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## Body found on RR tracks

### Herald Staff Report

Police are investigating the death of a 62-year-old man whose body was found on railroad tracks Wednesday evening.

"The initial investigation indicates the subject was not struck by a train," said Sgt. Tony Everett, in a press release. "There is also no initial indication of any foul play involved."  
 Peace Justice Benny Green ordered

an autopsy on the individual, who was discovered at 9:14 p.m. Wednesday.  
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## Plea draws 20-year term

### Anguiano murder charge lowered to manslaughter

BY **LYNDEL MOODY**  
 Staff Writer

A Big Spring man on trial for murder received the maximum sentence after accepting a plea deal to a lesser charge of manslaughter Wednesday morning.  
 "We were about three-quarters of the way through the state case, and the defendant's lawyer approached me with the opportunity to plea to the maximum sentence for manslaughter," said Hardy Wilkerson, Howard County District Attorney. "I did not make the determination to take that offer. I did have a

meeting with the victim's family. We met for quite a while and discussed the alternatives and what was at risk and at stake. They said to go head and take that deal."

Dakota Wade Anguiano was sentenced to 20 years in prison for the shooting death of his girlfriend, 17-year-old Abigail Valencia in the 1300 block of Tucson Sept. 19, 2013. Anguiano must serve 50 percent or 10 years before he will be eligible for parole.

On the evening of Sept. 19, police responded to Scenic  
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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody  
**Washington Elementary kindergartners Jayden Yellow Owl, Anthony Moreno and Elena Monks sign their names on their classes "constitution" Wednesday afternoon. The Washington kindergartners learned about the American Constitution during constitution week. Each class decided what would go into their constitution and each child signed their names.**

## SWCID invites public to Deaf Awareness activities

BY **CINDY SMITH**  
 Special to the Herald

SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf will be hosting several events in recognition of Deaf Awareness Week Sept. 22-26.

Deaf Awareness Week is an annual event held across the country. During this week, many deaf organizations hold activities to celebrate and conduct public information campaigns to educate people about deafness.

"We are excited to be able to participate in Deaf Awareness Week and do our part to help educate our community about the many issues deaf people face each and every day," said Dr. Cheryl T. Sparks, Howard College president. "We do this not only to help educate but also to celebrate the history and culture of people who are deaf and hard of hearing."

The week will be kicked off with an opening ceremony led by Jeff Anderson. Big Spring Mayor Larry McLellan will deliver a proclamation and officially announce Deaf Awareness Week.

"There are many activities scheduled, and we want the public to come out and join us," said Sparks. "We know they will have a great time and all events are open for the entire family to come participate."  
 The weeklong celebration

is free and open to the public. All events will be held on the SWCID campus, 3200 Avenue C in Big Spring.

The schedule of events is as follows:  
 Monday, Sept. 22:  
 Opening ceremony; Maddux Student Center; 11 a.m.

Volleyball games: Activity Center; 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 23:  
 Wheel of Fortune; Maddux Student Center; 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 24:  
 Movie night; dorm lobby; 7 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 25, 2014:

Deaf Awareness Trivia Bowl; Maddux Student Center; 7 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 26:  
 Talent Show; Maddux Student Center; 2 p.m.

For more information, visit [www.howardcollege.edu/swcid](http://www.howardcollege.edu/swcid)



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**According to the National Weather Service, Big Spring received six-tenths of an inch of rain the past 24 hours, though the Department of Agriculture Research Facility recorded 8.3 tenths. Both said some spotters reported 2 inches in parts of Howard County. Rain is in the forecast through the weekend.**

## Weekend happenings

### Harley Pep Rally

The annual Harley Pep Rally for the Big Spring High School Steers will be held at 9:45 a.m. Friday in front of the high school at 707 11<sup>th</sup> Place. The city of Big Spring will close 11<sup>th</sup> Place and Austin St. and 11<sup>th</sup> Place and Benton from the hours of 9:15 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. for the event. The community is welcomed to come out and cheer on the Steers as they take on Hereford in Memorial Stadium at 7:30 that night.

### POW/MIA

A ceremony to recognize National POW/MIA day will be held 5:30 p.m. Friday, at the Vietnam Memorial Wall. The community is welcomed to participate as the nation honors military members who were once or are prisoners of war and for those who went missing in action.



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# News Briefs

## Texas Agriculture Commissioner Staples to resign

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — State Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples says he's leaving office to become president of the Texas Oil and Gas Association.

Staples said in a statement released Thursday that he'll step down sometime within the next two months. His departure was expected, following a failed bid for the Republican nomination for lieutenant governor.

His political career began as a city councilor in his hometown of Palestine (PAL'-uhs-teen). He went on to serve in the state House and then the Senate before becoming agriculture commissioner.

He received attention earlier this month when he raised objections to a school district pilot program that encourages kids to eat meatless lunches once a week.

Staples said the effort by Dripping Springs was part of an "activist movement" advocating a vegetarian diet for Americans.

## Texas sheriff's deputy missing during flooding

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Searchers are trying to find a Central Texas sheriff's deputy who has been missing since she reported her patrol vehicle was swamped during storm-related flooding.

The Travis County Sheriff's Office says the deputy was patrolling low water crossings in the Austin area before dawn Thursday.

Spokesman Roger Wade says the deputy radioed to say she was being swept away in the water. Wade says searchers minutes later found her submerged patrol car.

The National Weather Service issued a flash flood watch through Thursday night for the Austin area amid street flooding.

In far West Texas, forecasters issued a flash flood watch through Thursday night for the El Paso area, where two people were rescued from a swamped vehicle. Officials say a third person who swam to safety suffered minor injuries.

## San Antonio hotel guest found dead in courtyard

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — San Antonio police say a guest has been found dead in the courtyard of a seven-story hotel after she apparently fell.

Police say the body was discovered before dawn Thursday by an employee of the Omni La Mansion del Rio.

The name of the woman wasn't immediately released. Police did not immediately say how she fell or from what floor. Investigators found no evidence of foul play.

Police say a man who was staying with the woman was awakened and advised of her death. Police say the man was intoxicated but said he was asleep and unaware that the woman left the room.

The general manager of the Omni La Mansion del Rio, Rusty Wallace, says prayers and best wishes are with the guest's family in this difficult time.

## 4 Mexican fishermen rescued after boat sinks

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, Texas (AP) — Four fishermen from Mexico have been rescued after their boat sank in the Gulf of Mexico about 22 miles from South Padre Island, Texas.

U.S. Coast Guard officials in Corpus Christi on Thursday reported the men are in good condition following the rescue also involving a Mexican shrimper. Lt. Eric Vryheid (VRY'-hyd) says the four fishermen did not have life preservers.

A tanker crew on Wednesday night reported seeing two men clinging to a capsized Mexican fishing vessel. The Coast Guard located them about 20 minutes later and dropped a life raft. The pair reported two other crewmembers missing.

Shortly before midnight Wednesday the crew of a Mexican shrimper reported hearing cries for help and rescued the other two men, who apparently were in the water for about 15 hours.

## Texas man admits trying to entice minors for sex

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — A 41-year-old Texas man admits traveling to Missouri to have sex with two minor sisters whose supposed father — an undercover detective — he met online.

The U.S. Attorney's Office in Kansas City says John Paul Christian of San Marcos pleaded guilty in federal court Wednesday to two counts of attempting to entice a minor to engage in sexual activity and one count of traveling across state lines to engage in illicit sex.

Prosecutors say Christian agreed to pay a man he thought was the father of two girls, ages 11 and 15, \$400 to have sex with the girls.

He was arrested March 1 in Kansas City after getting out of a taxi at a home where he thought the man and his daughters lived.

## Oil, gas drilling creates money for Texas schools

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A Texas oil and gas boom fueled by hydraulic fracturing and new horizontal drilling techniques has generated a record \$1.26 billion this year to support K-12 public education.

The San Antonio Express-News reports that the Texas General Land Office released the fiscal 2014 figures on Wednesday. Office spokesman Jim Suydam said the boon is due to a rapid increase in drilling on state lands, including acreage on the Barnett Shale and the Eagle Ford Shale.

The money comes from the state's Permanent School Fund, now valued at more than \$34 billion. The fund is generated by oil and gas royalties, lease rentals, bonuses and other sources. Only the fund's interest can be spent.

Lease income surged sevenfold in 2014 as compared to 2013, and lease bonus income jumped 86 percent over the same period.

"Oil and gas have been very good for public education in Texas, but we're really starting to see the fruits of our efforts to diversify our income stream," Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson said in a statement.

Earned interest is distributed by the State Board of Education to Texas school districts on a per-pupil basis.

"The extra money for public education will help," Texas State Teachers Association spokesman Clay Robison said in an email. "But unfortunately, it won't change the fact that several hundred school districts in Texas will remain underfunded until the Legislature comes up with a plan for adequately and fairly funding all Texas schools."

## Ex-kitchen worker guilty of abuse at Texas jail

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — An ex-kitchen worker at a Texas immigration jail has been convicted of sexually abusing an inmate in a freezer.

The San Antonio Express-News reports 26-year-old Juan Aguilar was found guilty Wednesday of abusing a male inmate at the privately-operated Pearsall jail.

Aguilar had worked at the South Texas Detention Complex since 2010 and was fired after the Feb. 17 incident.

The inmate was being held while in deportation proceedings to Honduras.

Aguilar faces up to 15 years in federal prison. It's unclear when he will be sentenced.

## Texas executes woman for starvation of boy, 9

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — A Texas woman convicted of the starvation and torture death of her girlfriend's 9-year-old son a decade ago was executed Wednesday evening.

Lisa Coleman, 38, received a lethal injection about an hour after the U.S. Supreme Court rejected a last-day appeal to spare her. She was pronounced dead at 6:24 p.m. CDT, 12 minutes after Texas Department of Criminal officials began administering a lethal dose of pentobarbital.

Coleman became the ninth convicted killer and second woman to receive lethal injection in Texas this year. Nationally, she's the 15th woman exe-

cuted since the Supreme Court in 1976 allowed the death penalty to resume. During that same time, nearly 1,400 men have been put to death.

Coleman smiled and nodded to several friends and an aunt who watched through a window, thanking them and expressing her love. She also said she loved the other women on Texas' death row and urged them to "keep their heads up."

"I'm all right," she said. "Tell them I finished strong. ... God is good."

She mouthed an audible kiss, laughed and nodded to her witnesses in the seconds before the lethal drug took effect.

"Love you all," she said just before closing her eyes and taking a couple of short breaths. There was no further movement.

Coleman was condemned for the death of Davontae Williams, whose emaciated body was found in July 2004 at the North Texas apartment Coleman shared with his mother, Marcella Williams.

Paramedics who found him dead said they were shocked to learn his age. He weighed 36 pounds, about half that of a normal 9-year-old. A pediatrician later would testify that he had more than 250 distinct injuries, including burns from cigarettes or cigars and scars from ligatures, and that a lack of food made him stop growing.

"There was not an inch on his body that not been bruised or scarred or injured," said Dixie Bersano, one of Coleman's trial prosecutors.

Coleman's trial attorneys said the boy's death at the apartment in Arlington was an accident. They said he may have had mental health issues that made him difficult to handle and Coleman and Williams didn't know how to deal with him in a positive manner.

After a Tarrant County jury in 2006 convicted and sent Coleman to death row, Williams took a plea bargain and accepted a life prison sentence. Now 33, she's not eligible for parole until 2044.

Coleman's lawyer, John Stickels, argued unsuccessfully to the high court that while the child's hands were tied with clothesline at various times, it was "mostly a misguided means of discipline" used by both women. An aggravated factor of kidnapping, which made the charge against Coleman a capital murder case, was incorrect, making the jury's conviction on that charge also incorrect, Stickels contended.

Jefferson Clendenin, an assistant Texas attorney general, told the justices in his argument against the appeal that Coleman's arguments "had no merit."

As of Jan. 1, 60 women were on death row in the U.S., representing about 2 percent of the total death row population, according to the Death Penalty Information Center.

## BODY

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Big Spring Police Department is working on the case with Union Pacific investigators, said Everett, BSPD public in-

formation officer. Everett said the name of the individual is not being released until next of kin is notified.

**sudoku**

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

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Sue Balzer, 79, died Sunday. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. today at Midway Baptist Church with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Odder Johnson, 91, died Tuesday. Services are pending.

Nadine Sparks Geddes, 49, died Tuesday. Services are pending.

Reta Faught, 82, died Wednesday. Services are pending.

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## PLEA

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Mountain Medical Center emergency room in reference to a report of a shooting victim. Police found that Valencia, who was taken to the emergency room by Anguiano, was suffering from a single gunshot wound to the left side of her head.

Anguiano told police he and Valencia were

walking in the area of Circle Drive and Sycamore Streets when a black Cadillac Escalade came around the corner and fired on the couple. Valencia was wounded. Anguiano added a friend drove by and let him take his vehicle to transport Valencia to the hospital.

Police later determined the shooting occurred at 1317 Tucson. Anguiano was arrested on a charge of aggravated

assault with a deadly weapon. The charges were upgraded to murder after Valencia later died of her wounds at a Lubbock hospital.

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# Opinion

# Multiculturalism is a failure

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German Chancellor Angela Merkel declared that in Germany, multiculturalism has “utterly failed.” Both Australia’s ex-prime minister John Howard and Spain’s ex-prime minister Jose Maria Aznar reached the same conclusion about multiculturalism in their countries. British Prime Minister David Cameron has warned that multiculturalism is fostering extremist ideology and directly contributing to homegrown Islamic terrorism. UK Independence Party leader Nigel Farage said the United Kingdom’s push for multiculturalism has not united Britons but pushed them apart. It has allowed for Islam to emerge despite Britain’s Judeo-Christian culture. Former British Prime Minister Tony Blair said the roots of violent Islamism are not “superficial but deep” and can be found “in the extremist minority that now, in every European city, preach hatred of the West and our way of life.”

The bottom line is that much of the Muslim world is at war with Western civilization. There’s no question that the West has the military might to thwart radical Islam’s agenda. The question up for grabs is whether we have the intelligence to recognize the attack and the will to defend ourselves from annihilation.

Multiculturalism is Islamists’ foot in the door. At the heart of multiculturalism is an attack on Western and Christian values. Much of that attack has its roots on college campuses among the intellectual elite who see their mission as indoctrinating our youth. In past columns, I’ve documented professorial hate-America teaching, such as a UCLA economics professor’s telling his class, “The United States of America, backed by facts, is the greediest and most selfish country in the world.” A history professor told her class: “Capitalism isn’t a lie on purpose. It’s just a lie.” She also said: “(Capitalists) are swine. ... They’re bastard people.” Students sit through lectures listening to professorial rants about topics such as globalism and Western exploitation of the Middle East and Third World peoples.

Some public school boards have banned songs and music containing references to Santa Claus, Jesus or other religious Christmas symbols. The New York City school system permits displays of Jewish menorahs and the Muslim star and crescent, but not the Christian Nativity scene. One school district banned a teacher from using excerpts from historical documents in his classroom because they contained references to God and Christianity. The historical documents in question were the Declaration of Independence and “The Rights of the Colonists,” by Samuel Adams.

The U.S. is a nation of many races, ethnicities, religions and cultures. Since our inception, people from all over the world have immigrated here to become Americans. They have learned English and American history and celebrated American traditions and values. They have become Americans while also respecting and adapting some of the traditions of the countries they left behind. By contrast, many of today’s immigrants

demand that classes be taught — and official documents be printed — in their native language. Other immigrants demand the use of Shariah, practices that permit honor killing and female genital mutilation. Multiculturalists argue that different cultural values are morally equivalent. That’s nonsense. Western culture and values are superior. For those who’d accuse me of Eurocentrism, I’d ask: Is forcible female genital mutilation, as practiced in nearly 30 sub-Saharan African and Middle Eastern countries, a morally equivalent cultural value? Slavery is practiced in Mauritania, Mali, Niger, Chad and Sudan; is it morally equivalent? In most of the Middle East, there are numerous limits placed on women, such as prohibitions on driving, employment and education. Under Islamic law, in some countries, female adulterers face death by stoning, and thieves face the punishment of having their hand severed. In some countries, homosexuality is a crime punishable by death. Are these cultural values morally equivalent, superior or inferior to Western values?

Multiculturalism has not yet done the damage in the U.S. that it has in western European countries — such as England, France and Germany — but it’s on its way. By the way, one need not be a Westerner to hold Western values. Mainly, you just have to accept the supremacy of the individual above all else.

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WALTER WILLIAMS



## At least we feel better about them

On Thursday night, the Baltimore Ravens took on the Pittsburgh Steelers. The event carried national significance thanks to the Ravens’ public-induced decision to cut running back Ray Rice after tape emerged of Rice clocking his then-fiancee in the head, knocking her out cold. CBS sportscaster James Brown utilized his pre-game show to draw attention to the problem of domestic violence — and suggest widespread culpability for domestic violence. “Our language is important,” Brown suggested. “For instance, when a guy says, ‘You throw the ball like a girl’ or ‘You’re a little sissy,’ it reflects an attitude that devalues women, and attitudes will eventually manifest in some fashion.”

Brown wasn’t the only commentator to blame “The Sandlot” for Ray Rice’s horrifying Mike Tyson-esque blow to his future wife’s head. ESPN commentator Kate Fagan explained, “This is behavior that is happening at the grassroots level that is born through years of our culture like

raising men to want to not be like women and using language like ‘sissy’ and ‘you throw like a girl’ that demean women. ... [We need to focus on] really reprogramming how we raise men.”

Naturally, this talking point was celebrated far and wide by a mainstream press more interested in perpetuating the tenets of political correctness than in actually fighting domestic abuse. The real solution to domestic abuse is twofold: punishing it to the greatest possible extent, and yes, raising young men differently. But to state that the greatest risk factor for future domestic violence is insulting other boys as “throwing like girls” is pure idiocy. No man has ever hit a woman because she “throws like a girl.” But plenty of young men have hit women because they had no moral compass and did not believe in basic concepts of virtue — and plenty of young men lack such a moral compass and belief in virtue thanks to lack of male role models.

Teaching respect for women begins with ensuring that solid male influences models fill the lives of young men — men who respect women, cherish them, treasure them, and believe in protecting them. This is an unpopular stance, because it suggests that boys require men to

raise them. Which they do. But that truth doesn’t fit the logic of the left, which seems to think that lack of fathers counts less than rhetorically bothersome phrases.

For leftists, the answer to domestic violence isn’t to deal with any of the issues that could lead boys to become abusing men. The answer, instead, is to lecture Americans about the use of the word “sissy” — not because that solves the problem, but because it makes those on the left feel warm and fuzzy inside. Similarly, the left will tell Americans that the name of the Washington Redskins matters far more to Native-Americans than the nearly half of Native-American youths who drop out of high school; they will explain that “microaggressions” are the true problem faced by blacks in America, not lack of education, poverty or unwed motherhood.

We extol the language police even as we castigate moral authorities. And so our problems grow worse. But at least we feel better about them.

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BEN SHAPIRO

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## DAILY PRAYER

Thank you lord for the bountiful rainfall.  
Amen



# Steer Pride Corner

Submitted by George Bancroft, BSISD community relations coordinator

**Goliad Elementary**  
Students at Goliad Elementary did their part to show their patriotism on 9/11.

Students in Ms. Biddison's kindergarten class discussed the events that took place on Sept. 11, 2001, and then put some red, white and blue construction paper to good use by creating their freedom hats.



## Big Spring Intermediate

Big Spring Intermediate School students had two reasons to celebrate last week.

Walmart gave a generous donation of school supplies and many students were rewarded with the opportunity to wear hats for their hard work in the classroom and for the citizenship. Go Steers!



# Constitution week at Washington Ele.



Herald photos/Lyndel Moody

**It was Constitution week at Washington Elementary. Kindergartners discusses the Constitution and created one. There was some debate about what should be included in the document, but unlike our U.S. Congress, the kindergartners were able to get something done. Once the documents were complete, each student signed their name. Pictured above from left are Jayden Yellow Owl, Anthony Moreno, Elena Monks, Carlie Melton, Joseph Rodriguez, Lesly Lugo-Don Juan. At right, some of the members of the kindergarten class pose for a photo.**



## Moss Ele. Student/Teacher of Month



Employee of the Month Joe Bright

Moss Elementary School's Employee of the Month for August is Joe Bright.

Joe possesses many characteristics and attributes of an outstanding teacher. He is a very kind and caring individual who puts others first. He exercises classroom leadership and is very dedicated to his students. Joe was selected by his peers at Moss.

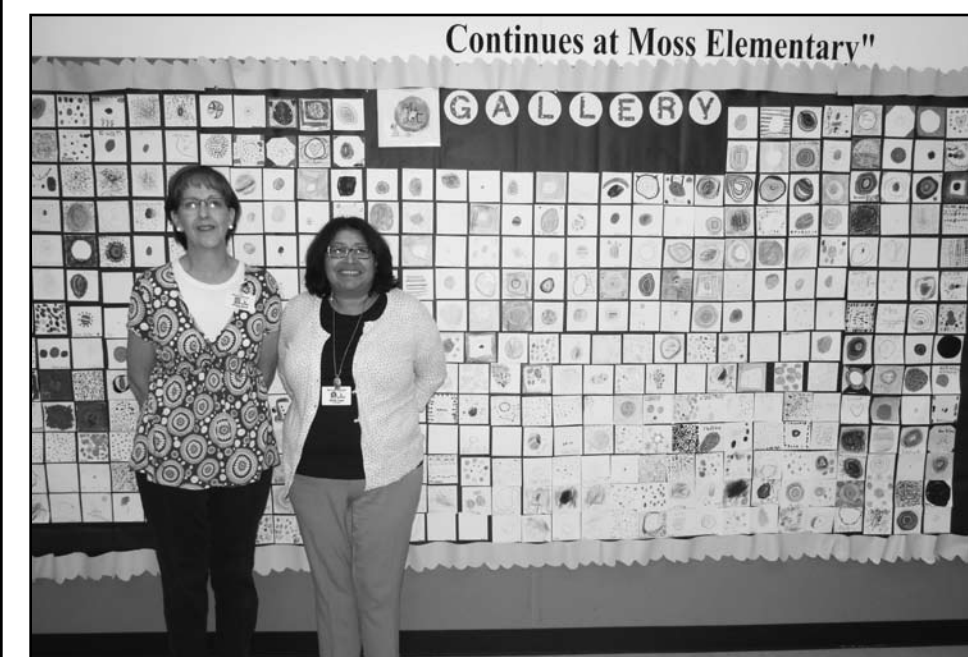
**S t a r**

Student of the Month for August at Moss Elementary School is Austen Raines. Austen is a second grade student in Mrs. Jones' Class. He has exemplified good character, respect, excellent behavior, observes the rules, and has great attendance. Way to go Austen!



Student of the Month Austen Raines

## International Dot Day...



Courtesy photo/BSISD

On Monday, Moss Elementary celebrated International Dot Day. Mrs. Donna Bird, the librarian, read "The Dot" by Peter H. Reynolds to all classes.

"The Dot" tells the story of a caring teacher who reaches a very resistant Vashti to "make her mark." Vashti's breakthrough begins with a simple dot then continues on a journey of self-discovery, letting her creativity bloom and, ultimately, inspiring others.

Students wore dots and created their own dots which were displayed in the "Moss Dot Gallery." Pictured is Bird, left, and Moss Elementary Principal Rosie Lain.

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## ISIS, Hamas and the Black Flag of Global Jihad

**How dangerous is global jihad to the U.S., Israel and the rest of the world—and how should we deal with this threat?**

*Terrorist groups ISIS (the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria), Hamas, al Qaeda and Boko Haram have in common their disdain for Western values, their murderous disregard for human life and their goals of conquering vast lands in the name of Islam. Because they consider jihad a divine mission, they refuse to surrender or negotiate peace.*

### What are the facts?

ISIS, the latest, most brutal and militarily successful Islamist terror group, grew as an offshoot of al Qaeda in Syria. The group now controls huge swaths of territory in Syria and Iraq, massive stores of armaments, some 15,000 soldiers and billions of dollars in assets. ISIS's avowed goal is to create an Islamic caliphate—empire—consisting of land it perceives to belong to Islam, including most of the Middle East, North Africa and Spain. In recent months ISIS has slaughtered—in many cases beheaded—thousands of innocent Christians, Yazidis and Shiite Muslims, whom the group considers apostates to Islam. ISIS's bloody conquest has been virtually unimpeded by Syrian and Iraqi armies and ignored by Western nations, despite the group's warning to the U.S. that "we will drown you in blood." Indeed, U.S. intelligence affirms that ISIS's long-term goal is to attack America and the West.

Likewise, Hamas, a terrorist Palestinian splinter group of Egypt's Muslim Brotherhood, has killed hundreds of innocent Israelis through suicide bombings and launched more than 13,000 rockets aimed at Israeli civilians from Gaza. It has also abducted and murdered Israeli children. Since Hamas violently seized control of Gaza in 2007, it has ruled with an iron Islamist hand, imposing strict sharia religious law, crushing civil rights and driving Christian Arabs out by the thousands. Hamas's charter states its goal is to conquer the entire Holy Land and kill all its Jews. Hamas leader Ismail Haniyeh has proclaimed that "we love death like our enemies love life." No wonder then, that the group readily sacrificed thousands of its own people by using them as human shields in its war on Israel.

Other Islamist terror groups, such as al Qaeda, with cells throughout the Middle East and Africa, and Boko Haram in Nigeria, use equally bloodthirsty tactics in their jihad to expel foreign influences from "Muslim lands" and create a worldwide caliphate. Al Qaeda, of course, engineered the 9/11 attacks, the 2005 London subway bombings and

hundreds of other terrorist acts, killing thousands of innocent civilians. Boko Haram has distinguished itself by murdering some 5,000 citizens, including 2,000 in 2014 alone, kidnapping 300 Christian schoolgirls and driving 650,000 Nigerians from their homes.

**What Can Be Done?** Islamist terror groups are clearly ascendant, increasing their carnage and influence daily and increasingly threatening Middle Eastern nations, Western Europe, and the U.S. Indeed, American Secretary of State Kerry called ISIS a force of "ugly, savage, inexplicable, nihilistic and valueless evil." Likewise, British Prime Minister

David Cameron has called Hamas's intentional attacks on Israeli civilians "barbaric." Comparable adjectives have been used to describe the ruthless and fanatical brutality of al Qaeda and Boko Haram.

While most of the world's nations agree that the global Islamist jihad must be stopped, its perpetrators have implacably refused to surrender or negotiate a peace. All remain unconditionally committed to the defeat of Islam's "infidel" enemies and colonizing their lands. Even Hamas in its recent conflict with Israel broke all 11 ceasefire agreements, rendering peace talks impossible and subjecting Palestinian citizens to more suffering.

While no Western nation seeks another war in the Middle East or Africa, we must ask how long these terrorist aggressors should be permitted to kill and expel civilian populations and conquer others' territories. Indeed, since these groups show no signs of relenting their murderous terror campaigns, responsible Western nations, led by the United States, should consider urgent action for stopping them. While Israel is helping to fight Hamas—in fact is compelled to do so since Hamas attacks its citizens daily—Israel cannot hold back the jihadi tide by itself. It needs the unalloyed support of the West for its fight. But even more, the world needs Western nations to defeat the global jihad . . . before these terror groups swallow more territory, enslave more people and strike our homeland once again.

*Global jihadi groups—ISIS, Hamas, al Qaeda and Boko Haram—share the same oppressive Islamist ideology, the same drive to conquer others' lands and people, the same barbaric tactics and disrespect for human life, and they raise the same increasingly dire threat to the U.S. and our allies. Isn't it time for a U.S.-led coalition to oppose the black flag of jihad with moral determination, courage and all necessary force?*

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### Former BSHS star upset with way he has played

DAVIE, Fla. (AP) — Ryan Tannehill stood before the Miami Dolphins' daily media throng Wednesday with a three-inch scratch on his neck, a large bandage over his knee and an audible bruise to his ego.

"I'm upset with myself at the way I've played," he said. "The first two weeks were both bad. That's not a good start. It's huge to be able to bounce back and perform well."

Tannehill will try to do so Sunday when the Dolphins (1-1) play host to Kansas City (0-2). He came into his third NFL season expecting to make big strides toward becoming a franchise quar-

terback, but instead he continues to be inaccurate, indecisive and inconstant.

Tannehill ranks 29th in the league with a passer rating of 76.1, and the Dolphins rank last at 4.4 yards per pass play, sacks included.

"I haven't been at my best," Tannehill said. "It has got to change, and it has got to change fast. I look forward to going out Sunday and changing it."

The Dolphins overcame a shaky performance by Tannehill in the opener, thanks in part to Knowshon Moreno's 134 yards rushing. Tannehill was even worse Sunday in a 29-10 loss at Buffalo.

And with Moreno sidelined for at least a month because of an elbow injury, the Dolphins know they must get their passing game going.

There should be opportunities against the Chiefs (0-2), whose opponents have a passer rating of 126.9, highest in the league. Kansas City has allowed five touchdown passes and made no interceptions.

Chiefs coach Andy Reid had little to say Wednesday about the Dolphins' passing game.

"I think they've got players and good coaches," he said, "and I'll just leave it at that."

Tannehill acknowledged his accuracy has been an issue. His completion percent-

age of 60.5 is slightly above his career rate, but ranks only 28th in the league.

"I just haven't been putting the ball in the right spot," Tannehill said. "It boils down to being consistent with footwork."

His inability to connect deep with Mike Wallace has carried over from last year, and Tannehill has missed his speedy teammate open deep four times. He has misfired on short passes too, resulting in incompletions or shorter-than-expected gains because the receiver couldn't make the catch in stride.

"There's no doubt Ryan would tell you it needs to im-

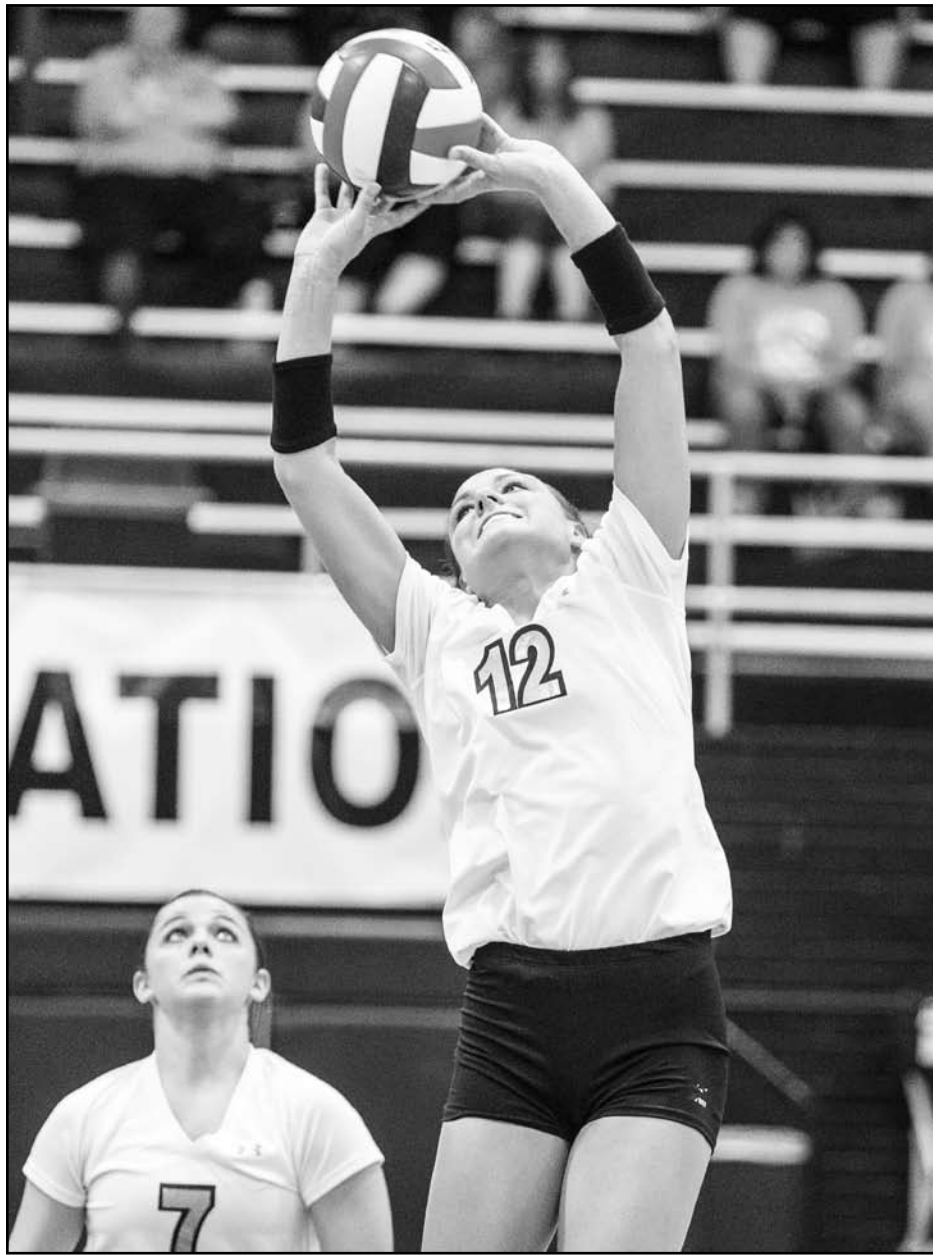
prove," offensive coordinator Bill Lazor said. "It's what separates the great ones from the good ones from the barely there ones. It's going to improve your run-after-the-catch as well as your completion percentage."

Tannehill said he's frustrated but not discouraged, and he remains confident.

"When you don't make the play, you're not happy with yourself. You look at it on tape and it doesn't make you feel good inside," he said. "But we've got a long season ahead of us. You flip it around and play well, and you start stringing good games together."

### Ready for the 2-4A title run ...

Big Spring senior Erin Pollard sets a ball for a teammate during the Lady Steers' recent outing against San Angelo Central. Pollard and the BSHS girls will kick off District 2-4A volleyball action next Friday in Lamesa. Big Spring, which will be competing in district against teams from Lamesa, Lubbock Estacado, Levelland, Snyder and Sweetwater, is scheduled to close out its non-district volleyball schedule with games against Odessa Permian on Friday and Monahan on Tuesday.



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### Scandrick gets 2-game reprieve, says he's ready

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Orlando Scandrick had to watch the Cowboys on pay-per-view from California in their second game without him, hoping a revised drug policy would cut his four-game suspension in half.

The long-awaited word finally came Wednesday morning, and the Dallas cornerback was back on the practice field with every intention of playing Sunday in St. Louis.

Scandrick just smiled when asked if he would be ready to face the Rams.

"Yeah, without a question," the seventh-year player said. "Without a doubt."

Scandrick didn't leave his home in the Los Angeles area over the weekend because he figured the players and the league still had some details to work out on a revised policy for performance-enhancing drugs. He was back in the Dallas area this week, waiting a couple of days longer than he thought.

"If I would have had my way, I wouldn't have missed any games and this would have gotten handled in August," Scandrick said, referring to ongoing discussions over changes to the drug policy. "I'm just thankful. Those were things that were out of my hands, and I'm excited to come back."

Scandrick acknowledged testing positive for a banned stimulant after a vacation in Mexico during the offseason, although he said he didn't know he was taking a drug that included

anything on the league's list of performance enhancers.

The 27-year-old Scandrick went through training camp knowing he would probably miss the first part of the season. His appeal was turned down while the team was still in California, so the Cowboys adjusted by giving him extra playing time in preseason games.

"Coach (Jason) Garrett was very upset with me, but he handled me like a family member," Scandrick said. "He was disappointed in me but he guided me through the process. He supported me through the process. The same with my teammates."

If he was upset a few months ago, Garrett thought he was over it when he got to welcome Scandrick back.

"He was very forthcoming with me in our conversations, taking full responsibility for the situation and also just came to work," Garrett said. "I thought the challenge for somebody like that in this kind of a situation is what they do every day in practice in training camp and throughout the preseason, understanding they aren't going to be part of the first part of the season. But he came to work. He got better as a player."

Scandrick started a career-high 15 games last year and is likely to resume that role alongside Brandon Carr. The question is what will happen with Morris Claiborne and Sterling Moore.

### Rangers rally in 9th to beat A's, 6-1

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Long out of playoff contention, the Texas Rangers are relishing the opportunity to have an impact in the postseason chase in late September.

J.P. Arencibia hit a three-run homer during a six-run ninth inning, and the last-place Rangers rallied to beat the Oakland Athletics 6-1 on Wednesday night.

"It's beautiful. I love it," interim Rangers manager Tim Lincecum said.

The comeback against A's closer Sean Doolittle

(1-4) followed a stellar pitching duel between Texas' Derek Holland and Oakland's Jeff Samardzija. It also ended as the AL's top reigns as AL West champions.

The Los Angeles Angels clinched the division with a 5-0 win over Seattle and the loss by Oakland.

The A's dropped into a tie with Kansas City for the AL's top wild card. Seattle is two games behind Oakland and the Royals for the second and final berth.

"I'm happy that I don't have to see champagne

this weekend," said Bogar, whose club begins a three-game series at the Angels on Friday night.

Sam Fuld's single in the fifth drove in Oakland's only run. The A's stranded 10 runners, including loading the bases with no outs in the eighth only to come up empty.

Robbie Ross (3-6) got the final five outs for Texas, which has won five in a row.

Samardzija outpitched Holland to put the A's in position to start turning around their late-season

slide. Samardzija struck out 10 and allowed just four hits in eight innings.

As well as he pitched, though, it wasn't enough for the A's to overcome another underwhelming performance at the plate or a bullpen implosion.

Elvis Andrus singled and scored on Rowned Odor's double to start the Rangers' rally. After Adrian Beltre was intentionally walked, Arencibia's 10th home run silenced the crowd of 17,530 at the Coliseum.

### Welker back on the field after suspension

(AP) — Although excited to see his suspension cut in half, Wes Welker acknowledged Wednesday that missing a couple of games was probably for the best.

Coming off his third concussion in a 10-month span, the veteran receiver had no choice but to watch on TV as Denver got off to a 2-0 start.

"You always hate to miss any time at all," Welker said. "But especially with head injuries, every week and every

day is a good thing for it. Not the way that I would have wanted it to happen. But it is what it is."

Welker was reinstated after the NFL agreed to a new performance-enhancing drug policy. The 11-year NFL veteran had been suspended for four games but can return Sunday under the new rules in which players who test positive for banned stimulants in the offseason will no longer be suspended right away.



### Medal time ...

Coahoma's Kaeli Yeater displays the medal she received for her fourth-place finish in the Bulldogettes' cross country outing this past weekend. Yeater is one of nine members of the Coahoma cross country team this fall.

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Candy Parrish

### Texas QB David Ash ends playing career

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas coach Charlie Strong says quarterback David Ash is giving up football after struggling with the effects of multiple concussions.

Ash missed most of last season because of at least one concussion and lingering symptoms. He had been cleared to return this season and played in Texas' opening victory over North Texas.

Hours after that game,

the junior reported experiencing headaches and dizziness.

Sophomore Tyrone Swoopes has started the last two games against BYU and UCLA, both losses.

Ash had previously said that some members of his family were concerned about his return to the field this year, but he wanted to keep playing.

Strong announced Ash's decision Wednesday night.



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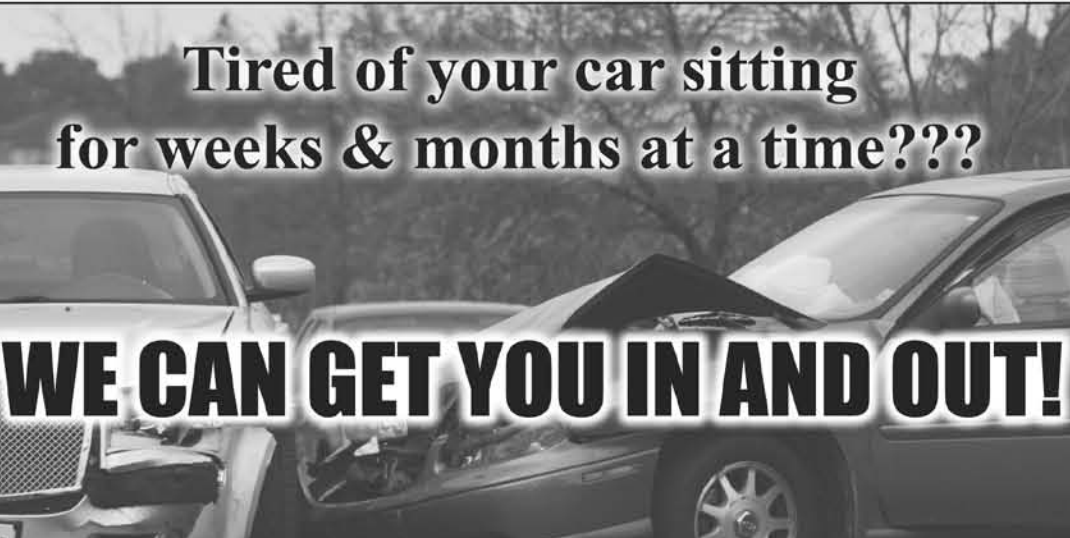
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KATHY MITCHELL
MARCY SUGAR

Dear Annie: I am a 55-year-old woman, the youngest of three. When I married 30 years ago, we moved away for my husband's job. Over the years, we have returned for summer visits, especially since our daughters are close in age to their cousins.

We always have made it a priority to attend all important family events, often at great expense. Last year, we traveled to my niece's destination wedding. But I was hurt that my niece did not ask either of my daughters to be in her wedding party. My brother and his wife (the parents of this bride) have ignored my younger daughter for the past couple of years. They don't send her birthday or Christmas cards or presents, and totally skipped her recent college graduation. It's not the money. They are quite

wealthy and are generous with their own kids and friends. Meanwhile, I have given nice gifts to their children at every occasion.

I do not feel I can maintain a civil relationship with them any longer. My sister knows how self-absorbed my brother and his wife can be, but won't intercede. We are good, decent people, and I don't understand their behavior. They act like everything is fine and recently left a phone message for my birthday asking me to call them and let them know whether I'm coming to town. Should I speak my mind about this or let it go? -- Frustrated and Furious

Dear Frustrated: The reason your brother acts like everything is fine is because he believes it is. He has no idea that he has hurt you. It is natural for you to be more sensitive to issues regarding your daughters than he is. This is not to excuse his lack of attention, only that we don't believe it is deliberate, which means forgiveness is easier. Please talk to him without becoming angry. Gently explain that you are hurt when he completely ignores your children's special occasions and makes you think he doesn't care

about them. We hope he'll try harder.

Dear Annie: Twice in the past month, I witnessed an older woman tumble from the top of a moving escalator all the way to the bottom, as store employees raced to turn it off. In one incident, the shopper was accompanied by someone who could not stop her fall. In the other, the woman seemed confused before the accident, but refused to use the elevator. To complicate matters, her only identification was a receipt in her purse, so it took a while to find the man who had dropped her off.

If anyone has a balance problem, uses a cane or walker, has their arms full or is carrying a toddler, etc., please use the elevator instead of the escalator. The few extra minutes are well worth it in order to avoid a horrifying accident. And please be sure to carry proper identification, including names and numbers to call in case of an emergency. -- Stunned Shopper in Shreveport, La.

Dear Stunned: Too many people don't realize (or won't admit) they have a problem until something happens, and then, of course, it's too late. People need to be able to hold onto the railing of an escalator

and watch their step getting on and off. If you aren't sure you can do this, please take the elevator. Better safe than sorry.

Dear Annie: My husband could have written the letter from "Heartbroken," whose wife never had time for him when they were younger, and now he's not interested.

I was a busy wife and mother and worked outside the home. I put everything before our relationship. We drifted apart and desperately needed couples counseling. We found the best therapist in our area, and she put us back on track. We just took a cross-country trip in an RV and have developed the most loving relationship we've had in 40 years. I hope they give it a shot. -- J

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The I Ching declares, "Fire on the mountain, catastrophic to man, a passing annoyance to the mountain." Your soul is big like the mountain, so you're not worried about the things that alarm others.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Moving constantly forward is positive even if the movement seems miniscule right now. The only way anyone gets anywhere is by occupying the space just before them, over and over and over.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The morning brings an answer to your prayers. This may be a prayer you made a very long time ago, but the answer is perhaps even more relevant now than it ever was.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). In order to release the resentment you feel against another, you don't have to interact with that person. Write down everything you want to say to that person, and you'll feel better. No sending, please!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). When the day's events cause tension, zoom out your focus and notice that you're a person experiencing a change of chemistry and emotion -- that's all and that's normal.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Here's something to consider before you go through all the effort to make alterations to your image: There's nothing quite so attractive as inner peace.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You have

quite a lot to get off your chest today, and once you do it, your heart will be lighter. Just don't let your mouth work faster than your mind.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You cook almost as well as you socialize, and your friends will agree that the combination is a winning one today. You're the person to be near, and many will side up.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). How long should you commit to a project that doesn't seem to be working out? This one used to be your dream. Is it anymore? Only you can make this call. Your heart will know when it's time to leave.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). It's easy to decide what to wear, do and say when you know who you are. Of course, who you are is always changing. That's why it benefits you to get reacquainted with yourself with some you-on-you time.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Sept. 18). You will set out to accomplish one thing and end up accomplishing something entirely different but just as rewarding. Be conservative with the good fortune that befalls you over the next 10 weeks. An investment will pay off in November. January will bring an exciting change of scenery. Aquarius and Aries people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 40, 3, 22, 34 and 16.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "Someone told me that I'm having my Saturn return now and that this is going to be a bad year for me. True?"

When Saturn returns to the place in the sky where it was at your birth -- an event that happens only every 29.5 years or so -- it's a rare opportunity to reinforce your foothold in life. Don't listen to pessimists

who tell you that Saturn is bad. "Bad" is an interpretation just as "good" is. The universe does not distinguish between good and bad -- it merely seeks to maintain equilibrium. If something is out of balance in your life, Saturn will swing the pendulum back to center, showing you in the bluntest, most expedient means possible what area of your life is the weakest link and in need of fixing. You'll then have about two and a half years to get it right. Yeah, it's heavy, but without Saturn's gravity, your molecules would come apart and the world would spin into chaos! Think of Saturn as a stern but wise grandfather who won't tolerate slackers and who says things like, "There are no free rides" and "Pipers need paying." He really does have your best interests at heart so listen up!

CELEBRITY PROFILES: This year may very well be the busiest one James Marsden has known, considering the Internet Movie Database credits him in nine different film projects for 2014. The Virgo actor was born under the sign of hard work, so he prefers to keep busy. His Mercury in friendly Libra suggests that Marsden is energized by his friends and loved ones. His Venus in Scorpio indicates strong personal magnetism.

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Cancer Moon Homework

The Cancer moon suggests taking a look around your home environment and giving thanks for the many blessings that spring from that place. They won't be easy to see under this water-sign moon -- much in the way that water can be taken for granted by fish - but try! You'll be



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happier for it.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Witnessing the protection and care that a heroic type affords his or her loved ones, you may long to have someone like this on your side. Maybe you already do, and this person just hasn't had reason to step up yet.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The trouble with compromising yourself to fill a role is that if you succeed it will only lead to more and more compromises. Besides, you'll be far more productive when you stick to what's real in you.

hope the opposing clubs are divided 3-3? There is about a 50 percent chance that East was dealt the king of hearts, and only about a 36 percent chance of the clubs dividing 3-3. This might lead you to conclude that the heart finesse offers a better chance to make the slam. However, the fact is that you will do better in the long run to reject the heart finesse.

This is because there is a third factor to consider, namely the possibility that the defender with the king of hearts might also have been dealt four or more clubs, in which case he is subject to a squeeze. This is not a negligible possibility; in fact, when added to the chance of a 3-3 club division, it gives you better than a 60 percent chance to make the slam.

Accordingly, you should go up with the ace of hearts at trick four and cash all your spades and diamonds, reducing your hand to three cards consisting of the jack of hearts and Q-4 of clubs. Dummy's last three cards are the A-6-5 of clubs.

But note what has happened to poor West in the meantime. On the previous trick, he had to choose a discard from the king of hearts and 10-9-7 of clubs, and whatever he selected, the rest of the tricks are yours.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz. ©2014 King Features Syndicate Inc.

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### DENNIS THE MENACE

"THAT FACE SURE TELLS IT ALL."  
"YEAH... 'SPECIALLY THE MOUTH PART.'"

### THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane

"Mommy! PJ's not up yet! Can I wake him? I'll do it REALLY gently!"

### HAGAR

"WHAT DID THE MEN SAY ABOUT THE TOSSED SEAWEED SALAD?"  
"THEY SAID YOU DIDN'T TOSS IT FAR ENOUGH!"

### BLONDIE

"DAG'S MIND IS A MILLION MILES AWAY BECAUSE IT'S NATIONAL CHEESEBURGER DAY!"  
"FOR SURE!"  
"YOU GUYS ARE MAKING ME FEEL GUILTY..."  
"ALMOST!"  
"NATIONAL CHEESEBURGER DAY!"

### WIZARD OF ID

"SON, INSTEAD OF PLAYING ZOMBIE GAMES, YOU COULD BE RESEARCHING POTENTIAL COLLEGES."  
"HERE'S ONE... ONLY \$60,000 A SEMESTER."  
"YOU COULD ALWAYS BE A VIDEO GAME TESTER."  
"YEP."

### AGNES

"OFFICER, HAVE HIM DRAWN AND QUARTERED."  
"SCRIBBLE SCRIBBLE"  
"SNIP SNIP SNIP"  
"HERE YOU ARE"  
"YOU'RE NEW HERE, HUH?"

### HI AND LOIS

"AGNES, PLEASE GO CHANGE YOUR CLOTHES."  
"I ASSURE YOU; THESE ARE NOT GANG COLORS."  
"NOR ARE THEY MEANT TO BE SALACIOUS. THEY ARE THE PROPER RAIMENT FOR PROMOTING WELLNESS."  
"GO CHANGE."  
"HOW ABOUT I JUST CLOAK MYSELF WITH THE CAPE OF VANISHMENT?"

### THE OTHER COAST

"I'M SERIOUS EUNICE! IF YOU DON'T GO OUT WITH ME, I'LL REALLY DO IT THIS TIME!"  
"IGNORE HIM, EUNICE. HE'S ALWAYS THREATENING TO BEACH HIMSELF."

### SNUFFY SMITH

"HOW'S JUGHAID DOIN', MIZ PRUNELLY?"  
"JUGHAID IS AN EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT, MIZZUS SMIF !!"  
"HE'S TH' FURST STUDENT I EVER HAD WHO FLUNKED EV'RY SUBJECT !!"

### BETLE BAILEY

"THERE! I SQUASHED ALL YOUR PUMPKINS"  
"GOOD! I'LL GET BUSY AND BAKE THE PIES!"

### This Date In History

Today is Thursday, September 18, the 261st day of 2014. There are 104 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:  
On September 18, A.D. 14, the Roman Senate officially confirmed Tiberius as the second emperor of the Roman Empire, succeeding the late Augustus.

On this date:  
In 1759, the French formally surrendered Quebec to the British.  
In 1793, President George Washington laid the cornerstone of the U.S. Capitol.

In 1810, Chile made its initial declaration of independence from Spain with the forming of a national junta.  
In 1927, the Columbia Phonograph Broadcasting System (later CBS) made its on-air debut with a basic network of 16 radio stations.  
In 1931, an explosion in the Chinese city of Mukden damaged a section of Japanese-owned railway track; Japan, blaming Chinese nationalists, invaded Manchuria the next day.  
In 1947, the National Security Act, which created a National Military Establishment, went into effect.  
In 1961, United Na-

tions Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold (dahg HAWM'-ahr-shoold) was killed in a plane crash in northern Rhodesia.  
In 1964, Irish playwright Sean O'Casey, 84, died in Torquay, England. The situation comedy "The Addams Family," inspired by the Charles Addams cartoons, premiered on ABC-TV.

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- Took action against
- Prayer book
- Ouija board word
- New Age Grammy winner
- Provoke
- SUV options
- Management level
- Things in rings
- Summer Olympics event
- Thereabouts
- \_\_ pinch (if necessary)
- Western scenery
- Longer an issue
- Find a job for
- Encouraging word
- Barnyard brooder
- Macroeconomic fig.
- Miffed state
- Like a supporting wall
- Poke fun at
- Browser bookmark, for short
- Noteworthy time
- "Unaccustomed as \_\_."
- Security threat
- Eyes closely
- Backspace over
- Affectionate sound
- 2007 erupter

DOWN

- In pairs
- Longfellow subject
- Pitch in
- Actor Rogen
- Fighting force
- Pupil protector
- Spacey role in a 2004 biopic
- Light rain
- By the deadline
- Treat with tea
- Monotonous voice
- Absorbed, as costs
- French article
- Was on a roll
- Regional animals
- "Float like a butterfly" guy
- In position
- Place to graze
- Ultimately become
- Indulgent outing
- Hair slickener
- Trap setter
- Stew ingredient
- \_\_ Canyon
- National Park
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- Bag closer
- All-out conflict
- Waitperson
- Of mail
- Provoke
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# FRIDAY NIGHT UNDER THE LIGHTS

High School Football in The Crossroads Area

## Steers look to stay on track against Hereford

By **TOMMY WELLS**  
Sports Editor

With a week of rest under their belt, the Big Spring High School Steers will leap back into the fire storm that is West Texas football on Friday. And, like each of the previous two weeks, the Steers could be in store for a barn-burner when they take

to the artificial turf at Memorial Stadium for their showdown against Class 5A Hereford.

Of course, surviving nail-biting matchups is nothing new for the Steers, who have won both of their first two games by a total of three points.

"It hasn't always been pretty, but we've work

### Cattle battle ...

The Big Spring Steers will make their home debut this Friday with a matchup against Hereford. Kick-off is set for 7:30 p.m.



hard and overcame it," said Big Spring head coach Phillip Ritchey

following the Steers' wild 33-32 win over Monahans on Sept. 5.

Pretty or not, the Steers have given fans every cent's worth of their money en route to going 2-0.

Odds are, Hereford will be more of the same.

In Hereford, Big Spring See **STEERS** on Page 2B



The Big Spring Steers will make their home debut on Friday with a showdown against Hereford. The game will start at 7:30 p.m. at Memorial Stadium.

Tony Claxton photo (www.claxtonphotography.com)

## The Bite is Back!



Courtesy photo

Kyler Franks and the Coahoma Bulldogs have seen their fortunes on the field soar this season thanks in part to a dominating performance from the Bulldogs defense. Coahoma has allowed no more than one touchdown in any of their three games this fall.

## Bulldogs defense leads way to 3-0 start

By **TOMMY WELLS**  
Sports Editor

When it comes to football, there is one universal truth every coaches believes in. Offense puts people in the seats, but defense wins games.

You probably won't find Coahoma head coach Trey Gardner downplaying the adage too much. Over the first three weeks, the Bulldogs offense has scored enough points to help the team get off to an impressive start.

But, make no mistake about it, the CHS defense has set the table for the Bulldogs to get off to their best start in more than a decade.

Through the first three weeks of the season, Coahoma's defense has held its opponents to less than 225 yards per game, forced 10 turnovers and given up a mere 16 points.

Coahoma's defense, keyed by the play of linebacker Joseph Melendez and a scrappy defensive line, proved its mettle early in the season. In their first game, the Bulldogs surrendered more than 270 yards to rival Forsan but rose up to save the day. Coahoma's Matt Cisneros broke up a play at the CHS 2 and helped the Bulldogs fight their way to a 6-2 victory in the 2014

### Looking for 4 ...

The Coahoma Bulldogs will try and become the Crossroads' first team to reach four wins on Friday when they host the Miles Bulldogs, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at Bulldog Stadium.

Coahoma enters the non-district contest having allowed just 16 total points in their first three games



Howard Bowl. The game was played in front of a large crowd at Big Spring's Memorial Stadium.

Despite giving up almost 300 yards, the CHS defense held Forsan scoreless in the game. The Buffaloes – who have averaged better than 30 points a game this season – garnered their lone points of the game on a sack in the end zone for a safety.

The CHS defense, sparked by an interception and a fumble recovery, held a potent Forsan offense to just 275 total yards, including just 129 rushing yards and 146 passing yards.

One week later, the Bulldogs bared their defensive teeth in earnest. Coahoma dominated McCamey in the

team's 38-7 home opening win, limiting the Badgers to just 188 total yards.

In the game, Coahoma forced McCamey into a season-high five turnovers, including three interceptions.

The Bulldogs defense continued to flex its muscle last Friday, too. Coahoma yielded Reagan County just 208 yards in a 27-7 victory in Big Lake.

As a team, Coahoma's defensive line has thrown a blanket over opposing rushers. The team has allowed just 381 total rushing yards in its first three games – including a season-low 106 on 32 attempts to Reagan County last week.

The CHS secondary has been even more stingy. The Bulldogs have given up just 292 total passing yards in 2014, holding opposing passers to 16-of-39 with five interceptions.

Overall, the Bulldogs have allowed just 673 total yards.

"Defensively, our kids ran to the ball and that's the best we've seen them swarm to the ball," said Gardner. "We're doing the things we want to be doing and we just want to continue that."

Just 12 months removed from a tough 1-9 campaign, the Bulldogs are certainly proving the bite is back.

## Bufs seek 3rd straight victory

By **TOMMY WELLS**  
Sports Editor

The Forsan High School Buffaloes knew going into the season their offense would put up big numbers. And, after a slow start to the 2014 season, the FHS offense is quickly shifting into mid-season form for head coach Jason Phillips.

Reagan County, which has struggled to put points on the scoreboard this season, will get its chance to slow down the Jesse Cervantes and FHS offense on Friday when they invade Buffalo Stadium. The contest is scheduled to get under way at 7:30 p.m.

Forsan enters its 2014 homecoming game averaging more than 30 points per game this fall, including more than 40 in each of its two wins.

The Buffaloes' spread-style offense has generated almost 300 yards per game this season.

That fact isn't exactly what the Reagan County Owls want to hear. Getting into an old-fashioned West Texas shoot out is far from what they want.

Reagan County, 2-1 overall, has struggled to take flight offensively this season. The Owls have managed just 34 points in its first three contests – and just 14 in the last two outings.

See **FORSAN** on Page 2B

### Royalty on parade ...



Forsan will be holding its 2014 homecoming festivities on Friday night at the half of their game ith Reagan County.

## Forsan DE among state leaders in sacks

By **TOMMY WELLS**  
Sports Editor

The 2014 season has been a break-out season for Forsan High School defensive end Ian Park – and a pain for opposing quarterbacks.

Through the first three weeks of the season, Park is ranked second in the state, regardless of classification, in sacks, having registered 10.

Park, who had four sacks in Forsan's season-opener against Coahoma, trails only El Paso Hanks' senior Travis Fox in the total number of sacks. Fox has 11 sacks in Hanks' three games.



IAN PARK ...



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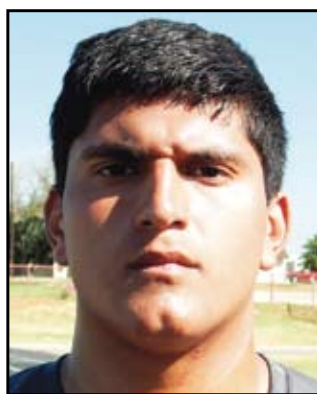
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## Stanton loses RB Chavez for season

The Stanton Buffaloes were hit hard by the injury bug in Friday's 33-0 loss to Forsan. In addition to dropping their first game of the year, Stanton may have lost running back/punter Estevan Chavez and lineman Aaron Garza for the remainder of the year. Chavez, the team's top rusher, suffered a dislocated elbow during the second half

of the Buffaloes' non-district game with Forsan. Garza injured his knee earlier in the contest. Stanton will try and regroup tonight when they make their first home appearance of the season by hosting Abernathy. Abernathy, which downed Sundown 45-12 last week, enters the game at 3-0. The Buffaloes are 2-1 overall.

## GC, Grady look to find wins

The Garden City Bearkats and Grady Wildcats will try and return to winning form on Friday. Garden City, 2-1 overall following last week's loss to rival Sterling City, will travel to Highland on Friday. The Bearkats turned the ball over five times in their loss to SCHS. Grady, 1-1 and fresh off a 66-20 romp over Kingdom Prep, will host Rankin (2-1) on Friday.

## After three weeks, we know several area teams are good

As hard as it may be to believe, but we are approaching the midway point of the 2014 high school season. With that in mind, here are a few things we have learned about the teams in our area. Most of them are good, and most of them have legitimate playoff dreams. One team that has certainly shown it has the guns to compete is the Big Spring Steers. The Steers have given their defense plenty of help while it grows by flat out outscoring everyone.



**TOMMY WELLS**  
Herald Sports Editor

When the defense solidifies, Big Spring could be plenty good. Coahoma and Forsan, too, bear watching. The Bulldogs are off to their best start since 2001, while the Buffaloes are hitting stride. Big Spring, Coahoma and Forsan should all make serious runs at the postseason. Garden City, Klondike

and Grady all legitimate playoff candidates in the six-man ranks. In all honesty, the Bearkats just have to hold on to the ball - and beat Rankin in a few weeks - to punch their postseason ticket. Klondike and Grady should find themselves playing for the district runner-up berth in District 4-1A. Here's my picks for this week: **Last week: 5-4, .555 Overall: 17-5, .772**

## Area Standings

DISTRICT 3-4A				
W	L	PF	PA	
Stephenville	3	0	128	27
Big Spring	2	0	91	88
Wylie	2	2	75	68
Snyder	1	2	77	80
Brownwood	1	2	51	83
Last week's Games				
Graham 18, Abilene Wylie 7; Liberty Hill 43, Brownwood 36; Monahans 42, Snyder 13; Stephenville 36, Everman 21; Big Spring was open.				
This week's Games				
Hereford at Big Spring; Birdville at Abilene Wylie; Alvarado at Brownwood; Snyder at Sweetwater; Cooper at Stephenville (Saturday).				
DISTRICT 3-3A				
W	L	PF	PA	
Coahoma	3	0	71	16
Coleman	3	0	140	34
Colorado City	2	1	95	66
Stanton	2	1	69	85
Post	1	2	78	62
Ballinger	0	3	48	112
Last week's Games				
Forsan 33, Stanton 0; Coahoma 27, Reagan County 7; Coleman 48, Early 14; Colorado City 42, Brownfield 24; Denver City 28, Post 11; Winters 27, Ballinger 7.				
This week's Games				

Miles at Coahoma; Abernathy at Stanton; Merkel at Ballinger; Bangs at Coleman; Clyde at Colorado City; Floydada at Post.

DISTRICT 3-2A				
W	L	PF	PA	
Forsan	2	1	92	6
Ozona	1	2	51	96
Anthony	0	3	13	121
Christoval	0	3	53	95
McCamey	0	3	28	86
Last week's Games				
Forsan 33, Stanton 0; Tornillo 42, Anthony 6; Iraan 54, Christoval 14; San Angelo TLC 28, McCamey 21; Ozona 13, Crane 6.				
This week's Games				
Reagan County at Forsan; McCamey at Iraan; Anthony at Van Horn; Christoval at Junction; San Angelo Grape Creek at Ozona				
DISTRICT 4-1A, Div. I				
W	L	PF	PA	
Borden Co.	3	0	204	73
Klondike	3	0	169	97
O'Donnell	2	1	213	145
Grady	1	1	142	46
Last week's Games				
Borden County 54, Rankin 6; Grady 66, Lubbock Kingdom Prep 20; O'Donnell 77, Loop 30; Klondike 41, Anton 31.				

This week's Games

Rankin at Grady; O'Donnell at Sands; Trent at Klondike; Borden County is open.

DISTRICT 5-1A, Div. I

W	L	PF	PA	
Garden City	2	1	155	58
Rankin	2	1	151	163
Marfa	2	1	135	91
Fort Davis	2	1	120	88
Last week's Games				
Borden County 54, Rankin 6; Sterling City 38, Garden City 28; Balmorhea 58, Marfa 12; Fort Davis 64, Fort Hancock 36				
This week's Games				
Rankin at Grady; Garden City at Highland; Marfa at Grandfalls-Royalty; Fort Davis at Sanderson.				
DISTRICT 6-1A, Div. I				
W	L	PF	PA	
Buena Vista	3	0	160	13
Grandfalls	3	1	189	90
Loop	1	2	126	155
Dawson	1	2	134	189
Sands	1	3	162	220
Last week's Games				
Midland Trinity 34, Grandfalls-Royalty 24; Whitharal 42, Dawson 25; O'Donnell 77, Loop 30; New Home 70, Sands 50;				
This week's Games				
O'Donnell at Sands.				

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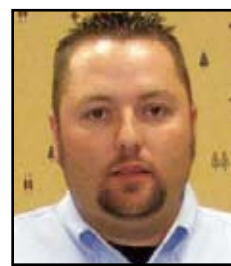
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