological harm. However, due to language barriers, lack of knowledge about available services, and the frequency with which traffickers move victims, human trafficking victims and their perpetrators are difficult to catch.

However, as public awareness is raised, progress to combat this horrible blight against human-

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## The upright and locked position

On Aug. 24, United Airlines diverted a Newark-to-Denver flight to Chicago's O'Hare International Airport after two passengers got into an argument. It started when a 47-year-old man used a device called the Knee Defender to prevent the 48-year-old woman in front of him from reclining her seat.

According to The Associated Press, a flight attendant told the male passenger that United does not allow the bracketlike gadget. He refused to remove it. The female passenger then threw water at the male passenger, which probably didn't thrill the passengers seated next to him. (He was in the middle seat.) The airliner's crew decided to arrive in Denver with two fewer passengers.

The story made national news because it hit home for so many travelers.

Airlines are flying fuller. Seat space has shrunk. The more crowded planes are the crankier passengers have become. Neither passenger is likely to be praised for his or her tact in dealing with others. As for the man in Row 12, he didn't need to use his people skills — not when he had the \$22 knee-protecting device, a tool custom-made for the passive-aggressive traveler.

Oddly, The Washington Post's Justin Moyer reports, the knee-jerk device was invented by a former aide to Pete Wilson, a Republican former California governor and U.S. senator. According to Bloomberg, the 6-foot-3-inch Ira H. Goldman got the

idea in 1998, when he was flying a lot — and his knees weren't enjoying the experience. On one flight, Goldman discovered that by laying an umbrella across his tray table, he could prevent the seat in front of him from reclining. He later tooled plastic clips that, if placed on a tray table, could keep the seat in front of a passenger in the upright position.

Goldman also invented a card to go along with his device. “Please do not recline your seat,” it says. “I have provided you with this card because I have long legs and if you recline your seat you will bang into my knees. I realize that it can be nice to recline one's seat, but I hope you would agree with me that it should not be done at the expense of crushing someone else's knees — especially if this risk is known from the outset.”

After some more whining, the card suggests that if inconvenienced, the fellow traveler should “please complain to the airline so that they might be inspired to provide a solution.” There's an ultra-phony close to the note: “Thank you. Have a nice flight.”

The thing is that the airlines have a solution for too little legroom. It's called pricing.

United offers Economy Plus — which, I was surprised to learn, is where the two evicted United Flight 1462 passengers were seated. Economy Plus gives customers an extra 4 inches of legroom. That extra room still wasn't enough.

I tried to get in touch with Goldman, but his website does not include an email address. I tried to send a message on the tortured “contact us” page but have no idea whether it got through. Do I detect a pattern? I believe that I do. The Knee De-

fender started as one man's way of not looking another person in the eye and figuring out how they could both get to their destination amicably.

I am a journalist. I can grouse with the gusto of a paid professional. And I appreciate a hearty “don't tread on me” spirit. But Goldman's approach is a recipe for air rage, and he knows it. His website instructs customers not to use the device if flight attendants tell them not to. And though I think it is not a hardship to fly in the upright position from Newark to Denver, there are people with back issues who might disagree.

As a onetime Republican aide, Goldman should know better than to blame the airlines. The American public wants cheap airfares. Airlines have given the public what it wants by selling full flights that offer less legroom and smaller seats. Those fares are the reason I can afford to fly cross-country for a weekend.

Some people complain that airlines treat passengers like cattle; if so, that's because the public doesn't want to pay to be pampered. In the days when airlines pampered passengers, a smaller percentage of the public flew.

Goldman is engaging in magical thinking if he truly believes that his little cards will do anything to change how airlines operate. After all, jumbo jets may defy the laws of gravity, but the airline industry cannot beat the laws of economics.

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This time it is a combination of the Chinese along with the North Koreans and Al-Qaeda who will wage an attack on the United States and its people.

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she has are newspaper clippings and a recurring nightmare of an all-consuming fire. But when she finds a link that even her ex-boyfriend, field agent Harrison 'Books' Bookman can't ignore, something has to give.

As more cases appear, with no motives, no murder weapon and no suspects, what will be the outcome?

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Maybe she is the new "Martha Stewart" for the younger crowd!

How many of you can hum the evocative "Lara's Theme" from the movie Dr. Zhivago by composer Maurice Jarre? Drawing on newly declassified government files, this is the dramatic story of how a forbidden book in the Soviet Union became a secret CIA weapon in the ideological battle between East and West.

In May 1956, an Italian publishing scout took a train to a village just outside Moscow to visit Russia's greatest living poet, Boris Pasternak. He left carrying the original manuscript of Pasternak's first and only novel, entrusted to him with these words: "This is 'Doctor Zhivago.' May it make its way around the world." Pasternak believed his novel was

unlikely ever to be published in the Soviet Union, where the authorities regarded it as an irredeemable assault on the 1917 Revolution. But he thought it stood a chance in the West and, indeed, beginning in Italy, "Doctor Zhivago" was widely published in translation throughout the world. From there, the life of this extraordinary book entered the realm of the spy novel.

The CIA, which recognized that the Cold War was above all an ideological battle, published a Russian-language edition of "Doctor Zhivago" and smuggled it into the Soviet Union. Copies were devoured in Moscow and Leningrad, sold on the black market, and passed surreptitiously from friend to friend. Pasternak's funeral in 1960 was attended by thousands of admirers who defied their government to bid him farewell. The example he set launched the great tradition of the writer-dissident in the Soviet Union. In "The Zhivago Affair: The Kremlin, the CIA and the Battle Over a Forbidden Book," (891.734 FIN P) Peter Finn and Petra Couvée bring us intimately close to this charming, passionate and complex artist.

First to obtain CIA files providing concrete proof of the agency's involvement, the authors give us a literary thriller that takes us back to a fascinating period of the Cold War, to a time when literature had the power to stir the world.

In her memoir, "Hard Choices," (B CLI H) Hillary Rodham Clinton writes that "All of us face hard choices in our lives," Hillary Rodham Clinton at the start of this personal chronicle of years at the center of world

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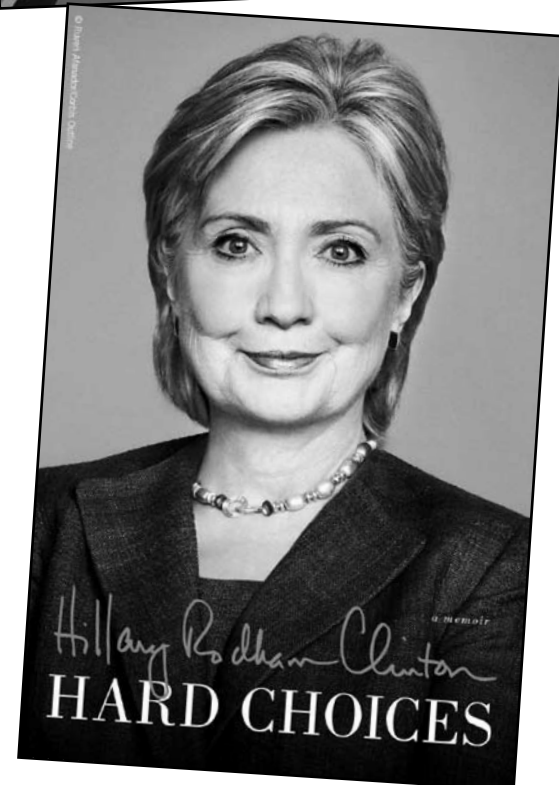
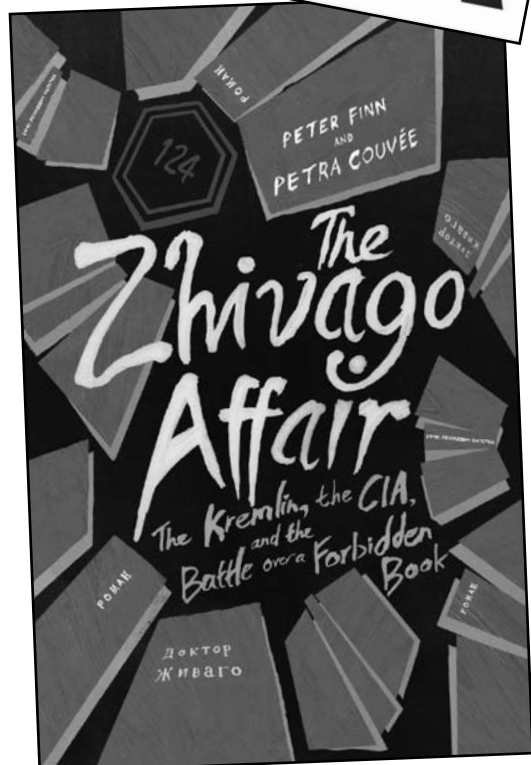
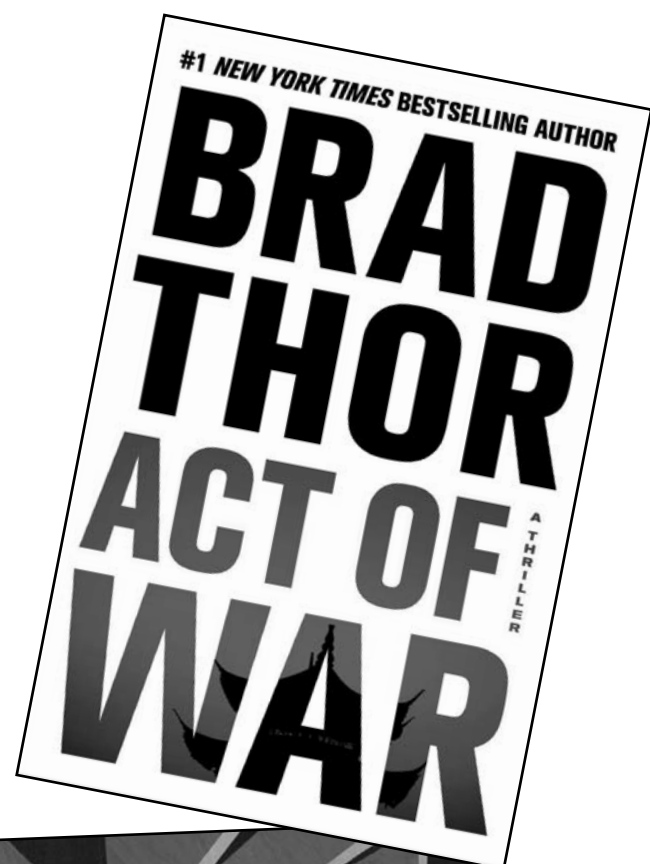
In the aftermath of her 2008 presidential run, she expected to return to representing New York in the United States Senate. To her surprise, her former rival for the Democratic Party nomination, newly elected President Barack Obama, asked her to serve in his administration as Secretary of State.

This memoir is the story of the four extraordinary and historic years that followed, and the hard choices she and her colleagues confronted. An astute eyewitness to decades of social change, she distinguishes the trend lines from the headlines and describes the progress occurring throughout the world, day after day.

Secretary Clinton's descriptions of diplomatic conversations at the highest levels offer readers a master class in international relations, as does her analysis of how we can best use "smart power" to deliver security and prosperity in a rapidly changing world — one in which America remains the indispensable nation. Now the decision is this: Will she be our next president? Or will the sins of her husband keep Hillary out of the White House?

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## PRINCE

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ity is happening. The FBI has stepped up its efforts to disrupt human trafficking operations worldwide and to free its victims. These efforts are focused on

## Sudoku Answer on Page 3

# sudoku

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9 with no repeats. That means no number is repeated in any row, column or box.

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combating the exploitation of individuals who work in labor industries, such as agriculture and domestic service, and who are forced into prostitution and/or slave labor.

Since 2009, the FBI's pending human trafficking cases increased from 167 to 459 by the end of fiscal year 2012. Also since 2009, human trafficking investigations have resulted in 480 arrests, 336 indictments, and 258 convictions. In the span of a week in August, trafficking arrests were made in Sacramento, Dallas, Baltimore, Cleveland, and Boston.

The Department of Justice's Civil Rights Division has embarked with the FBI on an extensive

outreach program with immigrant advocacy groups to raise awareness and identify victims of human trafficking. The federal government has established a hotline for victims to call. The National Human Trafficking Resource Center is 1-888-373-7888.

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

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

### THURSDAY

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

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• 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.

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Big Spring standout Addie Jimenez goes up for a hit during the Lady Steers' 25-19, 25-22, 25-16 win over Midland Greenwood on Tuesday in the Steer Gym. Big Spring's next home outing will be on Sept. 16 against San Angelo Central.

## Pollard, Lady Steers pound out 3-0 romp over Greenwood

By TOMMY WELLS  
Sports Editor

After back-to-back weekends in which the team had made long road trips to face some of the top Class 5A volleyball powers, the Big Spring High School Lady Steers finally got to come home on Tuesday.

And there was no way Erin Pollard and Julianna Rodriguez were going to let anything spoil their homecoming.

Rodriguez served up nine points and dished out 18 assists while Pollard knocked down 15 kills – including a blistering spike off a Leksey Yarbar serve on the final play – and led the Lady Steers to a thrilling 25-19, 25-22, 25-16 non-district win in front of a large crowd in the Steer Gym.

Emilie Smith also reached double figures in assists in

the victory, netting 10 assists.

Greenwood managed to stay close through the early moments of the first game in the best-of-five series. The Rangerettes picked up a point on an unforced error midway through the initial game and knotted the score at 11-11.

Smith gave the BSHS spikers the boost they needed from there. She served up three straight points late in the frame and staked the Lady Steers to an 18-13 lead.

Yarbar, who finished the night with eight kills, finished off Smith's servivice opportunity with a hard drive from the center of the net that split three GHS defenders.

Yarbar wasn't through. She served up up three points later in the contest and helped Big Spring run its lead to 24-16.

Greenwood got off to a

quicker start in Game 2. The Rangerettes built a 19-18 lead before the BSHS girls hit stride.

After battling back to within 21-20, Rodriguez served up four points and handed Big Spring a 24-22 advantage.

Greenwood never regained the lead.

The Lady Steers dominated Game 3 of the match, sprinting to a 4-1 lead and then cruising to the easy victory.

Defensively, the BSHS squad was led by the play of Addie Jimenez and Katie Wash. Jimenez finished with six digs and two kills, while Wash added five digs, two blocks and three kills.

With the win, the Lady Steers improved their season record to 9-14.

Big Spring will return to action on Sept. 9 when they face Lakeview, beginning at 5 p.m. in San Angelo.

## Former Tech star suspended for four games

NGLEWOOD, Colo. (AP) — The Denver Broncos will be without Wes Welker for the first four games of the season after the NFL said the receiver violated the league's performance-enhancing drug policy.

Normally, the league announces such violations on Monday. News of Welker's ban didn't come down until late Tuesday, after the league's Broncos had already finished drawing up blueprints for their opener against Indianapolis, undoubtedly with Welker playing a prominent role.

ESPN first reported Welker's suspension, saying the violation had to do with amphetamines.

Welker told the Denver Post in an email that he was "as shocked as everyone at today's news." He noted he's meticulous about what he puts in his body and would "never knowingly take a substance to gain a competitive advantage in any way."

The 11th-year pro who's been the NFL's top slot receiver over the last decade added that he never concerned himself with the league's drug rules but now "realizes those policies "are clearly flawed."

While it takes multiple violations of the league's substance-abuse policies to trigger a suspension, a four-game ban is issued for a single violation of the NFL's ban on performance-enhancing substances.

Welker's suspension will cost him roughly \$706,000 in base salary.

"Tonight's news regarding Wes is very disappointing, but we understand the league's authority in this area,"

coach John Fox said in a statement. "While it's unfortunate to not have him to start the year, I have full confidence in our wide receivers and expect that group to continue playing at a high level."

Welker played a key role in the two greatest statistical offenses in NFL history: the 2007 New England Patriots and last year's Broncos.

He caught 73 passes for 778 yards and a career-high 10 TDs despite missing the last 3 1/2 games of last season. He returned for the playoffs and had 18 catches for 160 yards and a TD.

Without Welker, Peyton Manning will have to lean more on speedy wide receiver Emmanuel Sanders, who's played in the slot before, or tight end Jacob Tamme, who filled the role at times last year when Welker was out.

Tight end Julius Thomas is also better working the middle of the field. And if Sanders moves inside, that opens up playing time for rookie Cody Latimer or Bubba Caldwell opposite flanker Demaryius Thomas.

"I have no doubt that Wes will remain focused on his preparations for the season and stay in excellent shape during his time away from the team," Fox said.

Even before Welker's ban was issued, the Broncos were facing a daunting first month to open the season. Kicker Matt Prater has been suspended for the first four games for an alcohol-related violation of league rules and leading tackler Danny Trevathan is out for the first three games with a broken left leg.

## Rangers set record for players used in season

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — This was not the kind of record-setting season Rangers manager Ron Washington envisioned.

When left-hander Derek Holland took the mound against the Kansas City Royals on Tuesday night, he became the 60th player that Texas has used this year, breaking a tie with three other teams for the most in a single season in major league history.

Relief pitcher Michael Kirkman extended that record in the eighth inning, becoming the 61st to play for the Rangers. Kirkman wound up allowing the go-ahead run in a 2-1 loss.

The Indians and Padres each used 59 players in 2008, as did the Padres in 2008.

"You have to put nine guys on the field every day," Washington said before the game, "and you have to put them out there and believe they can get the job done. We chose everything we thought could come up here and not melt down, so we've seen everything."

That turnover is a big reason why the Rangers, three years removed from back-to-back World Series trips, are just 53-85, the fewest wins in the majors.

At times, Washington said, the Texas clubhouse has looked like Grand Central Terminal. New players are walking through the door as others are walking out. There are days when it's hard to remember who is still on the roster, who he can call on in the bullpen to get a key out.

In fact, the Rangers also broke the record Tuesday for the most pitchers used in a major league season with 38, a dubious distinction they had also shared with the 2002 Padres.

"You never want to be in this situation," Washington said, "believe me."

To put those numbers into perspective, the New York Yankees had used the next-most players at 53 entering their game Tuesday night. The Milwaukee Brewers had used the fewest at just 35.

## Baylor QB plans to play with cracked bones

Baylor quarterback Bryce Petty woke up Tuesday and started doing sit-ups in his bed.

Petty, who has two small, cracked bones in his back, also plans to be throwing passes for the 10th-ranked Bears in their night game Saturday night.

"I didn't come back to

sit again on the sidelines and watch. Every game is important and Northwestern State is important to me," Petty said Tuesday. "So I want to be out there. ... I'll be all right. We'll be good."

The reigning Big 12 of football of the year took a shot to the back on his first series of the

season in a 45-0 win over SMU on Sunday night. Petty played only the first half, and was clearly in discomfort while throwing for 161 yards with two touchdowns. He also ran for a score to put Baylor up 31-0.

An MRI on Monday revealed two cracked transverse processes,

which are small bones that stick out from each side of a vertebra.

"There's not a whole lot you can do for it. It's kind of like a pinkie finger, you're not going to get surgery on it or anything like that," Petty said during his weekly availability on the Waco campus.

## BSHS JV, freshman squads upend Greenwood

The Big Spring High School junior varsity and freshman volleyball teams completed a sweep of the Greenwood Rangerettes on Tuesday afternoon by sweeping their games.

The BSHS junior varsity dispatched Greenwood by a 2-0 margin, winning both games of their best-of-three series by scores of 25-19 and 25-22.

Offensively, the Lady

Steers were led by the play of Janisha Smith and Kiana Ramsey. Alexess Sosa and Jori Hanlan paced the Big Spring defense.

The Big Spring freshmen also enjoyed an easy

win over Greenwood, taking wions of 25-21 and 25-21.

Rebekah Pearson led the BSHS offensive attack, while Anissa Ramsey spearheaded the defense.



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HOLIDAY MATHIS

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). You come by your feelings honestly, so honor them. They might not be what you would prefer to feel, but if you work your way through them (instead of trying to avoid them), you'll get where you want to be.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). The communication that is hidden and unaware is the kind that colors itself neon and speaks to you the loudest. That's why your friends will hound you for advice.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). You know what you want, but you have your reasons for hiding that information from the person who will, eventually and only because you're so crafty, give it to you.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Everyone "dances" differently, but if the song-and-dance isn't

working, make sure that everyone is listening to the same song. Usually, that's the problem.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). There's an excitement percolating in your personal life. You'll get the kind of texts or emails that make you smile in the middle of an otherwise bland series of hours.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Keep circulating. Interpersonal dynamics are your forte now. You will work it in the way that would only occur to you and augment your fortunes in the process.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You're not high maintenance, and yet you do like to know that your loved ones will be there for you when you need it. That's what inspires today's false-alarm situation.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You're not ready to let it go. Forcing yourself to "let it go" is as useless as it is contradictory. Instead of asking yourself to "let it go," consider the baby step of asking yourself to "merely loosen your grip on it."

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Much will boil down to your level of awareness. But what good is being aware if you don't make a choice based on that awareness? Do both. Observe and then act.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Today you'll choose change, if only because the variety is likely to broaden your horizons. Beware: Choosing change might mean you have to forgo your favorites. If so, it will be totally worth it.

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**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You will be the bridge between people. They wouldn't be able to understand or reach one another if it weren't for the structure you lend to the situation.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). Are you loyal? At this point, "loyalty" would be an understatement. You are ferociously committed to doing all you can for the people lucky enough to have won your devotion.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Sept. 3). You'll start the year getting organized, which will feel good, indeed! When the energy at home gets messy, friends, partners and neighbors will prove their worth to you. Love and travel are the themes in October and November. Wherever you go, you'll go together. The new year brings a wonderful gift. Sagittarius and Capricorn people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 25, 22, 31 and 18.

**ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS:** "I'm an air sign (Libra), so does this mean I'm an airhead?"

Only in the sense that your head is always full of ideas, and ideas have that elusive, ethereal quality to them. The air signs -- Gemini, Libra and Aquarius -- are the thinkers of the zodiac. You may find yourself staring off into space, lost in deep thought as you analyze the solution to end world hunger, but to someone passing by your office, you'd look like you're just zoning out and goofing off. Well, what is thinking supposed to look like? Alas, to be brilliant

is to be misunderstood! Don't let it get you down, and please don't over-analyze this to death like you are prone to do.

You'll only drive yourself crazy. This world needs your intellect, eloquence and sense of justice. Just don't forget to come back down to terra firma every now and then to ground your ideas in reality. Ideas can only benefit others if they're shared and no longer the exclusive property of your mind. At some point, you need to stop thinking and start doing. That's when the world will start to recognize and reward your uniqueness.

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**In Sunday's Big Spring Herald**



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**AmericanProfile**

**Contract Bridge**

By Steve Becker

**Caution — Danger Ahead**

South dealer.  
North-South vulnerable.

**NORTH**

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

**WEST**

♠ J 7 6 5 2  
♥ A  
♦ 6 3  
♣ Q 10 9 8 2

**EAST**

♠ Q 9 4 3  
♥ 4 3 2  
♦ 10 9 7 4 2  
♣ 7

**SOUTH**

♠ A  
♥ K J 10 9 7  
♦ A K Q J 5  
♣ 6 3

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♦	Pass	3♥	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♦	Pass
6♥			

Opening lead — eight of clubs.

**To be a good declarer,** you must be a worrier. You can't afford to relax merely because the contract looks easy to make.

**Take this case** where you're in six hearts and West leads a club. If you win with dummy's king and return a trump, as most declarers would, you go down one. West takes the ace,

plays another club, East ruffs, and you wind up minus 100 instead of plus 1,430.

**But if you're the worrying kind,** you make the contract. As soon as dummy comes down, you start asking yourself what can happen to stop you from making the slam. It wouldn't take you long to conclude that the only real threat is the possibility of a club ruff.

**West's club lead,** in the face of North's two-club bid, looks mighty suspicious. It seems likely that he is either trying to get a club ruff for himself or trying to give one to his partner.

**Given these circumstances,** you should look for a way to nip West's plan in the bud. Fortunately, if you study the situation closely, you find that something can be done.

**So at trick two,** you lead a spade to the ace, then cash the ace of diamonds and ruff a diamond in dummy. Next you discard a club on the king of spades and lead a trump to force out the ace. Only at this point can you finally relax, as there is nothing the defenders can do to defeat you.

**The deal demonstrates** that a little worrying at the right time can do a lot of good.

**Tomorrow:** Harmony on defense.

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<b>6 :PM</b>	Jeopardy!	La Gata	Big Bang	News	Caso Cerrado	News	Big Bang	Mani	PBS News-Hour	M*A*S*H	Naked and Afraid		Cops		Apollo Live	Austin Dog	2014 U.S. Open Tennis: Men's and Women's Quarterfinals.	MLB Baseball: Boston Red Sox at New York Yankees.
<b>7 :PM</b>	Gold	Mi Corazón Es Tuyo	So You Think You Can Dance	Big Brother	Reina de Corazones	America's/ Talent	Fam. Guy	Upd Dollars	Earthflight-Nat	Griffith	Naked and Afraid	Movie: The Horse Whisperer, Sam Neill	Cops		Keyshia Game	Movie: A Cinderella Story		
<b>8 :PM</b>	Gold	Hasta el Fin		Criminal Minds	En Otra Piel (SS)	America's/ Talent	Big Bang	Light of the Southwest	NOVA (DVS)	Heroes	Naked and Afraid		IMPACT Wrestling	Legends	Movie: Just Wright, Paula Patton	To Be Announced		
<b>9 :PM</b>	Mod Fam	La Malquerida	Mod Fam	Extant	El Señor de los	(01) Taxi Brooklyn	Big Bang	Big Bang	Operation Maneater	F Troop	Naked and Afraid			(01) Franklin & Bash				MLB Baseball: Arizona Diamondbacks at San Diego Padres.
<b>10 :PM</b>	News	Impacto	Arsenio Hall	News	Tele Letterman	News	Conan	Rik	Charlie Rose	Cheers	Naked and Afraid	Movie: Conspiracy Theory, Patrick Stewart	Bellator Preview	(02) Legends	Wendy Williams	Movie	SportsCenter	
<b>11 :PM</b>	Jimmy Kimmel Live	La Que No	How I Met How I Met	Ferguson	Titulares	Tonight Show	Conan	Chevalme	T. Smiley	McDonald	Naked and Afraid		Cops	(03) Franklin & Bash				
<b>12 :AM</b>	Extra	Amorito Corazón	Raymond	Insider	El Señor de los	News	Office	Zola Lev.	Adam-12	Adam-12	Naked and Afraid		Cops	(12:04) Hawaii Five-0	Hell Date	Deck	Baseball Tonight	SportsCenter
<b>1 :AM</b>	Paid	Alma	Law & Order: SVU	Ent Paid	Pagado	(07) Today	Movie: I Love	Light of the Southwest	Ironsides	Naked and Afraid	Movie: Apollo 13	Jail	Jail	(04) The Mentalist	Hell Date	Wizards	ESPN FC	SportsCenter

### DENNIS THE MENACE

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"It's a ballet dance, Dennis, not a belly dance!"

### THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane

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"Yes, but they want me to go back tomorrow anyway."

### HAGAR

I'M BACK FROM FRANCE  
ANYTHING IN THAT SACK FOR ME?  
EVERYTHING IS FOR YOU!  
IT'S MY DIRTY LAUNDRY

### BLONDIE

ALL RIGHT, BUMSTEAD, WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN ALL MORNING?  
AND YOU'D BETTER HAVE A GOOD EXCUSE  
I HAD TO GO BACK HOME FOR MY LUNCH  
NOW THAT'S A GOOD EXCUSE

### CLUMSY'S ORGANIC FARM

WELCOME, THOR.  
WHAT'S THIS?  
THIS, MY FRIEND, IS A CELEBRATION OF THE SUSTENANCE MOTHER EARTH SHALL PROVIDE WITH THE PLANTING OF A TINY SEED.  
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?  
PLANTING ME A DELICIOUS MAMMOTH.

### WIZARD OF ID

RIBBIT RIBBIT  
RIBBIT

### AGNES

OK... SO YOU HAVE MY BACK TOMORROW? I'VE BEEN IN SCHOOL ALL ALONG, RIGHT?  
RIGHT!  
I DID A REPORT ON WHY WE HAVE BONES JUST IN CASE WE HAD HOMEWORK.  
GOOD.  
WHAT ARE THE COOL WORDS THIS YEAR?  
I THINK I HEARD PEOPLE SCREAMING "BUCKET" A LOT.

### HI AND LOIS

GORP!  
HEE HEE HA HA!  
WHAT ARE YOU LAUGHING ABOUT, TRIXIE?  
THE FUNNIEST THING I EVER HEARD IS THE FUNNIEST THING I EVER SAID!

### THE OTHER COAST

A MAN AND HIS DOG OUT FOR THEIR MORNING WALK DISCOVERED A BODY IN A ROADSIDE DITCH.  
YIKES, IT MUST BE SO TRAUMATIC TO UNEXPECTEDLY COME ACROSS A CORPSE.  
IT'S THE FLASHBACKS, DOC... I CAN'T SLEEP. NO APPETITE. EVEN MY SQUEAKY BALL IRRITATES ME...

### SNUFFY SMITH

I NEED SUPPIN' FER SHOW-AN'-TELL, AUNT LOWEEZY !!  
I'M BUSY, JUGHAID-- TAKE WHATEVER YOU WANT !!  
JUGHAID-- YOU BRING LI'L TATER BACK HERE NOW !!

### BEEBLE BAILEY

WHERE'S YOUR DATE?  
I DON'T NEED A DATE WHEN I'M DOUBLE-DATING WITH YOU!  
GET LOST!!

## This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, September 3, the 246th day of 2014. There are 119 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On September 3, 1939, Britain, France, Australia and New Zealand declared war on Germany, two days after the Nazi invasion of Poland; in a radio address, Britain's King George VI said, "With God's help, we shall prevail." The same day, a German U-boat torpedoed and sank the British liner SS Athenia

some 250 miles off the Irish coast, killing more than 100 out of the 1,400 or so people on board.

On this date: In 1189, England's King Richard I (the Lion-Hearted) was crowned in Westminster Abbey. In 1658, Oliver Cromwell, the Lord Protector of England, died in London; he was succeeded by his son, Richard. In 1783, representatives of the United States and Britain signed the Treaty of Paris, which officially ended the Revolutionary War. In 1868, the Japanese city of Edo was re-named Tokyo.

In 1914, Cardinal Giacomo Della Chiesa became pope; he took the name Benedict XV. In 1923, the United States and Mexico resumed diplomatic relations. In 1944, British forces liberated Brussels during World War II. In 1951, the television soap opera "Search for Tomorrow" made its debut on CBS.

Answer to previous puzzle

S	M	E	L	L	A	B	E	T	I	N	C	H		
A	S	I	E	E	P	E	R	U	T	O	R	O		
T	E	R	A	N	P	A	I	N	C	M	O	N		
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E	V	E	R	O	M	E	N	I	T	S	O	N		
W	E	N	T	N	E	S	T	N	E	E	D	Y		

## Newsday Crossword

TIME TO REST by Charles Slack  
Edited by Stanley Newman  
www.stanxwords.com

- ACROSS**
- 1 At the summit of
  - 5 Sore spot
  - 9 Resident-owned apartment
  - 14 Be dressed in
  - 15 Timely benefit
  - 16 Clearly understood
  - 17 Needing a rest
  - 19 Make amends
  - 20 Renders speechless
  - 21 The Buckeye State
  - 23 Baby lion
  - 25 Towered over
  - 28 Thief
  - 31 Refused to share
  - 33 "Brain" of a PC
  - 34 Turkish coins
  - 36 Enormous
  - 37 Orange's covering
  - 39 \_\_\_ to (before)
  - 41 Feudal peasant
  - 42 Conjunction with a slash
  - 44 Nose, so to speak
  - 46 Ready to roll
  - 47 River boats
  - 49 Express excitement
  - 51 Closed securely
  - 53 Directional suffix
  - 54 News article
  - 55 Planetary path
  - 59 Computer shortcut
  - 62 Needing a rest
  - 66 Origami material

- DOWN**
- 1 Greatly impresses
  - 2 Send a phone message
  - 3 Diamond Head locale
  - 4 Move with swagger
  - 5 Belly muscles
  - 6 Foldaway bed
  - 7 Ground-breaking implement
  - 8 Fund, as a scholarship
  - 9 L'Oreal rival
  - 10 Needing a rest
  - 11 Cpl. or sgt.
  - 12 Annoying noise
  - 13 Praiseful poem
  - 18 Run-of-the-mill
  - 22 Scoffer's shout
  - 24 Minor anomaly
  - 25 Needing a rest
  - 26 Exit
  - 27 Collegian's goal
  - 28 Of the backbone
  - 29 Arctic expanse
  - 30 Makes a blunder
  - 32 Dexterous
  - 33 Lobster cousin
  - 35 In a moment
  - 38 Needing a rest
  - 40 Memorizing process
  - 43 Church residence
  - 45 Bed coverlet
  - 48 "That's all \_\_\_ wrote"
  - 50 Turmoil
  - 52 Plant firmly
  - 56 Island near Java
  - 57 Nation west of Afghanistan
  - 58 Category
  - 59 Letters on dashboards
  - 60 Small battery
  - 61 EMT's skill
  - 63 Delivery to a smeltery
  - 64 Zero
  - 65 Sushi fish



**Scoreboard**

**BASKETBALL**  
**WNBA**  
(x-if necessary)  
**CONFERENCE FINALS**  
(Best-of-3)

**Eastern Conference**  
**Indiana 1, Chicago 1**  
Saturday, Aug. 30: Indiana 77, Chicago 70  
Monday, Sept. 1: Chicago 86, Indiana 84, 2OT  
x-Wednesday, Sept. 3: Chicago at Indiana, 7 p.m.

**Western Conference**  
**Phoenix 2, Minnesota 1**  
Friday, Aug. 29: Phoenix 85, Minnesota 71

St. Louis	75	63	.543	—
Milwaukee	73	65	.529	2
Pittsburgh	71	67	.514	4
Cincinnati	66	72	.478	9
Chicago	63	76	.453	12½

**West Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
Los Angeles	78	61	.561	—
San Francisco	76	63	.547	2
San Diego	66	71	.482	11
Arizona	57	81	.413	20½
Colorado	55	84	.396	23

**Tuesday's Games**

Baltimore 5, Cincinnati 4  
N.Y. Mets 8, Miami 6  
Philadelphia 4, Atlanta 0  
Chicago Cubs 7, Milwaukee 1  
St. Louis 6, Pittsburgh 4  
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Arizona (Collmenter 9-7) at San Diego (Cashner 2-6), 10:05 p.m.

**Friday's Game**  
B.C. at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.

**TRANSACTIONS**  
**American League**

**BOSTON RED SOX** — Recalled C Dan Butler from Pawtucket (IL) and RHP Anthony Ranaudo from Greenville (SAL).  
**CHICAGO WHITE SOX** — Recalled RHP Chris Bassitt, RHP Scott Carroll, OF Jordan Danks, C Josh Phegley, INF Marcus Semien and LHP Eric Surkamp from Charlotte (IL). Purchased the contract of OF Michael Taylor from Charlotte.

**CLEVELAND INDIANS** — Activated OF Ryan Raburn from the 15-day DL.  
**KANSAS CITY ROYALS** — Recalled INF Christian Colon, OF Terrance Gore, RHP Aaron Crow and RHP Liam Hendricks from Northwest Arkansas (Texas). Announced Northwest Arkansas manager Vance Wilson will join the staff as an additional coach.

**NEW YORK YANKEES** — Recalled C John Ryan Murphy, RHP Preston Claiborne, RHP Bryan Mitchell and RHP Chase Whitley from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL). Selected the contracts of LHP Rich Hill and OF Chris Young from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre. Signed OF Antwan Richardson and RHP Chaz Roe and selected them from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre. Recalled OF Slade Heathcott from Trenton (EL) and transferred him to the 60-day DL. Transferred RHP Masahiro Tanaka to the 60-day DL. Release RHP Matt Daley. Designate OF Zoilo Almonte for assignment.

**TEXAS RANGERS** — Recalled RHP Lisalverto Bonilla, INF Luis Sardinas and RHP Nick Tepesch from Round Rock (PCL). Purchased the contract of LHP Michael Kirkman from Round Rock. Transferred RHP Tanner Scheppers from 15- to 60-day DL.

**TORONTO BLUE JAYS** — Reinstated RHP Brandon Morrow and 1B Dan Johnson from the 15-day DL. Recalled 2B Ryan Goins, OF Anthony Gose, RHP Kendall Graveman, LHP Sean Nolin and LHP Daniel Norris from Buffalo (IL). Selected the contracts of OF Dalton Pompey and OF George Kottaras from Buffalo. Transferred INF Brett Lawrie from the 15- to the 60-day DL. Designated OF Darin Mastroianni and 1B Matt Hague for assignment. Released RHP Neil Wagner.

**National League**

**CHICAGO SUBS** — Recalled RHP Brian Schlitter, RHP Dan Straily, RHP Arody Vizcaino, LHP Zac Rosscup and OF Junior Lake from Iowa (PCL). Selected the contracts of LHP Eric Jokisch and C Rafael Lopez from Iowa. Transferred OF Justin Ruggiano to the 60-day DL.  
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**PITTSBURGH PIRATES** — Recalled LHP Jeff Locke, RHP Casey Sadler, RHP

**John Holdzkom, LHP Bobby LaFromboise and OF Gregory Polanco from Indianapolis (IL). Selected the contract of INF-OF Chase d'Arnaud from Indianapolis. Designated INF-OF Michael Martinez for assignment.**

**ST. LOUIS CARDINALS** — Activated RHP Jason Motte from the 15-day DL. Recalled LHP Marco Gonzales, LHP Nick Greenwood, LHP Tyler Lyons and C Tony Cruz from Memphis (PCL).

Sunday, Aug. 31: Minnesota 82, Phoenix 77  
Tuesday, Sept. 2: Phoenix 96, Minnesota 76

**FINALS**  
(Best-of-5)

Sunday, Sept. 7: Chicago-Indiana winner at Phoenix, 3:30 p.m.  
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Friday, Sept. 12: Phoenix at Chicago-Indiana winner, 8 p.m.  
x-Sunday, Sept. 14: Phoenix at Chicago-Indiana winner, 5:30 p.m.  
x-Wednesday, Sept. 17: Chicago-Indiana winner at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

**BASEBALL**  
**American League**  
**East Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
Baltimore	80	57	.584	—
New York	70	66	.515	9½
Toronto	70	67	.511	10
Tampa Bay	67	72	.482	14
Boston	61	77	.442	19½

**Central Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
Kansas City	76	61	.555	—
Detroit	76	62	.551	½
Cleveland	70	66	.515	5½
Chicago	63	75	.457	13½
Minnesota	60	78	.435	16½

**West Division**

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Los Angeles	83	54	.606	—
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**Taurasi lifts Mercury to 96-78 win over Lynx**

PHOENIX (AP) — Diana Taurasi has always had a knack for playing her best in the biggest games. Taurasi scored 31 points, including hitting a key 50-footer at the end of the third quarter, to lift the Phoenix Mercury to a 96-78 win over the Minnesota Lynx on Tuesday night in the decisive game of the Western Conference finals.

eight points of the fourth to put the game away and give Phoenix an 80-67 lead with 7:19 left. Minnesota had eliminated Phoenix in the 2011 and 2013 en route to winning the title.

Taurasi improved to 7-0 in her career in winner-take-all games.

“For the most part, going in to the last couple of minutes of the third, they got the momentum, they were playing well, they were feeling good, they were making us feel uncomfortable,” Taurasi said. “Couple of plays turns that.”

“There is no player in the world I would rather have on my team,” Mercury coach Sandy Brondello said.

Taurasi admitted that she hadn't made many halfcourt shots in practice.

Down eight points at the half, Minnesota clawed back to tie the game at 67 before Taurasi took over. She hit a jumper and then connected on her shot from the other side of halfcourt to give the Mercury a five-point lead heading into the fourth quarter.

Phoenix coach Sandy Brondello noted the shot got the crowd back in the game after Minnesota had erased a double-digit lead in the final 90 seconds of the third.

She then scored the first

than Paul Koppenhaver was scheduled for arraignment Wednesday on battery, lewdness, assault and coercion charges in the Aug. 8 attack on adult film actress Christy Mack and her male friend at a Las Vegas home.

**War Machine is due in court**

LAS VEGAS (AP) — A mixed martial arts fighter known as War Machine is due to face a Las Vegas judge on felony allegations that he badly injured his porn star ex-girlfriend before fleeing to California last month.

The man born Jona-

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