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Two injured in stabbings

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Herald Staff Report

Big Spring police were dispatched to Scenic Mountain Medical Center early this morning on a report of

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two women suffering stab wounds.

According to Sgt. Tony Everett, public information officer, police received the call at approximately 3 a.m. in refvictims.

"It was found that both victims had suffered stab wounds," Everett said. "One of the female victims was

erence to two female assault found to have been stabbed in her abdomen and back and the other female victim was found to have been stabbed in the upper back."

According to Everett, the

injuries had occurred at 1101 Marijo after an altercation with other females involved. "This investigation is ongoing and no arrests have been made at this time," he said.

Lubbock man killed in HC wreck

Herald Staff Report

HOWARD COUNTY — A Lubbock man was killed Monday in a one-vehicle accident near Forsan.

According to the Department of Public Safety, 31-yearold Hector Hernandez of Lubbock was traveling on FM 821, seven miles north of Forsan, when his 2013 Audi International TT overturned as he drove around a curve.

Hernandez was pronounced dead at 2:10 p.m. He was not wearing a seatbelt.

VA vaccines

Flu season is on its way and veterans are encouraged to get their annual flu vaccination. West Texas VA Health Care System will be giving flu shots from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. daily in the Outpatient Clinic lobby through Friday and again from Oct. 14-17.

Veterans are encouraged to bring their VA identification card with them to receive their vaccination.

If you have questions, feel free to contact your primary care team or you may call 264-4824 for assistance.

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Heritage Museum's Cheryl Joy smoothes out a quilt created by the Signal Mountain Quilters and Crafters Guild. The quilt will be given away on Oct. 28 at 1 p.m. 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 is on display at the museum, 510 Scurry St. 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 556-6403.

Rodgers resigns

Accepts CEO role at College Station

Special to the Herald

Larry Rodgers, who has served as chief executive officer of Scenic Mountain Medical Center for nearly five years, will resign

Oct. 10 to accept the role of CEO at College Station Medical Center, a 167-bed hospital in College Station, Texas.

Before his current role, he served as chief operating officer at College Station Medical Center for two years.

"I have been honored to support the highly qualified healthcare providers as they serve the

Big Spring area with quality care," Rodgers said. "Although I look forward to this new opportunity, I will certainly miss them and this community which welcomed my family and me so warmly."

During his tenure, Rodgers led Scenic Mountain to receive national recognition for its quality improvement and dedication to high quality care. He also directed efforts to create new hospital services, including orthopedics, cardiology and obstetric/gynecology, as well as improved physician and employee satisfaction.

"We appreciate Larry's contributions to our hospital and wish him the very best in his new role," said Dr. Cheryl Sparks, chairman of the Scenic Mountain Medical Center board of trustees. "His work has established a firm foundation and a healthy future for our hospital."

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Waivers on BSISD board of trustees agenda

BY LYNDEL MOODY Staff Writer

Trustees with the Big Spring Independent School district will tackle a fairly light agenda Thursday when they convene for their October meeting.

One of the items listed on the agenda is consideration to approve and expedite class size waivers request to the Texas Education Agency. The waivers will allow the district to exceed the 22 students to 1 teacher ratio limit.

At the September meeting, Superintendent Chris Wigington said enrollment has increased by 147 students compared to last year at that same time, prompting school officials to add three new teaching positions at the elementary level and one at the sixth grade center. However, finding employees has been

less than easy as a housing

shortage has bumped up rent in the Permian Basin greatly in the last several years from the gas and oil boom.

According to numbers given out at the September meeting, Washington Elementary School has the largest student population of all the elementary schools with more than 600 enrolled. Moss Elementary School has the least with 470. The other two elementary schools — Goliad and Marcy

— have close to 600 students on the books.

Also on the agenda, trustees

- Hear a report on expenditures of more than \$50,000.
- Consider a foreign exchange student waiver.
- Consider employee mat-

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Obituaries

Sandy Betus



Sandy Betus, 78, of Big Spring, went to be with the Lord Saturday, Oct. 4, 2014, in a Midland, Texas, hospital. Funeral services will be held at 4 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 9, 2014, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rick Cunningham officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial

The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2014, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral

He was born Feb. 10, 1936, in Philadelphia, Pa.,

and married Beth Burcham July 10, 1999, in Sand Springs, Texas.

Sandy joined the United States Marine Corps in 1952 and served two tours of duty in Vietnam. He then joined the United States Air Force and served in Vietnam and Korea as well as other locations around the world before retiring in November 1974. He was a structural engineer and owned his own business for a number of years. In 2010, Sandy started volunteering at the Big Spring VAMC in the veterans healing center as a PTSD facilitator as well as serving on numerous boards.

He is survived by his wife, Beth Betus of Big Spring; one son, James Betus and wife, Lori, of Von Ormy, Texas; one step-daughter, Lora Holley and husband, David, of Mustang, Okla.; two stepsons, Jimmy Conner and wife, Christy, of Midland and Joe Conner and wife, Ashley, of Weatherford, Texas; 13 grandchildren, Kari Lord, Tye Holley, Kaylee Lord, Haylie Conner, Kelsey Betus, Tana Holley, Katelyn Lord, Hayden Conner, Karsyn Bateman, Hadley Conner, Doss Conner, Delaney Betus and Dylan Betus; numerous nieces and nephews; and mother-in-law, Jewel Burcham, whom he loved

He was preceded in death by parents, Alexandre C. Betus and Ruth Smith Betus; and one son, John The family suggests memorials to the O'Neal

Kunkle, Chapter No. 47 DAV, % Commander Ed Meiser, 2405 Carleton, Big Spring, Texas 79720 or to a favorite charity.

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

Police blotter

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

- CHRISTOPHER SHAWN MINOR, 39, of 985 Murfreesboro Rd. apt. B-18, Nashville, Tenn., was arrested Tuesday on a charge of theft less than \$50.
- HELEN J. MINOR, 40, of 255 Lockmiller, Rd., Winchester, Tenn., was arrested Tuesday on a count of theft less than \$50. CHRISTOPHER FRANK DELBOSQUEZ, 30, of
- 706 W. Marcy, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of driving while license invalid. • MICHAEL SHAE JACKMAN, 28, OF 7405 N. CR
- 19 was arrested Tuesday on charges of possession of controlled substance greater than or equal to 4 grams but less than 200 grams and unlawfully carrying a weapon. SYLVIA HERNANDEZ MARTINEZ, 49, of 407
- Sunset Blvd., was arrested Tuesday on a charge of public intoxication with 3 prior convictions.
- LISA REA WASHINGTON, 49, of 3304 W. Highway 80 no. 1, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for theft greater than or equal to \$50 but less than \$500 shoplifting, expired registration, expired motor vehicle inspection, failed to maintain financial responsibility and no drivers license when
- LUCAS ANTHONY LOPEZ, 20, of 1200 Sheppard Ln., was arrested Tuesday on a charge of possession of marijuana less than or equal to 2 ounces.
- YADIRA FELICIA GOMEZ-PAZ, 20, of 1206 E. 16th St., was arrested Tuesday on a charge of possession of marijuana less than or equal to 2 ounces. • JULIE RUSSELL FLYNN, 45, of 2001 S. Main,
- was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for theft less • SHAWNTINA MARIE THORPE, 47, of 103 Collins
- Rd., was arrested Tuesday on a warrant from • SHANNA MARIE PIERCEFIELD, 34, of 103
- Collins Rd., was arrested Tuesday on a charge of interference with duties of a public servant and evading arrest, detention. BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported at
- the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Blvd.
- FORGERY was reported at the 3600 block of W. THEFT was reported at the 1600 block of S.
- Gregg and the 200 block of W. FM 700. • MINOR ACCIDENT was reported at the inter-
- section of Main and 4th St. DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported at the 400 block of Sunset Blvd.
- SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY was reported at the 500

block of State.

Sheriff

The Howard County Sheriffs Office reported the following activity:

Note: Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 75 at the time of this report.

- HELEN JEAN MINOR was booked by BSPD on a charge of theft less than \$50.
- CHRISTOPHER SHAWN MINOR was booked by BSPD on a charge of theft less than \$50.
- CHRISTOPHER DELBOSQUE was booked by BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid. JOHN GERARD ESCOVEDO was booked by

HCSO on a motion for enforcement.

- YADIRA FELICIA GOMEZ-PAZ was booked by BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces. LUCAS ANTHONY LOPEZ was booked by BSPD
- on a charge of possession of marijuana less than 2
- JULIE RUSSELL FLYNN was booked by BSPD on a charge of theft less than \$50.
- SHANNA MARIE CHANCELLOR was booked by HCSO on a charge of interfering with public duties evading arrest detention.
- SHAWNTINA MARIE THORPE was booked by HCSO on a warrant for parole violation.
- CHRISTOPHER ANDREW YANEZ was booked by BSPD on a warrant for possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram. MICHAEL SHAE JACKMAN was booked by
- BSPD on a charge of possession of a controlled substance greater than or equal to 4 grams but less than 200 grams and unlawful carrying a weapon. SYLVIA HERNANDEZ MARTINEZ was booked

by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication with 3

- LISA REA WASHINGTON was booked by BSPD on a charge of theft of property greater than or equal to \$50 but less than \$500 and capias warrants
- for display expired registration, fail to display or expired motor vehicle inspection, fail to maintain financial responsibility and no drivers license. KIEF INMAN BLACK was booked by HCSO on a
- capias warrant for use or possession of illegal smoking material. · DANIELLE JORDAN SALINAS was booked by
- HCSO on a warrant for driving while intoxicated. CHARLENE ELIZABETH STORIE was booked by BSPD on a bond forfeiture for a warrant for theft of property greater than or equal to \$50 but less than \$500 and fail to appear - possession of a controlled substance.

Fire/EMS

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

- MEDICAL call reported at the 2600 block of Albrook. One patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- MEDICAL call reported at the 300 block of Moss Lake Rd. One patient transported to SMMC. MEDICAL call reported at the 1700 block of
- Scurry. One patient transported to SMMC. GAS LEAK IGNITED reported at the 900 block of E. Interstate Highway 20. Gas turned off and fire
- extinguished. • TRASH FIRE reported at the 300 block of N. 1st

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Support Groups

WEDNESDAY

- "A Journey to a New Normal," a grief support network, meets from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at 602 S. Main. For information, call 263-5999.
- · RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy, a cnronic pain disease), a new support and informative group meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207 for more information.
- · Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 & 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

THURSDAY

- · Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Nonsmoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.
- Spring Tabernacle Ministries has a faithbased support group for those who need help finding and continuing to walk down the path God has for each of us. Meetings are at 11 a.m. until noon and again at 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.. The classes take place at Spring Tabernacle Ministries, located at 1209

Wright St.

- Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want Flexible payment
- Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, across from the movie box office, next to Sears). Open meeting at 7 p.m.
- Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder support group meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the VA Medical Center Veteran's Healing Center.

FRIDAY

- 7 p.m. The Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, across from the movie box office, next to Sears).
- AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, noon-1 p.m., 615 Settles.
- · VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.
- Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) TX 0021 meets at First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad, in the dining hall on the east side of the building. Weigh-in starts at 2:50 p.m. and meeting starts at 3 p.m. We have a different program each week. For more information, please call 517-4922 or 935-6306.
- Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the back of the church.

NEWSPAPERS IN EDUCATION

Tuesdays in the Big Spring Herald

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

TUESDAY

- Noon Stepping Stone Group of Narcot- St. Extinguished. ics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, across from the movie box office, next to Sears).
- Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month. This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.
- VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.
- · Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.



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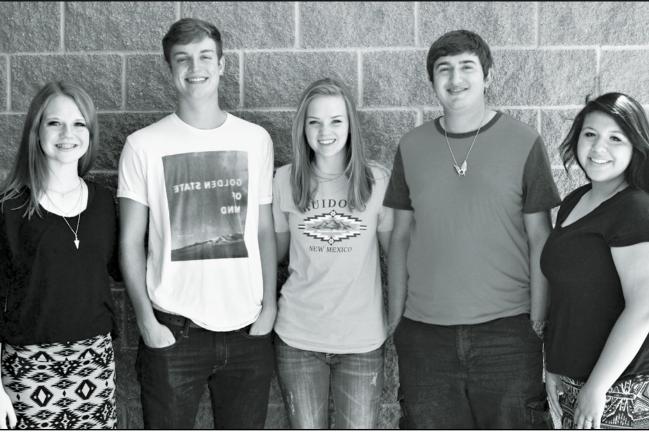
Take Note

- The Big Spring Symphony Kick Off is 6 p.m. Thursday at the Hotel Settles. A musical program will follow the dinner. Tickets are \$25. For more information call Joan Beil at 267-8514.
- The Howard County Republican Club will meet on Monday, Oct. 13 at noon in the Cactus Room at Howard College. This is the regular monthly meeting and guests are always welcome to attend. Special speaker for the meeting is Robert Fitzgibbons, who is running as the Republican candidate for Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Place 2. The general election is Tuesday, Nov. 4. Early voting begins Oct. 20 at the Howard County Courthouse.
- United Way Dine Out Days sponsor this week is Papa Chons, located at 310 Owens. Dine Out Day sponsors provide a portion of their profits for the week, to the United Way campaign. Stop in this week and enjoy some great food while supporting a good cause.
- Healthy Woman Breast Cancer Awareness Event is scheduled for Oct. 23. There will be an informational portion at 11:30 a.m. in the Sr. Circle Room with Radiology Director Sims Kendall speaking. This will serve as the Lunch n Learn meeting. The second half of the event will include informational stations with handouts from the American Cancer Society and local support groups and resources. There will also be a live cake auction, with proceeds benefitting the local Relay For Life. To RSVP or for more information, call Amanda Duforat at 268-4699 or
- The annual Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Chapter 47 Forget-Me-Not Drive will be held Oct. 17-18, at Walmart. Money contributed to the annual

Anita Cline at 268-4721.

fund-raiser stays in the area to help local military veterans.

- 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.
- 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 Chalet Resale Shop, located at 115 E. Second St., is closed until Oct. 14 for renov ations. Donations can still be dropped off at the store from 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday-Saturday, but the store will be closed for shopping.



Courtesy photo/Abbie Daniels

Five Coahoma High Students were recently named to All-Region Choir following contest results. They are, pictured from left, Heather Goodger, Cameron Crabtree, Abbie Daniels, Richie Ewing and Amiee Solis.

- 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.
- 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.
- Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to violent crimes of assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies as needed. If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process background check and attend training. We need you. For more information, call Linda Calvio at 432-263-3312.
- Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 263-9669.
- The mission of CASA of West Texas is to pro-

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

- · Mobile Meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you can donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Macaria Cantu at 263-4016.
- Spring Tabernacle Ministries, 1209 Wright St., has a brief, inspirational message before giving away food and clothing on Thursday mornings. It's a great way to work off community service.

RODGERS

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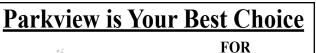
Serving as interim CEO is Emma Krabill. She has 13 years of hospital leadership experience. Most recently, she served as COO and interim CEO of San Angelo Community Medical

The search for a permanent CEO is under way. Members of the board of trustees, medic staff and administration will be involved in the process to select a new CEO.

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Valentine (Val) Islas, Jr., 79, died Friday. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. today at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Coahoma Cemetery.





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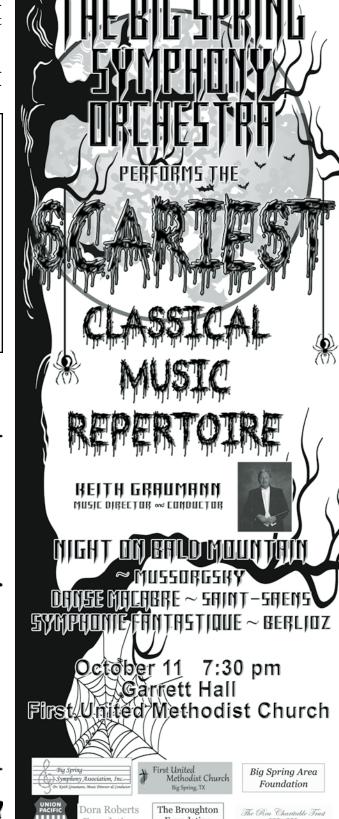
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Daily Prayer

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We can make the 'dream' live again

To one seems to know what's really happening in our world today. The national and international media outlets aren't trustworthy because they are puppets for organizations, politicians,

supporters and financiers who have their own self-serving agendas. One news outlet reports one thing and another reports the opposite. The Ebola issue is the latest example of our dependence on the news agencies to tell us the truth



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we desperately need to know, and yet there are seriously conflicting reports about how this deadly disease is spread, how easy or difficult it is to contract, how it can or cannot be contained, and the legitimacy of the threat it poses. Of course, we all have the internet and everyone knows if it's online, it must be

I clearly remember when the goals of honest, hard-working Americans were pretty simple and clearly defined; a healthy family, a good job to support them, an honorable name in the community, a home, and a car or two, and the hope of a good life in retirement. That, for those who may not recall those days of definitive planning, was commonly referred to as the "American Dream".

But, even though I am the most optimistic person I know, I feel like we are watching the American Dream become the American Nightmare right before our very eyes. What has happened to Amer-

ica? Anyone that does not believe that the United States is in decline is in denial of the truth. It is time for all of us to humble ourselves and face the reality of what is happening to our great nation.

For those of us who love America, it is heartbreaking to watch the foundations of our society rot and decay in thousands of different ways.

According to a survey that was just conducted, only 36 percent of all Americans can name the three branches of government. 31.1 percent of American young adults in the 18 to 34-year-old age bracket are currently living with their parents. One out of every 10 teen girls in America engages in "self-harm." Cutting and burning are the most common forms that this "self-harm" takes.

An astounding 30 percent of all Internet traffic now goes to adult websites. Right now, 30 million Americans are on antidepressants. Americans account for about 5 percent of the global population, but we buy more than 50 percent of the pharmaceutical drugs.

Americans consume a whopping 80 percent of all prescription painkillers. According to a study conducted by the Mayo Clinic, nearly 70 percent of all Americans are on at least one prescription drug, and 20 percent of all Americans are on at least five prescription drugs. Approximately 60 million Americans have a problem with alcohol addiction. Heroin traffic in New York City is at a 20-year high.

Of all the major industrialized nations, America is the most obese. Seventy percent of Americans do not "feel engaged or inspired at their jobs." Forty percent of all workers in the United States actually make less than what a full-time minimum wage worker made back in 1968 after inflation is taken into account. Small business ownership in the United States is at the lowest level that has ever been recorded.

It is hard to believe, but 56 percent of all Americans now have "subprime credit." The United States has the most lawyers per capita in the entire world. The United States has the highest incarceration rate and the largest total prison population in the entire world by a wide margin.

While Barack Obama has been in the White House, the U.S. national debt has grown by more than 7 trillion dollars. According to one absolutely shocking study, 22 military veterans kill themselves in the United States every single day. Seventy percent of Americans do not "feel engaged or inspired at their jobs."

There are more than 3 million reports of child abuse in the United States every single year. At this point, approximately one out of every three children in the United States lives in a home without a father, 18

percent of all women in the United States say that they have been raped at some point in their lives. It is estimated that one out of every four girls will be sexually abused before they become adults.

Approximately one-third of the entire population of the United States currently has a sexually transmitted disease, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Every single year, there are 20 million new STD cases in America. America has the highest STD infection rate in the entire industrialized world and it costs our nation approximately 16 billion dollars a year to treat our sexually transmitted diseases.

In the United States today, more than half of all couples "move in together" before they get married. For couples that have children that are just "living together," two-thirds of them split up by the time they have a child turn 10 years of age. For women under the age of 30 in the United States, more than half of all babies are being born out of wedlock.

The United States has the highest abortion rate in the western world. In a massacre that is almost unspeakable, more than 57 million American babies have been slaughtered in this country since Roe v. Wade was decided in 1973. Approximately 47 percent of the women that get an abortion each year in the United States have also had a previous abortion. The number of American babies killed by abortion each year is roughly equal to the number of U.S. military deaths that have occurred in all of the wars that the United States has ever fought combined.

The list of reasons to fear the stability of our future is long, but regardless of how bad it seems, I refuse to believe a turnaround is impossible. By God's grace and mercy, and through renewed commitment to truth and integrity, the Dream can live again.

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

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couple of weeks ago, I wrote about Westover Vineyards of Castro Valley. Owner Bill Smyth is preparing to shutter his winery because the California Department of Industrial \$115,550 in fines, back wages and penalties for using unpaid volunteers. Those fees put Westover

Why did the state go after him? Smyth suspected a complaint by a "disgruntled" former volunteer. On Monday, I heard from Scott Cantacessi, whose wife, Kim, worked/vol-

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unteered at Westover for 17 years. On her last day, as she was walking to her car, Cantacessi fell and fractured her arm. "I got hurt on your property," she told Smyth. She wanted Smyth to reimburse her the cost of insurance and medical copayments. Because Cantacessi hurt her

arm after her final shift, Smyth maintains she was not a volunteer at the time of the accident. Still, Smyth agreed to pay Cantacessi \$2,000 if she signed a form to protect him from any third-party claim. "Of course we didn't do that, because we know that would be the insur-Amen ance company coming to get

back their money from us," the Cantacessis explained.

Given that Smyth was in a serious battle with cancer, Kim Cantacessi did not sue. Because she did not want another person to get injured at the winery absent workers' compensation, however, she says, she contacted the state.

This might be a good time to mention that Kim Cantacessi now works as a field representative for the Service Employees International Union.

"I have to say I was a little surprised about the fees and interest he had to pay," Kim Cantacessi told me. If she had known about the penalty, she might not have gone to the California Department of Industrial Relations.

Do you think it's right for the state to make it illegal for volunteers to work at wineries? "For a for-profit business? Absolutely," she answered. "I work for the SEIU. One of

our main things is to raise the minimum wage. What am I going to say? Raise the minimum wage, but not for winery work-

Scott Cantacessi says he fought with his wife for years about her decision to work for no pay — well, for a few bottles of wine. He knows many individuals choose to volunteer for vino. "They're doing it for nothing," he said, "because the winemaker is like a little celebrity and they feel like they're in, and they're having a good time." But they won't feel so

good after an accident.

Smyth is appealing \$30,000 of the \$115,550. Though he maintains that he was not negligent (which Kim Cantacessi disputes), he wishes he had paid her the \$2,000. Still, it would be "a travesty" if the couple managed to distract public attention from the real issue. Many local wineries — many small businesses, for that matter - cannot operate without volunteers. The law is bad for business — and

individual freedom. Smyth asked California Assemblyman Bob Wieckowski to talk to Department of Industrial **Relations Director Christine** Baker about changing the law. Smyth shouldn't hold his breath. Department spokeswoman Erika Monterroza told me that the two "agreed to conduct additional outreach and education in his region." So the state is going to spend more energy telling wineries they can't use free help — and you that you have no right to choose to donate your time.

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Average Texas SAT math scores fall to 22-year low

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas' average statewide math scores on the SAT college entry exam were the lowest in 22 years — 495 for the 2013-2014 high school graduating class, according to official results released Tuesday.

The College Board, a nonprofit which admin-

isters the exam, said mean math scores dropped four points from the 2012-2013 academic year. The state's performance on math hasn't been that low since 1992, when the mean score was 493. Meanwhile, reading scores slipped by a point to

476 and the latest writing mean score was 461, the same as last year. A perfect score in each subject area is 800.

Nationally, SAT scores remained relatively stagnant: The mean score in math was 513; it was 497 in reading; and 487 for writing.

In January, Texas formally scrapped its requirement that most high school students take algebra II, hoping to increase course flexibility for those who want to focus on career and technical training.

The Texas Education Agency announced different mean SAT scores Tuesday, accounting only for the state's 5-plus million public school students. Math scores still dropped five points to 491, but it wasn't clear when they'd last been that low.

The public school Class of 2014's SAT mean scores also fell one point from the previous year to 470 in reading, and to 455 in writing.

The agency also in a statement that more students are taking the SAT. More than 164,000 Texas public school students took the exam in the 2013-2014 academic year, up 4.4 percent from last year and the fifth straight year the state outpaced national SAT participation increases.

The state agency added that 63 percent of public school students who took the SAT identified themselves as minority students.

Also Tuesday, the Texas Education Agency said more than 225,600 public high school students took Advanced Placement exams, a 9.2 percent increase from 2013 and more than the 5.8 percent rise in participation nationally.

Texas students earned at least a 3 out of 5 on

195,000-plus AP exams, the minimum score required to receive college credit. That tally is 11.6 percent better than the previous year, and nearly 40 percent higher than 2009, according to education agency data.

Participation in AP exams by black students increased by almost 12 percent this year as compared to last, and Hispanic students took AP exams at a nearly 10 percent higher rate.

"These gains include a significant increase in the number of underrepresented minority students succeeding in AP," said Stephen Waddell, superintendent of the Lewisville Independent School District northwest of Dallas.

Feds withhold \$75M in Medicaid funding from Texas

HOUSTON (AP) — Federal regulators say they're denying Texas \$75 million in funding for a new health care program because the state violated program rules by allowing private hospitals to receive federal dollars.

The Houston Chronicle reports the multibilliondollar program was created with money used to reimburse hospitals for "charity care." Program rules allow a federal match for state dollars allocated to hospitals to cover the costs of patients who can't pay, but not for dollars put up by private and nonprofit hospitals.

A letter from the Texas Health and Human Services Commission said federal Medicaid inspectors found funding arrangements in the Dallas, Fort Worth and Corpus Christi areas that violated program rules. The amount of funds to be withheld could grow if the inspection team finds more funding arrangements violating rules.

Clinic stops abortions after confusion over ruling

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — The only remaining abortion clinic in Texas west of San Antonio has halted abortions following days of confusion over the interpretation of a federal court ruling, an official with the clinic said Tuesday.

Gloria Martinez, administrative nurse at Hill-top Women's Reproductive Center, said her center thought it was exempted from a rule that requires clinics to upgrade to surgical centers.

State officials "called us Friday, saying that we could open, so we opened Saturday. Then they called us Saturday, around 3 in the afternoon, telling us we needed to close immediately," Martinez said.

The ruling last week by the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals allowed Texas to enforce tough restrictions that effectively close all but seven abortion facilities in the state. The ruling provided exemptions for a clinic in El Paso.

The exemption in the ruling was not meant for Hilltop but instead it was for Reproductive Services, another clinic in El Paso that had to close in June when it failed to meet some of the mandates of the abortion law. Reproductive Services was one of the plaintiffs in the lawsuit that eventually made it to the federal court of appeals.

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Randy VerSteeg, HEB Manager and HEB employees presented United Way Campaign Chairman Chad Averette with a check for \$27,773 for their contribution to the United Way Campaign.

When the court's ruling was announced Thursday, Hilltop started referring women to another clinic they operate about 10 miles from El Paso in Santa Teresa, New Mexico.

The Texas Department of State Health Services said it initially gave erroneous information to Hill-top saying it was exempt from the rule.
"We've notified the clinic that they are not ex-

"We've notified the clinic that they are not exempt from the law and they agreed to stop providing services," Christine Mann, a spokeswoman with Texas DSHS, said in an email.

Hilltop performed abortions Saturday due to the confusion but has since stopped.

They are not completely closed, though. They still take walk-ins and phone calls and instruct women requiring an abortion to go to their clinic in New Mexico.

Jailed woman dies after being shot with stun gun

WACO, Texas (AP) — The Texas Rangers are investigating after a 37-year-old woman died hours after being shot with a stun gun while deputies took her into custody at a Waco courthouse.

Justice of the Peace Walter H. "Pete" Peterson told the Waco Tribune-Herald (http://bit.ly/1vMFl1w) Iretha Lilly was declared dead Monday night at the hospital where she was taken after being found unresponsive at the McLennan County Jail. Peterson requested an autopsy.

Lilly was jailed Monday morning for testing positive for methamphetamine, amphetamine and marijuana during sentencing for a shoplifting charge. Lilly was ordered to jail for 100 days as part of deferred adjudication.

Lilly's attorney, Paula Allen, said Lilly became unruly during the proceeding.

subdue Lilly, but only one stun gun was involved.

A sheriff's official says multiple deputies helped

4 arrested after deadly South Texas rollover crash

LA JOYA, Texas (AP) — Federal agents have arrested four people on charges of illegally bringing people into the U.S. and harboring them following a rollover crash in South Texas that killed a Guatemalan woman and injured almost a dozen other immigrants.

The Brownsville Herald (http://bit.ly/1vTVOjp) reports the four were arrested Sunday. The Oct. 2 crash left the 22-year-old Guatemalan woman dead and 11 others injured. Records show all 12 illegally entered the country.

Authorities say the crash occurred as an 18-yearold man transporting the immigrants in a truck tried to make a U-turn as U.S. Border Patrol agents pursued him. During the investigation, agents

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found 15 more immigrants at a stash house.

The driver was among those arrested Sunday, along with two others who admitted operating the stash house and a fourth person.

Texas man hospitalized after bee attack

DALLAS (AP) — Police say a Texas man was airlifted to the hospital after being attacked by a swarm of bees while mowing near a self-storage facility.

Police in Hearne, a small town located about 26 miles northwest of College Station, say the man was attacked late Tuesday morning. His name and age haven't been released.

Police Sgt. Stephen Yohner tells the Bryan-College Station Eagle that firefighters were able to get the bees away by hosing the man down with soap and water. He was then taken to a Bryan hospital.

Authorities diverted traffic away from the area for about an hour-and-a-half. The self-storage facility and a nearby abandoned hotel were roped off until beekeepers were called in. As a precaution, school officials kept students indoors for the rest of the day.

San Antonio man, woman charged in killing

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — San Antonio police have arrested a man and a woman who they say beat a man to death with baseball bats while the woman's three children waited in another room. Police have charged 35-year-old Candie Dominguez and 28-year-old Daniel Lopez with murder. They were arrested Monday after authorities say the victim's body was found wrapped in trash bags in their garage.

His identity hasn't been released.

A witness tells police that the suspects attacked the man in Dominguez's bedroom. The witness says Dominguez said to keep the children in another room.

Dominguez and Lopez are each being held at the Bexar County Jail on \$250,000 bond.

Texas man gets life in prison in wife's killing

COMANCHE, Texas (AP) — A West Texas man has been sentenced to life in prison for killing and dismembering his wife. A Comanche County jury delivered the sentence on Tuesday to 35-year-old Michael Lowery. He was found guilty of first-degree murder in the July 2013 slaying of 34-year-old Amber Lowery.

Prosecutors say Lowery killed his wife and burned her remains after she requested a divorce. Authorities found her body close to the couple's

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he library will be closed this Saturday and Monday in honor of Columbus Day. In

the explorer, here is a quote which I presume he said as he started his voyage to the New World: "Follow



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light of the sun, we left the Old World" attributed to C. Colum-

One of my favorite 'informers" in the Roman Empire is Marcus Didius Falco, a character who comes from the pen of Lindsey Davis. In "Nemesis" (M DAV L) in the high summer of A.D. 77, Roman informer Marcus Didius Falco is beset by personal problems. Newly bereaved and facing unexpected upheavals in his life, it is a relief for him to consider someone else's misfortunes.

A middle-aged couple who supplied statues to his father, Geminus, have disappeared under mysterious circumstances. They had an old feud with a bunch of notorious freedmen, the Claudii, who live rough in the pestilential Pontine Marshes, terrorizing the neighborhood.

When a mutilated corpse turns up near Rome, Falco and his vigiles friend Petronius investigate, even though it means traveling in the dread marshes.

But just as they are making progress, the Chief Spy, Anacrites, snatches their case away from them. As his rivalry with Falco escalates, he makes false overtures of friendship, but fails to cover up the fact that the violent Claudii have acquired corrupt protection at the highest level.

Making further enquiries after they have been warned off can only be dangerous but when did that stop Falco and Petronius?

"Blood Aces: The Wild Ride of Benny Binion," (364.109 SWA D) written by Doug J. Swanson, is the story of the man who created Vegas poker. It is the astonishing story of Benny Binion — a rip-roaring

saga of murder, money, and the making of Las

Benny Binion was many things: a cowboy, a pioneering casino owner, a gangster, a killer and founder of the hugely successful World Series of Poker.

"Blood Aces" tells the story of Binion's crucial role in shaping modern Las Vegas. From a Texas backwater, Binion rose to prominence on a combination of vision, determination, and brutal expediency.

His formula was simple: run a good business, cultivate the big boys, kill your enemies, and own the cops. Through a mix of coldbloodedness, native intelligence, folksiness and philanthropy, Binion became one of the most revered figures in the history of gambling and his showmanship, shrewdness, and violence would come to dominate the Vegas

Veteran journalist Doug J. Swanson uses once-secret government documents and dogged reporting to show how Binion destroyed his rivals and outsmarted his adversaries — including J. Edgar Hoover.

Bob Stanley is a musician, music critic, and unabashed fan and he recounts the progression from the Beach Boys to the Pet Shop Boys to the Beastie Boys in "Yeah! Yeah! Yeah! The Story of Pop Music from Bill Haley to Beyonce" (781.640 STA B).

He explores what connects doo wop to the sock hop and reveals how technological changes have affected pop production. Working with a broad definition of "pop"— one that includes country and metal, disco and Dylan, skiffle and glam -Stanley teases out the connections and tensions that animate the

pop charts and argues that the charts are vital social history.

"Yeah! Yeah! Yeah!" is like the world's best and most eclectic jukebox in book form.

All the hits are here: the Monkees, Metallica, Patsy Cline, Patti Smith, new wave, New Order, "It's the Same Old Song," The Song Remains the Same, Aretha, Bowie, Madonna, Prince, Sgt. Pepper, A Tribe Called Quest, the Big Bopper, Fleetwood Mac, "Itsy Bitsy Teenie Weenie Yellow Polka Dot Bikini," Bikini Kill, the Kinks, Mick Jagger, Michael Jackson, Jay-Z, and on and on and on.

This book will have you reaching for your records (or CDs or MP3s) and discovering countless others. For anyone who has ever thrilled to the opening chord of the Beatles' "A Hard Day's Night" or fallen crazy in love for Beyoncé, "Yeah! Yeah! Yeah!" is a vital guide to the rich soundtrack of the second half of the twentieth century.

"To Kill a Mockingbird" by Harper Lee is one of the best loved novels of the twentieth century. But for the last 50 years, the novel's celebrated author, Harper Lee, has said almost nothing on the record.

But in 2001, the Lee sisters opened their door to Chicago Tribune journalist Marja Mills. It was the beginning of a long conversation — and a great friendship. In 2004,

THE TEXAS GANGSTER WHO CREAT DOUG J. SWANSO

with the Lees' blessing, Mills moved into the house next door to the sisters. She spent the next 18 months there, sharing coffee at Mc-Donalds and trips to the laundromat with Nelle, feeding the ducks and going out for catfish supper with the sisters, and exploring all over lower Alabama with the Lees' inner circle of friends.

Nelle shared her love of history, literature, and the Southern way of life with Mills, as well as her keen sense of how journalism should be practiced.

As the sisters decided to let Mills tell their story, Nelle helped make sure she was getting the story — and the South — right. Alice, the keeper of the Lee family history, shared the stories of their family. "The Mockingbird Next Door" (B LEE H) by Marja Mills is the story of her friendship

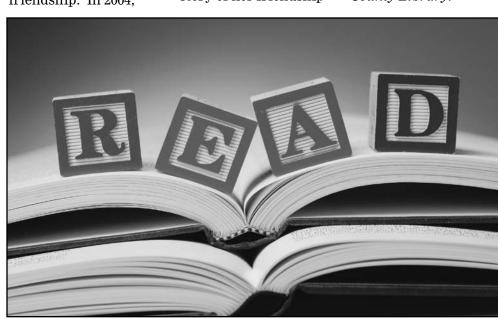
with the Lee sisters.

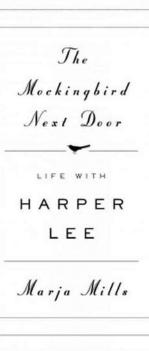
It is a testament to the great intelligence, sharp wit, and tremendous storytelling power of these two women, especially that of Nelle. Mills was given a rare opportunity to know Nelle Harper Lee, to be part of the Lees' life in Alabama, and to hear them reflect on their upbringing, their corner of the Deep South, how "To Kill a Mockingbird" affected their lives, and why Nelle Harper Lee chose to never write another

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Hollis McCright is director of the Howard County Library.







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

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By Steve Becker

A Self-Inflicted Wound

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The bidding: West South North 2 NT Pass 7 NT Opening lead — queen of hearts.

The human brain, remarkable though it is, does not always function at peak efficiency. Certain circumstances can have a numbing effect on it, and for many, one of those circumstances arises when playing a grand slam.

Perhaps North was unduly optimistic when he bid seven notrump on today's hand, but his optimism would have paid off had South contributed his fair share to the play.

it did not take South long to accomplish his own destruction. He won the heart with the king and cashed the ace of clubs, on which West showed out. There was now nothing South could do but concede down one by yielding a club trick to East.

The 4-0 club division was certainly unlucky - but, even so, South should have made the grand slam. Instead of plunging ahead as he did at trick two, he should have paused to consider the only possible danger to the contract — namely, that the clubs might be divided 4-0.

Had he done so, he would have come to the conclusion that the contract could not be made if West had the J-10-6-3, but that it could be made if East had the J-10-6-3.

Accordingly, he would have led a low club to the queen at trick two and, after West showed out, returned a low club at trick three. East's J-10-6 would eventually have succumbed to the A-K-9, and South would have made the grand slam, scoring five clubs, two hearts, three diamonds and three spades in all.

This would have given him 2,220 points (or 2,420 at rubber-bridge scoring) instead of a loss of 100, and would have made the effort to stay focused at times like this well worth-

West led the queen of hearts, and Tomorrow: Inferences and deductions. ©2014 King Features Syndicate Inc

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Syrian rights groups call on world to save town of Kobani from falling to Islamic State group

MURSITPINAR, Turkey (AP) Several Syrian human rights groups called on the world to save the embattled Syrian Kurdish town of Kobani from falling into the hands of the Islamic State group as a new U.S.led airstrikes targeted the extremists near the town Wednesday.

The dramatic appeal late Tuesday came after Islamic State fighters pushed into parts of the town, located on the Syria-Turkish border and also known as Ayn Arab, its Arabic

Kobani has been under the onslaught of the Islamic State group since mid-September when the militants' launched their offensive in the area, capturing several Kurdish villages around the town and bringing Syria's civil war yet again to Turkey's

The fighting has forced some 200,000 of the town residents and villagers from the area to flee and seek shelter across the frontier in Turkey. Activists also say that more than 400 people have been killed in the fighting.

Around noon Wednesday, warplanes believed to be of the U.S.-led coalition bombed positions of the Islamic State group near Kobani. One airstrike, visible from the border, hit a hill and an open space near the

Docs' Ebola training focuses on astronaut-like gear

CHICAGO (AP) — The serious-faced physicians practice pulling on bulky white suits and helmets that make them look more like astronauts than doctors preparing to fight a deadly enemy. These training sessions at U.S. hospitals on Ebola alert and for health workers heading to Africa can make the reality sink in: Learning how to safely put on and take off the medical armor is crucial.

"When you're in the real deal, remember to take your time," biosafety expert John Bivona told doctors during a course this week at the University of Chicago's medical center. Suits splashed with patients' vomit or blood must be removed carefully, he explained.

"As much as possible, grab from the inside" to avoid touching contaminated parts of the suits, he said. "Be liberal with disinfectant."

Looking stoic after this week's training, Dr. Mark Nunnally said he's "not overly worried, but I think there's a legitimate concern" that someone with Ebola may arrive at the hospi-

An anesthesiologist, he's among about 35 doctors and nurses who've volunteered to treat any Ebola patients who may show up at the Chicago hospital. Nunnally said he volunteered because "somebody has to do it, and I think it's important to give care where there's a need."

Report: Sierra Leone Ebola burial teams strike, leaving bodies in streets

FREETOWN, Sierra Leone (AP) — The Sierra Leone Broadcasting Corporation reported Wednesday that bodies of Ebola victims have been left in the country's streets because of a strike by burial teams, who complain they have not been paid

Health Ministry spokesman Sidie Yahya Tunis said the situation is "very embarrassing," insisting money was available to pay the teams. He promised to provide more information later Wednesday.

The World Health Organization

says Ebola is believed to have killed more than 600 people in Sierra Leone, where there have been more than 2,100 confirmed cases.

In Spain, officials said a nurse and a nursing assistant have been placed under observation for Ebola in a Madrid hospital where a colleague became infected after working with two Spanish missionary priests who contracted the disease in West Africa and later died at the center. It was not known whether the two also treated the two priests or the infected col-

The infected nursing assistant is the first person known to catch the disease outside the outbreak zone in West Africa during the current epidemic. She was said to be in stable condition Wednesday.

Kerry to meet Iran's top diplomat for more nuke talks, as each contends with politics at home

WASHINGTON (AP) — With a late-November deadline approaching, America's top diplomat is plunging back into Iranian nuclear talks with one eye on his adversary and the other on developments at home, as pressure rises in Washington for a deal ensuring the Islamic republic cannot become a nuclear state.

The prospect of a Republican takeover of the Senate means Secretary of State John Kerry will be on a tight

Kerry, European Union negotiator Catherine Ashton and Iranian Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif will gather in Vienna next week, diplomats say. Another negotiating round is expected shortly after to include Britain, China, France, Germany and Russia. They all have seven weeks to seal a comprehensive accord easing economic sanctions on Iran for curbs on its nuclear program. Failure could mean the process falling apart.

But there is no guarantee negotiators can reach a historic compromise. Iran has invested billions in its nuclear infrastructure and says it won't dismantle a program of energy production that it considers its inherent right. Hawks in the U.S., Israel and elsewhere fear world powers are making too many concessions, leaving Iran on the threshold of developing nuclear weapons and destabilizing the Middle East and beyond.

U.S. and European negotiators hope that capping Iran's uranium centrifuges at a few thousand, forcing Tehran to redesign a potential plutonium plant and guaranteeing strict inspections of Iranian sites could be parts of

Las Vegas, its chapels and **Elvis impersonators ready** for same-sex weddings after court ruling

LAS VEGAS (AP) — The marriage licenses are already gender neutral. Chapel photographers have been practicing shooting two brides wearing white gowns. And an ordained Elvis will be waiting at the end of the

Las Vegas, the land of wedding chapels, is ready for gay weddings.

On Tuesday, Nevada and Idaho joined the growing number of states where same-sex marriage is legal when the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that gay couples' equal protection rights were violated by the gay marriage bans in both states.

The Marriage License Bureau in Las Vegas is expected to issue licenses for same-sex couples starting at 2 p.m. Wednesday. Idaho will start Wednesday morning.

Las Vegas saw this moment coming and prepared accordingly. The county's marriage licenses went genderneutral a couple weeks ago, just in

Pragmatic 'silent majority' in Hong Kong critical of protests, prioritize economic stability

HONG KONG (AP) — When Beijing cracked down on student protesters in Tiananmen Square in 1989, Bobby Yim was among many in Hong Kong who sympathized with the demonstrators and angrily denounced the Chinese government. But 25 years later, his views on China have changed and he couldn't muster any support for the students now clamoring for democratic reforms in his own city.

"Yes, the Chinese government was wrong then. But we were very emotional. Looking back, if the students had won, would China be where it is now?" said Yim, a retired insurance manager out for a stroll at a mall in Taikoo Place, a few subway stops from the main protest site. Yet there was almost no sign here of the turmoil that has rocked Hong Kong.

"The kids occupying the streets now are dragging the whole society down. I think the economy and people's livelihoods are more important that what they are asking for," he added. "I tolerate them, but only to a certain

Yim's views are echoed by many of the older generation in this city of 7 million, which has been deeply divided over Hong Kong's student-led pro-democracy protests pushing for a greater say in choosing the city's leader.

The scale and youthfulness of the movement, the largest and most dramatic since the former British colony returned to Chinese rule in 1997, has captured the world's imagination, but many Hong Kongers who consider themselves older and wiser have stood by watching with skepticism.

Israeli national library's rare manuscripts tell amazing stories of survival

JERUSALEM (AP) — These are treasures that Israel doesn't allow anyone to check out of its national library.

Kafka's Hebrew vocabulary notebook. The first written evidence of the Yiddish language. And the Crowns of Damascus, Bibles smuggled out of Syria 20 years ago in a Mossad spy

operation so classified that their very existence in Israel was kept secret for

Many nations maintain official libraries of their countries' most prized historical manuscripts. Israel's is unique: It seeks manuscripts from every country in the world where Jews

Now the National Library of Israel is dusting the cobwebs off some of the most prized jewels of its collection as it seeks to draw attention to a new effort to preserve — and publicize these treasures.

have ever lived.

It's pioneering a worldwide initiative to digitize every Hebrew manuscript in existence. It's building a new home next to the Israeli parliament. On Sunday, it sent a prized manuscript handwritten by medieval Jewish philosopher Maimonides to France accompanied by bodyguards for a first-ever display at the Louvre Museum.

Court fight over federally protected bird puts temporary halt to Sandy recovery on Fire Island

BAY SHÖRE, N.Y. (AP) — A court fight to protect the piping plover is holding up a \$207 million plan to replenish sand along a 19-mile stretch of shoreline on New York's Fire Island.

The small bird that lives on the island is listed as threatened under the federal Endangered Species Act and, elsewhere in the country, is listed as endangered. Besides arguing to protect the bird's habitat, critics say the project would be a huge waste of

But elected officials have decried the delay, saying human lives are in danger if a repeat of 2012's Superstorm Sandy strikes the region and work is not completed to bulk up Fire Island as a barrier for mainland Long Island. During the storm, dunes as high as 20 feet facing the Atlantic Ocean were credited with absorbing the brunt of Sandy's fury and preventing widespread damage on the barrier island 5 miles south of Long Island's mainland.

A hearing on the dispute was set for Wednesday in federal court on Long

On one side is the environmental group Audubon New York, which last month obtained a temporary restraining order halting the project. One the other is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, which is directing the project.

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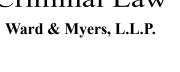
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Cardinals advance to NLCS with win over LA

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Matt Adams could over again." barely contain his enthusiasm — and he didn't really try, either. He thrust both arms in the air while still in the batter's box and added a couple of big hops to his home run trot as he approached first base.

A stunned Clayton Kershaw, bent over at the waist with his hands on his knees, watched from the mound as the long drive off Big City's bat propelled St. Louis to a fourth straight NL Championship Series.

"Some people are calling it the Big City Leap," Adams said. "I was just super-excited, I didn't know what I was doing ... I knew I was jumping for joy."

The Cardinals tagged Kershaw in the seventh inning for the second straight time, riding Adams' go-ahead, three-run homer to a 3-2 victory over the Los Angeles Dodgers on Tuesday for a 3-1 win in the best-of-five Division Series.

"I don't think I touched the ground the whole way around the bases," Adams said. "Definitely the highlight of my career. ... I will never, ever forget this."

Neither will Kershaw.

The Cardinals sent the second postseason in a row with a win over Kershaw. Last year it was in Game 6 of the NLCS.

"The season ended and I was a big part of the reason why," Kershaw said. "I can't really put it into words,

Just bad deja vu all

The NLCS starts Saturday in St. Louis, with the Cardinals hosting San Francisco in a rematch of 2012 won by the Giants.

Trevor Rosenthal allowed two runners in the ninth before getting Carl Crawford on a grounder for a gameending forceout for his third save of the series. At AT&T Park in San Francisco, fans cheered when the rival Dodgers were eliminated.

"It was awesome, everything we did throughout that game," starter Shelby Miller said. "It was a heck of a game and a lot of fun, I know that."

An overwhelming favorite to win his third NL Cy Young Award in four years, Kershaw's October resume is a wreck.

Kershaw dropped to 1-5 with a 5.12 ERA in 11 postseason games, including three relief appearances early in his career. He has lost four straight starts to St. Louis over the past two postseasons.

"I've had success against them, too," Kershaw said. "It just seems like one inning gets me every time. And obviously that's not success."

While the steady the Dodgers home for Cardinals advanced to their ninth NLCS in 15 years, the defeat was a huge disappointment for the NL West champion Dodgers, finished the regular season with a \$256 million payroll that was \$40 million higher than any other team.

Giants top Nationals 3-2, return to NLCS

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) After their summer slide and a September stumble, the San Francisco Giants have that swagger old October

Every other year, it sure seems to work for manager Bruce Bochy's

Joe Panik scored the go-ahead run in the seventh inning on Aaron bases-loaded Barrett's wild pitch, and the Giants edged the Washington Nationals 3-2 Tuesday night to return to the NL Championship

The wild-card Giants, with their cast of rookies and homegrown stars, won 3-1 in the best-offive Division Series by also scoring on a walk and a groundout. Hunter Pence turned in a defensive gem in right field that helped hold the Nationals at bay as San Francisco won for the 11th time in its last 12 postseason games.

"It's been a remarkable journey. I wouldn't trade it for the world," Pence said. "If it was easy, it wouldn't be as fun."

San Francisco travels to St. Louis for Game 1 on Saturday night. It's a rematch of the 2012 NLCS, when the Giants rallied from a 3-1 deficit to beat the Cardinals on the way to their second World Series championship in three years.

Rangers interview Lovullo (AP) — The Texas

Rangers have viewed the first external candidate in their search for a new manager.

Red Sox bench coach Torey Lovullo met with the Rangers on Tuesday. Rangers pitching coach Mike Maddux and Triple-A manager Steve

Buechele interviewed last week. The Rangers also plan

to interview Tim Bogar, the bench coach who was 14-8 as interim manager after Ron Washington resigned Sept. 5. The Arizona Diamondbacks have also gotten permis-

sion to speak to Bogar.



Tony Claxton photos (www.claxtonphotography.com Big Spring senior Erin Pollard hits a ball across the net during the Lady Steers' 25-13, 26-24, 25-16 win over the Snyder Lady Tigers. With the win, BSHS improved to 4-0 in District 2-4A action.

Big Spring takes control of 2-4A race with win over Snyder

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The Big Spring High School Lady Steers went into Tuesday's showdown with the Snyder Lady Tigers looking to put their stamp on the District 2-4A race. They did exactly that.

The Lady Steers ran their record to a perfect 4-0 with a resounding 3-0 victory over Snyder. The win gives the Big Spring girls a one-game lead over Levelland, Snyder and Sweetwater heading into Saturday's match-

up with Sweetwater. The Lady Steers, now 15-17 for the year, got off to a quick start against Snyder, pounding out a 25-13 win over the Lady Tigers in Game 1 of the best-of-five series.

Snyder managed to make a tougher stand in Game 2. The Lady Tigers battled to within 25-24 before the Lady Steers pulled out a 26-24 decision.

The Lady Steers closed out the contest with a 25-16 win in Game

Emilie Smith helped power the Big Spring offensive attack by posting a team-leading 22 as-

District 2-4A Volleyball Standings

_	District	Overal
Team	W-L	W-I
Big Spring	4-0	15-17
Levelland	3-1	20-11
Sweetwater	3-1	18-10
Snyder	2-2	13-12
Estacado	0-4	3-24
Lamesa	0-4	9-15

Tuesday's games: Big Spring def. Snyder 25-13, 26-24, 25-16; Sweetwater def. Lubbock Estacado 25-10, 25-21, 25-14; Levelland def. Lamesa 25-9, 25-14, 25-8.

Saturday's games: Snyder at Levelland; Sweetwater at Big Spring; Estacado vs. Lamesa.

sists, eight digs and five blocks, while serving up four aces.

Erin Pollard and Leksey Yarbar highlighted the Lady Steers' offensive game. Pollard pounded out a team-high 11 kills, while also recording 10 digs. Yarbar had six kills and a pair of service

Julianna Rodriguez and Katie Wash keyed the BSHS defense. Rodriguez finished with nine digs and five aces, while Wash registered 9 digs, four assists

and four kills. The win was a huge one for the Lady Steers, giving the team the chance to build a lead over the rest of the District 2-4A field heading into the end of the first half of loop play on Saturday.

A win over Sweetwater would send the BSHS spikers into the second half of district play with a 1-game lead over Levelland, and two over Snyder and Sweet-

The Lady Steers play four of their final six games at home in the Steer Gym.

Big Spring	. 25	26	25
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guez 9, Katie Wash 9, Emilie Smith 8. Assists: Emilie Smith 22, Katie Wash Erin Pollard 1.

Blocks: Erin Pollard 5, Emilie Smith 5, Leksey Yarbar 1, Katie Wash 1.

Aces: Julianna Rodriguez 5, Emilie Smith 4, Erin Pollard 1, Leksey Yarbar 2; Katie Wash 1.

IV, freshman teams fall to Lady Tigers

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The Big Spring High School junior varsity and freshman volleyball teams both suffered tough losses to Snyder on Tuesday night in District 2-4A play.

The BSHS junior varsity fell to Snyder in two games, 26-24 and 25-16.

Despite the setback, Big Spring picked up stellar play from several players, includ-

ing setter Brooke Marshall.

Spring including Janisha Smith and Alexxes Sosa, who both starred offensively.

Defensively, Big Spring was paced by the play of Cierra Martinez and Jori Hanlan.

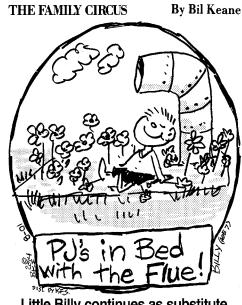
The BSHS freshman suffered

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Today is Wednesday, Oct. 8, the 281st day of 2014. There are 84 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Oct. 8, 1914, the World War I song "Keep the Home Fires Burning," by Ivor Novello and Lena Guilbert Ford, was first published in London under the title "Till the Boys Come Home." On this date: In 1869, the 14th president of the United States, Franklin Pierce (puhrs), died in Concord, New Hampshire.

Chicago Fire erupted; fires also broke out in Peshtigo, Wisconsin, and in several communities in Michigan. In 1918, U.S. Army Cpl. Alvin C. York led an attack that killed 25 German soldiers and captured 132 others in the Argonne Forest in France. In 1934, Bruno Haupt-

Jersey for murder in the death of the kidnapped son of Charles and Anne Morrow Lindbergh. In 1944, "The Adventures of Ozzie and Harriet," starring Ozzie and Harriet Nelson, made

its debut on CBS Ra-

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Wendell Willkie, 52, died in New York. In 1945, President Harry S. Truman announced that the secret of the atomic bomb would be shared only with Britain and Canada.

In 1956, Don Larsen pitched the only perfect game in a World Series to date as the New York Yankees beat the Brooklyn Dodgers in Game 5, 2-0.

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Swoopes still struggling after 4 starts for 'Horns

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Charlie Strong saw Tyrone Swoopes sitting down for lunch and the Texas coach quickly walked over to offer a big handshake and an even bigger smile before the small talk ended with a chuckle.

This is how Strong wants to handle his struggling sophomore quarterback: Build him up. Don't tear him down.

Four starts into his career, Swoopes is in need of a big lift, coming off a poor performance in a loss to Baylor that sends the Longhorns(2-3, 1-1 Big 12) into Saturday's rivalry game against No. 11 Oklahoma (4-1. 1-1) on a two-game skid.

"You always want him to have confidence," Strong said. "When you're good on offense, it's going to come from your quarterback position. When he has it going, then your offense is going to get going."

Little has been going right for the Texas offense of late. and Longhorns fans who clam-

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Carolina at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.

Green Bay at Miami, 1 p.m.

Dallas at Seattle, 4:25 p.m.

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ored for Swoopes to get on the field as a freshman last season are starting to wonder if he's really their future.

Swoopes took over for injured starter David Ash (concussion symptoms) after the first game. Since then, Ash has retired from football and Strong has shown no inclination to pull the redshirt from freshman Jerrod Heard.

Texas ranks No. 114 nationally in total offense. Texas' average of 18.4 points also ranks No. 114, but take away the 38 points in the season opener when Ash was the starter, and the Longhorns are scoring only 13.2 points over the last four games.

Swoopes himself is ranked No.97 nationally in the NCAA's pass efficiency ratings. He has five touchdowns, three interceptions and 734 yards with a 59 percent completion rate.

After showing steady improvement after his first start, Swoopes seemed to take a big

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step backward against Baylor with missed throws and three turnovers. A touchdown in the final three minutes helped Texas avoid its first home shutout since 1976.

Swoopes acknowledged that after taking several hits, he started getting nervous in the pocket. After the game, Strong merely called the fumble "tough" and deflected criticism of Swoopes. But Strong has taken a soft approach with him from the start.

Scoreboard

BASEBALL MLB Plavoffs DIVISION SERIES (Best-of-5) American League Kansas 3, Los Angeles 0 Thursday, Oct. 2: Kansas City

3, Los Angeles 2, 11 innings Friday, Oct. 3: Kansas City 4, os Angeles 1, 11 innings Sunday, Oct. 5: Kansas City 8, os Angeles 3

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Detroit 6 Sunday, Oct. 5: Baltimore 2, Detroit 1 **National League**

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os Angeles 9 Saturday, Oct. 4: Los Angeles Monday, Oct. 6: St. Louis 3,

Tuesday, Oct. 7: St. Louis 3, Los Angeles 2 LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

SERIES (Best-of-7)

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at Baltimore, TBA x-Saturday, Oct. 18: Kansas City at Baltimore, TBA

National League Saturday, Oct. 11: San

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Francisco at St. Louis, TBA (FS1)

WORLD SERIES (Best-of-7) Tuesday, Oct. 21: at American

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L.A. Clippers Tuesday's Games Indiana 103, Minnesota 90 Orlando 108, Miami 101, OT Detroit 111, Chicago 109, OT Houston 111. Dallas 108 Utah 92. Portland 73

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Golden State 112, L.A. Clippers 94 Wednesday's Games Charlotte at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.

Sacramento 113, Toronto 106

Washington vs. New Orleans at Jacksonville, FL, 7 p.m. New York vs. Boston at Hartford, CT, 7:30 p.m.

Memphis vs. Milwaukee at Green Bay, WI, 8 p.m. Oklahoma City at Denver, 9 p.m.

> **TRANSACTIONS HOCKEY**

American League

LOS ANGELES ANGELS Claimed OF Roger Kieschnick and OF Alredo Marte off outright waivers from Arizona. Designated OF Brennan Boesch and C John

Buck for assignment.

TORONTO BLUE JAYS —
Claimed RHP Bo Schultz off waivers from Arizona. **National League**

ATLANTABRAVBES—Named Gordon Blakeley and Roy Clark

manager: Dave Tremblev director, player development and Jonathan Schuerholz assistant director, player development. Promoted Brian Bridges to scouting director. REDS CINCINNATI

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Approved the sale of a minority interest in the club by The Louise Dieterle Nippert Trust to Frank **BASKETBALL**

National Basketball Association

PHILADELPHIA 76ERS -Signed F Drew Gordon and G Malcolm Lee **FOOTBALL**

National Football League

ARIZONA CARDINALS Placed P Dave Zastudil on injured reserve and LB Matt Shaughnessy on the injured reserve/return list. Signed P Drew Butler from the practice squad. Re-signed LB Marcus Benard. Signed QB Dennis Dixon to the practice squad. ATLANTA FALCONS

Signed WR Freddie Martino from their practice squad. Released WR Courtney Roby.

BUFFALO BILLS Signed G William Campbell and DT Jeremy Towns to the practice squad. Released TE Childers and RB Lonnie Pryor from the practice squad.

- Placed FB Richie Brockel on injured reserve. Signed CB James Dockery CHICAGO BEARS — Signed

PANTHERS

CB Al Louis-Jean from the practice squad. Signed LBs DeDe Lattimore and Terrell Manning to the practice squad. Waived DE David Bass and CB Isaiah Frey CINCINNATI **BENGALS**

 Claimed LB Khairi Fortt off waivers from New Orleans. Placed LB Sean Porter on the injured reserve list. CLEVELAND **BROWNS**

- Signed DL A.J. Pataiali'i to the practice squad. Released LS Charley Hughlett from the practice squad. DETROIT LIONS — Signed

K Matt Prater to a one-year contract. GREEN BAY PACKERS

Signed DE Joe Kruger to the practice squad. HOUSTON TEXANS — Signed

LB John Simon off Baltimore's practice squad. Placed LB Ricky Sapp on the injured reserve list. Signed LB Jason Ankrah to the practice squad. Released FB Toben Opurum from the practice MINNESOTA VIKINGS

Signed WR Donte Foster, QB Chandler Harnish and S Pierre Warren to the practice squad.

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Thompson from practice squad. NEW ORLEANS SAINTS Signed TE Tom Crabtree. Placed S Jairus Byrd on injured

Released QB McLeod Bethel-

reserve. YORK GIANTS -NEW Signed CB Chandler Fenner and WR Julian Talley to the practice squad.

OAKLAND RAIDERS Claimed LB Ray-Ray Armstrong off waivers from the St. Louis. Placed LB Kaluka Maiava on the injured reserve list.

SAN DIEGO CHARGERS -Re-signed RB Ronnie Brown. Signed C Trevor Robinson from Cincinnati's practice squad. Placed C Doug Legursky on injured reserve. Waived LB Kevin Reddick.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS -Signed G Andrew Tiller to the practice squad. Waived OT John Fullington.

COLLEGE NCAA — Announced Texas

A&M junior G-F Jalen Jones is eligible for the start of the upcoming basketball season after transferring from SMU. EASTERN COLLEGE

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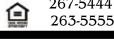
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of the child upon adoption by these

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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

decree will be entered in due

you fail thereof, judgment and

course upon said Petition.

Ann T. Rider (12507)

Wichita, Kansas 67202

Attorney for Petitioners

Attorney at Law 200 E. First, Suite 200

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written defenses thereto on or

Legals

IN THE EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL

DISTRICT COURT, SEDGWICK

PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 59 OF

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO

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;

Adoption of the said child by the

Petitioners by made and entered

terminating the parental rights of

that an Order and Decree of

by said Court: for an order

DISTRICT

COUNTY, KANSAS

BABY BOY JONES

KANSAS STATUTES

Case No. 14 AD 220

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NOTICE OF ADOPTION

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Quality (TCEQ) to renew Texas

Pollutant Discharge Elimination

System (TPDES) Permit No.

WQ0010069003 (EPA I.D. No.

TX007023) to authorize the

wastewater at a volume not to

exceed an annual average flow

of 3,800,000 gallons per day.

facility is located at 3607 11th

Place, Big Spring, in Howard

discharge route is from the

plant site to Beals Creek;

thence to the Colorado River

Below Lake J.B. Thomas.

TCEQ received this application

on August 7, 2014. The permit

application is available for

viewing and copying at Big

Spring City Hall, 310 Nolan

Street, Big Spring, Texas. This

link to an electronic map of the

site or facility's general location

is provided as a public courtesy

and not part of the application or notice. For exact location,

http://www.tceq.texas.gov/as-

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TCEQ's Executive Director has

determined the application is

administratively complete and

will conduct a technical review

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issue a preliminary decision on

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Application and Preliminary

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> public comments or request a public meeting on this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant

> MEETING. You may submit

application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing. OPPORTUNITY FOR A **CONTESTED CASE** HEARING. After the deadline

degree of public interest in the

for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments,

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would be adversely affected

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group's purpose. Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

protect are relevant to the

The Commission will only grant a contested case hearing on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised in timely filed comments

that were not subsequently withdrawn. TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge wastewater providing an

opportunity for a contested

case hearing if certain criteria are met.

MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Full Moon in Aries

This full Aries moon brings up a good point: It is easier to concentrate on the overall picture from a lofty perch. How can you get above the problem, above the riffraff, above the whole scene? Physical elevation is ideal, but if that's not possible, send your thoughts to the moon and ask them to look down from his perspective.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). The saying "the more the merrier" only applies when you have enough plates. And chairs. When that's covered, indeed, the saying holds true. So open up the invite! TAURUS (April 20-

May 20). A simple misunderstanding can grow into an irreconcilable difference if neglected. The thing to do now is read the situation correctly. If there's tension, pursue it. Reach out and apologize for your part

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Unresolved matters will be brought to your attention. You'll see where you were less than gentle in your expectations of yourself. Tonight, seize the opportunity to empathize with the challenges and joys experienced by

others. CANCER (June 22-July 22). Losing feels like winning, and vice versa. Therefore, don't be too concerned about how you're doing in the game. As far as your strategy goes, you won't regret making the kind

choice.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You value your time and won't waste it. You have certain obligations, and you'll find a way to fulfill them joyfully, because what's done begrudgingly ultimately won't count for much.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). As the leader, how you communicate your vision will be key. Repeat the essential information. Cover the main bases first, and whatever slips through the cracks won't be too bad of a loss.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). A moral dilemma will come up. The funny thing is that the traditional advice will seem not to apply. Right or wrong isn't always so clear-cut. What would bring the greatest good for the most people involved? SCORPIO (Oct. 24-

Nov. 21). The qualities that will serve you best today are tenacity and loyalty. You may not feel naturally inclined toward these qualities, and that's what makes

your efforts in this regard superhuman.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your winning smile will attract attention -- you'll get a fair share of offers. Of course, you'll use your powers of charm for good. The question is for whose good.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You win a victory for humanity with every good deed you do. Lately, you're racking up the smaller wins, which is getting you ready for something big that's coming. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-

Feb. 18). Getting in sync will be an issue. First it will seem as though things are moving too fast, and then it will seem that they are moving too slow. Look at this like it's a test to help you regulate yourself with your

surroundings. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You'll be asked to do unreasonable things, which is annoving and maybe frustrating. You could also look at these requests as flattering and a sign that people think of you as mighty.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 8). Your fierce independent streak combines with a surge of imagination at the top of your solar year, sending you off on an unexpected adventure. You'll love how irresistible forces mold your affections in November. Family will count on you, and you'll make them proud at the end of the year. Aquarius and Gemini people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 23,

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Public Notice

TEXAS COMMISSION ON **ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY** NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN WATER QUALITY PERMIT RENEWAL PERMIT NO. WQ0010069002

APPLICATION. City of Big Spring, 310 Nolan Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environment Quality (TCEQ) to renew Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0010069002 (EPA I.D. No TX0064963) to authorize the discharge of treated wastewater at a volume not to exceed a daily average flow of 125,00 gallons per day. The domestic wastewater treatment facility is located at 1601 Virginia Avenue, Big Spring, in Howard County, Texas 79720. The discharge route is from the plant site to Big Spring Draw; thence to Beals Creek; thence to the Colorado River Below Lake J.B. Thomas. TCEQ

received this application on August 7, 2014. The permit application is available for viewing and copying at Big Spring City Hall, 310 Nolan Street, Big Spring, Texas. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application. http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?la

t=32.243385&Ing=-101.45276&zoom=13&type=r ADDITIONAL NOTICE. TCEQ's Executive Director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. After technical review of the application is complete, the **Executive Director may** prepare a draft permit and will issue a preliminary decision on the application. Notice of the

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