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Markus Rodriguez, 6, visits with one of the many dogs that were available for adoption during the Big Spring Animal Rescue pet adoption day held at the Tractor Supply Company parking lot Saturday.



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Drug charges put 14 in jail

Herald Staff Report

An early morning drug sweep by area law enforcement officers landed 14 people in jail Tuesday.

Big Spring Police Department officers, assisted by Howard County Sheriff's Office deputies, executed several felony arrest warrants for drug violations that started at approximately 6 a.m.

In a news release, BSPD Lt. Brian Gordon said the warrants and arrests were the end result of a six-month investigation by the department's narcotics division. Also, he credited cooperation from private citizens.

"These investigations are a result of a collaborative effort with the citizens of Big Spring and the Big Spring Police Department," Gordon said. "We share an interest in a drug free community to live

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—Lt. Brian Gordon

and raise our children."

Persons arrested during the drug sweep, and the charges, were:

- Lauren Smith, 27, delivery of a controlled substance,

See **ARRESTS**, Page 3

City council to set tax rate Thursday

By STEVE REAGAN
 Staff Writer

Big Spring City Council members are expected to give their final stamp of approval to the FY 2015 budget and tax rate when they meet at 5:30 p.m. Thursday in council chambers, located at 307 E. Fourth St.

This will be the final step in a months-long process to

adopt the new budget, which takes effect in October.

City leaders have proposed a budget featuring a tax rate of 86.5043 cents per \$100 property valuation, which is the same rate as the expiring budget. Because of a huge jump in property valuations, however, the rate is projected to bring in \$826,000 more in revenue than it did last year.

City Finance Director Donald Moore estimated that owners of an average-priced home in Big Spring will pay \$38 more in city taxes this coming fiscal year.

Officials plan to use that extra money to finance several "big ticket" items, including more than \$1.5 million for street repair, water line replacement and water

treatment plant upgrades. In addition, the city is expected to spend more than \$3 million (with assistance from Howard County) to open the final cell of the existing landfill and begin the administrative process of opening a new facility.

City employees are expected to receive a modest pay raise in the coming months —

officials are proposing a 2 percent across-the-board pay increase for all employees, as well as "equity adjustments" which will increase certain employees' pay from between 1 percent and 5 percent.

In other business, council will consider:

- Appointments to

See **COUNCIL**, Page 3

Gunman threat shuts down HC's San Angelo campus

By LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Witer

SAN ANGELO — An emergency lockdown at the Howard College San Angelo campus was lifted late Tuesday afternoon following a lengthy

manhunt by San Angelo Police for a man who allegedly shot at employees in a nearby business.

According to the San Angelo Standard-Times, Kenneth W. Acy, 26, of San Angelo was identified by police as the alleged shooter and was found hiding in vegetation in the area where the search began more than three hours earlier. Earlier that afternoon,

See **GUNMAN**, Page 3



Psychologist Dr. Addison E. Gradel of Lubbock, left, donated a new printer/copier to the Northside Community Center Tuesday morning to replace the center's aging, worn out device. Also pictured are NCC Administrative Assistant Virginia Natividad, middle, and NCC Director Linda Sepulveda.

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Obituaries

LaVera Alexander



LaVera Alexander, 94, of San Angelo, formerly of Big Spring, died Saturday, Sept. 20, 2014, at The Springs Alzheimer's Special Care Center, in San Angelo. Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, 2014, at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring with her son, Jim Alexander, officiating.

LaVera was born July 10, 1920, in Hugo, Okla. to Fred and Annie Mae (Stewart) Hawkins and married Mack Gregory Alexander May 23, 1940, in Roscoe, Texas, where she grew up. Mack preceded her in death July 1, 1986.

LaVera and her husband moved to Big Spring in the early 1950s and owned the Christian Day School. She taught all levels of school and cherished passing on a Godly heritage. She loved arts and crafts,

Christian music, and delighted in making a home for her family.

LaVera is survived by her three children, Mack Wayne Alexander and wife Joyce of Houston, Jim Alexander and wife, Susan of San Angelo, and Wanda Gail Pridgen and husband, Jonny of Riegelwood, N.C.; five grandchildren, Vera Whitehurst, Britt Allen Pridgen, Keri Underwood, Philip Alexander, Bryan Alexander and Ashley White; 10 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and a sister, Lou Vee Hawkins.

In addition to her husband and parents, LaVera was preceded in death by two brothers, Garland Hawkins and Fred Hawkins, Jr.

The family suggests memorials be made to The Springs Alzheimer's Special Care Center, 6102 Grand Court Road, San Angelo, Texas, 76901.

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

Paid obituary

Harold Etheridge Beaver

Harold Etheridge Beaver, age 91, of Odessa passed away on Sept. 22, 2014 in Big Spring, Texas at the Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez-Texas State Veteran's Home.

Harold was born Sept. 4, 1923, to Hubert H. Beaver and Rose Mae Sifford Beaver in Hunt, Texas. He graduated from Kerrville Tivy High School and in 1951 he graduated from Baylor University with a business degree. He served in the United States Air Corp from 1945-1947.

Harold worked for Cameron Lumber Company, which later was renamed Certaineed Corp., where he retired. He was a member of Waco Masonic Lodge

No. 92 for 60 years as a 32nd degree Mason. He also was a member of Northside Baptist Church.

Harold is preceded in death by his parents, Hubert H. and Rose Mae Beaver, brothers, Marvin, Edward and Dan Beaver.

He is survived by his sisters, Frances Jean (Beaver) Burton, of Mesquite, Texas and Rose Lane (Beaver) Bauer of Odessa; sisters-in-law, Gladys Price of San Antonio, Texas and Wanda Beaver of Tomball, Texas; and many nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, family requests donations be made to a charity organization of your choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Sunset Memorial Gardens and Funeral Home.

Police/Sheriff

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

- GRACIELA LEAL, of 1504 S. Nolan, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for possession of controlled substance less than 1 gram.

- LAUREN RACINE SMITH, 27, of 1801 Settles, was arrested Tuesday on charges of delivery of controlled substance greater than or equal to 1 gram but less than 4 grams, delivery of controlled substance less than 1 gram and possession of dangerous drug.

- EURVIN JAMALL WINTERS, 27, of 631 Caylor, was arrested Tuesday on a possession of marijuana less than or equal to 2 ounces.

- ASHLEY NICHOLE RUIZ, 26, of 1905 Wasson Dr. no. 68, was arrested Tuesday on warrants for possession of controlled substance greater than or equal to 4 grams but less than 200 grams and tampering/fabricating physical evidence.

- LARRY DALE KING, 31, of 1909 Morrison, was arrested Tuesday on warrants for no drivers license when unlicensed and fail to appear.

- DENNIS MICHAEL RICHARDSON II, 30, of 1604 S. Benton, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for criminal trespass - habitation or shelter.

- MICHAEL ALLAN GARZA, 31, of 1110 Johnson, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for possession of controlled substance less than 1 gram.

- DOROTHY MICHELLE WOODARD, 43, of 410 S. Aylesford no. 7, Avondale, Ariz., was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for possession of a dangerous drug.

- DON LLOYD BROOKS, 48, of 1410 Eleventh Place, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for delivery of

controlled substance less than 1 gram.

- MARK HOLLIS RYERSON, 27, of 3304 W. Highway 80 no. 43, was arrested Tuesday on warrants for delivery of controlled substance less than 1 gram in a drug free zone and delivery of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

- MARTY RAY EVANS JR., 20, of 1410 E. Eleventh Place, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for delivery of controlled substance less than 1 gram.

- TONI SUE FRALEY, 46, of 600 W. Interstate Highway 20 no. 227, was arrested Tuesday on warrants for possession of controlled substance less than 1 gram and delivery of controlled substance less than 1 gram - two counts.

- MICHAEL JAMES FLORES, 37, of 3007 Cactus Dr., was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for possession of controlled substance less than 1 gram.

- BRANDON JOE ROBINSON, 28, of 610 Caylor, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for possession of controlled substance less than 1 gram and delivery of controlled substance greater than or equal to 1 gram but less than 4 grams.

- JIMMY WASHINGTON BRANNAN, 32, of 1601 Meadow Ave., was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for possession of marijuana less than or equal to 2 ounces.

- RONALD TERRY PARHAM JR., 32, of 1129 Walnut, Colorado City, Texas, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces.

- PATRICK TERRALL KESLER, 35, of 1600 S. Lancaster, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of possession of controlled substance less than 1 gram and a warrant form another agency.

- ZACHARY SMITH,

23, of 14304 Lark Meadows Dr., Venus, Texas, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of theft greater than or equal to \$50 but less than \$500.

- SAMANTHA MARIE PAYNE, 30, of 608 W. 17th St., was arrested Tuesday on a warrant from another agency.

- MICHAEL DALE MARTINEZ, 26, of 2002 San Sebastian, Houston, Texas, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of theft less than \$1,500 - 2 or more convictions shoplifting.

- KESSANDRA LOUISE URBINA, 3, of 2107 Grace, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of possession of a dangerous drug.

- THEFT reported at the 200 block of W. FM 700.

- ASSAULT reported at the 2900 block of W. Highway 80.

The Howard County Sheriffs Office reported the following activity:

Note: Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 100 at the time of this report.

- EURVYN WINTERS was booked by BSPD on a warrant of possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces.

- MICHAEL ALLAN GARZA was booked by BSPD on a warrant for possession of a controlled substance.

- DOROTHY MICHELLE WOODARD was booked by BSPD on a warrant for possession of a dangerous drug.

- ASHLEY NICHOLE RUIZ was booked by BSPD on a warrant for tamper/fabricate physical evidence with intent to impair and possession of controlled substance greater than or equal to 4 grams but less than 2000 grams.

- GRACIELA LEAL was booked by BSPD on a warrant for possession of controlled substance less than 1 gram.

- KASSANDRA URBINA was booked by HCSO on a charge of

possession of a dangerous drug.

- BRANDON JOE ROBINSON was booked by BSPD on a warrant for possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces.

- JIMMY WASHINGTON BRANNAN was booked by BSPD on a possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces.

- MICHAEL JAMES FLORES was booked by BSPD on a warrant for possession of controlled substance less than 1 gram.

- RONALD T. PARHAM was booked by BSPD on a warrant for possession of marijuana probation/imposition of sentence.

- DENNIS MICHAEL RICHARDSON was booked by BSPD on a warrant for criminal trespass.

- PATRICK TERRALL KESLER was booked by BSPD on warrant for fail to appear, delivery of a controlled substance and possession of a controlled substance.

- SAMANTHA MARIE PAYNE was booked by BSPD on a warrant for motion to revoke probation.

- ZACHARY ALAN SMITH was booked by BSPD on a charge of theft of property greater than or equal to \$50 but less than \$500.

- RODNEY JOSEPH KELEMAN was booked by Howard county on a warrant for unauthorized use of a vehicle.

- MICHAEL DALE MARTINEZ JR. was booked by BSPD on a charge of theft of property less than \$1,500 with more than 2 convictions.

- LAUREN LARCH SMITH was booked by BSPD on a warrant for delivery of a controlled substance - 2 counts and possession of a dangerous drug.

- JOHN JAY FLORES was booked by BSPD on a warrant for possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces.

Dorothy 'Dottie' Leffler



Dorothy "Dottie" Leffler, 69, of Big Spring, died Monday, Sept. 22, 2014, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Memorial services will be held at 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, 2014, at Myers & Smith Chapel with Pastor Carroll Kohl officiating.

Dorothy was born Sept. 26, 1944, to Anna and George Acton in Cascade, Idaho. She came to Big Spring in 1981 from Missouri.

She married Jimmy Leffler on Nov. 22, 1981 in Big Spring.

She graduated from U.T.P.B and worked at the Veterans Administration Medical Center for 19 years. She and her husband Jimmy owned and operated J&D's Garage. She was a member of Alive in Christ Lutheran Church.

Dorothy is survived by her husband, Jimmy Leffler of Big Spring; one daughter, Trisha Yarbar and husband Dwan of Sterling City; three sons, Bo Leffler and wife Silvia and David Blevins, all of Houston and Todd Wombell and wife Susie of California; three sisters, Rosie Acton of Oregon, Lois Daly of Kansas and Mary Litchfield of Tennessee; five grandchildren; six great grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one daughter, Jamie Moreno, and one brother Leslie Acton.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home Pay your respects online at www.myersand-smith.com



W.D. Scott

W.D. Scott of Dripping Springs Texas, formerly of Big Spring, died on Sept. 21, 2014.

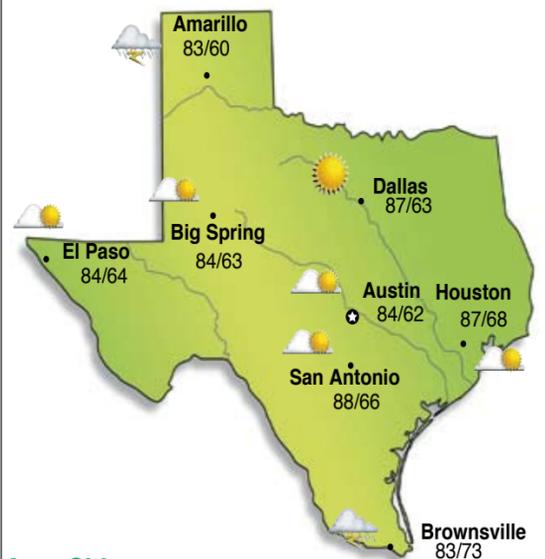
He is survived by his wife Gloria, daughter Kelly, son-in-law Steve, 2 sisters and 4 brothers.

Local 5-Day Forecast

Thu 9/25	Fri 9/26	Sat 9/27	Sun 9/28	Mon 9/29
84/63	82/60	80/62	80/62	81/63
Sunshine and clouds mixed. A stray shower or thunderstorm is possible.	Mostly sunny. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the low 60s.	Mostly sunny. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the low 60s.	Plenty of sun. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the low 60s.	A few clouds. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the low 60s.
Sunrise: 7:35 AM Sunset: 7:39 PM	Sunrise: 7:35 AM Sunset: 7:38 PM	Sunrise: 7:36 AM Sunset: 7:37 PM	Sunrise: 7:37 AM Sunset: 7:35 PM	Sunrise: 7:37 AM Sunset: 7:34 PM

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Lubbock man donates brand printer/copier to North Side CC

BY LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

The workload at the Northside Community Center might just get a little easier — at least in the area of paperwork — thanks to a generous donation from a West Texas psychologist.

Tuesday morning, the center received a brand new copier/printer to replace its aging, worn out device, a welcome sight for Director Linda Sepulveda and Administrative Assistant Virginia Natividad.

“It was awesome when they called us and told us we would be getting this,” Sepulveda said. “It was a very big surprise and when we saw it we couldn’t believe it.”

According to Natividad, the former copier worked sporadically, and they found it difficult to produce clean, workable copies.

Psychologist Dr. Addison E. Gradel of Lubbock, who has a long-time association with the center, said he purchased the copier because he saw a need he could fulfill. Gradel is contracted with the vocational rehab program here and helps clients with their disability claims. For many years, the Northside CC has provided space in the center for Gradel to see his clientele when he travels to the Big Spring area.

“They really try hard here,” Gradel said. “This board really knocks themselves out, and I figured they have enough to do, and I thought this really is something that needed to be done.”

The Northside Community Center provides guidance for individuals and families in establishing career goals, education, assists in time management and preparation of financial budgets, and use community resources to help clients improved their quality of life for both family and individuals.

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

Take Note

- The city of Big Spring will begin a water line replacement Thursday. The area of Alamesa and Parkway streets south to Wasson and Longshore will be affected. Residents may experience little to no water pressure until work is completed. For more information, contact City Hall at 264-2501.

- The KC Steak House is the site for this week’s United Way Dine Out Days event. Each restaurant which participates in Dine Out Days makes a contribution to the United Way.

- The Howard County Humane Society and Sierra Animal Clinic will host a vaccine clinic Oct. 4, from 8 a.m. to noon as a fund-raiser for the United Way. The clinic will be held at the Humane Society, 5710 IH 20 West. Prices are as follows, dogs shots for Parvo, Distemper are a \$10 donation; Rabies, \$5; for cats, Rabies, \$5; for indoor cats, fvrpc, \$10, and for outdoor cats, felv/fvrpc \$15; and. Dogs must be on leashes and cats in carriers.

- The annual Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Chapter 47 Forget-Me-Not Drive will be held Oct. 10-11, at Walmart. Money contributed to the annual fund-raiser stays in the area to help local military veterans.

- The Big Spring High School homecoming parade is set for 4:30 p.m. Oct. 3. If you would like to enter a float, call the BSHS main office at 432-264-3641. Parade entries are due Sept. 24.

- Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Thursday each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information contact Jimmy Ruth at 270-7263.

- 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 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 Fair Quilt is on display at State National Bank. Tickets are available for \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5. Tickets can be purchased at Compass Bank, Prosperity Bank, State National, and Wells Fargo Bank.

- The Howard County Association board invites all elementary school children, pre-kindergarten through fifth grade, to attend the Howard County Fair without charge Thursday and Friday, 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 taking applications for another boot camp. For more information, call 432-517-4791. Young Marines welcomes boys and girls ages 8 to 18 who are still attending school.

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

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

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

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

ARRESTS

possession of a controlled substance and two counts of possession of a dangerous drug.

- Marty Evans, 24, delivery of a controlled substance.
- Toni Fraley, 46, pos-

session of a controlled substance and two counts of delivery of a controlled substance.

- Mark Ryerson, 27, delivery of a controlled substance and delivery of a controlled substance in a drug free zone.
- Brandon Robinson,

28, delivery of a controlled substance.

- Eurvin Winters, 27, possession of marijuana.
- Dorothy Woodard, 43, possession of a dangerous drug.
- Don Brooks, 47, delivery of a controlled

substance.

- Michael Garza, 31, possession of a controlled substance.
- Ashley Ruiz, 26, possession of a controlled substance and tampering with evidence.
- Jimmy Brannan, 32, possession of marijuana.

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- Michael Flores, 37, possession of a controlled substance.
- Graciela Leal, 43, possession of a controlled substance.
- Kessandra Urbina, 23, possession of a dangerous drug.

COUNCIL

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several city boards and commissions.

- Approval of the county 911 Communications District budget.
- Amended agreements with Heritage Museum pertaining to preservation of historical documents and upkeep at the

Potton House.

- An oil and gas lease with Big Star Oil and Gas for approximately 66 acres of city owned land.
- Amendments to traffic and zoning ordinances.

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

GUNMAN

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police responded to a call at 12:05 p.m. of shots fired at the business, Ethicon, located in northeast San Angelo. Police learned Ethicon employees stumbled upon Acy as he burglarized a work vehicle on the business property, the Standard-Times reported. When they came across the man, he opened fire on them. No employees were injured.

According to Cindy Smith, Howard College public relations coordinator, the district locked down the West Texas Training Center, the academic building, building 2 and the

St. John’s campus as a “precautionary measure, to maintain the safety of our staff, faculty and students,” after receiving notice by the police of a manhunt in the area. No one was allowed in or out of the buildings during the lock-down period.

The Standard-Times reported several locations, including Holiman Elementary School and PaulAnn Baptist Church, were on lock-down and police advised nearby residents and businesses to seek shelter.

Howard College lifted the lockdown at 3:45 p.m. letting students and employees free to exit and enter the buildings after receiving notice that Acy was taken into cus-

tody. Smith said the The West Texas Training Center, the Academic Building, and Building 2 were secured at 5 p.m. Tuesday and the district canceled all evening classes that were scheduled on the San Angelo site that day.

According to the Standard-Times, Acy was taken to Shannon Medical Center for treatment of unknown medical issues. He faces charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and felon in possession of a firearm. He faces up to 20 years in prison if convicted of the aggravated assault with a

deadly weapon charge, which is a second degree felony.

Several area and law enforcement agencies assisted with the search.

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ANSWERS

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3	8	2	4	9	7	5	1	6
1	7	5	2	3	6	4	8	9
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Michelle Gaitan of the San Angelo Standard Times contributed to this report.

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Drones nothing to yawn about

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As if all the ways the government, marketing firms, research and advertising companies can access our phones and television watching habits wasn't enough, there is a very real nuisance looming that threatens to invade our privacy even more. At first glance it seems relatively harmless, even recreational. But a closer look quickly reveals this newest technological fad has the potential to be anything but fun and games. I'm talking about the flood of aircraft that is sweeping across America like a West Texas wind commonly referred to as "drones."

Hobbyists everywhere are getting their hands on new models of unmanned aircraft capable of carrying cameras and other sensors and the trend is raising new concerns over personal privacy. Drones have defined America's recent foreign wars, but bringing that technology home to roost has proved challenging. The idea of Predator drones stalking domestic skies recently prompted officials in a Colorado town to propose the nation's first drone hunting license. It may not be long before every state is in need of legislation controlling this wildly popular new technological toy.

Advocates for the use of unmanned vehicles in American skies tend to shudder at the word drone. It is seen as stained by military and CIA use in foreign missile strikes. Instead, they prefer technical terms. Unmanned aerial system (UAS) is the phrase currently in favor with the Federal Aviation Administration. The FAA is in the process of selecting six test sites for unmanned aerial systems.

President Barack Obama defended the foreign use of military drones in a May 2013 foreign policy speech.

"This new technology raises profound questions about who is targeted and why, about civilian casualties and the risk of creating new enemies, about the legality of such strikes under U.S. and international law." Statements like that caused many eyebrows to be raised and a nervous feeling in the pit of a

lot of stomachs.

The president later clarified the government's drone efforts in a speech before the U.N. General Assembly.

"We have limited the use of drones so they only target those who pose a continuing imminent threat to the United States, where capture is not feasible and there's a near certainty of no civilian casualties," he said.

But the integration of unmanned aircraft into U.S. airspace, already crowded with commercial, military and general aviation, is a tough topic for the Obama administration. U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder has stated drones could be used to kill American citizens in "extraordinary circumstances."

Really? Our government is considering killing Americans with drones, right in our own front yards? I get the idea that a criminal on the run, a wanted murderer, or someone who poses a threat to someone's safety might be more easily and safely located and apprehended with a remote controlled airplane on steroids, but do we seriously need this kind of potential privacy invasion? It's one thing to have the capability to track down a terrorist or criminal, but it's quite another thing to know that at any moment a "spy plane" could fly over the family BBQ and possibly shoot your uncle right in front of the grandkids. And it might not be the government. It may be a family enemy who had the ability to purchase and implement the use of a UAS.

Here's why I propose the possibility of what may sound like such an absurd scenario. One of the most significant challenges involves setting rules for the personal use of drones. Technological advances have made basic unmanned aerial systems available today for less than \$1,000. Some models include sophisticated stabilization logic, making them easy to control for beginners. Others can follow GPS waypoints, land autonomously or return to a pre-determined point if the connection with a controller is lost. Operators of these systems sometimes equip them with radios that transmit a live video feed to specialized goggles or monitors, allowing the aircraft to fly beyond the operator's field of view.

Under existing rules, hobbyists can fly this new class of aircraft in much the same man-

ner as traditional RC planes and helicopters.

Utah Valley University's College of Aviation and Public Services, Wayne Dornan, has been vocal on the matter and puts some aspects of the issue in perspective.

"Someone right now who wants to go to a hobby shop and buy a recreation UAS or unmanned helicopter, as long as they're not using it for a commercial use, then they don't have to get permission from the FAA," Dornan said.

Dornan believes that should change, though. He contends many hobby users are probably violating federal rules without realizing it.

For now, it's unlikely you will see handcuffs slapped on your neighborhood RC enthusiast unless he or she does something clearly in violation of the law. But there are still some troubling aspects of this drone business and how easily they can be obtained and used in unseemly ways. The presence of a drone is not always known because they are smaller and many of them are virtually noiseless. It presents some different challenges for the privacy issues and most of the privacy laws relate to things like use of telephoto lenses, and even weapons.

Those concerns also have caught the attention of lawmakers unwilling to wait through the FAA's rule-making process. Idaho, for example, has passed a law that makes it unlawful to photograph or take an image from a drone of an individual or their private property without the person's permission. Texas has gone a step further and made it a crime. It makes it a crime not only to take the image but also to possess or distribute the image.

It's a very sticky situation because it involves so many potential issues. The good, the bad, and the ugly have to all be weighed into the equation. Of course, using UAS technology has great possibilities for good, but like so many other things, it also inherently carries the potential for disaster, even evil.

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

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DAILY PRAYER

Help us, oh Lord, to make the choices you would want us to make.

Amen

If only Gary Hart had manned up

I don't think it's a coincidence that as the 2016 presidential campaign looms — and this time, Hillary Clinton likely will make use of her trophy husband — The New York Times' finest are rethinking whether it is good journalism to explore the personal lives of public figures. In that spirit, Sunday's New York Times Magazine featured a Matt Bai piece that gives Gary Hart a cloudy halo. Make that: Poor Gary Hart. He has to live with the prospect that if a sex scandal had not forced him to withdraw from the 1988 race, George H.W. Bush would not have won the White House (he thinks), George W. Bush would not have won in 2000 and, Hart told Bai, "we wouldn't have invaded Iraq."

In case you missed Bai's "Legend of the Fall," allow me to encapsulate. Franklin Roosevelt, John Kennedy and Lyndon Johnson played around in the White House, and it wasn't a story. Alas, pesky feminism ruined the good old days — for men — when adultery "was rarely discussed but widely accepted." Likewise, Watergate ruined journalism by instilling among

political reporters a pesky "new kind of career ambition" to expose mendacious politicians. Why, when The Miami Herald was preparing its story on Hart's dalliance with Donna Rice, there was no "debate about whether a candidate's private life merited investigation."

Bai debunks the popular belief that Hart taunted the media with his infamous "follow me around" quote before The Miami Herald began to shadow the candidate. Yes, Hart said the above to a New York Times reporter — in answer to a question about his rumored womanizing.

But that interview was not published until the day the Herald story appeared.

OK, so Hart did not dare reporters to tail him before they tailed him. That's good to know, but it doesn't change anything. It was reckless and gratuitous for Hart to say, "If anybody wants to put a tail on me, go ahead. They'd be very bored." Hart knew that his womanizing was a ticking time bomb, but he did not defuse it. What would have happened if Hart had won the Democratic nomination and then the infamous "Monkey Business" photo of Rice on Hart's lap had hit the airwaves?

Probably the same thing that happened in 1987. When caught, Hart was a weasel. Asked why he was seen squiring Rice into his town house, Hart answered,

"The obvious reason is I'm being set up." When asked whether he had taken a woman on a boat trip in Florida, Hart answered, "I don't remember."

In an email, then Miami Herald political reporter Tom Fiedler summed up the story as "Journalism 101: we got a tip; we checked it out and verified it; we sought comment from the subject (Gary Hart), and we reported what we learned in the next day's paper."

Hart's understanding wife, Lee, reveals that her husband is ravaged with regret. He should be sorry. If Hart was such a big man that he had to spread it around, why couldn't he be a man and admit it? The same goes for Bill Clinton, who hid behind his wife's "right-wing conspiracy" skirt and lied to the American public rather than admit to having sexual relations with intern Monica Lewinsky. These guys think they're so macho, until they get caught, and then they turn into squirrely little mama's boys.

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News in brief

World leaders meet at UN facing turmoil from multiple crises, with few solutions

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Facing a world in turmoil from multiple crises ranging from wars in the Mideast and Africa to the deadly scourge of Ebola and growing Islamic radicalism, leaders from more than 140 countries open their annual meeting at the United Nations on Wednesday with few solutions.

The issue certain to top the agenda is the threat from Islamic terrorists intent on erasing borders, with the first U.S. and Arab airstrikes in Syria delivered Monday night in response.

Many diplomats hope that crisis won't drown out the plight of millions of civilians caught in conflicts in Syria, Iraq, Central African Republic, South Sudan, Ukraine and Gaza; the misery of the largest number of refugees since World War II; and global support for new U.N. goals to fight poverty and address climate change.

Looking at the array of complex challenges, Norway's Foreign Minister Borge Brende told The Associated Press: "It's unprecedented in decades, that's for sure."

He pointed to an unprecedented situation in which the U.N. and international donors are confronting four top-level humanitarian crises at the same time in Iraq, Central African Republic, South Sudan and Syria, which is now in the fourth year of a civil war which the U.N. says has killed more than 190,000 people

Obama to address UN amid new strikes against militants in Syria, as well as Iraq

NEW YORK (AP) — President Barack Obama is addressing the United Nations as a commander in chief overseeing a war against militants in two Middle Eastern nations, a striking shift in the trajectory of a presidency that had been focused on ending conflicts in the region.

Instead, when he speaks to the world body Wednesday, he will cast the U.S. as the linchpin in efforts to defeat Islamic State militants in Iraq and Syria, administration officials said. After weeks of launching strikes against militant targets in Iraq, Obama extended the military action into Syria on Monday, joined by an unexpected coalition of five Arab nations. Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Jordan and the United Arab Emirates joined the U.S. in carrying out airstrikes, while Qatar played a supporting role.

The partnership with Arab countries marked a rare victory for Obama during a tough stretch in which his foreign policy has been challenged not only by the Middle East militants, but also Russia's provocations in Ukraine and an Ebola outbreak in West Africa.

Officials said Obama will also address ways the U.S. has sought to mobilize international action to resolve the Ukraine and Ebola crises as well, including getting deepening economic sanctions on Russia and dispatching 3,000 U.S. troops to West Africa to help deal with the Ebola outbreak.

But the growing U.S. military role in the Middle East will be the centerpiece of the president's sixth address to the U.N. General Assembly. It comes at a time when Obama had hoped to be nearing the end of the second of the two wars he inherited in Afghanistan and Iraq.

Jordanian court acquits radical cleric Abu Qatada of plotting attacks on Americans, Israelis

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — A Jordanian court on Wednesday acquitted radical Muslim preacher Abu Qatada — known for his fiery pro-al-Qaida speeches — of involvement in a plot to target Israeli and American tourists and Western diplomats in Jordan more than a decade ago.

The ruling capped a lengthy legal odyssey for the 53-year-old cleric who has been described as a onetime lieutenant to Osama bin Laden, but in recent months emerged as a harsh critic of the Islamic State militant group. Abu Qatada was deported from Britain to Jordan last year, after years of fighting extradition.

The three-judge panel unanimously acquitted Abu Qatada "because of the lack of convincing charges against him," said Judge Ahmed Qattarneh.

The gray-bearded Abu Qatada sat on a bench in a cage in the courtroom, largely blocked from view by black-clad riot policemen lining the case. When the verdict was announced he briefly punched his left fist in the air.

Several family members jumped up from their seats, one calling out "Allahu Akbar," or "God is great."

Anti-addiction activists call for FDA chief's resignation amid painkiller abuse epidemic

WASHINGTON (AP) — Anti-addiction activists are calling for the Food and Drug Administration's top official to step down, saying the agency's policies have contributed to a national epidemic of prescription painkiller abuse.

In a letter released Wednesday, more than a dozen groups ask the Obama administration's top health official to replace FDA Commissioner Dr. Margaret Hamburg, who has led the agency since 2009. The FDA has been under fire from public health advocates, politicians and law enforcement officials since last October, when it approved a powerful new painkiller called Zohydro against the recommendation of its own medical advisers.

The new letter is the first formal call for new lead-

ership at the FDA over the issue.

"We are especially frustrated by the FDA's continued approval of new, dangerous, high-dose opioid analgesics that are fueling high rates of addiction and overdose deaths," states the letter, which is addressed to Health and Human Services Secretary Sylvia Burwell, who oversees the FDA and other health agencies. The groups signing the letter include Physicians for Responsible Opioid Prescribing, a 900-member advocacy group that petitioned the FDA to drastically restrict opioid use. The FDA rejected that petition last year.

A spokeswoman for the Department of Health and Human Services said opioid abuse "is a serious issue and one that the secretary is focused on."

Fired by zeal, Turks move with children to "family-friendly" Islamic State territory

ISTANBUL (AP) — Asiya Ummi Abdullah doesn't share the view that the Islamic State group rules over a terrorist dystopia and she isn't scared by the American bombs falling on Raqqa, its power center in Syria.

As far as she's concerned, it's the ideal place to raise a family.

In interviews with The Associated Press, the 24-year-old Muslim convert explained her decision to move with her toddler to the territory controlled by the militant group, saying it offers them protection from the sex, crime, drugs and alcohol that she sees as rampant in largely secular Turkey.

"The children of that country see all this and become either murderers or delinquents or homosexuals or thieves," Umi Abdullah wrote in one of several Facebook messages exchanged in recent days. She said that living under Shariah, the Islamic legal code, means that her 3-year-old boy's spiritual life is secure.

"He will know God and live under his rules," she said. As for the American bombs being dropped on the Islamic State group, she said: "I only fear God."

Authorities: Fired UPS employees dons old uniform, guns down 2 former co-workers in Alabama

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — Fired a day earlier from UPS, a man put on his work uniform, drove to an Alabama package sorting center and evaded security by entering through a truck dock in the rear, police and the company say.

Two former UPS co-workers were shot dead within minutes Tuesday, and the shooter, identified by police as Kerry Joe Tesney, lay dead atop his gun from what police said was a self-inflicted wound.

The shooter entered after about 80 drivers had left for the day to deliver packages from the Birmingham center, UPS said, possibly avoiding even more bloodshed.

"It was a relatively small crew that was remaining," said Steve Gaut, a spokesman for the shipping company.

Authorities haven't released the slain people's names but said they were members of management.

India declares Mars mission a success

NEW DELHI (AP) — India triumphed in its first interplanetary mission, placing a satellite into orbit around Mars on Wednesday and catapulting the country into an elite club of deep-space explorers.

In scenes broadcast live on Indian TV, scientists broke into wild

cheers as the orbiter's engines completed 24 minutes of burn time to maneuver the spacecraft into its designated place around the red planet.

"We have gone beyond the boundaries of human enterprise and innovation," Prime Minister Narendra Modi said in a live broadcast from the Indian Space and Research Organisation's command center in the southern tech hub of Bangalore.

"We have navigated our craft through a route known to very few," Modi said, congratulating the scientists and "all my fellow Indians on this historic occasion."

Scientists described the final stages of the Mars Orbiter Mission, affectionately nicknamed MOM, as flawless. The success marks a milestone for the space program in demonstrating that it can conduct complex missions and act as a global launch pad for commercial, navigational and research satellites.

Soaring deer populations are nuisances for airports, threats to pilots

WASHINGTON (AP) — Long the bane of gardeners and unwary motorists, soaring deer populations are also nuisances for airports and threats to pilots, especially at this time of year, according to aviation and wildlife experts.

Whether driven by hunger or just crazy for love, deer will do seemingly anything to get onto airport grounds and runways, including leaping over tall fences or squeezing under them. Once there, they like to warm themselves by sauntering on runways, which hold heat longer than cold ground. But put a deer and a plane together on a runway and both can have a very bad day.

From 1990 to 2013, there were 1,088 collisions between planes and deer, elk, moose and caribou, according to a recent joint report by the Federal Aviation Administration and the Agriculture Department. Most of the planes suffered damage, and some were destroyed, the report said. One person was killed and 29 others injured. No mention is made of the fate of the deer.

The vast majority of collisions involved white-tailed deer, the smallest member of the North American deer family, but big enough to wreck a plane. There were only about 350,000 of the creatures in the U.S. in 1900. By 1984 there were 15 million and by 2010 more than 28 million. They've caused \$44 million in aircraft damage and 238,000 hours of lost flying time over the past 24 years. About 30 percent of collisions occurred during the October-November mating season.

Last month in Florida, the propeller of a small plane landing at night at the Ormond Beach Municipal Airport struck a deer, causing the plane's front landing gear to collapse, according to local police. The pilot and three passengers were unhurt.

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Check this out: What's at the library

It is biography time this week. It will range from political to movies stars to even a flag!

"Good Morning, Mr. Mandela" (B MAN N) by Zelda la Grange tells the extraordinary story of how a young woman's life, beliefs, prejudices, everything she once believed, were utterly transformed by the man she had been taught was the enemy.



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A white Afrikaner, Zelda la Grange grew up in segregated South Africa, supporting the regime and the rules of apartheid.

Her conservative family referred to the imprisoned Nelson Mandela as "a terrorist."

Yet, just a few years after his release and the end of apartheid, she would be traveling the world by Mr. Mandela's side, having grown to respect and cherish the man she would come to call "Khulu," or "Grandfather."

It is the incredible journey of an awkward, terrified young secretary in her 20s who rose from a job in a government typing pool to become one of the president's most loyal and devoted associates.

Now to a completely different topic: a baseball hero and a movie star. C. David Heymann is a New York Times best-selling author and he has written another one: "Joe and Marilyn: Legends in Love" (B Mon M), the riveting, true story of the passionate, volatile relationship between baseball great Joe DiMaggio and Hollywood icon Marilyn Monroe.

When Joe DiMaggio and Marilyn Monroe eloped in January 1954, they became an international sensation. "Joe and Marilyn" tries to reveal the true inside story of these two iconic figures whose marital troubles were Hollywood legend. Though their marriage only lasted nine months, they remained close until Monroe's mysterious death in 1962 at the age of 36. He had a half-dozen red roses delivered three times a week to her crypt for 20 years. According to Heymann, DiMaggio remained devoted to her.

An intimate, sensitive, shocking, and richly detailed look at two of America's biggest stars, Heymann delivers the expertise and passion for his subjects that his many fans so love. His book is based on extensive archival research and personal interviews with family and friends.

When people think about Marlon Brando,

they think of the movie star, the hunk and scandal. In "Brando's Smile: His Life, Thought and Work" (B BRA M), Susan L. Mizruchi reveals the Brando others have missed: the man who collected 4,000 books; the man who rewrote scripts, trimming his lines to make them sharper; the man who consciously used his body and employed the objects around him to create believable characters; the man who loved Emily Dickinson's poetry.

To write this biography, Mizruchi gained unprecedented access to a vast number of annotated books from Brando's library, hand-edited copies of screenplays, private letters and recorded interviews that have never before been quoted in a biography. Original interviews with some of the still-living players from Brando's life provide even deeper insight into the complex person whose intelligence belied the high-school dropout. I think you will come out with a different view of Brando than what you have previously read about.

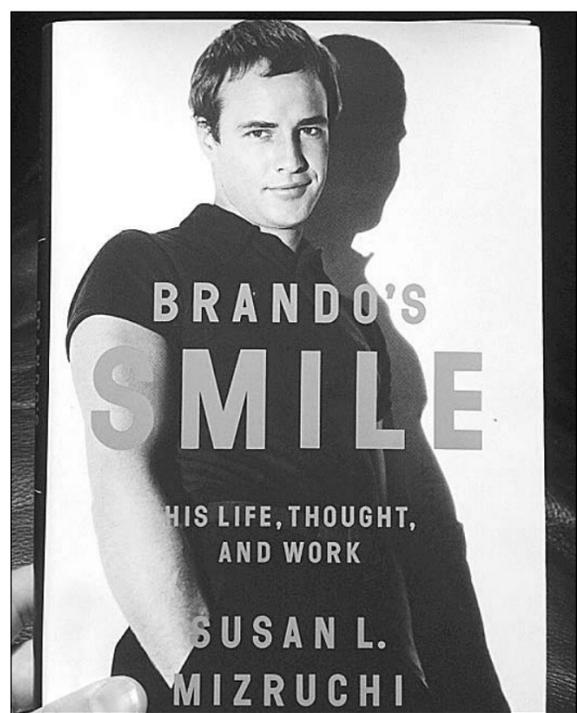
Did you know that Sept. 14 was the 200th anniversary of the Battle of Baltimore? On Sept. 13-14, 1812, the British Navy tried to pound into submission the city of Baltimore with a constant stream

of bombs, mortars and rocket shells as an intense thunderstorm punctuated the darkness.

Francis Scott Key was on board a British warship in the harbor, trying to negotiate the release of a prisoner, one Dr. Beanes. Key could not, however, return to Washington D.C. until after the attack on Baltimore, ostensibly because he could tell of the attack plans.

Key and two fellow negotiators watched the bombardment until Admiral Cochrane silenced the cannons and the war fleet turned back down the Patapsco River and down the Chesapeake Bay. Mark Leepson has written "What So Proudly We Hailed: Francis Scott Key: A Life," a biography of the man who wrote "The Star Spangled Banner" our national anthem.

However, there is much more to Key's life than that poem that was set to the tune of "To Anacreon in Heaven." He was a contradiction



and a man of his time; he was a slave owner who fought slave trafficking and defended slaves in court for free. He was a leader of the American Colonization Society, a movement to send free blacks back to Africa. Key is a fascinating patriot who played a little-known but important role in shaping the United States.

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Hollis McCright is Howard County librarian.

Odds and ends

Police deliver pie after Pizza Hut driver hurt

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — After a pizza delivery driver was injured in a crash in Portland, Oregon, two police officers completed the delivery for him.

Steve Huckins tells KOIN that he and his wife were concerned Sept. 1 when the officers showed up at their home, but they started laughing when they received the pizza.

They're thanking Officers Michael Filbert and Royce Curtiss for going out of their way.

The Pizza Hut driver hurt his neck and back in the collision at an intersection.

Ohio college president backs skunk safety

OXFORD, Ohio (AP) — An Ohio college president says the school supports safety for skunks, and for other furry creatures, too.

Miami University President David Hodge has thanked People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals for its offer to send safety posters after a skunk recently got its head stuck in a beer can near a fraternity house. The posters urge people to crush cans for animal safety.

Hodge wrote to PETA to say that the Advocates for Animals student group will work on the poster safety campaign. He says the school appreciates the effort to remind the community to crush and recycle cans, not only to preserve resources but to protect animals from harm.

"We share your desire to have no more stuck skunks!" Hodge wrote.

The posters PETA offered Monday to send to Miami show a raccoon with head stuck in a tin can and says crush cans for animal safety, urging: "Don't let this happen again."

"Aluminum cans, plastic cups, and open jars can become death traps for hungry or inquisitive animals if they aren't disposed of properly," PETA Senior Director Colleen O'Brien said in the letter to Hodge.

Man who attempted to pet moose in Spokane arrested

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — A man who attempted to pet a bull moose in a Spokane cemetery was arrested after fighting with a wildlife officer.

Police say 33-year-old Joseph D. Patterson interfered with the state Fish and Wildlife officer who was trying to corral the agitated moose Sunday at Holy Cross Cemetery.

The Spokesman-Review reports Patterson approached, saying he wanted to pet the moose and take a picture.

The officer asked Patterson to stop. The two scuffled. Police arrived to help and found illegal prescription drugs on Patterson. He was jailed on suspicion of assault, drug possession and resisting arrest.

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Lady Steers end non-district play with win

By **TOMMY WELLS**
Sports Editor

Big Spring High School Lady Steers' head coach Lynn Osborne was looking for something positive for her team to build some momentum with when she led her team onto the floor of the Monahans High School gym for their final non-district outing.

She certainly got what she wanted.

Big Spring, behind a powerful hitting performance from Erin Pollard and Leksey Yarbar, rallied from a two-game

deficit to clime a thrilling 3-2 victory over the Lady Lobos. After winning Games 3 and 4 and forcing a decisive fifth frame, Big Spring pounded out a thrilling 15-12 victory that included a pair of late spikes by Pollard that put down a late MHS rally.

With the win, Big Spring snapped a 3-game losing streak and heads into Saturday's District 2-4A opener in Lamesa with a head full of steam.

Big Spring got off to a slow start against Monahans. The Lady Steers

struggled to get their offense in gear in each of the first two games of the best-of-five series and, as a result, suffered back-to-back losses of 25-15 and 25-14.

Down 2-0, Big Spring managed to rally back, however. Keted by the passing of setters Emilie Smith and Julianna Rodriguez, the Lady Steers reeled off a late run in Game 3 and walked away with a narrow 25-22 decision.

Pollard and Yarbar both came through in big ways in Game 4. Both delivered crushing

spikes in the match that helped BSHS even the game count at 2-2 with a 25-12 victory.

Smith turned in a monster game for the Lady Steers, registering 37 assists and 13 digs, while also notching five kills and serving up four aces.

Pollard and Yarbar also stood out. Both delivered impressive outings on the offensive side of the net. Pollard pounded out a team-high 18 kills, while serving up three aces and collecting a team-best four blocks. Yarbar finished with 11

kills, three blocks and a pair of digs.

Defensively, Osborne said Rodriguez, Katie Wash and Mia Oliva all turned in solid outings in the BSHS win. Rodriguez had a team-high 17 digs, while Wash chalked up six kills and five kills. Oliva had four digs and four kills to go along with two assists and a block.

The Big Spring freshman squad also emerged victorious on Tuesday, triumphing on 25-18, 25-16 decision over Monahans.

Offensively, the fresh-

man squad was powered by an impressive outing from Marilyn Cerda. The Lady Steers' defense was sparked by the play of Anissa Ramsey.

The Big Spring junior varsity, despite strong outings from hitters Kiara Ramsey and Cierra Martinez and defensive specialist Brittanie Clay, suffered a 25-12, 25-19 setback.

Big Spring will begin district play at 11 a.m. on Saturday in Lamesa with the JV and junior varsity games. The BSHS varsity will take to the court at noon.



Tony Claxton photos (www.claxtonphotography.com)

All hail Howie the Hawk ...

A new version of Howard College's mascot, 'Howie the Hawk,' was introduced to the community on Tuesday evening during the 'Meet the Hawks' activities in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. The new mascot will be performing at HC's athletic event this season. The new version was welcomed in by the HC cheerleading squad and (in background) the retiring Howie the Hawk version.

Martinez gets 1st home win as Rangers beat Astros

(AP) — All it took for Texas Rangers rookie Nick Martinez to end two bizarre pitching droughts was a visit with a Hall of Famer.

Martinez talked pitch sequence last weekend in Anaheim with Greg Maddux, a Rangers special assistant and brother of Texas pitching coach Mike Maddux. In Martinez's first start since that conversation, he threw 6 2-3 scoreless innings on Tuesday night to beat the Houston Astros 2-1 to get his

first home win and first at night.

"Sometimes I go to my out pitch early in the count to create early contact," said Martinez (5-11). "He was telling me there's no need to do that. Just focus on getting strike one, strike two. After that, you can focus on getting him out."

Martinez allowed five hits, no walks and struck out five. He went into the game 0-6 in eight starts at Globe Life Park in Arlington and 0-10 in

14 starts at night.

Both runs scored in the fourth inning, on a 405-foot home run to center field by Robinson Chirinos and an RBI single by David Robertson.

The Rangers have won three straight and 10 of their last 11.

"To go ahead and have a good string of games right here at the end gets their confidence going," Rangers interim manager Tim Lincecum said.

Adrian Beltre and Jake Smolinski each had three hits for Texas.

Oakland falls into wild-card tie

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — The Oakland Athletics are tired of squandering chances, especially in late September and on a night Sonny Gray more than earned a positive result.

Gordon Beckham homered for the division champion Los Angeles

Angels, who dropped the A's into a tie for the top AL wild card with a 2-0 win Tuesday night.

Gray fanned Mike Trout three times among his career-best 12 strikeouts, one month to the day after Jon Lester struck out the Angels slugger three times at the

Coliseum. But Gray had nothing to show for it as Oakland was shut out for the seventh time since Aug. 1.

"It's one of the major themes of the last month, month and a half," left fielder Sam Fuld said. "We've had opportunities."



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Ready to go ...

Big Spring Junior High School running Isaac Murilo looks to cut inside a defender during the Steers' season-opener last week. The BSJHS teams will return to play tomorrow against Monahans. Games will begin at 4:30 p.m. at Memorial Stadium.

Strong cuts ties with lineman

(AP) — Texas coach Charlie Strong has dismissed former starting offensive tackle Kennedy Estelle for a violation of team rules.

Estelle started the Longhorns' first game, a 38-7 win over North Texas, but was suspended soon after and hadn't played since, missing losses to BYU and UCLA. He is the ninth player dismissed by Strong in his first season.

Texas' offensive line has been decimated by suspensions and injuries. Also suspended is Desmond Harrison, who was expected to start this season but was benched before the first game because of a rules violation and hasn't played. Center Dominic Espinosa, who had 40 career starts, broke his ankle in the first game.

Texas (1-2) opens Big 12 play Saturday at Kansas (2-1).

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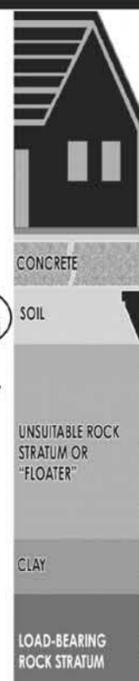
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IN THE EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT, SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS PROBATE DEPARTMENT IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION to adopt BABY BOY JONES DOB: 09/09/2014 A Minor Child. PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 59 OF KANSAS STATUTES ANNOTATED Case No. 14 AD 220 NOTICE OF ADOPTION HEARING TO TERMINATE PARENTAL RIGHTS THE STATE OF KANSAS TO DUSTY LOFTIN AND ALL PERSONS CONCERNED: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition has been filed in the above-named Court praying for an Order and Decree of said Court that the Petitioners be permitted and authorized to adopt BABY BOY JONES as their own child; that an Order and Decree of Adoption of the said child by the Petitioners be made and entered by said Court; for an order terminating the parental rights of the natural mother and the natural father of said child; that the name of the child upon adoption by these Petitioners be changed; and that they have all other proper relief. You are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 16th day of October, 2014, at 10:00 a.m., of said day, in said Court, in the Sedgwick County Courthouse, 1900 E. Morris, in the City of Wichita, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. If you are unable to obtain counsel to represent you in this matter based on your income, you may qualify for appointed counsel. You must complete an affidavit from the Clerk's office regarding your lack of funds or assets and file the affidavit with the Clerk's office prior to the final hearing on October 16, 2014, so that a determination can be made by the Court. Should you fail thereof, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said Petition.
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Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE ON THE PROPOSED FINANCING BY HOWARD COUNTY VFD. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN the Howard County VFD located in Big Spring, Howard County Texas will meet on October 8, 2014 at 7:00 p.m., at the Howard County VFD Training Center 200 N. Midway Rd. for the purpose of holding a public hearing pursuant to the requirements of Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, on proposal the issuer enter into an agreement to finance certain equipment. The equipment to be financed consists of a Rosenbauer Pumper Tanker and will be maintained at the fire station in the Sand Springs, Community of Big Spring Texas. To finance the costs of such equipment and to pay costs and expenses incidental to the financing, the Issuer proposes to enter into a loan agreement with a maximum aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$365,000.00. The Issuer will be required to pay all taxes on the equipment. The rental payments due pursuant to the loan agreement will be secured by a security interest in the equipment. All persons interested may appear and be heard at said time and place or may file written comments with the Howard County VFD P.O. Box 2877 Big Spring, TX 79721-2877 prior to the date of hearing set forth heretofore.
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Annie's Mailbox



KATHY MITCHELL
MARCY SUGAR

Dear Annie: I notice that often the advice you offer is to "get counseling." But what happens in counseling? Can you explain how it helps? -- L.

Dear L.: The point of counseling or therapy is to help you determine what it is you want to accomplish and how to get there. This could be a career goal, a marital dispute, a problem with family members or anything that is causing difficulty for you and that you cannot resolve on your own. A good counselor/therapist will help you set appropriate goals and work with you to achieve them. Counselors (e.g., psychologists, licensed social workers) are generally well trained and licensed. Therapists (e.g., psychiatrists and psychoanalysts) usually have additional training and can prescribe

medication. When choosing someone to see, we recommend getting a referral through your physician, a friend or relative, or an accredited licensing association such as the American Psychiatric Assn. (psych.org), the American Psychological Assn. (apa.org) or the National Association of Social Workers (socialworkers.org). It may help to find one who specializes in your particular problem. Not all counselors will be a good match, and it may require a session or two before you decide whether you are comfortable with this person or need to find someone else. When you first see the counselor/therapist, you may be asked what you wish to accomplish or what you want to work on. Some problems can be resolved in a few sessions, but more complicated ones can take longer. It is important that you be totally honest with the counselor, as anything else is a waste of your time and money. And if the counselor makes suggestions, do the work. Nothing will change if you don't make the effort.

Dear Annie: Our daughter is getting married soon. We have

paid for all the usual services at a wedding, but we have a question about the photographer and the disc jockey. Both of these people own their businesses. These owners will be the ones providing the services at the wedding, with no other employees present. Some people say we should tip them for their time and services. We feel that since they own their businesses, their profit includes their tip. Right or wrong? -- To Tip or Not To Tip

Dear Tip: You do not need to tip the owners of the photography studio or the disc jockey who is self-employed. They don't expect to be tipped. However, should they go above and beyond what you hired them for, you may wish to add a gratuity as a way of saying "thanks."

Dear Annie: The letter from "Very Blessed, But Hurt" expressed bewilderment that she was not named in her mother-in-law's will, despite she and her mother-in-law having a close and wonderful relationship.

I'm a retired lawyer who wrote many wills over the years. I hope this dear lady listens to your advice that she should not feel slighted. Her mother-in-law's will

sounds pretty standard to me. The testatrix leaves her estate to her son and, should her son not survive her, then to the son's children. Most wills that I wrote went along those same lines. Perhaps "Blessed" herself comes from a family in which testators name everyone they love, but my own experience is that such a tradition would be far from the norm. Many people, when planning the disposal of their estates, work hard not to let emotions impinge on what they view as a simple business transaction, and they bequeath scrupulously equal amounts to both the faithful, favorite child and the black sheep who disowned the family decades ago. -- Voice of Experience

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

ARIES (March 21-April 19). There's a mighty contrast between your fantasy life and your current day-to-day experience. This is actually a good sign that you are dreaming big enough.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You don't always like to shop, but sometimes it comes over you like a fever. You get in a certain mood, and it seems that the angst you feel will not go away until you make a purchase.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). It's been suggested that man is the cruelest animal -- definitely not a comment made during shark week. Anyway, you'll do your part to combat mankind's bad reputation.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Sometimes it's helpful to think out loud, but right now broadcasting

your thoughts will cause more trouble than it's worth. Your thought processes need to be worked out in private.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Venting is like a sport today, and you may be tempted to tell the same story again and again to different friends until you run out of people to tell. As long as you're willing to listen as much as you talk, there's no harm in sharing.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You simply can't identify with the same things anymore. You're changing. Right now the new you is still someone you don't know well, but you'll soon fall in love.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Friends stick up for one another. It's something you'll

remember for good reason at a certain point in the day. Sometimes the best way to stand up for a friend is to leave when the gossip starts.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Expect interruptions and distractions to get you off schedule. You may not be on time, but you'll be on purpose. And as long as you don't stress out, straying from the original plan will actually be lucky for you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You sincerely hope to lift the spirits and raise the bar for those around you and will be conscious of all the ways you might set an example that could influence and inspire them.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Exercise your power, but don't abuse it. Someone important will notice you when you flex and be even more impressed when you show mercy.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Sept. 24). You'll be inspired going into this new year and will feel physically strong enough to take on a huge responsibility that will pay off in 2015. You'll do humanitarian work in November, and this leads to important alliances. Financial improvements come in December. The new year will bring a long-lost person back to you. Leo and Cancer people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 14, 35, 33 and 26.

ASTROLOGY 101: WHAT ARE TAURUS PEOPLE LIKE? Venus-ruled Taurus is attuned to the bountiful beauty of the Earth. Taurus is keenly aware of what pleases the senses and from an early age starts to discern the very best that life has to offer from anything subpar. This pleasure-seeking sign

believes in appreciating the splendorous array of what's available. Life is for the living! According to Taurus, lovely experiences should be had each day. Luxury is a state of mind. The phrase that accompanies Taurus is "I have," and many Taurus people are collectors. They are excellent at learning all there is to know about the things they collect because this helps them maintain their possessions, as well as find value and enjoyment in them. The symbol of Taurus is the bull, and they can definitely be as stubborn as one. The can be strongly individualistic, unafraid to take an opinion or direction different from others in a group. However, they also can go along with the group if it pleases them, seems like more fun and is their own idea. Taurus rules the throat, and often those born under a Taurus sun have an interesting voice because it is particularly strong, soothing or unique in character.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: The upcoming romantic comedy "Focus" was reportedly repeatedly cast before coming up with the charismatic combination of Will Smith and Australian actress Margot Robbie from "The Wolf of Wall Street." Smith was born when the sun, Mercury and Venus were all in the charming sign of Libra, known for fine artistry and impeccable aesthetics.

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New Moon Resolution

For those in the Pacific time zone, the new moon happened yesterday, and for the Eastern time zone, it happens today. The energy of this new moon focuses on partnerships, group unity and harmonious relationships of all kinds. If there's someone you need to forgive, do it now, especially if the someone in question is yourself.



HOLIDAY
MATHIS

ARIES (March 21-April 19). There's a mighty contrast between your fantasy life and your current day-to-day experience. This is actually a good sign that you are dreaming big enough.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Your unbiased opinion is what they say they want, but stop -- that's a trap! What they really want is validation for the choice they already made. Go carefully. Is it worth risking the good will between you and another?

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You trust your feelings even when the

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

A Mandatory Falsecard

North dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.
NORTH
♠K 8 5
♥J 9 4
♦A 10
♣K Q 9 6 2
WEST
♠Q J 10 4
♥8 7 2
♦Q 9 7 5
♣10 5
EAST
♠A 6 3
♥K 10
♦J 8 6 4 3 2
♣8 3
SOUTH
♠9 7 2
♥A Q 6 5 3
♦K
♣A J 7 4
The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1 ♣	Pass	1 ♥	Pass
1 NT	Pass	3 ♣	Pass
3 ♥	Pass	4 ♥	

Opening lead — queen of spades.

defending against four hearts and wins the third round of spades with the ace. He then shifts to a club, taken in dummy with the queen. Declarer returns the four of hearts, on which our hero plays the king, not the ten. South wins with the ace and leads a low trump toward dummy's J-9. After West follows low, South has a difficult problem to solve. If the king is actually a singleton, declarer must play the nine from dummy in order to overcome West's original holding of 10-8-7-2. Indeed, it would certainly be reasonable for South to finesse the nine on this basis and go down one. Of course, if he sizes up the situation correctly and goes up with the jack, catching East's ten, he makes the contract. The point is that if East plays the ten on the four, South will surely finesse the queen and then have no alternative but to cash the ace and so make four hearts. East thus has no chance whatsoever if he woodenly plays the ten on the first heart lead. But if he plays the king, he presents declarer with a chance to go wrong, and that's a lot better than no chance at all.

Some falsecards must be made as a matter of self-protection. This is because the failure to make such a play — known as a mandatory falsecard — would leave the opponent no choice but to find the winning line of play. Here is a typical case. East, the hero of this piece, is

Tomorrow: A self-inflicted wound.
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Sudoku Answer On Page 3

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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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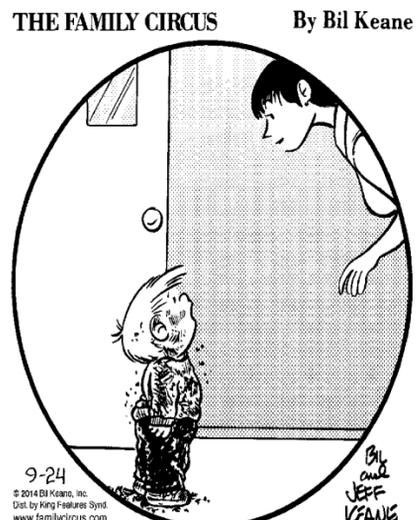
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DENNIS THE MENACE



"SEE, JOEY, FRUIT GROWS UP IN THE AIR, BUT VEGGIES GROW IN THE DIRT... AND THAT'S WHY THEY TASTE YUCKY."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane

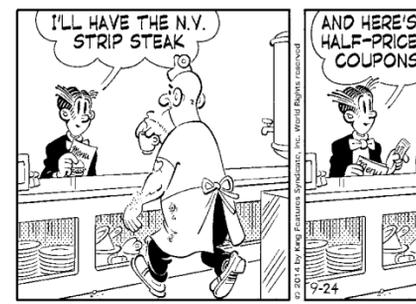


"Of course there's still plenty of dirt outside. Why do you ask?"

HAGAR



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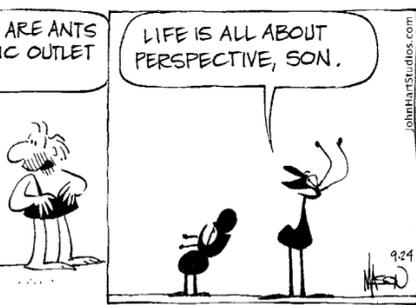
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This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, Sept. 24, the 267th day of 2014. There are 98 days left in the year. The Jewish New Year, Rosh Hashanah, begins at sunset. Today's Highlight in History: On Sept. 24, 1789, President George Washington signed a Judiciary Act establishing America's federal court system and creating the post of attorney general. On this date: In 1869, thousands of businessmen were ruined in a Wall Street

panic known as "Black Friday" after financiers Jay Gould and James Fisk attempted to corner the gold market. In 1890, the president of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Wilford Woodruff, wrote a manifesto renouncing the practice of polygamy. In 1929, Lt. James H. Doolittle guided a Consolidated NY-2 Biplane over Mitchel Field in New York in the first all-instrument flight. In 1934, Babe Ruth made his farewell appearance as a player with the New York Yankees in a game against the Boston Red Sox. (The Sox won, 5-0.)

In 1948, Mildred Gillars, accused of being Nazi wartime radio propagandist "Axis Sally," pleaded not guilty in Washington, D.C. to charges of treason. (Gillars, later convicted, ended up serving 12 years in prison.) In 1955, President Dwight D. Eisenhower suffered a heart attack while on vacation in Denver.

Answer to previous puzzle

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LATE	SHAWL	USDA
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THE OTHER COAST



SNUFFY SMITH



BEEBLE BAILEY



Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Wall covering
 - 6 Reddish brown
 - 10 "Shoo!"
 - 14 Fund, as a scholarship
 - 15 Prefix for climactic
 - 16 "I did it!"
 - 17 Early nuclear reactor
 - 19 Each, informally
 - 20 Befit
 - 21 Turn in for the night
 - 23 Left empty
 - 27 Quick snacks
 - 28 Fled to wed
 - 29 Italian cheese
 - 32 Known as
 - 33 Hoosegow
 - 34 ___ Alamos, NM
 - 37 Guitar accessory
 - 38 Large parrot
 - 39 "What was that?"
 - 40 London lav
 - 41 Full of energy
 - 42 Part of Hispaniola
 - 44 Not consistent
 - 46 Lined up, as troops
 - 47 DC's subway
 - 49 Streetcar
 - 50 Urge on
 - 52 Singe
 - 53 Oyster concoction
 - 54 Pancake order
 - 60 Presented aloud
- DOWN**
- 1 Thing in a pod
 - 2 Tiny colonist
 - 3 Knot-tying phrase
 - 4 ___ de plume
 - 5 Distorted
 - 6 Fast-moving
 - 7 Condo dwelling
 - 8 Mo. city
 - 9 Theater level
 - 10 Cholesterol medication
 - 11 Senate's locale
 - 12 Be mad about
 - 13 Cellophane rolls
 - 18 Fed lines to
 - 22 "Buy It Now" site
 - 23 Briable
 - 24 Siege site of 1836
 - 25 Organic farmer's creation
 - 26 Big galoot
 - 29 Stallone's boxer role
 - 30 Up to snuff
 - 31 Kitten sound
 - 33 Combed line
 - 35 Protruding navel
 - 36 Gleaming
 - 38 Got together with
 - 41 Way below average
 - 42 Gender-inclusive phrase
 - 43 Nothing but
 - 45 Sneaks around
 - 46 Campus club
 - 47 Nuclear particle
 - 48 Crowd-scene actor
 - 49 Flung
 - 51 Sugar amts.
 - 52 Designer Chanel
 - 55 Head covering
 - 56 Flat 55 Down
 - 57 Get mellow
 - 58 Mongrel
 - 59 Most important

MOUNDS by Fred Piscop

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Scoreboard

BASEBALL
American League

East Division

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x-Baltimore	94	63	.599	—
New York	81	76	.516	13
Toronto	80	77	.510	14
Tampa Bay	76	81	.484	18
Boston	68	89	.433	26

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	87	70	.554	—
Kansas City	86	71	.548	1
Cleveland	82	76	.519	5½
Chicago	72	85	.459	15
Minnesota	67	90	.427	20

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Los Angeles	97	61	.614	—
Oakland	86	71	.548	10½
Seattle	83	74	.529	13½
Houston	69	89	.437	28
Texas	64	93	.408	32½

x-clinched division

Pittsburgh (Locke 7-5) at Atlanta (Teheran 13-13), 7:10 p.m.
St. Louis (Lackey 3-2) at Chicago Cubs (Arrieta 9-5), 8:05 p.m.
Colorado (Flande 0-5) at San Diego (Wieland 0-0), 9:10 p.m.
San Francisco (T.Hudson 9-12) at L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 20-3), 10:10 p.m.

NL Wild Card Race

	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Pittsburgh	86	71	.548	—
San Fran.	85	72	.541	—
Milwaukee	80	77	.510	5

z-clinched playoff berth

FOOTBALL
Canadian Football League

East Division

	W	L	Pts	PF	PA
Hamilton	4	7	8	246	261
Toronto	4	8	8	308	325
Montreal	4	8	8	230	306
Ottawa	1	10	2	173	293

West Division

	W	L	Pts	PF	PA
Calgary	10	2	20	347	232
Saskatchewan	9	3	18	296	265
Edmonton	8	4	16	317	252
B.C.	7	5	14	268	236
Winnipeg	6	6	12	293	308

Friday, Sept. 26
Montreal at Ottawa, 7 p.m.
Saskatchewan at Edmonton, 10 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 27
Hamilton at Winnipeg, 6:30 p.m.
B.C. at Calgary, 9:30 p.m.

National Football League
American Conference

East

	W	L	Pct	PF	PA
Buffalo	2	1	.667	62	52
New England	2	1	.667	66	49
N.Y. Jets	1	1	.500	43	45
Miami	1	2	.333	58	83

South

	W	L	Pct	PF	PA
Houston	2	1	.667	64	50
Indianapolis	1	2	.333	95	78
Tennessee	1	2	.333	43	69
Jacksonville	0	3	.000	44	119

North

	W	L	Pct	PF	PA
Cincinnati	3	0	1.000	80	33
Baltimore	2	1	.667	65	50
Pittsburgh	2	1	.667	73	72
Cleveland	1	2	.333	74	77

West

	W	L	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	2	1	.667	75	67
San Diego	2	1	.667	69	49
Kansas City	1	2	.333	61	65
Oakland	0	3	.000	37	65

National Conference

East

	W	L	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	3	0	1.000	101	78
Dallas	2	1	.667	77	69
N.Y. Giants	1	2	.333	58	77
Washington	1	2	.333	81	64

South

	W	L	Pct	PF	PA
Atlanta	2	1	.667	103	72
Carolina	2	1	.667	63	58
New Orleans	1	2	.333	78	72
Tampa Bay	0	3	.000	45	95

North

	W	L	Pct	PF	PA
Detroit	2	1	.667	61	45
Chicago	1	1	.500	48	43
Minnesota	1	2	.333	50	56
Green Bay	1	2	.333	54	79

West

	W	L	Pct	PF	PA
Arizona	3	0	1.000	66	45
Seattle	2	1	.667	83	66
St. Louis	1	2	.333	56	85
San Fran.	1	2	.333	62	68

Thursday's Game
N.Y. Giants at Washington, 8:25 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 28
Green Bay at Chicago, 1 p.m.
Buffalo at Houston, 1 p.m.
Tennessee at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Baltimore, 1 p.m.
Detroit at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Pittsburgh, 1

p.m.
Miami vs. Oakland at London, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at San Diego, 4:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at San Francisco, 4:25 p.m.
Atlanta at Minnesota, 4:25 p.m.
New Orleans at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Monday, Sep. 29
New England at Kansas City, 8:30 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS
American League
TEXAS RANGERS — Reinstated OF Jim Adduci from the 15-day DL.
National League
COLORADO ROCKIES — Signed a four-year player development contract with Boise (NWL) through 2018.
NEW YORK METS — Signed general manager Sandy Alderson to a contract extension through 2017. Recalled INF Wilfredo Tovar from Binghamton (EL).

BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
ATLANTA HAWKS — Signed G Kent Bazemore. Re-signed F-C Elton Brand.
GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS — Named Adonal Foyle community ambassador.
MIAMI HEAT — Signed G Andre Dawkins and F Shawn Jones.

Women's National Basketball Association
INDIANA FEVER — Named Stephanie White coach.

FOOTBALL
National Football League
ARIZONA CARDINALS — Signed RB Marion Grice from the San Diego practice squad. Released P Drew Butler.
ATLANTA FALCONS — Signed OT Reid Fragel to the practice squad. Waived OT Terren Jones.
CHICAGO BEARS — Signed WR Joshua Bellamy to the practice squad.
CLEVELAND BROWNS — Signed WR Lee Doss to the practice squad.
DALLAS COWBOYS — Re-signed DE Lavar Edwards.
GREEN BAY PACKERS — Signed G Josh Walker to the practice squad. Released C Josh Allen from the practice squad.
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS — Signed LB Trevarro Williams to the practice squad. Released DE Nnamdi Obukwelu from the practice squad with an injury settlement.
JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS — Signed LB Jeremiah George from the New York Jets practice squad and rookie tight end Nic Jacobs from New Orleans practice squad. Re-signed S Sherrod Martin. Waived/injured S Chris Pronsinski. Waived TE Marcel Jensen and WR Kerry Taylor. Signed FB Eric Kettani to the practice squad.
NEW YORK JETS — Released CB Ellis Lankster. Signed CB Brandon Smith.
PITTSBURGH STEELERS — Signed LB James Harrison.
SAN DIEGO CHARGERS — Signed LB Cordarro Law, RB Shaun Draughn and LB Kevin Reddick. Placed RB Danny Woodhead on the injured reserve list. Released DE Lawrence Guy. Released CB Marcus Cromartie from the injured reserve list. Signed RB Marion Grice from the practice squad. Re-signed LB Colton Underwood and RB D.J. Adams to the practice squad. Signed TE Dave Paulson to the practice squad. Waived S Adrian Phillips from the practice squad.

Montana board to release Leaf

(AP) — Montana's parole board has decided to release former Dallas Cowboys quarterback Ryan Leaf to authorities in Texas, where he was recently sentenced for violating his probation. The ex-San Diego Chargers and Washington State player has served more than two years in prison after breaking

into a home near Great Falls in 2012 to steal prescription pills. The Montana conviction violated his probation in Texas on 2008 charges of fraudulently obtaining a controlled substance. A Texas judge earlier this month sentenced Leaf to five years, but gave him credit for time served.

Montana Board of Parole and Pardons senior analyst Julie Thomas says the board's decision Tuesday means Texas authorities can extradite Leaf if they choose. If not, Leaf will likely be placed under a parole plan under the supervision of both Montana and Texas.

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In action ...

Taylee Miller and the Coahoma Bulldogettes continued their non-district schedule on Tuesday with a game in Hawley. Coahoma begins district play on Oct. 7 against Reagan County.

'Together We Care' tournament set for Sept. 27

The "Together We Care" Ragball Tournament is planned to be held at the Mitchell County Sports Complex Saturday, September 27th. The tourney is raising money for a good cause, as all proceeds benefit Christmas in Action, a charity that performs housing renovations and repairs for the needy. Registration will be

held early Saturday morning from 7 to 8 a.m. Cost is \$15 per person and a maximum of 15 people will be allowed per team. Play is limited to the first 17 teams to sign up, so come early and get registered. For more information, contact Kristina Guerra at 325-728-2162, ext. 4307 or Amy Rodriguez at 325-728-2162, ext. 4122.

SECC golf tournament scheduled for Oct. 10

The TDCJ Wallace/Ware complex employees will hold their 12th annual State Employee Charitable Campaign golf tournament on Friday, October 10th at Wolf Creek Golf Course. Proceeds from the tournament will benefit Christmas in Action and the Correctional Peace

Officer Foundation. Registration begins at 8 a.m., with a shotgun start planned for 9 a.m. The format is a four-man team scramble. Cost is \$60 per person. For more information, contact Kristina Guerra at 325-728-2162 or Amy Rodriguez at 325-242-1321.

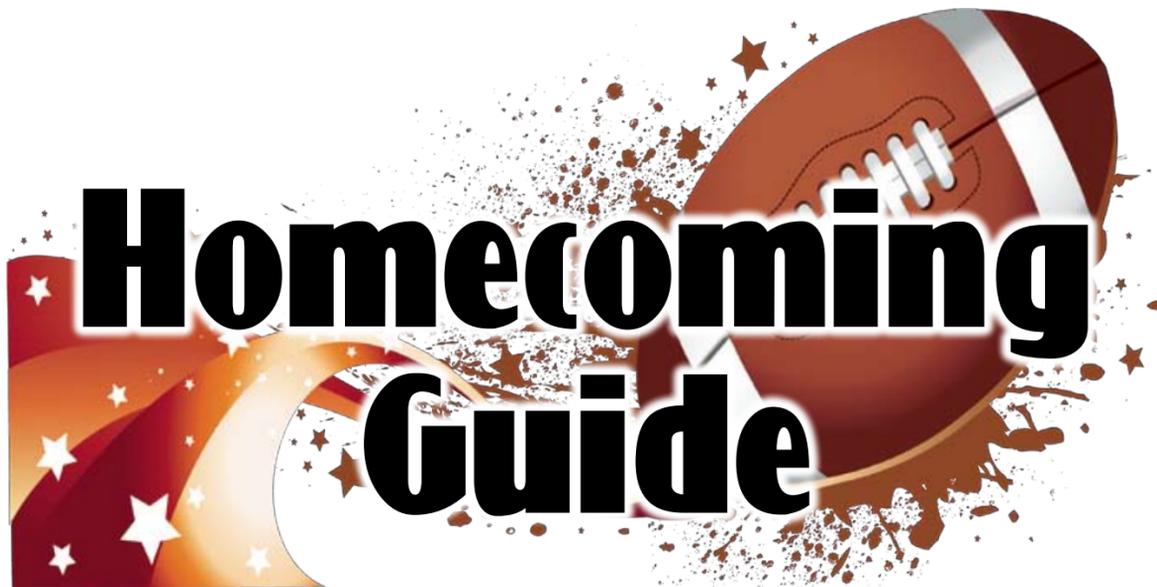
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becca Gonzales easily, 6-0, 6-1. Taylor Olivo and Braylee Cantu also notched wins, as did Robbie Downing in girls' singles play. Olivo defeated Sweetwater's Virginia Carley, 6-2, 6-1, while Cantu took a 6-1, 6-1 win over Aubrey Delacruz. Downing netted a 6-1, 6-1 win over

Lindsey Romero. The Lady Steers' lone setback in singles came in a tough 6-2, 6-2 loss by Daisi Salazar to SHS' Gisela Solano. In boys' singles, William Grigg and Noe Arguello cruised to wins. Grigg defeated Colt Bewley, 6-0, 6-0, while Arguello beat Brandon Martinez, 6-0, 6-0. Kieran Atherton and Tristian Turner also collected wins for Big

Spring. Atherton took a 6-3, 6-3 win from Marc Butler, while Turner collected a 6-0, 7-5 decision over Tyler Stacy. Josh Baker and Brandon Hilario notched singles wins. Baker ousted Zac Bax, 6-4, 6-1. In doubles' action, Parnell and Redlin combined to claim a 6-0, 6-2 win, while Olivo and Salazar took a 6-0, 6-1. Cantu and Downing also won their match, defeating Dela-

cruz and Romero, 6-2, 6-0. Atherton and Baker posted a 6-0, 6-2 win over Bax and Butler in boys' doubles action. Grigg and Turner defeated Bewley and Stacey, 6-1, 6-1. Big Spring's Victoria Deubler and David Caldera pounded out a 6-1, 6-2 decision in mixed doubles. The Steers will return to district action on Oct. 4 when they travel to Levelland.



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