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County to start roadwork

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Howard County crews are going to start preparing area roads ready for state-financed repair, even though it is unclear at this time whether the state finances will be available.

During their Monday meeting, commissioners approved

\$400,000 in shoulder-widening work to be performed by county crews in preparation for a multi-million dollar repair project that has been on the books for the last several months.

The county is one of many in Texas participating in a program under which the Texas Department of Transportation will help defray

costs of repairing county roads adversely affected by heavy oilfield traffic.

Under the program, Howard County is eligible for \$3.8 million in TxDOT funds, according to County Judge Mark Barr. If approved, the agency will reimburse the county for 80 percent of the costs of repair work.

Those funds would be tar-

geted in all sectors of the not allocating sufficient funds county, but primarily in the northwest quadrant, which has seen the heaviest oilfieldrelated traffic.

Most of the preliminary plans for road work are in place, but a potential snag is recent litigation filed against the transportation agency by officials in La Salle County, who are claiming TxDOT is to their area.

While the state of the grant program is in flux while the lawsuit works its way through the court, county leaders decided to at least get some of the preliminary road work out of the way.

Admini-County Road

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Take pride in college, local school Put on your favorite school shirt Wednesday Herald Staff Report

Officials with the Big Spring Independent School District are asking the community to help promote higher education.

The Big Spring Independent School District has designated Wednesday, every week, to be Higher Education Day. To help encourage the message, employees and students are welcomed to wear a shirt that promotes an institution



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

Workers remodeling the interior of Southwest Tool on Second Street inadvertently sparked a small fire Monday afternoon. The fire was quickly doused by Big Spring Fire Department personnel and no injuries and only minor structural damage was reported.

Chickens beaten to death: PD

Herald Staff Report

Police are working to determine who bludgeoned to death as many as a dozen chickens at the Big Spring Animal Shelter last week.

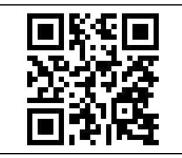
According to a Big Spring PD press release, a kennel worker discovered several deceased chickens in an enclosed area of the shelter when she reported to work at 8 a.m. Friday.

The chickens were left on the grounds until an animal control officer arrived to examine them and determine what killed the birds.

It is believed the chickens were not attacked by an animal, but were killed when struck by some type of blunt orject or tool.

of higher learning.

"Everyone in Big Spring is invited to join us in the effort to make our students aware of the many options available to them after graduation from high school," said George Bancroft, BSISD community relations coordinator. "Put on your favorite college, community college, or vocational school shirt Wednesday, and help move some little Steers in the direction of someplace special.'



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Despite taxpayer concerns, commissioners OK pay hike

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Howard County doesn't have to just fight with the oil field in keeping its employees — it has to deal with other counties as well.

For that reason, commissioners Monday approved a new budget that features an across-the-board 4 percent raise for employees, as well as a longevity pay feature that rewards workers who stay under the county's employ.

The longevity pay feature, in which employees will receive an additional \$20 per month for every year of service to the county over three years, drew concerns during a public hearing on the fiscal package.

Joanne Sayles said she understood many of the problems officials face with recruiting and retaining employees, but believes the raises-longevity pay combination is a case of "too much, too soon" for county taxpayers, especially coupled with an increase in the tax levy.

"Taxes keep going up, rents keep going up ... everything keeps going up," Sayles said. "I ask you to reconsider and take another look at this budget, so as to not impose the rollback tax rate on the taxpayers."

One suggestion Sayles had was to modify the longevity pay feature so that its weighted toward employees with fewer years of service.

"The people who have been with you for 30 years or so are not going to the oilfield — they have too much invested with staying with the county," she said.

Commissioner Jimmie Long responded by saying a uniform longevity scale was the only fair system to adopt.

"We can't do more for some and less for others,"

Long said. "We have to do this across the board."

County Judge Mark Barr said the county had to worry about more than just the oilfield when it comes to its employees being poached.

"We can't keep up with the oilfield, but we have to at least try to keep up with other counties," Barr said, noting Howard County has been steadily losing law enforcement and other employees to other counties which pay more.

The new budget was approved unanimously. The new package takes effect Oct. 1.

Commissioners will consider adopting the proposed tax rate of 32.7 cents per \$100 valuation when they meet Sept. 17.

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"The chickens were also taken to a local veternarian, who confirmed he also believes the chickens were struck with a tool," said Sgt. Tony Everett, BSPD public relations officer.

Police said around noon, other chickens began to appear that were injured and had come back to the shelter. Some of those chickens were taken for medical treatment.

According to the press release, the fenced area where the chickens were found was locked and secured at the time of the attacks.

"It appears as though someone gained access to the secure area in order to kill the animals," said Everett. Preventative measures are being sought to better secure the facility."

The Big Spring Police Department is investigating the case as animal cruelty.

"Due to this case being an ongoing criminal investigation, no further details can be released at this time," Everett said.

Officers said chickens are kept at the facility to help reduce the insect population and ticks.



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LOCAL

Obituaries

Arlene Hartin



Arlene Hartin, 77, of Big Spring, died Sunday Sept. 7, 2014, at her residence. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial following at Mount Olive Memorial Park. Officiating will be Randy Cotton, Joev Bacon and Derek Looney.

Arlene was born April 24, 1937, in Big Spring

to Rudie and Emmett Hartin. She was a lifetime resident of Big Spring. She was a lifetime member of Trinity Baptist Church and loved singing in the choir. She loved Southern gospel music. She worked for Cosden and later Fina for 47 years.

She is survived by two brothers, Viron Hartin and Del Hartin of Big Spring; one sister, Wanda Porte Archer of Big Spring; one niece and two nephews

In addition to her parents, she was preceded i death by two brothers, Weldon Hartin and Elto Hartin; and one sister, Violet Northcutt. Arrange ments are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home an Chapel. Please pay your respects online at www myersandsmith.com

Take note

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 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.

• The Howard County Republican Club will meet at noon Monday in the Cactus Room of Howard College's student union building. For more information, contact Bo Fryar at 270-8513.

• Are you just surviving? We can help you go from surviving to living. Spring of Siloam Christian Women's Job Corps at 1208 Frasier in Big Spring wants to help you go from surviving to living. We offer free job skills classes, free Bible study classes, free life skills classes. Our next session is Sept. 15 through Dec. 12. We are accepting applications now. For more information, call 432-517-4627.

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 dona tion to the Shelly Lopez Memorial fund contact the Big Spring Educational Employee Federal Credit Union at 263-8393 located at 1110 Benton.

tation to attend a meeting." For more information, including meeting times and dates, contact Vice President Randy McKinney at 432-267-4843 or President Richard Lesser at 432-935-0125.

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

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

Ministries, 1209 Wrigh St., has a brief, inspira tional message befor giving away food an clothing on Thursda mornings. It's a grea way to work off con munity service and ge help, too. Be there a 9 a.m.-11 a.m. and ge two for one plus a reha meeting.

 The Homeownershi Preservation Founda tion (HPF) is an indepen dent national nonprof dedicated to helpin distressed homeowner navigate financial cha lenges and avoid mor gage foreclosure. If yo want to stop foreclosur and are in need of for closure help, the tim to call 888-995-HOPE now. The Homeowner HOPE hotline is a cour seling service provide by HPF to work wit you to find a solution t your problem. HPF ca provide counseling fre of charge, in Englis and 170 other language 24 hours a day, 7 days week, 365 days a year For free foreclosur help, call the hotline.

 Legal Aid of North west Texas is acceptin appointments from p.m. until 5 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of each month. Individu als seeking legal advic for matters concernin family law, divorce, cu tody and child support

Rae Nell Best

Rae Nell Best, 85, died Monday, Sept. 8, 2014, at her daughter's home in Grape Creek. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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• 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 nonprofit charities. The charity for Big Spring is Susan G. Komen hence the pink bins.

• The Howard County Fair Quilt is on display at Prosperity 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.

 The Howard County Association board invites all elementary school children, prekindergarten through fifth grade to attend the Howard County Fair

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

• Help Kids Succeed is asking the public to help local struggling families with back to school expenses. The average family spends between \$200 and \$600 per child. Jury Padron and her husband Peter Padron hope to "pay it forward" by helping these families with donations of clothes, shoes or school supplies. To make a donation, go to www.gofundme.com/ ams9v8 or in person by cash, check or money order. To make a supply donation or for more information call Jury at 638-0861 or Peter at 270-5228.

• 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 invi-

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

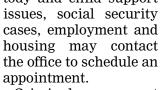
 Mobile Meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you can donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Macaria Cantu at 263-4016.

Spring Tabernacle

First Visit

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Care Center



Criminal cases are not accepted. Anyone recently served with legal documents should call the office immediately at 800-926-5630 or 432-686-0647.

 Road to Recovery, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, seeks volunteers to drive cancer patients to treatment in Midland. This requires just a few hours commitment each month.

To volunteer, or to request a ride for treatment, call (877) 277-1618, the High Plains American Cancer Group Report Center.

(432) 271-3027

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Firefighters quickly entinguish blaze. See photo, Page 1.

Support Groups

MONDAY

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

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

 Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) TX 0021 meets at First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad, in the dining hall on the east side of the building. Weigh-in starts at 2:50 p.m. and meeting starts at 3 p.m. We have a different program each week. For more information, please call 517-4922 or 935-6306.

 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.

TUESDAY

• Noon — Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, across from the movie box office, next to Sears).

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

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

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

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

THURSDAY

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

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

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

• 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.

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

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

• 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.

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BSHS Class of 1979 to host reunion

• The 1979 Class of BSHS is searching for the following classmates. If you have any information on the following classmates please send it to Cheryl Carter Joy at joycheryl79@hotmail.com. Pedro Amaro Jr., Yolanda Arriaga, Annetta Baker, Jimmie Barrier, Terri Beard, James Bedford, Dale Brown, Jim Brown, Steven Bryant, Teresa Burroughs, Connie Butler, Scott Campbell, Angela Cavnar, Sandra Chaney, Paul Cisneros, Toni Cline, Carol Cone, Doyce Draper, Dan Dugan, Robert Evans, John Fleckenstein and Abel Garcia.

Ben Garcia Jr., John Garcia, Michael Gomez,

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Antonio Mata, Janine McDonald, Ricardo Mendoza, Roberta Morgan, Larry Marrow, Cynthia Mullins, John Murray, Richard Myers, Arna Nanny, Randy Nelson, Kevin Nolting, David Norvelle, Nat Nunez. Eva Osberg, Vanessa Osburn, Niru Patel, Ramiro Ramos, Rhonda Ray and Ronnie Rayos.

Luis Rivera, Cynthia Roberts, Randall Roberts, Dorothy Rodriguez, Michael Rogers, Oscar Rubio, Ysa Rubio, Ramon Saldivar, Donald Sawyer, Ruth Slape, Larry Smith, Todd Smith, David Spencer, Brenda Stephens, Sharon Stephens, Terry Stockton, Darla Thomason, Paula Thompson, Ellen Turner and Cindy Vasquez.

Sandra Vasquez, Kirk Wade, Charles Waters, Gary Don Weeks, Connie Welch, Kerry Whitley, Marta Whitten, Rhonda Willbanks, Arthur Williams, John Willis, Mary Ann Witowski, Emmett Woodard, Christopher Wooten, Anthony Wright, and Mark Young.

CASA slated to recognize **Hispanic Heritage Month**

Special to the Herald

In honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, CASA of West Texas is recognizing Hispanic and Latin CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) volunteers for their work in changing the lives of children in the child welfare system.

Hispanic Heritage Month, September 15 to October 15, is a time to celebrate the history and culture of the Hispanic community. But for Hispanic children in the child welfare system, exploring their culture can be a challenge. especially when they are placed with families that do not share the same traditions.

"It's already frightening for a child to be removed from his or her home and to be placed in an unfamiliar setting," said Patty Pisklak, executive director of CASA of West Texas. "It can be even more frightening when the child is placed with people who don't speak the same language or share the child's culture."

for the best interest of the children they serve. Oftentimes, CASA volunteers are the only consistent person in the child's life.

"A shared heritage can serve as a foundation for fostering trust between CASA volunteers and the children they serve," said Pisklak. "It's important for volunteers to reflect the race and culture of the children they serve because children are more likely to connect with people who share their customs."

While the program is seeking volunteers of all demographics, Hispanic and bilingual volunteers are needed due to the increasing number of Hispanic children in the child welfare system. Of the more than 66,000 confirmed child abuse or neglect victims in Texas last year, more than 30,000 were Hispanic. In 2013 there were 184 confirmed cases of child abuse in Howard County, and 84 of those children were Hispanic.

CASA volunteers are specially trained to become involved in a child's or sibling group's lives and be a voice for them in court. Volunteers dedicate their time to understand the children's physical, emotional and educational needs in order to make informed recommendations to the judge overseeing the case.

"As you reflect on Hispanic Heritage Month, consider the impact you can make in the life of a child in the foster care system who needs somebody to advocate for them," said Pisklak.

For more information about becoming a CASA volunteer, call Kathy Harmon at 432-683-1114, or visit www. casa.wtx.org and www. BecomeACASA.org.



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

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

WEDNESDAY

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

• RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystro-

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strator Brian Klinksiek said the shoulder-widening work would have to be done regardless and the county will save some money using its own crews instead of

contracting out the project. "The original intent

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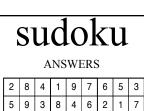
was to do things with contractors because of the limited number of employees we have," Klinksiek said. "This is a more conservative approach."

Klinksiek said the

work should begin by January at the latest.

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

CASA of West Texas strives to advocate and speak up in the courts



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LAUNCHING ON

SEPTEMBER 14TH

WORSHIP SUNDAY 11 AM

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Bettye Gainus, died Friday. Memorial services will be 10 a.m. today at Myers & Smith Chapel. Arlene Hartin, died Sunday. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. tonight at Mvers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

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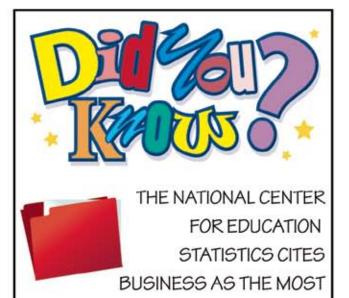
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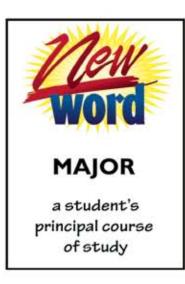
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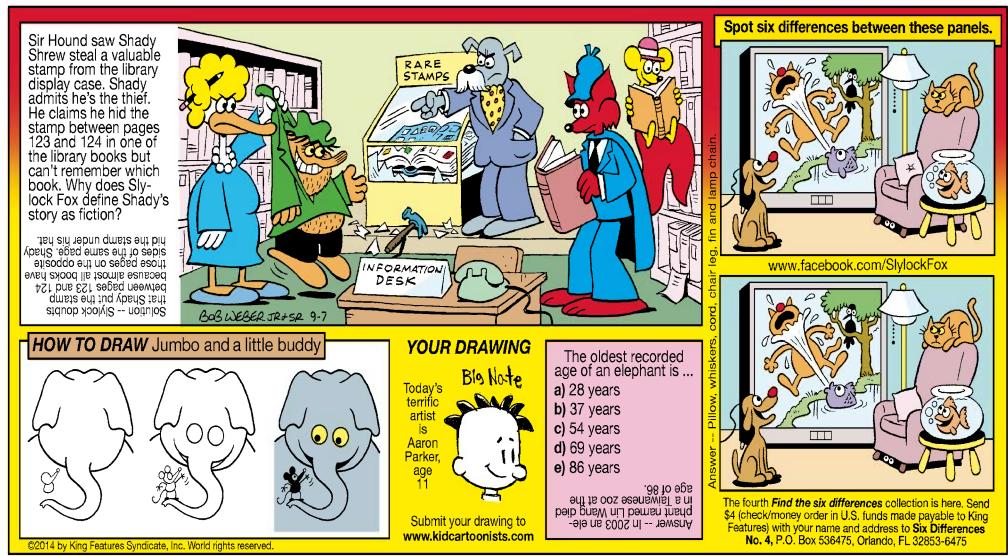
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FEATURES

Bird Poop: The dove who came from above

hey met on the front porch. As Art turned toward the mailbox after closing the door, Jill was a few feet away.

Upon seeing what she held in her hands, he offered to get me. Since I had seen someone approaching, I arrived at the door as he came inside.

"She has a young bird," he said as we passed. Opening the palms of

her hands, Jill Wil banks held a young white-

winged dove. Over many years, she had brought various fledglings in need of help.

Since we had discussed at length the pros and cons of removing novices from the learning of survival skills that only their parents could teach, she didn't hesitate in bringing this youngster. Found in Highland South, the fledgling, as are many doves, was literally on its own after leaving the nest.

Its birth site was far too high for the residents or Jill to reach safely. Even if they had, the bird would have been out of the nest again in a few minutes.

Her decision had been based upon the two dogs that occupied the back yard. Since she was not aware of what else might be in the neighborhood to endanger the bird, Jill took

the fledgling. As she handed me the dove, the youngster nuzzled my fingers with its beak. It immediately had a guaranteed "take

me with you" ticket. "School starts next week," she added. There was no way she could meet its dietary needs and her academic duties at the same time.

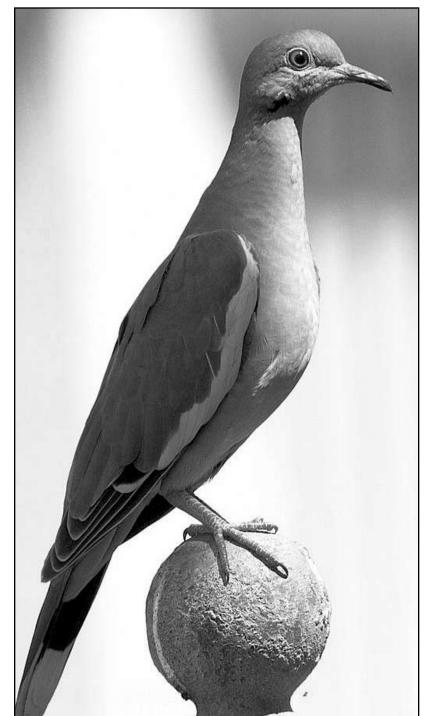
She had fed the dove moistened cat food pellets. Containing various grains, protein, calcium, and vitamins, the pet food was quite adequate for this young bird.

Inside one of our large containers was placed a makeshift nest, roosts and a short chunk of wood. Leaving the nest immediately, the whitewing had no intention of being a nestling any longer.

Since it had not yet learned to peck for seeds and fruit on the ground from its parents, I would have to open its beak, and place soft food at the back of its throat. Although time consuming and causing frequent visits to the bird, the routine gave me the opportunity to reunite with this specie.

Grayer than an adult, the dove had the typical broad white band across each wing. Even while standing, the white became a border along the margins of its folded wings. In flight, white would also be seen on the corners of its rounded tail.

Until maturity, its neck would be brownish and without an iridescent gloss. The small black mark below each eye would grace its face as an adult.



From a helpless youngster totally dependent upon its parents, a white-winged dove develops into a domineering dynamo at backyard feeders. As an adult, it is readily identified by the white embellishment on each wing.

Its fledgling, yellowish-brown eyes would change to an orangered, and be surrounded by a patch of pale blue skin. From a grayish youngster, it would in the future become a warm gray-brown above.

During the weekend, the youngster displayed the typical slapping or popping of its wing as my hand approached its body. Defensively, it was a maneuver of frightening other birds away. Becoming a master at this feigning

He continued, "And

when I take you out of

the game so another

boy gets a chance to

sportsmanship to call

is it?" Again the little

boy nodded. "Good,"

your coach a bad name,

said the coach. "Now go

Speaking of coaches,

did you ever wonder

over there and explain all that to your grand-

play, it's not good

of dominance was essential to its survival, especially when feed ing. Even at this early age, it displayed a phenomenal "quick draw." Needless to say, humans were given no exemptions. Its one-two slaps with its extended wing would have put any boxer to shame. By Sunday, the dove had not accessed the lowest perch or chunk of wood. Although it had refused to stay in the nest, it would roost on its edge. Needing to transfer a hawk, Diane Tracy of San Angelo gave me an opportunity to ask if, when we met in Sterling City, she would place our white-wing

with two she was raising. Being with others of its specie and having buddies would enable

been better for it. She readily agreed to take the dove.

Driving south to meet her afforded us the time to recall the ups and downs of white-wing populations. During the late 1800s and up to 1920, white-winged doves were mostly found in Central America, Mexico and along the Rio Grande.

Unlimited hunting and the clearing of native brush for farming caused a drastic decline and presence of the population. To survive, in the 1970s, the birds began a move ment northward and expanded their range. Now they are common across nearly twothirds of Texas.

A few days after our swap came an update on the dove. Its introduction to Diane's white-wings had been successful. Joining them also was a lonesome little blue jay.

During varying times of the day, all four could be seen close together on a perch. At this youthful time of their lives, roosting next to a warm and cuddly buddy was far more important than a difference in personalities and appearances. Individual mannerisms and behavior could come later. With two species providing each other with nurture and companionship, in its own way, nature had compensated for the lack of parental affection.

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

Should you laugh? Should you cry? Do both?

Bebe MCCASLAND

re there times when you don't know whether to laugh or cry? There are times when total frustration takes over and we don't

know what to do next. Will Rogers was certainly correct when he said,



of very hot coffee, no matter what you do next is wrong!"

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Ryan

I thought of Rogers' comment when I heard the story of a Texas teacher who was helping one of her kindergarten students put on his cowboy boots. He was having a very difficult time and asked for help. Even with her pulling and him pushing, the little boots still didn't want to go on.

By the time they got the second boot on, she had worked up quite a sweat. She almost cried when the little boy said, "Teacher, they're on the wrong feet." She looked, and sure enough, they were.

It wasn't any easier pulling the boots off than it was putting them on but she managed to keep her cool as together they worked

to get the boots back on, this time on the right feet. He then announced, "Teacher, these aren't my boots."

She bit her tongue rather than get right in his face and scream, like she wanted to, but once again, she struggled to help him pull the ill-fitting boots off his little feet. No sooner had they gotten the boots off when he said, "Teacher, they're my brother's boots. My Mom made me wear 'em."

Now she didn't know if she should laugh or cry. But she mustered up what grace and courage she had left to wrestle the boots on his feet again. Helping him into his coat, she asked, "Now, where are your mittens?" He said, "I stuffed 'em in the toes of my boots."

What do you do next, cry, scream or just shake your head? Some folks always seem to have the right answer. Once, a very creative coach was faced with this "what to do next" dilemma and approached it in this manner.

At a particular point during the game, he called one of his 9-yearold baseball players aside and asked, "Do you understand what cooperation is? What a team is?" The little boy nodded in the affirmative. "Do you

understand that what matters is whether we win or lose together as a team?" The little boy nodded yes.

"So," the coach continued, "I'm sure you know, when an out is called, you shouldn't argue, curse, attack the umpire or call him a bad name. Do you understand all that?" Again the little boy nodded.

Sudoku Answer on Page 3

mother."

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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why a score of zero in tennis is called "love?" It all started in

its progress.

Previously, Diane had

taken a Western king-

one she had. Both had

bird and placed with

France, where tennis first became popular. A big, round zero on scoreboard looked like an egg and was called "l'oeuf," which is French for "egg." When

tennis was introduced in the United States, Americans pronounced it "love." So there you have it!

Darrell Ryan is director of school safety for **Big Spring Independent** School District.



By Steve Becker Planning the Play

South dealer. Neither side vulnerable. NORTH **♦**J652 **♥**A7 ♦963 ♣K J 7 6 WEST EAST 🕈 Q 8 7 ♥Q853 ¥110962 ♦ A Q 7 ♦ J 10 8 4 +10.8**+**9542 SOUTH 🕈 A K 10 9 3 ♥K4 ♦K 52 ♣A Q 3 The bidding West East South North 1 🔶 2 🏟 Pass Pass 4 🏟

Opening lead - jack of hearts.

A competent declarer always forms at least a tentative plan of action before playing a card from dummy. He understands that he will not get good results with a high degree of regularity if he begins to play without some kind of plan in place

Consider the present deal where West leads a heart against four spades. Declarer sees that his only potential losers are a trump and three diamonds. He also notes that if all goes well, he can eventually discard one of his diamond losers on dummy's fourth club.

South's only real problem, therefore, is to manage his trumps in such a way that East cannot gain the lead with the queen of trumps if he happens to have that card. Declarer takes this view because he cannot afford to have East make what might prove to be a killing diamond return.

Accordingly, South wins the heart lead with the king, cashes the ace of trumps, leads a heart to dummy's ace and returns a low trump, finessing the ten after East follows low. Win or lose, the finesse assures the contract. In the actual case, the finesse wins and South finishes with 11 tricks.

But let's say that the worst happens and the finesse loses to West's doubleton queen. Even so, the contract is in no danger, regardless of where the diamond ace is located. West can do no better than return a club, after which South disposes of one of his diamond losers on dummy's fourth club.

Note that if declarer fails to take the trump finesse and cashes the A-K instead, he unnecessarily jeopardizes the contract, and in the actual deal, he would go down one against normal defense

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Sports

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'Boys need Romo to bounce back more than ever

BIG HERALD

IRVING, Texas (AP) – Tony Romo made plenty of bad decisions and bad throws before he was a 34-year-old quarterback in the first real test for his surgically repaired back.

It's just that his three interceptions in a disastrous return for Dallas raised all sorts of questions that haven't come up before.

Was he ready or rusty? Can he still make all the throws coming off a herniated disk? Will he ever be the same?

Maybe the more important issue is how he bounces back from a 28-17 loss to San Francisco with the Cowboys needing the good Romo more than ever because of big questions about their defense.

"I think that it's easy to be critical because of those turnovers there, the early turn-

said after Romo threw all three picks in the first half Sunday.

"I don't know if the turnovers hurt us any worse than when we had turnovers in the years when he didn't have back problems."

Romo had issues beyond the interceptions. He was jumpy in the pocket at times, and a relatively easy target on all three sacks for the 49ers. He wasn't in sync with his receivers several times, and missed badly on some throws.

Watching him struggle made it difficult to forget that he didn't get any competitive work in the offseason and took frequent days off during training camp. Most starters get three preseason games, even if for just a handful of snaps in the first one. Romo only played

overs," owner Jerry Jones in two exhibition games this year.

> Still, coach Jason Garrett isn't a big believer in the rust factor.

"You guys can go back and count up the plays he played last year in the preseason relative to the plays he played this year. I bet it's pretty similar," Garrett said Monday. "Was he as sharp as he's been in his life? No. He made some bad decisions in this game that really hurt us. There were some other throws that weren't perfect. But there were some good throws too."

Before Sunday, Romo had never thrown more than one interception in an opener. And only once in his eight previous seasons has he followed a three-interception game with more than one pick.

So he generally bounces back, and it's interesting to note that one of his two years with a career-high 19 interceptions ended with the best Dallas record in the past 22 years.

But that 2007 team had one of the top 10 defenses in the NFL. The Cowboys were the league's worst a year ago. And while they shut out San Francisco in the second half, they gave up big plays in the passing game to Colin Kaepernick and couldn't stop a steady touchdown drive that put the 49ers ahead 28-3 just before the half.

Jones has acknowledged that Dallas will have to outscore teams, and said after losing to the 49ers that his team wasn't good enough to overcome the kinds of mistakes that have plagued Romo at times

throughout his career.

"It comes down to two or three throws, and at the quarterback position you can be exact on 15 throws and if the 16th one is bad, you probably didn't play that well," said Romo, who was 23 of 37 for 281 yards with a late touchdown. "There were a couple of bad decisions that I made that I have to go back and correct going forward."

That starts Sunday at the Tennessee Titans, who intercepted Alex Smith three times in a 26-10 win over Kansas City.

"Tony will be fine," said tight end Jason Witten, who was limited to two catches for 14 yards. "He'll bounce back. He's his own worst critic, and he's an elite quarterback.'

BSJHS spikers open with win

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The Big Spring Junior High School eighth grade B team opened its 2014 season on a high note last week by pounding out a thrilling 3-0 victory over Lamesa.

"The whole team played extremely well and showed great hustle," said BSJHS coach Tabitha Barbee.

Big Spring made easy work of Lamesa in the first Game of the best-of-five series, winning by a 25-15 clip.

The Lady Steers took a 2-0 lead in Game 2 with a 25-21 victory.

Lamesa managed to put up a strong finish. The Lady Tors pushed Big Spring to 26-24 before in the final game.

Members of the BSJHS



eighth grade B team are Christian Rodriguez, Haiven Rushing, Aryssa Garcia, McKenna Alsobrooks, Kailey Mathews, Keila Yanez, Mikayla Castillo, Emily Hendricks, Gabby Lopez, Analis Blount and Abigail Olivares.

The Big Spring eighth grade A team didn't do as well, suffering a tough 26-11, 25-20, 25-13 setback in their matchup.

Despite the loss, the Lady Steers picked up solid play from Abby Luna and Reyna Gonzales.

The Big Spring seventh grade A and B teams also suffered losses in their first games. The BSJHS A team fell 25-19, 25-9, 25-7 despite strong performances from Kristina Gonzales, Kayleigh Rodriguez, Madison Kuykendall and Callie Baker.

The B team fell 25-23, 25-2.

The B team was led by the play of Robyn Evans, Austyn Montgomery and Diondra Villalobos.

Pride of the Bulldogs ...

Members of the 2014-15 Coahoma High School cheerleading squad include (from left to right) Aiysha Swinney, Kelli Schaedel, Alex Gibbs, Hannah Tucker, Riley Jacobs and (mascot) Hannah Hobdy.

Big Spring races to third at Abilene meet

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The Big Spring High School Steers cross country team proved its talent in a huge way on Saturday afternoon in Abilene at the Bill Libby Mc-Murry Invitational. The team had six runners finish in the top 25 spots and placed third in the varsity team results.

Alex Rodriguez and Diego Rodriguez paced the Steers' efforts on the 5-kilometer course. Alex legged out a final time of 19 minutes, 7.92 seconds and finished 13th overall in the individual standings.

Diego crossed the finish

line one spot behind his teammate, finishing 14th with a time of 19:12.77

Jose Vargas and Richard Martinez also turned in outstanding performances in the meet. Vargas completed the race in a time of 19:41.40 and placed 17th overall, while Martinez checked in at No. 20 with a time of 19:50.21.

Big Spring also picked up impressive outings from Juan Lugo and Ryan Lopez. Lugo turned in a time of 20:05.15 and finished 21st in the individual results. Lopez was 24th overall at 20:41.81.

The BSHS junior varsity squad, paced by the efforts of

Steer Notes

On Monday, Sept. 15, the Big Spring Junuior High tennis team will be playing in Snyder.

The outing was a recent adition to the BSJHS tennis schedule.

Demis Torres and Eric Stinson, was just as good, taking fourth overall in the JV division.

Torres led all JV runners by taking 11th with a time of 20:28.76.

Stinson placed 13th with a mark of 20:42.52.

The Steers also had strong outings from Christian Nalley, Abraham Cash and Myles Jones. All three finished in the top 30.

Nalley placed 36th with a time of 23:29.07, while Cash and Jones took 39th and 30th, respectively, with times of 24:14.61 and 24:20.45.

Big Spring's Cooper Miller won the boys' junior high race. He completed the course in a time of 12:06.30.

BSJHS Teammate Manuel Marquez was eighth at 13:58.11.

The Steers will return to action this Saturday when they host the 2014 Big Spring Invitational meet.

Lady Hawks to host softball camp on Sept. 13

Area softball players will be in for a fall treat this Saturday when Howard College holds a softball camp. The camp will be held from 9 a.m. until noon.

The camp is open to players ranging in age from 5-12, Registration will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. at Foundation Field on the Howard College campus. Players can also register

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For more information contact Kelly Raines at kraines@ howardcolege.edu or 432-816-3471.

Clowney out 4-6 weeks after knee surgery

Jadeveon (AP) Clowney, the No. 1 overall pick of the Houston Texans, will be out 4-6 weeks after arthroscopic surgery on his right knee Monday.

Coach Bill O'Brien said he didn't know exactly what was repaired in Clowney's knee when asked if it was a torn meniscus.

"I'm not a doctor so I don't know," O'Brien said. "It's just something they went in there and tried to fix it. It seems like it went well."

Clowney, who had about it. one tackle for a loss,

was injured late in the second quarter in Sunday's win over the Washington Redskins. He was hurt when he jumped up to try and bat down a pass. He put his hand to his right knee and began limping after he landed.

Some have speculated that his foot slipped between one of the 8-by-8-foot palettes of real grass that make up Houston's field. If that was the case, O'Brien said he didn't know

"He didn't say anything to me about that," O'Brien said. "From looking at all the angles on film, he just came down awkwardly. Most of those types of injuries are non-contact."

Some of the Texans talked to Clowney on Sunday night and said they felt for the rookie.

"That's just something you don't want to happen as a rookie, as anybody really," safety D.J. Swearinger said. "But as a rookie coming in that's something he doesn't want to happen."

This isn't the first problem for Clowney, who has struggled to stay on the field since joining the Texans.

He left a dual practice Aug. 20 after a helmet-to-helmet hit. He missed the Texans' final two preseason games, but said he passed the NFL protocols for head injuries in just over a week. He had to sit out the beginning of camp, too, after offseason surgery to repair a sports hernia.

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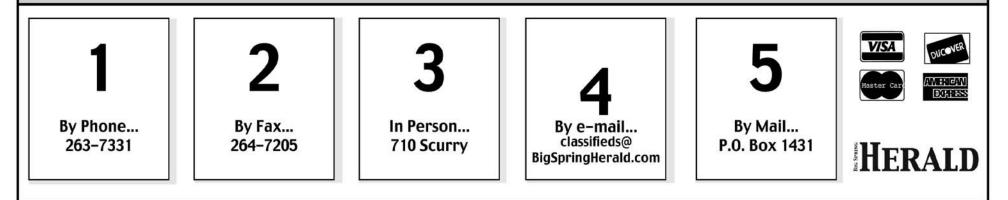


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Dear Annie: I have a friend -well, now she's an ex-friend -who would go to a restaurant and, no matter what she ordered, ask for extra this, extra that. If they provided rolls, she would eat one and ask for more. She would ask for a doggie bag and load it with everything on the table. It was embarrassing. I once asked whether she was going to take the salt and pepper shakers, hoping she would get the hint. If I had leftovers on my plate, she would ask to take them. Once, when I left the table, she had the waiter take the potato skin from my plate and box it up.

That was the last straw.

Her excuse was that she couldn't waste food, but honestly, her dog needs my potato skin? I refuse to be an enabler of this odd behavior, so I no longer go to restaurants with her. This woman never starved growing up. She has no money problems. She has a good job, owns her own home an

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friend has a compulsive disorder that makes her take things from restaurants, and it could also tie in with her not wanting you to enter her home. It's also possible she has financial problems or a gambling addiction or some other reason for needing table scraps. We don't know. But we do think your friend

has issues she doesn't want other people to be aware of, and when someone gets too close, she cuts off the friendship.

Dear Annie: This is in response to "Lonely Mother," who said her children married and stopped visiting.

I married three years ago. I, too, didn't visit my parents very often after that marriage. Here's why: I was raised to believe it was rude to invite myself over. So I'd call to say hi, but was politely waiting for an invitation that didn't come.

A year after my marriage, my mother commented that I rarely visit. I told her I was waiting to be invited. She was stunned. She never considered that possibility because I am her daughter and am welcome anytime. Once this was cleared up, I started visiting more. -- Love My Mom



KATHY MITCHELL MARCY SUGAR

telling my wife and me how to live our lives. She issues opinions on everything from how to raise our dog and decorate our house to how to parent

our baby. We

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in-law. Please help. -- Frustrated in North Carolina

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set her mother straight. I've told

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me out so much that I'm almost

willing to end our marriage in

How do I get my wife to

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her mom about her need to run our

deal with this anymore? It stresses

Dear North Carolina: Mom needs better boundaries, but unless your wife agrees, you aren't going to get anywhere. Please don't grant your mother-in-law so much importance. She has opinions. You don't have to take them seriously. Practice nodding and ignoring her. When she comes over, welcome her warmly and then leave the room.

Tomorrow's Horoscope

two cars.

Is this connected to hoarding? She also has never invited me into her house. Whenever I picked her up, she was waiting outside. She only has friends for a short while and then stops calling them, claiming they have mental problems. Why would she behave this way? -- Odd Behavior

Dear Odd: It's possible your

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Full Moon After-Party

Yesterday's Pisces full moon was artistically enlightening, spiritually opening and,

for some, emotionally messy. Today we assimilate and organize these intangibles. Organizing invisible things isn't easy work. At least Venus and Neptune are planning

to assist in such a way as to help us believe firmly in what we see with our mind's eye.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Communication will get tricky, but with some sidestepping, you should be able to come out of it with truly useful information. Keep it brief and stay focused on the other person.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Tune up your internal guidance system because success will depend on clearly

differentiating what feels good and right from what doesn't. This has nothing to do with the opinions of others.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Your ideas will tend toward a grand scale, and the execution will be time consuming. Luckily you'll attract helpers. Tonight's events will pique your interest in the strange and supernatural.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Experience only teaches those willing to pay attention and apply the lessons. That's why you'll spend most of the day quietly observing, trying to take it all in so you can later devise a strategy.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Why do people keep telling you who you are? Don't let them do that. This is a good day to soundly reject any identifiers you didn't come up with yourself. Declare yourself anew.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The Zen master suggests that nothing exists without the seed of

its opposite inside of it. Go carefully and gently, because whatever behavior you're raging against you're also doing in some way.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). It's not your fault that you crave instant gratification, but it is your challenge. Making healthy choices will depend on first making a plan -- something simple and doable.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It may just be dawning on you, the thing you missed out on so long ago. You didn't even know you needed it. Now you see the void. Noticing is the first step to filling it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You haven't met your new friend yet, the one who is going to help you change your game. Get out and shake some hands. The magic begins with a casual greeting.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Projects get complicated, causing you to reassess your level of

commitment. Nothing gets done if you're half-in or half-out. Your luck, especially your financial luck, will improve when vou decide one way or another.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Aim your competitive instincts at dead people. Whether you're trying to be a better athlete, artist or overall person, the greats throughout history will inspire you to outdo your previous best score.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Going into autopilot mode will help you conserve energy. Unfortunately, you can only turn on this part of your guidance system to get to destinations you've already visited.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY

(Sept. 9). You'll shine who you are on the inside outward, and it will feel fantastic to have that congruence. Success isn't an overnight thing, but it is a night-after-night thing, and by November you'll take home a big prize. Fun relationships blossom in the new year,

and you will take two memorable vacations with friends. Leo and Libra people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 25, 48, 25 and 1.

ASTROLOGICAL **QUESTIONS:** "I was

trying to learn more about this Scorpio I'm dating, and so I asked him some questions that I found on a website about things to ask before marriage. Not that I want to marry him, but I just don't know much about him. Also, sometimes the conversation goes dead on the date, and I'm trying to pick it back up with a good question. Anyway, he won't answer some of the questions, and I'm wondering whether that's a bad sign. What do you think?"

The whole energy of this feels forced. You may be scaring the conversation right out of him. Scorpios are naturally guarded anyway. They cherish their privacy and enjoy taking cover in a fog of mystery. He will open up when he's good and ready, and only on the topics he feels like

sharing at the moment. The good news for you is that you will learn much about him by being present with him in that moment and remaining playful, light and relaxed.

CELEBRITY

PROFILES: Virgo Michelle Williams fits completely comfortably into iconic roles like Marilyn Monroe and Glinda the Good Witch. Born when the sun, the moon, Mercury, Jupiter and Saturn were all in Virgo, the sign of health, nurturing and selfdiscipline, her natal chart has longevity written all over it. This is an astrological chart that suggests an evergreen quality to image, career and life.

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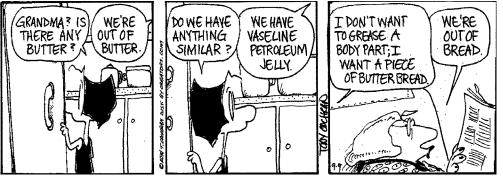


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This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, September 9, the 252nd day of 2014. There are 113 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On September 9, 1776, the second Continental Congress made the term "United States" official, replacing "United Colonies." On this date: In 1543, Mary Stuart was crowned Queen of Scots at Stirling Castle, nine months after she was born.

In 1850, California became the 31st state of the union.

In 1893, Frances Cleveland, wife of President Grover Cleveland, gave birth to a daughter, Esther, in the White House; it was the first time a president's child was born in the executive mansion. In 1919, some 1,100 members of Boston's 1,500-man police force went on strike. (The strike was broken by Massachusetts Gov. Calvin Coolidge with replacement officers.) In 1926, the National Broadcasting Co. (NBC) was incorporated by the Radio Corp. of America. In 1932, the steamboat Observation exploded in New York's East

ic People's Republic of Korea (North Korea) was declared. In 1956, Elvis Presley made the first of three appearances on "The Ed Sullivan Show." In 1971, prisoners seized control of the maximum-security Attica Correctional Facility near Buffalo, New York, beginning a siege that ended up claiming 43 lives.

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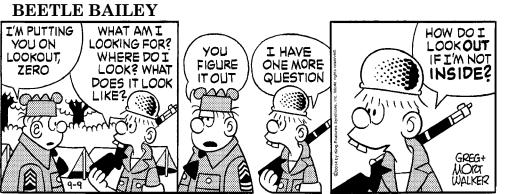


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BASKETBALL

SPORTS

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	WNE	BA			St. Louis						
	FIN	ALS			Pittsburgh	75	68	.524	4		
(Best	-of-	5)		Milwaukee	74	70	.514			
Easte	rn C	onfe	erence		Cincinnati						
Phoen	ix 1,	Chi	icago 0)	Chicago	.444					
Sunday, S					Chicago 64 80 .444 West Division						
Chicago 62	•					W	L	Pct	G		
Tuesday, S	Sept.	9:	Chicag	o at	Los Angeles	82	62	.569	-		
Phoenix, 9 p	.m.				San Franciso	:078	65	.545	3		
Friday, Se	pt.	12:	Phoeni	x at	San Diego	66	77	.462	15		
Chicago, 8 p					Arizona	59	84	.413	22		
x-Sunday,	Sep	ot. 14	4: Pho	enix	Colorado	59	85	.410	2		
at Chicago, 5	5:30				Mon	day's	s Ga	mes			
x-Wednes	day,	S	Sept.	17:	Washingto	n 2, A	\tlan	ta 1			
Chicago at P	hoer	nix, 9	9 p.m.		Pittsburgh	6, Ph	nilade	elphia	4		
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	st Div				Miami 6, M						
	W	L	Pct	GB	L.A. Dodgers 9, San Diego						
Baltimore	84	59	.587	—	Tues	day's	s Ga	mes			
New York	73	68	.518	10	Atlanta (E	.San	tana	14-7)		
Toronto		69	.517	10	Washington (Zimmermann 10-						
Tampa Bay	69	75	.479 1		7:05 p.m.						
Boston	63	81	.438 2	211⁄2	Pittsburgh						
Cent	ral D	Divis			Philadelphia	(D.B	ucha	anan (6-7		
	W	L	Pct	GB	7:05 p.m.						
Kansas City	79	63	.556	—	Chicago (
Detroit	79	65	.549	1	at Toronto (I	Buehi	rle 1	1-9),	7:0		
Cleveland	74	68	.521	5	p.m.						
Chicago	64	79	.448 1	51⁄2	Colorado	(Berg	gmai	n 2-2)		
Minnesota	61	82	.427 1	81⁄2	N.Y. Mets (deGro	ว่ากา	7-6),	7:′		
Wes	st Di	visio			p.m.						
	W	L	Pct	GB	St. Louis						
Los Angeles		55	.615	—	Cincinnati (L	eake	e 10	-11),	7:′		
Oakland	80	63	.559	8	p.m.						
Seattle	79	64		9		Koeh		9-9)			
Houston	63	81	.438 2		Milwaukee	(Garz	za 7	7-8),	8:1		
Texas	54	89	.378	34	p.m.						
			ames		San Diego						
L.A. Angels					L.A. Dodge		(R.⊦	lernar	۱de		
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Chicago W	/hite	Sov	5 Oak	land	nm						

То Ba Chicago White Sox 5, Oakland p.m. 4, 12 innings

Seattle 4, Houston 1

Tuesday's Games Minnesota (May 1-4) at Cleveland (Bauer 5-7), 7:05 p.m.

Tampa Bay (Archer 8-8) at N.Y. Yankees (Kuroda 10-8), 7:05 p.m. Chicago Cubs (Arrieta 8-5)

at Toronto (Buehrle 11-9), 7:07 p.m. Kansas City (J.Vargas 11-7)

at Detroit (Scherzer 15-5), 7:08 p.m. Baltimore (Tillman 11-5) at

Boston (Ranaudo 3-1), 7:10 p.m.

L.A. Angels (H.Santiago 4-7) at Texas (Lewis 9-12), 8:05 p.m. Oakland (Lester 13-10) at Chicago White Sox (Joh Danks 9-10), 8:10 p.m.

Houston (McHugh 8-9) at Seattle (Elias 10-12), 10:10 p.m.

National League East Division				
Eas	W		Pct	GB
Washington	81	61	.570	_
Atlanta	74	70	.514	8
Miami	70	72	.493	11
New York	69	75	.479	13
Philadelphia	66	77	.462	15½
Central Division				

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Scoreboard W L Pct GB Sunday's Games Montreal 38. Hamilton 31 68 .524 41/2 Saskatchewan 30, Winnipeg 6 24 13 National Football League 16 American Conference Pct GB East W L Pct PF PA .545 31/2 0 1.00033 Miami 20 1 .462 151/2 N.Y. Jets 1 0 1.00019 14 84 .413 221/2 Buffalo 1 0 1.00023 20 59 85 .410 23 New England 0 1 .000 20 33 South W L Pct PF PA Tennessee 0 1.00026 10 1 Houston 0 1.00017 6 Indianapolis 0 .000 24 31 1 Jacksonville 0 1 .000 17 34 North W L Pct PF PA Cincinnati 0 1.00023 16 anta (E.Santana 14-7) at Pittsburgh 0 1.00030 27 1 ington (Zimmermann 10-5), Cleveland 0 .000 27 30 1 Baltimore 0 1 .000 16 23 sburgh (Volquez 11-7) at West delphia (D.Buchanan 6-7), W L Pct PF PA 1 0 1.00031 Denver 24 icago Cubs (Arrieta 8-5) .000 17 San Diego 0 1 18 ronto (Buehrle 11-9), 7:07 0 .000 14 Oakland 1 19 Kansas City 0 1 .000 10 26 orado (Bergman 2-2) at **National Conference** Mets (deGrom 7-6), 7:10 East W L Pct PF Louis (Wacha 5-5) at Philadelphia 1 0 1.00034 17 nnati (Leake 10-11), 7:10 Washington 0 1 .000 6 17 Dallas 0 1 .000 17 28 N.Y. Giants 0 1 .000 14 35 ukee (Garza 7-8), 8:10 South W L Pct PF PA n Diego (Cashner 2-7) at Carolina 1 0 1.00020 14 Dodgers (R.Hernandez 0 1.00037 Atlanta 34 New Orleans 0 .000 34 37 1 zona (Miley 7-10) at San Tampa Bay 0 1 .000 14 20 isco (Y.Petit 4-3), 10:15 North W L Pct PF PA Detroit 1 0 .000 35 14 0 1.00034 Minnesota 6 1 0 .000 20 23 Chicago 1 Green Bay 1 .000 16 0 36 West W L Pct PF PA

Texas League Playoffs

(x-if necessary)

Championship

(Best-of-5)

Tulsa vs. Midland

Tuesday, Sep. 9: Midland at

Wednesday, Sep. 10: Midland

x-Saturday, Sep. 13: Tulsa at

x-Sunday, Sep. 14: Tulsa at

Canadian Football League

East Division

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Friday, Aug. 29

Saturday's Game

Calgary 41, Edmonton 34

West Division

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Friday, Sep. 12: Tulsa at

Tulsa, 8:05 p.m.

Midland, 8 p.m.

Midland, 8 p.m.

Midland, 7 p.m.

Toronto

Montreal

Hamilton

Ottawa

Calgary

Winnipeg

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Saskatchewan 8

Edmonton 7

at Tulsa, 8:05 p.m.

Thursday's Games

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Seattle

Arizona

St. Louis

San Francisco 1

701 E. 2nd St.

Pittsburgh at Baltimore, 8:25 p.m.

Sunday, Sep. 14 Dallas at Tennessee, 1 p.m. New England at Minnesota. 1 p.m

Miami at Buffalo, 1 p.m. Jacksonville at Washington, 1 p.m.

Arizona at N.Y. Giants, 1 p.m. New Orleans at Cleveland, 1 p.m

Atlanta at Cincinnati, 1 p.m. Detroit at Carolina, 1 p.m. Seattle at San Diego, 4:05 p.m

St. Louis at Tampa Bay, 4:05 p.m.

Houston at Oakland, 4:25 p.m.

Kansas City at Denver, 4:25 p.m

N.Y. Jets at Green Bay, 4:25 p.m. Chicago at San Francisco,

8:30 p.m.

Monday, Sep. 15 Philadelphia at Indianapolis,

8:30 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

Major League Baseball MLB · Suspended Atlanta OF Justin Black 50 games for a

positive test for an amphetamine in violation of the Minor League Drug Prevention and Treatment

Program. American League

BOSTON RED SOX Selected the contract of RHP Matt Barnes from Pawtucket (IL).

Transferred OF Shane Victorino to the 60-day DL. LOS ANGELES ANGELS Selected the contract of RHP Jairo Diaz from Arkansas (Texas). Designated INF Ryan Wheeler for assignment.

SEATTLE MARINERS Activated OF Michael Saunders off the 15-day DL.

National League

COLORADO ROCKIES Activated OF Michael Cuddyer from the 15-day DL.

LOS ANGELES DODGERS - Sent LHP Onelki Garcia to Chattanooga (SL) for a rehab assignment.

YORK METS NEW Activated RHP Vic Black from the 15-day DL. Recalled RHP Gonzalez Germen from Las Vegas (PCL).

ŠT. LOUÍS CARDINALS -Recalled INF Greg Garcia, OF Tommy Pham and RHP Sam Tuivailala from Memphis (PCL). Designated C Audry Perez

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and OF Rafael Ortega for assignment. BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

DETROIT PISTONS - Signed F Greg Monroe to the one-year qualifying offer for the 2014-15 season. GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS

- Signed G Justin Holiday to a training camp contract. FOOTBALL

National Football League NFL — Suspended RB Ray Rice indefinitely. ARIZONA CARDINALS

Signed P Drew Butler.

BALTIMORE RAVENS Released RB Ray Rice.

BUFFALO BILLS — Released DE Jacquies Smith.

CHICAGO BEARS — Signed S Ahmad Dixon off Minnesota's practice squad. Released CB

Demontre Hurst. SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS -Released RB LaMichael James. Signed WR Kassim Osgood to a one-year contract.

SÉATTLE SEAHAWKS -Signed OT Andrew McDonald. Released G David Arkin and S Josh Aubrey from the practice squad. Signed G Nate Isles and safety Terrance Parks to the practice squad. Placed CB Jeremy Lane on the injured reserve/designated list.

Canadian Football League

EDMONTON ESKIMOS -Signed K Luca Congi. COLLEĞE

NCAA Announced it eliminated the remaining two years of a four-year postseason ban for the Penn State football program and restored all scholarship sanctions for the 2015 season.

PAC-12 CONFERENCE -Fined Southern California athletic director Pat Haden \$25.000 for coming down to the field at Stanford Stadium on Saturday and confronting game officials. SOUTHLAND CONFERENCE

Named Melissa Cebold assistant director of communications.

NEW MEXICO - Agreed to terms with men's basketball coach Craig Neal on a six-year contract.

SAINT AUGUSTINE'S - Fired football coach Michael Costa and defensive coordinator/recruiting coordinator Tremayne Henry. Named Michael Morand interim football coach.

SHENANDOAH — Announced the resignation strength and conditioning coach Quintrel Lenore.

SMU Announced the resignation of football coach June Jones. Named Tom Mason interim football coach, Dan Morrison and Jason Phillips co-offensive coordinators.

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